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Heavy agenda to face Nat'l Board

COLUMN-LEFT:

Uncle Sam asks forgiveness

Of the several editorials and commentaries published last week in the American press recalling the evacuation of Japanese Americans in 1942 and the Attorney General calling it a "mistake", we liked the editorial in the Stockton Record last Friday. It follows:

"Soon after the attack on Pearl Harbor, the United States began the relocation of 72,000 people of Japanese ancestry from their homes into camps, and later permitted many of them to disperse in areas east of the Sierra. Most of these uprooted people were American citizens. There was no reason to suspect them of unpatriotic activities except their linkage by ancestry to Japan.

"In the aftermath of the national anxiety, and even hysteria, which prompted this drastic injustice, the federal government has recognized its grievous error and done much to make amends. Restitution has been made for losses of property. Bans have been removed against Japanese and other Orientals becoming naturalized citizens. In California, the prohibition against ownership of land has been eliminated. Finally, in a ceremony which took place in Washington, Uncle Sam has publicly and formally asked forgiveness for his mistake from his Nisei nephews.

"The ceremony concluded a program of restoring citizenship to those Nisei who, in a wave of understandable bitterness renounced their citizenship because of the relocation process. Of the 5,766 persons who did so, 5,409 have asked that citizenship be restored, and 4,978 have recovered their status.

"Many of the effects of relocation can never be undone, and human nature being what it is, the dregs of bitterness will continue to linger despite the assistant attorney general's expressed hope that the Nisei will 'have the charity to forgive their government.' "It is a matter of national pride for us all, however, that our government has acknowledged its error and strived so fairly and decently to make amends. We doubt that there is any parallel in history of an action of this nature by a sovereign nation."

We'd be happy to run other commentaries in next week's PC, to, if our readers rush them to us.—H.H.

Full attendance of board, staff members due

SAN FRANCISCO.—Over 20 items are listed on the agenda for discussion by the National JACL Board and Staff when it meets for the first time between convention years here June 5-7 in accordance with National Council action at the 15th Biennial convention.

Chapter presidents in the 85 units across the country were advised earlier this month of the substance of the questions which are being considered, some of which are to be submitted to the chapters for further recommendation and approval.

One of the key issues involves the future of the Washington Office after the 1960 national convention when Mike Masaoka has asked that he be relieved of official responsibility. National President Shig Wakamatsu publicly raised the question in his address to the PSWDC delegates at their Long Beach convention several weeks ago.

Implications of Hawaii as a state for JACL ranks as another important item on the agenda. Mike Masaoka, in his Washington Newsletter (Mar. 20 PC), predicted the admission of Hawaii as the 50th

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JACLers welcome Doub in Denver

DENVER.—George Cochran Doub, assistant Attorney General of the United States in charge of the civil division of the Dept. of Justice, was presented with a letter of appreciation by the Mountain-Plains JACL District, through chairman Y. Tak Terasaki, and the Mile-Hi JACL, by Robert Y. Uyeda, upon the occasion of Doub's appearance before the federal bar association meeting here on May 25.

The JACL in this area remembered with gratitude Doub's handling of the evacuation claims program, and the restoration of U.S. citizenship to renunciants.

Representing the JACL at the banquet for Doub were Uyeda and William Kuroki, representing the district council.

SOUTHLAND NISEI PASS STATE BAR EXAMINATION

Three Nisei were among 139 Southern Californians who passed the 1959 Spring law examinations, the State Bar of California reported.

They are Arthur Yukio Honda, 2931 West Blvd., Los Angeles; Keihiro Imai, 1809 Sawtelle Blvd., West Los Angeles, and Arthur S. Katayama, 1901 W. Santa Barbara, Los Angeles.

UNRUH CIVIL RIGHTS BILL PASSES ASSEMBLY

SACRAMENTO.—The Unruh bill banning racial discrimination by businesses and schools and providing tougher penalties was passed May 15 by the State Assembly 45-17.

The extent of damages for violations of the state civil rights law was raised from \$100 to \$500. It also outlaws denying membership because of race in professional or business organizations licensed by the state or charitable institutions receiving state or federal assistance.

The Elliott bill forbidding racial discrimination in community redevelopment projects was tabled by the Senate Committee on Government Efficiency.

SAN MATEO JACL SUCCEEDS FIGHTING HOUSING BIAS AGAINST DENTIST

SAN MATEO.—Fifteen years ago, Andrew Yoshiwara, born in Walnut Grove and a graduate of Sacramento Jr. College, left his peaceful home and, like millions of other American GIs, went forth to battle the Nazi doctrine of "super race."

He spent a year and a half of actual combat in Germany as a sergeant in the 91st Field Artillery Battalion of the First Armored Division of the United States Army.

Recently, ironically and tragically, Andy was confronted with racist philosophies similar to Hitler's in the quiet suburb of San Mateo. Andy is now a practicing dentist in San Mateo, a graduate of the University of California, member of local and National Dental Assn., married, has four children, and is a deacon of the Sturge Presbyterian Church in San Mateo.

First Objections

On Monday, April 20, 1959, Dr. Andrew Yoshiwara made a deposit through his real estate agent, J. Montgomery Reynolds, for a Baywood area home. Dr. Yoshiwara met the full asking price and cash requirements. The owner did not immediately accept the offer, hinting that there might be community objections to a member of a minority group moving into the "lily white" area of Baywood.

Mr. Reynolds, the realtor representing Yoshiwara, stated that it was unheard of that such a deposit, meeting all the requirements of the owner, would be held up. He appealed to Haruo Ishimaru, president of the San Mateo JACL. Immediately a citizens committee met at the request of Ishimaru and was advised of the racially discriminatory attitudes of certain Baywood residents. The committee was composed of the Rev. Elmer Anderson, assistant pastor of the First Methodist Church of San Mateo; the Rev. Abraham Dohi, minister of the Sturge Presbyterian Church, San Mateo; Lou Jones, president of the Mid-Peninsula Council for Civic Unity; Horace Marshall, past president of the NAACP of San Mateo; Mrs. Emily Skolnick, permanent co-ordinating chairman of the Executive Board of the Mid-Peninsula Council for Civic Unity; and Peter M. Nakahara, San Jose attorney.

Minority Squawked Loudest

The committee made a survey of the general Baywood area and found that there were only three persons who raised any objections. The overwhelming majority of Baywood residents expressed a favorable attitude, and it seemed that the greatest deterrent stemmed from the San Mateo-Burlingame area.

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Confer honorary D.Sc. degree on Y. Baron Goto

HONOLULU.—Y. Baron Goto, 57, director of the Univ. of Hawaii Agricultural Extension Service, will be conferred an honorary doctor of science degree at the Oregon State College commencement June 8.

Goto, who assisted JACL-ADC in fund-raising campaigns in Hawaii, has visited India, Nepal, Burma, Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, Viet Nam, Indonesia, the Philippines, Formosa, Okinawa, Australia, New Guinea, Central and South America in the past four years, promoting international agriculture and understanding.

The Gotos will leave for Corvallis this coming week, accompanied by their son Roy, a seventh grader at Punahou. Their daughter Leora is graduating next week from Indiana State Teachers College.

During World War II, he volunteered for the Army interpreter service and served with the U.S. strategic bombing survey in Japan shortly after the end of the war.

He served on the original U.H. agricultural extension service staff in 1928, appointed assistant director in 1948 and then associate director in 1955. He was the first director of the International Cooperation Center of Hawaii for 17 months in 1954-55.

Santa Rosa JC women elect Sansei president

SANTA ROSA.—Nancy Fujita, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fujita of Petaluma, was elected Associated Women Students president at Santa Rosa Jr. College for the coming fall term.

Active in campus life, the Sansei honor student was among those winning a Doyle scholarship for the second time. Ronald Kaneko was another JC student qualifying a second time.

Nisei high school students winning Doyle scholarships, established in 1949, include: Anale High School, Sebastopol: Grace Dote, Nancy Kimura, Ann Matoba, William Akutagawa and Daniel Sugimoto; Petaluma High: Sydney Shimizu was the lone winner.

'Y' board member

BERKELEY.—Active JACLer George Yasukochi was elected to the University YMCA board of directors recently.

JACL to join in Memorial Day rites at Arlington

BY GEORGE FURUKAWA
(Chapter Correspondent)

WASHINGTON.—Ira Shimasaki, chairman of the Arlington Cemetery Committee for the Washington, D.C. Chapter JACL, announced that the chapter will represent the JACL and participate in the National Memorial Day Services May 30, at 11 a.m., in the amphitheater of the Arlington National Cemetery.

Hisako Sakata, chapter president, will place in behalf of the JACL a wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

Over 40 other national organizations will participate in this simple but impressive wreath-laying ceremony. The President of the United States lays the first wreath.

Members of the D.C. Chapter will place flowers at the individual graves of Nisei soldiers killed in World War II. Photographs of the decorated graves will be taken and sent to the families of the Nisei.

Shimasaki announced that the Eden Township JACL Chapter has again made a generous offer of sending flowers for decorating the graves. Members have been requested to assemble at Section 12 of the National Cemetery at 9 a.m. so that the Nisei graves may be decorated before the National Memorial Day Services.

VENTURA COUNTY JACL SLATES MAY 30 RITES

OXNARD.—The Ventura County JACL will hold memorial services at the Japanese Cemetery here tomorrow at 10 a.m., it was announced by James Muraoka, chapter president.

The rites will be read by the Revs. Taiken Masunaga and Sadao Masuko.

SALT LAKE TO OBSERVE MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE

SALT LAKE.—The annual Memorial Day observances sponsored by the Salt Lake JACL will be held tomorrow morning at the base of the Nisei Soldiers monument in Salt Lake Cemetery. John Kikuchi is program chairman.

EDC-MDC CONVENTION LURES WEST L.A. CLERS

NEW YORK.—Advance reservations for the EDC-MDC joint convention here Sept. 5-7 at the Park Sheraton Hotel have been acknowledged from Dr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Sonoda, West Los Angeles JACLers and both 1000 Club life members.

Aki Hayashi, convention board chairman, in a preview of the three-day conference to New York JACLers believes well over 200 will attend the two outstanding public events that weekend: the Saturday luncheon with National JACL President Shig Wakamatsu as principal speaker and the Sunday recognitions banquet with a prominent guest speaker yet to be named.

Meanwhile, the Baby Bonanza offers \$100 a month for a year as first prize and two consolation awards of \$50 a month for a year, it was revealed by Tosh Hirata, chairman, 1222 Washington Ave., Rutherford, N.J.

Central Cal Sansei named to Boys State

SACRAMENTO.—Three Sansei youth from Central California will be among Boys State delegates convening here in June.

Wesley Honbo, newly elected student body president of Delano High, Jim Takeda of Sanger High, and Harvey Doi of Kingsburg High have been selected.

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Official Notices

JACL STATEMENT ON CIVIL RIGHTS
(To All Chapter Presidents and Members)

JACL has already joined the many national organizations in advocating meaningful civil rights through the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights in order to conserve the time of the subcommittee, chaired by Rep. Emanuel Celler of New York, as it completes its long drawn-out public hearings. But the Washington JACL Office has submitted the following letter "in order to record its special views on this vital subject":

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IN ANY COMPREHENSIVE civil rights package, JACL would include the following:

1. The school desegregation bill introduced by the Chairman and 12 of his colleagues and by Senator Paul Douglas and 16 others in a bipartisan effort to implement the five-year decision of the nation's highest tribunal that integration in the public schools should take place "with all deliberate speed".
2. Equal voting rights, including the repeal of the poll taxes as a prerequisite for voting.
3. Federal fair employment practices.
4. Federal fair housing practices.
5. Equal protection of the laws, including anti-lynching and anti-bombing provisions.
6. Desegregation of all public facilities, including such utilities as transportation.
7. Elimination of so-called "hate" campaigns.

JACL Comments on 7-Points

The sordid yet dramatic facts concerning the abuses of each of these acknowledged civil rights and the cogent arguments for their meaningful correction have been testified to by many experts in the field, as well as by their victims, over the many years—especially since the end of World War II—that various civil rights proposals have been the subject of congressional inquiry by this and other committees.

Accordingly, JACL will not burden the record with a recapitulation of these facts and arguments which are well-known to the members of this Committee. We will add only a few comments concerning this seven-point package.

THE CRUCIAL importance of education to the survival of our nation and to bring about compliance with the Supreme Court's decisions is underlined by the emphasis on the so-called school desegregation bills during the public hearings.

JACL agrees that the basis for all the remaining civil rights stems from an enlightened citizenry. And education is the only means of providing adequate enlightenment which will enable all Americans, without regard to race or religion, to exercise the franchise intelligently, to qualify for all types of employment and in all professions, to live harmoniously and cooperatively in all neighborhoods, to promote law obedience and mutual respect, to secure maximum utilization of public facilities, and to advance human dignity.

How Japanese Americans Fare with Civil Rights

As far as Americans of Japanese ancestry are concerned, the following is an accounting of how we fare in these various fields:

1. Education. Generally speaking, there is no discrimination as such in this field. We do know, though, that many qualified Japanese Americans find it difficult to be admitted to certain professional colleges and universities, especially medicine and dentistry. Most of the national social fraternities and sororities appear to prohibit the pledging of Japanese Americans.

2. Voting Rights. Now that lawfully admitted aliens of Japanese ancestry may become naturalized citizens after the prescribed period of waiting, there are no restrictions on voting by Americans of Japanese ancestry, though occasionally an officious election judge raises unnecessary problems.

3. Employment. Compared to pre-World War II days, when employment for Japanese Americans was limited to few, relatively menial jobs, the situation is much improved. There is still discrimination, however, in upgrading of qualified Japanese Americans, especially to policy levels.

A number of labor unions, especially in the so-called "craft" unions, still refuse "equal" or any membership to Japanese Americans.

While the President's Committee on Government Contracts serves a most useful purpose, we believe that it lacks necessary subpoena and enforcement authority. Moreover, its jurisdiction is limited to employment under contracts from the Federal Government. Many of the smaller marginal companies that never qualify for Government contracts are the worst offenders insofar as employment discrimination is concerned.

4. Housing. Though the Supreme Court more than ten years ago declared racially restrictive covenants to be unenforceable, Japanese Americans find considerable discrimination in the purchase and rental of housing.

Certain "exclusive" areas and tracts, usually in the suburban territories, bar the sale of homes to Japanese Americans. Certain "exclusive" apartments, usually in the middle-income group, will not rent to Japanese Americans.

5. "Equal Protection." Occasionally, we hear of what appears to be unjustified detention and interrogation of Japanese Americans and a hint of police brutality, but these are rare exceptions these days.

6. Desegregation. Japanese Americans are barred from certain clubs and organizations, especially the so-called "pres-

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In Grateful Remembrance

PRESS COMMENTS:

Law Does Its Best to Rectify a Wrong

San Francisco Chronicle, May 22, 1959

The Department of Justice conducted a little ceremony yesterday to mark the righting of a grievous wrong inflicted upon thousands of American citizens in the hysteria of wartime.

Specifically, the department observed the completion of its long task in restoring citizenship to more than 5,000 American-born Japanese who had renounced it in their anger and disillusionment at being uprooted from home and business on the West Coast and hustled to inland relocation centers after Pearl Harbor.

Attorney General Rogers said at yesterday's observance: "Our country did make a mistake. We

have publicly recognized it and as a free Nation publicly make restoration." Dean Eugene Rostow of Yale Law School—a major critic of the evacuation program in its legal aspects—spoke of the occasion as "a day of pride for American law."

Both comments were doubtless well taken. The mistake has been rectified insofar as is possible. Yet the effects of this "relocation" upon the lives of the American citizens involved can never be fully compensated for any more than the program itself can be dropped from American history. The mistake officially rectified yesterday cannot be forgotten.

Justice for the Nisei

New York Post, May 22, 1959

One of the most tawdry chapters in the story of our country's coming of age was closed the other day at a ceremony in the Dept. of Justice marking the final restoration of citizenship to Americans of Japanese ancestry. In publicly asking the persecuted Nisei for forgiveness, Attorney General Rogers acknowledged a wrong born of wartime madness. Let us hope the lesson will be remembered.

The Nisei were American citizens living chiefly on the West Coast when Japan attacked Pearl Harbor. Their major sin was that they were not Caucasian. That their parents or grandparents

came from a country then at war with us served as an excuse to round up almost 100,000 of them, deprive them of their homes, their business and their security and ship them off to camps in the interior.

Ironically, it was Earl Warren, California's attorney general when the war broke out, who helped instigate the mass evacuation because he simply thought the Nisei could not be trusted. It is a measure of his growth that the Chief Justice is now one of the nation's most resolute opponents of the racism to which he once succumbed.

Colorado newsman recalls own paper's support of evacuees after Pearl Harbor

(We are indebted to a Denver PC reader for forwarding last Saturday's clipping from the Rocky Mountain News, in which Pasquale Marranzino remembers the evacuation and the strong voice which his newspaper showed in supporting the Nisei.—Ed.)

BY PASQUALE MARRANZINO

Denver

It very rarely happens that a government freely confesses that it has been wrong.

Yet, on Wednesday, the United States Government did just that. It said, through Atty. Gen. William Rogers that we were wrong, sadly wrong, to pass merciless judgment on the loyalty of 72,000 Japanese Americans who resided on the West Coast after the attack on Pearl Harbor.

You remember that in the bewilderment and panic that followed those months after the Pearl Harbor attack our Government decided it could not take any chances

with these American citizens.

They collared all of these people—virtually in a state of arrest—and packed them off to 10 internment camps suspecting they would give aid and comfort to the enemy.

Of the 72,000, some 5766 in understandable bitterness renounced the citizenship to which they had been born. The rest humbly accepted their fate.

To their credit, many of them enlisted in the famed 442d Nisei regimental combat team which won more awards for bravery than any other U.S. Army unit per capita. The trail of their

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CAL. SENATE COMM.
OKs ANTI-BIAS
HOUSING MEASURE

SACRAMENTO. — A bill banning discrimination because of race, religion or ancestry in sale or rental of any "publicly assisted" housing was approved unanimously by the Senate Judiciary Committee Thursday night last week.

The Assembly-approved measure now goes to the Senate floor.

(Support of this bill was expressed at the recent NC-WNDC meeting at Oakland and representatives of the Sacramento JACL attended the hearing.)

"Publicly assisted" housing would include FHA tract homes, multiple family dwellings built or maintained with government loans, and any houses directly aided by public works or tax exemptions.

Houses assisted by the \$1,000 property tax exemption for veterans would be exempted if that were the only public assistance.

The bill would not apply to individual houses purchased under government-insured loans.

It carries no criminal penalties, but provides for civil damages of at least \$500.

Representatives of the California Savings & Loan League, California Real Estate Association, and the Home Builders Association all testified against the bill.

All attacked it on technical points, and urged long study of the measure.

Nathaniel S. Colley, Sacramento attorney, said their real objection is that "they don't want the bill at all."

The bill was introduced by Assemblyman Augustus F. Hawkins (D., Los Angeles).

DELANO CELLIST WINS
SUMMER STUDY COURSE

BAKERSFIELD. — Jane Kubota, talented cellist from Delano, was unanimous choice to represent Kern County at the International Congress of Strings at Greenleaf, Okla., starting June 15.

A student at Bakersfield Jr. College, she will join some 100 students from U.S. and Canada for a concentrated course of instruction from symphony musicians. The American Federation of Musicians, sponsors of the summer studies, hopes to encourage gifted string students and forestall a scarcity of string players for symphony orchestras.

She was also a finalist at the Salt Lake JACL convention oratorical contest last year.

Sumitomo Bank names two
Nisei as't cashiers

SAN FRANCISCO. — The Sumitomo Bank (California) recently announced the appointment of Jack Kusaba of San Francisco and Hatsuo Yamagami of Los Angeles as assistant cashiers.

The action was taken by the bank's board of directors meeting, according to Tomihatsu Satake, manager of the local Sumitomo office.

Kusaba, an attorney, has been handling the bank's legal work for the past five years.

He is immediate past president of the San Francisco JACL chapter.

Memorial Day speaker

Judge W. Turney Fox of the appellate court was named Memorial Day speaker by the Nisei Veterans council sponsoring the program tomorrow at 11 a.m. at the Evergreen Cemetery military plot.

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Vagaries

By Larry S. Tajiri

A Competent Actor

In his first appearance as an actor, George Shibata is thoroughly competent as the battle-hardened lieutenant, Sugi Ohashi, in the United Artists release, "Pork Chop Hill." This is a portrait drawn from life—Ohashi having been the aide to Lieutenant Joe Clemons who was later awarded the Medal of Honor for his heroism in the fighting for Pork Chop Hill in Korea in 1953. The role of Clemons is portrayed by Gregory Peck.

"Pork Chop Hill," a dramatization of the book by S.L.A. Marshall, is a vivid, realistic account of King Company's agony in winning a strategically useless mountaintop from the Chinese Communists. Ohashi, the part played by Shibata, is not specifically identified as a Nisei. But in one sequence he is ordered to lead a bayonet charge to the summit. "My ancestors used to be pretty good at this," the Nisei officer says, although it is evident he is inclined to question the necessity of expending more GI lives for Pork Chop Hill.

The story of how Shibata got the part of Ohashi should be pretty well known by now. Peck and Clemons, who acted as technical adviser on the picture, had interviewed more than a score of Nisei in Hollywood but did not find any who could project the combat toughness of the real Ohashi. "There was a Japanese American in school with me at West Point," Clemons said. "I wonder where George Shibata is?" (Lieutenant Ohashi, meanwhile, was in Hawaii where he was a teacher and unable to come to Hollywood to portray himself.)

A check with the Pentagon disclosed that Shibata, the first Nisei ever to attend West Point and a jet pilot in the Korean war, had left the service and was attending law school at the University of Southern California. His residence was only minutes away from Peck's office at the Goldwyn Studio in Hollywood. Clemons called Shibata and the Nisei came over for a talk. Peck found him the ideal type for Ohashi. Shibata was signed to a contract.

"I believe George Shibata does an outstanding job as Ohashi," Gregory Peck told us one day in Denver. "I only hope we haven't changed his life too much by making an actor of him."

Since making "Pork Chop Hill" Shibata has acted, with Nobu McCarthy, in a pilot film about two GIs, one a Nisei, who come back from war and set up a private-eye operation. If CBS decides to go ahead with the projected series, Shibata will be a busy actor. Otherwise, he's continuing with his law career.

Incidentally, Peck last month paused in Hawaii on his return to the United States from Australia (where he made "On the Beach") to show "Pork Chop Hill" to the real Lieutenant Ohashi.

The part of Ohashi, drawn as a soldier rather than as a member of a racial group, is still an effective projection of a Nisei character. Ohashi also serves as counterpoint to the impression that the war in Korea was a war against the Oriental race, as such.

THE ORIENTAL trend in American entertainment has been a factor for two seasons now, and indications are that it will prevail for yet another year. The latest Nipponese troupe to be booked into the U.S. is a special revue, now being packaged in Tokyo, which will reopen the Last Frontier in Las Vegas on July 1.

Thirty-five performers, including a line of chorus girls, will go into rehearsals shortly in Tokyo. The company will go to the United States in a chartered plane later in June. The engagement will be for a minimum of three months, with the possibility that the revue will play at least a year if successful.

Now closed, the Last Frontier is being redecorated and will open with a Japanese decor.

Last season, "The Geisha Girl Revue" from Tokyo was featured at the Desert Inn, while the Thunderbird had the "China Doll Revue" earlier this spring.

While Las Vegas is hosting a Japanese revue, the famous Takarazuka dancing girls will arrive in September for a 14-week tour of Canada and the United States, including three weeks at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York. The 40-member troupe will also play the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles and the War Memorial Opera House in San Francisco.

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tige" ones that are social in nature.

Many cemeteries will not allow the interment of Japanese Americans.

7. "Racial Smears". Japanese Americans are the victims of World War II motion pictures that impugn our loyalty and allegiance to our country, are subjected to stereotyping in various media, and are described as "Japs", a racial slur that was devised in the "anti-Japanese" era on the West Coast.

Because we are so few in numbers, we continue to be identified with "Japan", the country, rather than as Americans of Japanese ancestry. This creates a number of special problems which need not be mentioned here.

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Sansei students win in San Fernando elections

SAN FERNANDO. — Six Sansei students of San Fernando High have been elected to campus posts, it was learned by Sam Uyehara, San Fernando Valley JACL president.

Nancy Endow, daughter of Tom and Lily Endow, was chosen A-11 class president; while Linda Shibuya, daughter of George and Chiyo Shibuya, was picked head cheerleader and prom chairman. The parents are active San Fernando Valley JACLers.

Other election winners include Dick Kaku, A-10 class pres.; Zen Takahashi, student activ. coordinator; Doris Mizota, student body sec'y of finance; and Dennis Yamamoto, A-10 rep.

HAWAII'S PTA LEADER GETS SPECIAL WELCOME

DENVER. — Mrs. Teruo Yoshino of Honolulu, represented the brand new 50th State of Union at the National Congress of Parent and Teachers held in Denver. In recognition of the newest states in the Union, newspapers publicized the Nisei president of the PTA in Hawaii, and the PTA president from Alaska.

San Mateo—

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ingame Realty Board which aims to preserve "lily white" areas.

Finally, ten days after the deposit was made, the owner refused to accept the offer. Immediately, a San Mateo JACL committee, headed by the Rev. Dohi, attorney Nakahara, and Haruo Ishimaru, met to act on this first definite answer on the part of the seller. Rev. Dohi enlisted community support to aid Yoshiwara. Attorney Nakahara prepared documents to fight this flagrant act of discrimination in the courts, if necessary.

Owner Relents

Ishimaru directly contacted the real estate broker who listed the property and the owner as well as the persons who were supposedly opposed to the sale. Partly on the threat of publicity and possible legal action, along with moral persuasion, all objections were removed and, finally, the owner changed his mind and agreed to sell the property to the Yoshiwaras.

The San Mateo JACL chapter is happy to announce that all problems have been fairly amicably settled and that last Friday, Dr. Yoshiwara received title to his property.

Agent Fired

An unfortunate result of the episode is the firing of J. Montgomery Reynolds by William Kopf, owner of the Doud Realty Co., because of pressures by the San Mateo-Burlingame Realty Board. This is especially tragic since Reynolds is the only real estate agent in this area with courage and integrity to defy the racially discriminatory practices of the San Mateo-Burlingame Realty Board. The JACL has pledged its aid to him in his fight for fair play.

Upon being notified that the house was finally his, Dr. Andrew Yoshiwara stated, "We are grateful to the many friends who helped us to find our home. Although the status of the Japanese American is the best it has ever been, discrimination is not dead. When the chips were down, the JACL was the force which really went to bat and won this victory against discrimination."

Ishimaru, president of the San Mateo JACL, paid special tribute to the Rev. Abraham Dohi, Peter Nakahara, Mrs. Emily Skolnick, and Frank Quinn for their efforts in this particular case.

SALT LAKE GRADUATES DANCE TO HONOR 46

SALT LAKE CITY. — The 24th annual Salt Lake JACL graduation dance will be held on Saturday, June 6, 8:30 p.m., at Memory Grove Memorial Hall, it was announced by chapter president Ichiro Doi.

Being honored are 46 graduates from local area colleges and high schools.

Principal promoted

Sister Mary Judith, O.P., Principal of Maryknoll School in Los Angeles since its reopening ten years ago, has been appointed west coast regional director of the Maryknoll Sisters, it was announced last week. She was honored by the Maryknoll PTA, which will be led by Tom Taketa in the new school year.

Hui O Hawaii of Cleveland celebrates first club social with authentic luau

BY MARY YOSHIDA

CLEVELAND. — Guests, friends and members filled the premises of the Nationalities Service Center on May 2, for the first social activity of the newly organized Hui O Hawaii, the Hawaiian Club of Cleveland. The luau was underway by 6 p.m. when dinner was served in authentic Islands style.

The South Pacific decor lent the wonderful feeling of actually being in the 50th State of the Union—beautiful and exotic Hawaii. There were orchids, carnations, hibiscus, anthuriums, bird of paradise, puu keni, crown flowers, plumerias, croton and ti leaves, pineapples, and coconuts, all transported from the Islands for this occasion. Centers of tables were lined with these lovely flowers and leaves, and the huge pineapples stood at intervals in stately mode.

The luau menu included lau-lau (pork, salmon and spinach), baked sweet potatoes; chicken long rice (transparent noodles with chicken); lomi salmon (salmon, tomato and celery salad); and poi—real poi from Hawaii, fruit punch and coffee. Kanakan desserts of fresh pineapple, fresh coconut cakes, haupia (dessert made from coconut milk) served on ti leaves, and Chinese pretzels were served.

Hawaiian Songfest

After the customs and foods were described to the mainlanders by various members of the Hui O Hawaii, master of ceremonies Satoru Izutsu "escorted" the audience into a Hawaiian mood. Song sheets were passed and a songfest of Hawaiian medley followed to the strums of ukuleles. Izutsu explained the Hawaiian language is easily read and spoken because it is dependent on each vowel; thus, malahini is pronounced mala-hi-ni, and means guest to the Islands. He then asked how pi-pe-line would sound. Quickly the guests began into the pi-pe-line. "Oh no," suggested the MC, "This is read pipeline in English."

Orchid and plumeria leis were presented to the special guests, including the Rev. Seiki Ishihara of the Cleveland Buddhist Church, the Rev. and Mrs. Lawrence Hall of the St. Paul Episcopal Church of East Cleveland, and Mr. and Mrs. B.H.D. Clark, director of the Nationalities Service Center. As the leis were placed around their necks, the pretty wahines planted kisses on their cheeks, extending true welcome and friendship.

Entertainment for a luau cannot go without hulas and more hulas. And one cannot imagine the beauty, mood and some hilarity which is emitted from this native dance until one actually sees it. Donned in colorful muu-muus of all different colors, Janyce Nakamoto, Myrtle Hirokawa and Frances Hamasaki rendered a hula to the May Day song, "For You a Lei." Lovely guests from Alliance, Ohio, performed to "Lovely Hula Hands." And lovely they were as the audience was reminded to watch the hands because they tell the story. Misses Margaret Sato and Betty Wheeler, also

frof Alliance, sang a duet in Hawaiian and English to "The Wedding Song."

Adding to the hilarity of the evening, the "adopted son" of Hawaii, and chairman of the Cleveland JACL Chapter, Joe Kadowaki gave a peerless rendition of "Princess Pupule." The stunning red-flowered muu-muu (size unknown), the gorgeous head turban, the red carnation lei, and the ankle lei of red flowers pitted against the "petite" barefeet posed a piece of art which will go down in history. He shimmied and shook into the hearts of all, and received a huge ovation.

To touch off the evening of great excitement, a delightful movie of the Hawaiian Islands was shown, through courtesy of Pan-American Airlines, and presented by Tomio Sonoda.

"Aloha oe, aloha oe" sang the guests as the climax of the Luau approached.

Success of this gala event is attributed to General Chairman Satoru Izutsu and his committees: Jeanette Ching, co-chairman; Ellen Ching, entmt.; Aileen Fujitani, food; Janyce Nakamoto, dec.; Ken Asanaka, fin.; Tak Hayakawa, clean-up; Joe Kadowaki, locale; Mary Yoshida, pub. The Cleveland Hawaiian Club was recently organized through the mutual interests of members. Although the name denotes the Islands, the membership is not restricted. Anyone can join the group.

'RAILROAD DAYS' BOOTH FOR FREMONT JACLERS

NILES. — Preparations are underway by Fremont JACL to man a concession booth in the "Railroad Days" festivities to be held in Niles June 5-7.

"Railroad Days" are in observance of the completion of the continental railroad some 90 years ago. The Niles Chamber of Commerce, sponsors, has outlined a varied program including a queen contest, folk dancing, fashion show of historical clothes, and exhibits by the Western Pacific and Southern Pacific Railroads. A parade is scheduled for Sunday, June 7, 1 p.m.

Chairman of the JACL committee Henry Kato is in the process of completing arrangements for the booth. Assisting are Ace Banda and Chuck Shikano.

CHICAGO MEMORIAL RITES AT MONTROSE

CHICAGO. — Hiro Mayeda, Chicago JACL president, will represent the chapter at the annual Memorial Day services at Montrose Cemetery tomorrow morning. Corky Kawasaki will preside.


Selma clam bake

SELMA. — Prizes for the biggest clams were given at the Selma JACL annual clam derby last Sunday at Oceano Beach. In charge were Yukio Misaki, chairman, assisted by:

Keny Yamamoto, George Abe, George Okazaki and Max Kawano.

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NAT'L DIRECTOR'S REPORT: by Masao Satow

'Step Forward With Youth'

San Francisco

At a time when emphasis seems to be on material advancement and creature comforts, it is both refreshing and challenging to have a young person remind us of the priority of personal character and spiritual matters. It is more impressive and meaningful when the young person happens to be Pete Domoto, co-captain of the Cal football team. Domoto's talk, into which he deftly wove his gridiron experiences, climaxed the "Youth Steps Forward" second quarterly meeting of the NC-WNDC, co-hosted by the Oakland JACL and its Juniors. A well deserved hand to Oakland President Marie Sato, Molly Kitajima, advisor to the Juniors, Jr. CLers Ed Aoki and Russell WeHara, and a big vote of thanks to Sue Joe of Long Beach, our National Youth Work Committee Chairman, whose attendance added so much to the meeting. Sue began an active day by serving as resource consultant to JACLers engaged in supervising youth activities in their chapters.

A good attendance of youth exchanged experiences of their respective youth groups under JACL auspices, heard something about the history and accomplishments of JACL as related by their own representatives, were familiarized with the Long Beach-Harbor District intensive youth program by Sue Joe and about the PSW Hi-Co program from the eight representatives who came up from Southern Cal, and speculated on the future of JACL and the JACL youth program.

NC-WN BUSINESS—Concurrently, NC-WN delegates from 24 chapters met in business session under the gavel and one hand megaphoning of DC Chairman Jerry Enomoto. Legislative Chairman Peter Nakahara reported on the bill against discrimination in publicly assisted housing to be heard the same week before the State Senate Judiciary. A report on housing discrimination affecting a member of his chapter by San Mateo President Haruo Ishimaru emphasized the urgency of favorable action on A.B. 890, and the DC went on record to send letters to each member of the Senate Judiciary Committee and instructed the Sacramento Chapter members to represent the DC at the hearing.

The 1000 Club Chairman Kenji Fujii urged members to follow up on 1000 Clubbers whose memberships have elapsed. Executive Board member George Ushijima made a pitch for more PC member subscriptions and explained the new PC community business and professional directory advertising. National Membership Chairman Thelma Takeda introduced the new membership brochure. The NC-WNDC also went on record to contribute \$100 in support and encouragement to the two Washington Chapters to effect a favorable vote by the electorate to erase the defunct alien land law.

The third quarterly meeting was set for Monterey on August 8 and 9, with National President Shig Wakamatsu to share the headline with the crowning of the 1960 National Convention Queen, according to National Biennial Chairman Bill Matsumoto.

PANEL DISCUSSION—In the joint panel discussion, the sharp statements and questions by youth representatives Frank Kawase (PSW Hi-Co), Stan Umeda (Sac'to), and Ed Aoki, made JACLers aware that we have to be on our toes to keep up with youth, let alone step forward with them. But we had our own sharpies on the panel, too: always stimulating Yori Wada of San Francisco, Waichi Oyanagi who belies the traditional "Rev." in front of his name, Sue Joe, and mother of three teenagers Mrs. George Takahashi of Sacramento. National First Vice President Akiji Yoshimura ably moderated the panel through a discussion of the draft of National JACL's policy on work with youth, the substance of which follows:

JACL Policy on Work with Youth

JACL feels that Japanese American communities, its chapters as important components of such communities and its members as parents, cannot evade a direct responsibility for the good citizenship and development of their Japanese American youth.

JACL heartily endorses the participation of Japanese American youth in the established program of organizations serving youth, and JACL urges its members to participate actively in them as volunteer leaders, members of boards, and give generously toward their financial support. Whatever youth activities are conducted under JACL auspices should not be a substitute for Japanese American youth participation in such ongoing activities, but as complementary to them.

JACL believes that Americans of Japanese ancestry can make a distinctive contribution to American life out of their racial background and rich cultural heritage, and help strengthen our democracy out of their past experiences as direct beneficiaries of that democracy. JACL feels a responsibility to help its youth become acquainted with that cultural heritage and past history.

While subscribing to the American ideal of participation of individuals in groups of their interest with no regard to racial background, JACL is also aware from a practical standpoint that many Japanese American youth may be more in readiness to participate in activities with others of their own ethnic background. In some communities, this places the initiative on the local JACL in the absence of other Japanese American organizations, while in other communities the local JACL must be one of a number of organizations working together for the welfare of Japanese American youth.

JACL hopes that its young people will eventually add their enthusiasm and leadership to its strength and effectiveness for the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in a strong democracy, but this is definitely not JACL's motivation in encouraging its youth program. Such future participation can only be a by-product of JACL's fundamental concern for youth. Indeed, the degree to which Japanese American youth add their resources to JACL in the future will be an indication of how effectively JACL will have fulfilled its responsibility to its youth.

FOOTNOTE—The Oakland Juniors thoughtfully buffet dined the visiting PSW Hi-Cos the evening preceding at Doc WeHara's. We felt young again as we joined them with a few other invited adults, but we had the good sense to decline their polite invitation to join them in doing the town after the ensuing meeting.

Nat'l JACL credit union office in Salt Lake City moves

(Special to Pacific Citizen)

SALT LAKE CITY—The National JACL Credit Union will move to new ground-floor quarters on June 1 at 129 W. First South, it was announced by S. Ushio, credit union president.

The new location should prove to be more accessible to members as it will be in the Japanese community where parking facilities are better, according to Ushio. The Beason Bldg., which housed the Pacific Citizen and National JACL Headquarters during the war years, will be razed for an eight-story auto parking building.

Other service improvements were also revealed as soon as articles and by-laws are amended, such as semi-annual dividend payments, appointment of a loan counselor, increasing the loan limit of \$6,000 to \$6,000 plus the amount of shares being held by a member and FHA Title I loans to Salt Lake City area members.

(The National JACL Credit Union is open to all JACL members irrespective of residence.)

Treasurer's Report

Hito Okada, treasurer, reported at the May 17 board meeting that the first four-month operations showed a profit of \$6,130.99 as compared with \$4,491.19 for the corresponding Jan. 1-Apr. 30 period in 1958.

George Yoshimoto, credit committee chairman, reported loan requests have accelerated in May. Up to Apr. 30, a total of \$85,538.89 was loaned. As of Apr. 30, the total loans outstanding was \$301,325.86.

Ichiro Doi, supervisory committee chairman, noted audits and spot check of loans have been made periodically. Pass book audits, financial statements, collateral in safe deposit box and disbursements were also found in order. Complete verification was made of all assets and liabilities.

Paul Newmyer, examiner from the Utah bank commissioner, spoke to the board and committee members, clarifying new matters pertaining to the credit unions as passed by the 1959 state legislature.

Prior to the meeting, Mr. and Mrs. Yukus Inouye hosted the group to a buffet supper at their new home.

SOUTHWEST L.A. JACL PLANS OWN CORONATION

An elaborate coronation ceremony, emceed by Kango Kunitzugu, is being planned to introduce the Southwest Los Angeles area candidate for Miss Nisei Week, according to general chairman George Fujita, at the SWLA JACL Queentime Ball June 13 at the Old Dixie.

Stag-stagette or couple affair, the girls of the Southwest L.A. chapter will be out in full force, assures Hisa Masutani and Mary Arikawa, hostess committee co-chairmen.

Ladies are being admitted without charge, Fujita noted. Tickets purchased in advance will be \$3, but \$3.50 at the door. It will be the final "Southwest big social" before summer. Aaron Gonzales and his orchestra will play from 9:30 p.m.



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National JACL Credit Union officers for 1959 are (from left): Front Row—George Yoshimoto, credit comm. chmn.; Hito Okada, treas.; Tsutomu Mitsui, credit; Mrs. Grace Kasai, supervisory comm. sec.; S. Ushio, pres.; Back Row—S. C. Umernoto, bd. of dir.; George Tamura, sup. comm.; Kay K. Terashima, bd. of dir. and ass't. treas.; George Y. Fujii, bd. of dir.; Yukus Inouye, v.p.; and Ichiro Doi. (Absent are Tats Matsuda, credit comm. sec., and Mrs. Ruth Aoki, bookkeeper.)—Terashima Studio.

Long Beach 1000ers entertain Issei

LONG BEACH—Over 225 Issei were guests of Long Beach Harbor District JACL at the recent Saturday night program held for their enjoyment. Scored as a howling success, it featured a re-run of the recent "1000 Club" fashion show at the PSWDC convention whirling and had the usually mild-mannered Issei in stitches.

From the opening performance of "Hana Ogi" Okita through "Fifi" Ikeguchi who can-canned (and was canned right on his tail bone when he canned too high) to "Muu Muu" Miura, wig and all, the Harbor Community Center was rocking with laughter. This was perpetuated by "Kathy" Takade in a sleek tight evening gown, "Senorita" Shiba, "Poi poi" Kashiwabara and "Ojosan" Iwasaki.

LONG BEACH CHAPTER STARTS BLOOD BANK

LONG BEACH—The appointment of committeemen was revealed in the Long Beach-Harbor District JACL newsletter "Tide-ings" this past week in Dr. John Kashiwabara's column.

Dr. Kashiwabara, who is chapter president, announced Eugene Sugiyama was chairman of the joint community group blood bank with Kazuko Matsumoto as secretary. Other appointments include:

"Miss Harbor JACL" contest—Arthur Noda, Dr. Masao Takeshita, Mr. and Mrs. Haruo Ichikawa; international relations—George N. Nakamura, Frank Ishii, Jim Okura, George Mio and Fred Ikeguchi.

The search for "Miss Harbor JACL" to vie for the Nisei Week queen title will culminate at a dinner-dance June 13 at Grisinger's. Candidates must be single, 18, of Japanese extraction and will be judged for personality, poise, beauty and speaking ability.

The chapter 1000ers under chairman Jim Okita are in charge of the dinner-dance.

EAST L.A. LUAU TONIGHT AT SANTA ANA LOCALE

East Los Angeles JACL is co-sponsoring a luau with Shin Nichi Bei tonight at Kono-Hawaii in Santa Ana. Hawaiian entertainment, amateur talent but more important—kalua pig and other genuine Island cuisine—are to be featured.

Those attending are expected to come attired in "go native" dress. Co-chairmen are Jim Higashi and Mas Hayashi, assisted by:

Miki Hamada, fin.; Roy Yamadera, pub.; Huro Omura, tickets; Frank Okamoto and Dorothy Katano, transp.

Dancing to hi-fi music will conclude the evening.

The luau will also serve as a "send-off" party for Saburo Kido, who will be flying to Japan on an inaugural flight from Los Angeles.

Paul Ryono was joined by emcee Yukio Tatsumi and Mrs. Hanako Manaka in several vocal numbers. Mrs. Ritsuko Iwasaki led the troupe in a Tokyo Ondo finale.

Cabby Iwasaki and Kaz Takade were entertainment co-chairmen. Chapter president Dr. John Kashiwabara expressed the appreciation of the chapter for the many years of loyal Issei support at the start of the program.

Hollywood JACL to fete graduates at outing

The Hollywood JACL chapter will sponsor an outing on Friday evening, June 26 to honor graduates of the area, Mike Suzuki, president, reported this week.

Other area organizations are expected to join the hamburger barbecue event, he added. Groups and individuals are asked to submit names of all graduates—elementary, junior high, high school, and college—in the truly community-wide event.

The chapter is also looking for students who wish to apply for the five scholarships being offered by the National JACL. Names of applicants and groups wishing to co-sponsor the salute to the graduates may be sent to Suzuki at Hollywood JACL, 1815 Redcliff St., Los Angeles 26.

Detroit JACL talent performs for Optimists

DETROIT—A program of Japanese entertainment staged by Detroit JACLers marked the recent installation dinner of the North Woodward Optimist Club here. Yo Kasai was program emcee.

Performing were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ebisawa, Linda Fukuda, Mrs. Fumiko Takata, Helen Fujiwara and Mitsu Kinoshita before an audience of 200 members and friends.

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By the Board

By Charles T. Nagao, EDC Chairman

SEABROOK.—Within the past few months, the increasing number of Sansei boy's absence from classes has been called to our attention by local high school teachers. While considering this matter a serious one, it is primarily the parents' responsibility. And I had confidence the Nisei parents of these boys would take the necessary steps to curb the near-delinquency cases.

However, several nights ago an after-midnight call by one of the Bridgeton city police officers informing us regarding the following incident has prompted our bringing this problem into the open as to our concern as Nisei parents in the Japanese American community and of the impatient and energetic Sansei children.

The incident was the apprehension of a Sansei, about 15 or 16, with a car full of other boys carrying knives, sticks and other dangerous weapons. The police had called the Sansei's father to come and get him, releasing him to his custody; but much to the astonishment of all concerned, the father hung up and just left his son to stay in the detention home for the night.

In view of the active role played by Seabrook JACL in the southern New Jersey area, it seems that the police department has enough trust in the Japanese American community to work out its own delinquency problems.

Few facts are evident in these delinquency-bound youngsters; one is that invariably they come from homes without either a father or mother or broken homes, affording children little or no opportunity to enjoy the wholesome atmosphere good Nisei parents ought to be able to give.

Juvenile delinquency is not a 24-hour malady. It does not develop overnight. Serious and persistent trouble with the law on the part of youngsters can be traced back to a long sequence of cause and effect. And it may well be said that we Nisei who have enjoyed the wise and intelligent teachings from our Issei parents have failed to pass on the Sansei a need found in the cultural heritage with which we, as Nisei, have so richly been endowed.

Therefore, as we seek a cure of this problem, as individuals or as a group, such as JACL—and not the youth—must be patient.

EDC-MDC 'Chapter of Biennium' Contest

The third biennial EDC-MDC joint convention will be held at the Park Sheraton Hotel in New York, Sept. 4-7, 1959. With the effervescent Aki Hayashi, national JACL treasurer as general convention chairman, the various committees have been organized and respective chairmen are diligently preparing for the best joint convention ever.

Perhaps, one of the outstanding convention events will be the 'Chapter of the Biennium' contest, being held for the first time for the eight MDC and four EDC chapters. Guideposts for the contest have been drawn up by Dr. James Taguchi of Dayton and Mike Masaoka of Washington.

Seabrook Elects Issei Chapter President

The EDC can anticipate a very hectic, but a rewarding year as we prepare for the climactic joint convention.

The district council's job relative to our national organization can only be accomplished by the full cooperation of the member chapters functioning as a single unit and the chapters resolving local problems independently.

With Miss Hisako Sakata as president of the D.C. chapter, Hiroshi Uyehara at the Philadelphia helm, the local chapter programs are well on their way. The Seabrook chapter has elected and installed Keigo Inouye as its president last Tuesday. Keigo is the first naturalized Issei to head the local chapter, the first within the EDC. He is a Univ. of California graduate in engineering and is employed as a design engineer by Seabrook Farms Co. In the prewar days, he was very active in Boy Scouts in the Oakland area and is the institutional representative of the Seabrook Farms-Seabrook JACL sponsored Explorer Post X-47, Scout Troop 47 and Cub Pack 47.

He was among the first to be naturalized here in mass ceremonies held in April, 1954. He was installed by Earl M. Westcoat, Cumberland County clerk, who also had administered the oath of U.S. citizenship.

The New York chapter is holding its elections and will be installed on June 9, thus rounding out the EDC forces working to make this another standout year.

SACRAMENTO IN 'SIXTY: by Shig Sakamoto

Convention Workers

SACRAMENTO.—Greetings friends. This column is back in harness and the latest is that groundwork for the National JACL Convention in 1960 here in our fair city of Sacramento has spaded its first lick and I am most happy to inform you readers that we members of the Sacramento chapter have rolled up our sleeves and the gals showing up in their shorts (that's why attendance among men is astonishingly high) are really "hep" to this big job.

This kind of an convention is going to take a lot of on that.

Despite the fact we still have a year to go, committees are being formalized and we're being prepared so that all will be in readiness at the opening bell. And Sacramento JACL as host will be ready to assure each and everyone of you attending the convention it'll be the best ever and we will have a lot of fun in store for you. Just take my word for it.

My job, or I should say assignment as publicist to pitch convention fever across the nation to all JACL chapters every-

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Board meeting—

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State "will cause many profound changes in our national life, all—we hope—for the better." He also felt that JACL's earned role as spokesman for persons of Japanese ancestry in this country "may be altered" should a Japanese American become a member of Congress.

Chapters in Hawaii

Another Hawaiian question involves the consideration of suggestions from Hawaii to form a JACL chapter on the Islands and recruit members.

With most of the evacuation claims paid, the future of the Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims (COJAEC) will be discussed. Other topics include:

1. JACL Staff Personnel: How should Headquarters recruit future staff members?

2. Youth Program: The National Committee for Work with Youth has prepared a policy statement to be reviewed by the Board.

3. 1960 Convention: Listing specific responsibilities for Headquarters and the host chapter.

4. Pacific Citizen: Plans to encourage increase in member subscriptions as well as advertising.

5. Election Procedures: Report from the National Election Procedures Committee to be reviewed.

6. Issei Story: Concrete proposals to get this project going.

7. Travel Pool: The problems faced in the successful operation of the national travel pool for the biennial conventions.

8. Progress report on the Washington Alien Land Law repeal and National JACL's responsibilities in this campaign this fall and winter.

9. Deployment of National Officers to district conventions.

10. National Board and National Committee chairmen expenses at national conventions.

Boy Scout Jamboree

11. National Boy Scout Jamboree in 1960: JACL participation in view of request from Boy Scouts of America.

12. Review of financial quotas and rebates.

13. National Program for 1960-70: Appointment of a "blue ribbon" committee to spell out JACL programs and emphases for the next decade.

14. Adherence to basic JACL membership requirements.

15. The film, "Challenge": Possibility of other similar films which JACL might encourage or produce.

16. International Relations: Review of report by the National Committee on the same subject based on chapter returns.

17. JACL Policy Matters: Clarification to the chapters.

All members of the National Board, including the eight district council chairmen, will be present for the three-day meeting. The following timetable was announced this week by National Headquarters:

1-6 p.m.—Luncheon and meeting, Richlieu Hotel.
7 p.m.—Dinner, guests of San Francisco JACL.

9-11 p.m.—Resume meeting at Nat'l Headquarters.

June 6 (Saturday)
8 a.m.—Breakfast; meeting till noon, Richlieu.

12 n.—Luncheon, meeting till 5 p.m.
6 p.m.—Dinner.

8-11 p.m.—Meeting at Nat'l Headquarters.

June 7 (Sunday)
8 a.m.—Breakfast; meeting till noon, Richlieu.

12:30 p.m.—Luncheon and official adjournment.

(Balance of afternoon: informal discussion among Board members remaining to catch later flights home.)

In attendance will be:

Shig Wakamatsu (Chicago), pres.; Akiyo Yoshimura (Marysville), 1st v.p.; Toru Sakahara (Seattle), 2nd v.p.; George Sugai (Snake River), 3rd v.p.; Aki Hayashi (New York), treas.; Mrs. Lily Okura (Omaha), sec.; George Inagaki (Venice-Culver), bd. memb.; Dr. Roy Nishikawa (SWLA), bd. memb.; Frank Chuman, legal counsel.

District Council Chairmen — Kango Kunitzugu, PSWDC; Dr. James Nagatani, CC; Jerry Enomoto, NC-WN; Henry Kato, PNW; Mas Yano, IDC; Yutaka Terasaki, Mtn-P; Kumeo Yoshinari, MDC; Charles Nagao, EDC.

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San Francisco Auxiliary prepares for June 6 'Holiday Mood' dance

BY KATHY REYES
(Auxiliary Correspondent)

SAN FRANCISCO.—Committee chairmen for the San Francisco JACL Women's Auxiliary's dance "Holiday Mood", on Saturday, June 6, 8:30 p.m., at the Booker T. Washington Center were announced by Mrs. Charlotte Doi, chairman.

Heading the committees are Mariako Soma, refr.; and Marie Kurihara, tickets. Tickets for the non-couple affair at \$1 per person are now available from Auxiliary members. They may also be purchased at the door.

A large group of Auxiliary members and friends heard Mrs. T. Shibata speak and demonstrate "Japanese Etiquette and Table Setting". Issei ladies were also present to see Mrs. Shibata show the correct way to greet guests and hostesses, to sit on zabutons and to perform other everyday etiquette. The speaker also demonstrated the proper Japanese table setting as well as explain the proper way to partake a Japanese meal.

Refreshments which followed the program were served by Mrs. Tomi Yasueda, Misses Kuni Koga and Tess Hideshima. Others who assisted chairman Mrs. Kay Okamoto were Mrs. Carl Hirota and Mrs. Howard Imazeki.

Chicken Chinese style shown to Parlier JACLers

PARLIER.—Mrs. Lillie Lee of Selma demonstrated two ways of preparing chicken Chinese style at the May 19 meeting of the Parlier JACL Auxiliary at the local Buddhist church hall. She first prepared paper-wrapped chicken and then fried chicken with jow.

Mrs. Kay Otani was the evening door prize winner. On the refreshment committee was Mrs. Ito Okamura. It was the final meeting until October when regular meetings are to be resumed with nomination of officers. Mrs. Mary Kashiki is auxiliary chairman.

Cleveland JACL seeks scholarship applicants

CLEVELAND.—Applications for Cleveland JACL's annual \$100 scholarship are due June 10, according to chapter president Joe Kadowaki and scholarship committee chairman August Nakagawa.

The award, going to a deserving local area high school graduate, will be based upon scholastic and extracurricular achievements.

Dental auxiliary

SAN FRANCISCO.—Mrs. Carl T. Hirota was installed as chairman of membership committee of the San Francisco Dental Society Women's Auxiliary, and the first Nisei being named to the society's board.

WATSONVILLE CHAPTER TO HONOR GRADUATES AT BEACH BARBECUE

BY FRED NITTA
(Chapter Correspondent)

WATSONVILLE.—Watsonville JACL will honor local Nisei high school graduates on Saturday, June 6, 6 p.m. at a steak barbecue at Sunset Beach.

President Louie Hayashida will head the committee composed of: Bob Manabe, food; Frances Sukekane, invit.; Masato Tsudama, tickets & fire.

Members and friends may buy barbecue tickets from the district captains or from the committee-men. The price of the ticket is \$2 for member and \$2.50 for non-member. Deadline is June 3.

The local chapter and local Nisei VFW will sponsor jointly Jane Maruyama as the candidate for the Goddess to ride on the float which will be in the giant parade on July Fourth celebration. All JACLers and VFW members are asked to buy the Fourth July buttons to support the above candidate.

A post Independence Day dance will be held at the Veterans' Memorial Hall Saturday, July 11. An orchestra is to be announced.

Sonoma County bowlers end '58-'59 season

SANTA ROSA.—Sonoma County JACL Bowling League concluded its 1958-59 season with the Albers Milling foursome of Hank Kagawa, Lloyd Ellis, Martin Shimizu and George Kawaoka emerging as the league winners.

Ed Ohki copped the sweepers with a sizzling 570-68-638. The annual league award banquet will be held June 13 at the Green Mill. Team sponsors will be honored guests. New officers for 1959-60 are Jack Otani, pres.; Shiz Tsujihara, v.p.; and Ed Ohki, sec-treas.

The Mill's Patio team composed of Nisei women captured the Powder Puff championship and were honored at the local women's Bowling League banquet two weeks ago. On the team were Anne Ohki, Suzy Hirooka, Beth Yamaoka, Mary Hamamoto and Shiz Kawaoka. The same team won the city championship earlier this year.

Sonoma County JACL scholarship panel meets

SANTA ROSA.—Judges for the Sonoma County JACL scholarship met this week to select a winner for the Pioneer Memorial award, it was announced by Frank Oda, chapter scholarship committee chairman.

On the panel for the first award were Charles R. Robinson, asst. superintendent of schools of Sonoma County; Lesly Meyer, of the same office; Dr. Tetsuro Fujii, physician; James Murakami, architect; and Edwin Ohki, chapter president.

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Tokyo Voted 1964 Olympic Games

Nisei prestige, which isn't what it should be in Japan (according to correspondent Tamotsu Murayama of Tokyo), can receive a big boost when Nisei athletes of the United States, Canada and Brazil compete in the 1964 Olympic Games, which this week was awarded to the City of Tokyo by the International Olympic Committee meeting in Munich. Hopes of adding judo to the list of sporting events still reign high. Fred I. Wada, Los Angeles market operator and sports figure, attended the Munich meeting as an observer. Last month he toured Central and South America asking IOC delegates to vote for Tokyo.

Art Kono in PCC Tennis Championships

The Pacific Coast Conference is now dead, but participating in the final tennis championships last weekend at the UCLA courts was ex-Riverside netter Art Kono, now at U.C. Berkeley. He dropped his singles match to northern division PCC champ Larry Moulner of Washington 6-2, 12-10; then teamed with Warren Sisson to beat Moulner-Doyle of Washington 8-6, 12-10, and bowing in the semi-finals to Norm Perry-Allen Fox of UCLA in straight sets, 6-0, 6-0. Rey Maeno, Occidental College Sansei who finished his regular SCIAC season without defeat, bowed in the conference championships to Roger Pelton in three extra set matches.

One Nisei Scores in So. Calif. CIF Finals

Excelsior High's sprinter Sakamoto contributed four points for placing fourth twice in the So. Calif. CIF track championships at gusty Long Beach Memorial Stadium in the C 100 and 180 dashes. He was clocked in 10.2 and 18s., respectively. Excelsior was fifth in the Cee competition with 7 pts. He was the only Nisei placing in either of the two prep meets Saturday; there were no individual Nisei point-gainers in the all-city meet.

Commendable but late reports on track & field achievements by Sansei athletes still reach our desk. Atwater High's Nagai scored a double victory in the Sac-Joquin Northern Division CIF sectional finals May 16 at Turlock. He tied the C 75-lows record of 9.5s. and won the C 110-lows at 12.8s. Kaizo Oto of Fresno High set a C 120-lows record of 14s. in the Yosemite Divisional, lowering his own record of 14.2 set last year. Tsuboi of Strathmore won the C 75 dash in 8.4s in the Sierra Divisional at Orosi High. Hiroshi Fukuda of San Francisco Poly High is the city champ in the 130-lb. division 120 lows at 13.8s. His 21 ft.-1/2 in. broad jump gave him a third spot. Fujimura of Washington was second with 21 ft.-1/2 in.

Berkeley JACL Bears Nab Pee-Wee League Title

Berkeley JACL's pee-wee league team was toasted as Optimist softball champions last Saturday after completing a 6-0 season two Sundays ago. Their final outing was an impressive 13-0 clout over the San Francisco Yanks. Pitcher Ed Sano twirled a no-hitter, striking out 15 and walking 6. In the big league, the Bears shared cellar honors with the S.F. Falcons. The East Bay Indians claimed the league title with a 5-0 record.

Nisei Blanked 10-0 in Semi-Pro Tournament

Nisei Trading's entry in the California semi-pro double elimination baseball tournament Monday night at the Sawtelle Veterans' Hospital grounds proved to be an uneventful one as they were blanked by the Hollywood Stars, 10 to 0. For five innings, Ron Kiino, All-City pitcher from University High, breezed his fast one and bent his slider past the Hollywood batters. He fanned 11 of them, 10 of them in the first five frames.

Up to the fateful sixth, it looked as if the Traders might cop the nod if they could get some runs off the "junk" thrown by Jack Widner. Two were gone in the sixth when the roof caved in on the Traders. A walk put a man on. The next batter singled into left and the ball skidded past Paul Miyasato and a run was in. D. Williams dropped one between center and left for two bases and another run. An outfield muff by George Nekota scored another run. Wilson singled into left and Hollywood led, 4 to 0.

A walk, successive hits, and a boot scored two more Hollywood runs and brought Isamu Uchio to the mound in a relief role. After a walk, a double play tallied another run.

Hide Tanaka hurled the next inning for the Traders and Tanaka and Uchio worked the dragged out ninth when the Stars tallied three more runs. Trading will play its next game in the semi-pro tournament on Sunday evening at the same field. Tournament winner will represent California at the Wichita National semi-pro finals.

BASEBALL BITS: Third sacker Buddy Enkoji was recently named honorary captain of the Placer Union High School baseball team by his teammates. Gene Kaita of Sacramento was second choice pitcher for the Golden Empire League all-star selections made by the coaches. Kaita hurled for Marshall High. Susumu Fujiwara, third baseman for Sacramento's El Camino High, paced the Eagles' 8 to 1 win over Hiram Johnson High batting 3 for 4. He was knocked out when he crashed into a teammate chasing a foul popfly.

Football Notes in May

John Hayashi, Parlier High fullback, was named to the East roster for the fourth annual East-West all-star football game sponsored by the Reedley Boosters on Aug. 22 at Reedley College stadium. A touchdown terror at Reedley High in his prep days, Larry Iwasaki was among three battling for the starting fullback assignment next year for Fresno State College as spring practice came to an end. He was a disappointment last year and especially last spring when he checked in at 205. He's trimmed to 180 this year and showed much of the old speed.

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REEDLEY RETAINS JACL OLYMPICS TITLE, NINE RECORDS SMASHED AT KEZAR OVAL

SAN FRANCISCO. — Nine new records were established and two meet records were tied at Kezar Stadium Sunday in the seventh annual San Francisco JACL Nisei Olympics.

Reedley, entering a large team with an imposing array of Central California talent, retained the Albert Samuels perpetual trophy for the overall team championship with a huge aggregate total in all three classes of 150 1/4 points.

Last year they took the cup with a grand total of 98 points out of the possible 375 points.

The Central Californians also took home the Class A championship trophy with 55 1/4 points, beating the defending titlists, WLA. The Southern Californians, coming up with a six-man team, finished second, both in the unlimiteds and overall meet totals with 49 1/4 points.

Fukuda Outstanding

The outstanding athlete award went to Hiroshi Fukuda of San Francisco, Polytechnic high's all-around star in football, basketball and track. Performing in the 125 lb. class, he ran the 100-yard dash in a new meet mark of 10.4 seconds, won the high jump at 5 ft. 4 1/2 in., led the lightweight hurdlers with 13.9 in the 120 lows and took seconds in the 50-yard dash and broad jump for a total of 23 points.

Another meet star was smooth-striding Min Nakamura of WLA who set a new meet record in the mile in addition to winning the 880 and to running a fast lap on the winning Class A relay.

He lowered the five-year old mile mark of 4 min. 53 sec. set in 1954 by Henry Kawamoto of Downtown L.A. to 4:49.5.

Three other athletes were double winners during the afternoon finals. Dennis Ekimoto, noted So. California prep and junior college halfback, streaked to wins in unlimited 100 and 220 while Tom Sano of Fowler took both of his favorite events, 12-lb. shot put and

discus, to add 10 points to Reedley's total. In the shot put he bettered his own record set in 1958, with a 55 ft. 5 in. toss.

A record-breaking mark was set by Dave Iwata of Long Beach who took the class B 50-yard dash in 5.5 seconds to top the old mark of 5.6.

A large crew of officials conducted the meet with Mutt Matsumoto as chairman. The races were started off by Mits Kojimoto.

CLASS AYE

100—Dennis Ekimoto (WLA), Hamaguchi (LM), Kanekuni (Stk), Saito (WLA), Kumagai (Seq), 10.1s.

220—Ekimoto (WLA), Kumagai (Seq), Tominaga (Stk), Tahira (R), Saito WLA, 22.6s.

440—Donald Hamaguchi (LM), Maruyama (O), Miura (R), Tahira (R), Sumoto (R), 54.3s.

880—Min Nakamura (WLA), Saito (E), Maruyama (O), Nii (LM), Takehara (Sac), 2m.8.4s.

1 mile—Min Nakamura WLA, Saito (E), Miura (R), Ogawa (SF), Ueda (B), 4m.49.5s. (New record: old mark 4m.53s.)

180 Lows—Bill Saito (WLA), Yoshida (R), Nagai (LM), Shioji (LB), 20.6s.

70 Highs—Howard Shintaku (Sac), Saito (WLA), Kozuki (R), Takahashi (R), Aiki (R), 8.9s. (New record: old mark 9.3s.)

Shotput—Tom Sano (R), Yamasaki (SJ), Oshiyama (WLA), Nakano (SJ), Tahira (R), 55-5 (New record: old mark 54-7 1/2).

Discus—Sano (R), Yamasaki (SJ), Oshiyama (WLA), Oda (R), C. Yamasaki (SJ), 112-7.

Broad jump—Hiro Okawachi (R), Ekimoto (WLA), Kanekuni (Stk), Fujino (WLA), Matsumura (R), 21-11 1/4.

High jump—Okawachi (R), Shintaku (Sac), Hada (LB), Doi (R), Hashimoto WLA, 5-11.

Pole vault—Neal Yoshida (R), Doi (R), Hada (LB), Sakamoto (SJ), 12-9. (New record: old mark 12-6 1/4).

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LOS ANGELES NEWSLETTER: by Henry Mori

Fireworks Salute Japan

The American Legion fireworks show at the Coliseum come July 4 will salute U.S.-Japan amity with Li'l Tokio community leaders sharing in the planning of the intermission program.

The fill-in to the gigantic two and a half hour pyrotechnic extravaganza will feature ondo dancing, a special tribute to Nisei ex-servicemen and the trim stepping Maryknoll girls drum and bugle corps.

It was Herb Wada of the Sheriff's Dept. who first called on us to meet Harry Myers, director of special events for the American Legion.

Myers said it was to be his last show in 27 years and wanted to finish it with special recognition to persons of Japanese ancestry here and at the same time touch on the importance of continued goodwill between the two nations. Apparently the bias sting of the American Legion towards anything Oriental has disappeared with time and public education.

It was only natural for us to turn to 1000 Clubber Soichi Fukui for getting up the committee. Victor Ikeda, one of the leaders from the So. Calif. Japanese Chamber of Commerce, was also approached for details.

We made it very clear with Myers, however, that "it is fine to pay tribute to international friendship" but it would be incorrect to assume or suggest that those of us who live in this country are a representative part of Japan.

"While the theme is focused on U.S.-Japan amity, we are enlisting the help of local Issei and Nisei citizens to bring about this feeling," Myers assured us. He said Mexico was paid homage last year.

Vice President Nixon Will be at Fireworks

There seems to be good opportunity for some real public relations work available for local community leaders inasmuch as Vice President Richard M. Nixon will be on hand, as honored guest, to witness the fireworks and the Oriental dancing.

Nixon is chairman of the President's Committee on Government Contracts of which John Yoshino of Washington, D.C., is a liaison officer. (We've yet to meet John personally although on number of occasions we've had the distinct pleasure of chatting with him on the phone).

'De Mo Harayeanai Kamo Shire Nai ...'

If the Romaji heading sounds little sticky to you, it means in English "... but I may not be able to pay ..."

About the best reference you can have in borrowing greenbacks from a bank is to have someone at the money store vouch for your integrity, good character and the "harayeru kamo shirenai" statement.

So it was that one Friday afternoon we trekked to Sumitomo, armed with Frank Omatsu's good words (we believe) to cart out some moola on a term basis. We finally decided to buy another Dodge again. And Omatsu is the PR man for the Sumitomo Bank, you see.

Must admit that the loan came rather easily—look who we are (a bum?) Everyone was polite. No one questioned our application and in matter of several minutes we had the bank draft. Of course, Buster, time will tell ... time will tell. Three years ... ?

SACRAMENTO IN 'SIXTY: by Shig Sakamoto

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where, is going to be an all-out job for me and I hope that some of you dream about it in your sleep so don't say I never warned you.

We want you to come to Sacramento, bring the family and make it a combination vacation deal. Remember, the convention dates are June 28-July 2. You will also have the July 3-4 (already a holiday) weekend for side trips to Lake Tahoe on Highway 50 (about 2½ hours drive) or Reno on Highway 40 (about 3 hours drive) or maybe towards San Francisco and Santa Cruz. Perhaps cruising around in our own town where historic Sutter's Fort, the beautiful city of trees and the Capitol buildings might be in order to wind up the convention.

OUR CHAPTER IS holding a contest to select a convention theme among our members and thereby giving each member an opportunity to contribute his or her thoughts and the winner will receive a package deal for the National Convention, consisting of tickets to all regularly scheduled events.

I was thinking about entering this contest and if I won might be able to save a few dollars for expenses but got direct orders from my immediate boss that members of the convention board are ineligible, but it was a good try.

According to Tak Tsujita, our convention booklet chairman, he claims that it will be something different and unique. This I got to see as I kidded the young man who is employed as bookkeeper for a chain store. This man has ideas and promises that the booklet will be something of a hum-dinger. From the front page to the back cover you'll find everything you need to know and even everybody's name will be in it if you could find it, so he said. Do you think it would be worth it to buy this man a nice meal so that MY NAME will be in the right place?

So far the Convention Board consists of general chairman, Bill Matsumoto; convention co-chairman, Toko Fujii and Tak Tsujita; secretary-treasurer, Harry Fujii; public relations chairman, Henry Taketa; and publicity chairman, Shig Sakamoto. Several more chairmen will be added to oversee the entire project.

Coming to the queen contest, always a colorful part of the convention, it is headed by Mrs. Mary Yamamoto whose recent announcement on rules and regulations were that participants must be from the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council area, single, between ages 18 to 25 and at least 5 feet 1 inch. Other measurements aren't required but I guess it isn't really necessary. That's the job I requested, I mean as a chaperone for the queen and the runners-up but was turned down cold. They told me in a soothing way that the job was taken by a very matronly o-basan. At least I tried.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

SAN FRANCISCO

Abe, Victor S.—girl Susan Mariko, Apr. 15.
Awamine, Edward—girl, Mar. 27.
Fujii, Lincoln—boy, Mar. 12.
Futaba, Hiroshi—girl, Apr. 8.
Kawahara, Francis—boy, Mar. 22.
Koga, James Y.—boy, Apr. 22.
Komatsu, Sakae—boy, Apr. 7.
Matsumura, Richard—girl, Mar. 25.
Murozumi, James H.—Apr. 2.
Morozumi, William—boy, Mar. 17.
Nakai, Michikazu—girl, Mar. 9.
Nishio, Herbert K.—girl, Apr. 8.
Okamura, Tosh—boy, Mar. 26.
Onishi, Kanji—girl, Feb. 12.
Sakamoto, Takayuki—girl, Mar. 14.
Shikuzawa, James—girl, Feb. 13.
Shinkai, Dr. Lloyd—girl, Mar. 7.
Suzaki, Richard—boy, Mar. 26.
Suzuki, Kazuo—boy, Mar. 31.
Tsuda, Masamitsu—boy, Mar. 5.

ENGAGEMENTS

Fukano-Sonoda—Eniko, Hanford, to Thomas, San Luis Rey.
Hamasaki-Ichijiu—Hideko, San Mateo, to Harry, Monterey.
Mizuno-Aoki—Yachiyo, Los Angeles, to Kaoru, Madera.
Nakashima-Tsuiji—Janis, East Palo Alto, to Bill A., San Francisco.
Yoshida-Yasui—Harriet, Campbell, to Ken, Tracy.

DEATHS

Hamaguchi, David: Livingston, May 4—(b) Hiroshi, Gene, Ken, Joe, Howard (s) Mmes. Mine Sasaki, Kiyo Shoji.
Hatano, James K., 65: Los Angeles, May 4.
Hattori, Ben N., 44: Los Angeles (ex-Brawley, May 5—(w) Takako, (s) Steven (d) Joyce, Judy, Janice, (m) Kotsuru, (b) William, (s) Mmes. Fumiko Hosaka, Toyoko Hirai.
Ishii, Bob G., 61: Los Angeles, Apr. 29.
Ishii, Ginnosuke, 61: Los Angeles, Apr. 27.
Miyagishima, Yoshimi, 33: os Angeles, May 20 (w) Lillie, 2 daughters, (p) Mr. and Mrs. Kitano, brother and 4 sisters.
Muraoka, Somoyo, 69: Sacramento, May 18.
Nakamura, Yuki, 67: Los Angeles, Apr. 23.
Nakashima, May N., 51: West Los Angeles, May 1—(h) Denby, (s) Dennis, Donald, (m) Mrs. Chiyono Tominoaga, (b) Harry, Bob, Henry Masao, Edward, (s) Mmes. Tsutaye Okazaki, Mary Toda.
Nishikata, Seizo, 70: West Los Angeles, Apr. 27.
Nomura, Tsuru, 80: Garden Grove, May 3.
Okubo, Otonosuke, 77: Los Angeles, May 6.
Okimoto, Kenkichi, 74: Marysville, May 2.
Satow, Tomijiro, 80: Gardena, May 4.
Tachibana, Wasaburo, 57: Mountain View, May 2.
Tanaka, Mrs. Reiko, 42: Oxnard, May 19—(h) Masaharu, 2 sons, 3 daughters, (p) Mr. and Mrs. Sota Furuchi.
Tanaka, Yoshito, 54: Los Angeles, May 3.
Tashima, Guntaro, 73: Los Angeles, Apr. 27.
Toyama, Sentaro, 85: Fowler (in Okinawa), Apr. 29.
Tsushima, Nisuke, 80: Pasadena, Apr. 23.
Wada, Jotaro: Sacramento, May 2.
Yoshimoto, Katsuo, 72: Parlier, May 18.

SAN JOSE CHAPTER

BRIDGE NIGHT JUNE 6

SAN JOSE. — San Jose JACL will sponsor "Bridge Nite" on Saturday, June 6 at the banquet room of local Buddhist church from 8 p.m., it was announced by co-chairman Dr. T. Ishikawa and Shig Masunaga. The group will be divided into duplicate and rubber bridge, and trophies will be given to winners in both divisions.

The evening is open to anyone interested in bridge. Members of Sequoia, San Mateo and San Francisco bridge classes and clubs are expected to participate.

Betty Ichishita and Grace Hane are in charge of refreshments.

Mother of Year

FRESNO. — Mrs. Toyo Kazato was selected Mother of the Year at the recent International Institute Mothers Day program. Her children include Henry, a physician; Hugo, an attorney, and Mrs. Helen Hasegawa.

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Michener's latest book on 'Hawaii' runs some 800 pages, 'most ambitious' effort

HONOLULU. — A new love story, entitled "Hawaii", running some 800 pages has just been written by James A. Michener, his 12th book, reports Robert Tuckman of the Honolulu Associated Press.

"I think it is the best thing I've done," says Michener. "Certainly, it's the most ambitious thing I've ever done. I've been working on it for about three years."

"I started the final draft on May 1 of last year and I worked on it every day until last March 1, except for a trip I made to San Francisco for four days."

"It is a story of how Polynesians, missionaries, Chinese and Japanese came to these islands and learned to live together side by side," he said.

"It has two climactic moments—"

Torrance school leader picked Relays queen

Mitzi Yoshioka, 16, daughter of Mrs. Kiyoko Yoshioka of Torrance, was picked Nisei Relays queen and will reign at the annual JACL track meet this Sunday at Rancho Cienega stadium. She was sponsored by Gardena Valley Hi-Co.

The Torrance South High student body president will be assisted by Judi Sakimoto, Long Beach; Marcella Tsuchiya, Pasadena; Susan Shimizu, San Fernando; and Amy Hiroshige, Southwest L.A.

Imperial Gardens entry wins 'Miss Sunset Strip'

June Yoshimoto Kawai, representing Imperial Gardens, won the "Miss Sunset Strip" beauty contest sponsored by the Sunset Strip International Restaurant Assn. last week.

June, who reigned as the first National JACL queen in Salt Lake City a decade ago, received a trophy, gifts and merchandise awards. The judging was held at George Furuta's swank sukiyaki house on the Strip.

SAN FERNANDO DANCE FOR NISEI WEEK SET

NORTH HOLLYWOOD. — San Fernando Valley Nisei organizations will hold their fourth annual Nisei Week Queen Coronation Ball, Friday, June 19, at U.A.W. Hall, 11625 Sherman Way, North Hollywood. Music will be furnished by Jackie Albert's Orchestra. Dance co-chairmen are John Kaneko and Roy Murakami.

NISEI HEADS DENVER'S 24TH ST. SCHOOL PTA

DENVER. — Mrs. Takeshi Hayashida, 1923 Larimer St., was elected president of the Mary Crofton School PTA for the ensuing year. In such capacity as president, Mrs. Hayashida recommended increased teachers and facilities at the over-crowded 24th St. school, in a formal letter to the Superintendent Kenneth E. Oberholtzer.

A considerable number of Nisei and Sansei children attend, and many Nisei parents participate in the Mary Crofton school activities. Y. Tak Terasaki, Mountain-Plains JACL chairman, was a former student at the old 24th St. school during the 1920's, and served on the Board of Management. Min Yasui, attorney, is now serving on the Lay Advisory committee at the school.

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Too Many Characters
"I doubt if it can be serialized or made into a movie. The characters are too numerous and they change too fast."

"The underlying thread in the book is the Islands. They remain, and the people change."

"I think it is a major work, a real effort."

Michener, 52, wrote the book in a small office he maintains in the same eight-story apartment building at Waikiki where he lives with his attractive wife, the former Mari Sabusawa of Chicago.

"The purpose of the book is to explain why Hawaii is the wonderful place it is," he said.

"It deals with how people and ideas got here and how the people learned to live together in harmony."

"There are four families, and the book follows their fortunes."

Evacuation —

(Continued from Page 2)

glorious conduct in battle is marked by countless graves in Italy.

The evacuation from California and Oregon was swift and cruel. War is a swift and cruel master of situations. Wonderfully productive farms the Nisei had nurtured were confiscated and turned over to other people. Homes were taken over and sold.

Now—17 years later—restitution has been made. Those who renounced citizenship have had it re-joyed. Among the whole group, evidence of disloyalty was almost nil.

In those days of the transfer, many states turned away from the desperate victims of the move. But to the credit of Colorado and Wyoming, they opened up their borders to a great number of the interned.

Giant internment camps were set up at Granada in Colorado and at Heart Mountain in Wyoming.

But it wasn't all great understanding and humanity. Many Colorado groups and some newspapers of influence raised a great cry of treason and stupidity.

Many politicians took to the rostrum and denounced the move as un-American.

And to the great credit of The Rocky Mountain News, it rose as a strong voice in the area to stand for right and justice. This newspaper called for admission of the Nisei and recognition of their rights as citizens and human beings.

The clamor impressed, at least, the late Gov. Ralph L. Carr. He took a stand that Colorado would accept the refugees.

Now, after 17 years, the Government apologizes. Colorado and Wyoming are rewarded for their courage and conviction by a group of hard-working, law-abiding and prosperous citizens.

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NEWSLETTER

BY MIKE MASAOKA

The Renunciant Program

Washington D.C.

"U.S. BEGS Nisei's Pardon For Internment in War" and "Nisei Asked by U.S. To Forgive War Deeds" were the front-page headlines of the New York Herald Tribune and the Washington Post and Times-Herald, respectively, reporting last week's ceremonies in the Office of the Attorney General of the United States which terminated the administrative program restoring citizenship to most of the Nisei who had renounced their birthright in the spring of 1945 as a consequence of their evacuation and relocation experiences.

These two headlines were typical of many across the country which carried United Press International's story whose lead paragraphs read: "The United States Government today (May 20) publically sought forgiveness from thousands of Americans of Japanese ancestry who were forced into World War II's 'relocation centers' after the attack on Pearl Harbor."

"At a ceremony attended by high Government officials, the Justice Department formally completed a program to return American citizenship to most of those Nisei who renounced it in a wave of bitterness against their confinement."

"Attorney General William P. Rogers said the program was an attempt to 'make up for a mistake our nation made' toward a group of its citizens. Assistant Attorney General George C. Doub hoped the Nisei would 'have the charity to forgive their Government.'"

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WHAT A CONTRAST to the headlines and stories of 17 years ago which helped create the climate which enabled General John L. DeWitt and the Army to proceed with the mass military evacuation of 1942.

And, perhaps as much as any other indication, these headlines suggest the general acceptance of Americans of Japanese ancestry throughout the land today.

As far as we have been able to ascertain thus far, with one general exception, the nation's press has been most sympathetic in publicizing and even editorializing the Justice Department's program. The only exception that we are aware of—and one that was not carried in any of the Washington newspapers—was out of San Francisco, by the Scripps-Howard chain, and quoted attorney Wayne Collins' bitter attack against the Government's whole handling of this renunciant program.

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AS FAR AS civil rights and the integrity of citizenship issues are concerned, this latest "Japanese American" program terminated by the Department of Justice is far more meaningful than its evacuation claims program which was completed last Nov. 10.

Nevertheless, the so-called renunciant program will not be completely resolved until the remaining "hard core" of some 350 renunciants who have not been "cleared" by either the courts. And until the courts have spoken, there will always remain a question as to whether the renunciation of litigation or the Government have their final status defined citizenship under such circumstances as those brought about by evacuation and relocation is constitutional. More, perhaps these final few renunciants may be the ones who may again challenge the constitutionality of the evacuation itself.

Thus, though the administrative phase of the program is completed, the fundamental question of the renunciation act itself is far from having been answered. No doubt it will be many more years before we have the final answer.

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SINCE LAST WEEK'S announcement, there have been questions as to whether the Justice Department's actions mean that all renunciants in this country may consider that their citizenship has been restored.

While for all practical purposes this is correct, it is advised that all renunciants who do not have some documentary evidence of their restored citizenship, write to the Civil Division, Department of Justice, Washington 25, D.C., immediately for (1) the return of their birth certificate which was surrendered at the time of the renunciation, and (2) some statement to the effect that their renunciation was in the first instance null and void or restored for one reason or another.

John Foster Dulles

FORMER SECRETARY OF State John Foster Dulles died last Sunday of cancer.

Probably no Secretary of State in our history has had more intimate knowledge of Japan and has contributed so much to the promotion of understanding and cooperation between Japan and the United States than has this dedicated statesman who all his life seemed destined to serve our country as our principal foreign policy officer in our period of greatest travail.

One of America's principal architects of the United Nations, he also helped forge the chain of alliances throughout the free world which serve to contain communist imperialism.

Whatever criticisms may be directed against his policies, the proof of his stewardship of our foreign relations is that, in spite of brinkmanship, we are still enjoying a kind of peace which is still far short of a shooting war.

His most lasting memorial, however, may well be the Japanese Peace Treaty, a new kind of document which features not reparations and recriminations but reconciliation and reconstruction. He has sponsored Japan's efforts to re-enter the community of free nations as a respected Asian leader.

The United States, Japan, and the Free World have lost a gallant champion, a courageous statesman, and an inspired leader.

USE OF VESTED PROPERTY TO PAY U.S. WAR CLAIMS PROTESTED BY JACL

(JACL News Service)

WASHINGTON.—The Japanese American Citizens League opposed the use of wartime vested property funds for the payment of American war claims against Germany and Japan in a letter to a House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Subcommittee on Finance and Commerce considering war claims legislation.

Since the hearings were limited to members of Congress and of the War Claims Settlement Commission, Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative, sent a letter expressing the organization's views to chairman Peter F. Mack, Jr. (D., Ill.), of the subcommittee.

Masaoka stated that JACL does not "have any objections to the payment of legitimate American private and corporate war claims against Germany and Japan—as some of the bills authorize."

Reason for Protest

"If, however, your subcommittee contemplates the use of the liquidated proceeds from the private German and Japanese property sequestered by the Alien Property Custodian and its successor Office of Alien Property, Department of Justice, during and after World War II, for the payment of these claims—also as provided in some of the bills under consideration—we do object most strenuously."

"We believe that the public interest is best served when the Congress appropriates directly for any project or program that requires the use of public funds. Accordingly, we respectfully suggest that the payment of authorized war claims be provided through congressional appropriations."

"Again, it is established American custom that private property

should not be used for a public obligation. The vested assets of which we speak are the private property of individuals, and not of the governments with which we were at war. Some of the property belongs to United States citizens, to resident aliens, and to the beneficiaries who happened to be living in 'enemy' territory during hostilities, of insurance policies, trusts, estates, bank deposits, etc., of American citizens who earned the sequestered funds in this country. The rest belongs to individuals and companies who should not now be penalized for having had the faith and confidence to do business in the United States prior to the war.

Undue Delay Cited

"At the same time, may we respectfully remind your Subcommittee of our traditional policy and practice of returning private property, vested during wartime, after hostilities have ended. We have followed this principle because of our historic belief in the sanctity of private property."

"In these troubled and tension-filled days, when we are engaged in 'total war' against what we now call communist imperialism, we must realize that one of the fundamental questions relates to private property versus state property. Moreover, with more than 30 billions in private American investments abroad in an era when expropriation may well be a weapon in the hands of nationalistic forces throughout the world, it is our belief that we can ill afford to abandon our professions regarding the inviolability of private property in our capitalistic economy."

"It is not our purpose in this letter to argue the case for the return of private wartime vested property, though we shall be pleased to do so if and when your Subcommittee holds public hearings on this vital subject."

"Suffice it to say that it is not only highly discriminatory, but also most detrimental to our national and international self-interest to have returned or authorized the return of wartime sequestered property to the Italians, the Bulgarians, the Rumanians, the Hungarians, and the Austrians, while denying the same right or privilege to the Germans and the Japanese, especially when three of the five countries to which return has been authorized are satellites of the Soviet Union."

COLORADO 1000ER HEADS FOR PICKLE CONVENTION

DENVER.—Mr. and Mrs. James Imatani left last week for a pickle convention in Seattle. While in the Northwest, Imatani expected to get in some salmon fishing on Puget Sound. Imatani is a prominent Nisei leader in the Brighton community, and the Mile-Hi JACL 1000-Club chairman.

FARMERS JAM SAC'TO CAPITOL IN PROTEST

SACRAMENTO.—Gov. Brown's bill to repeal the jurisdictional strike act and setting forth new ground rules for organizing efforts by labor unions was tabled in the Senate Labor Committee by a 5-2 vote last week.

The largest crowd in recent years, upwards of 1,000 persons, crammed the Assembly chamber to hear debate on AB 419 by Assemblyman Allen Miller (D., San Fernando).

Most of the crowd were farmers, including several Nisei who had expressed opposition to the bill because it would prohibit their right to get a fast court injunction to stop a labor dispute or prevent picketing and thus endanger the harvesting of perishable crops.

PARLIER JACL FLOAT DEPICTS NEW STATES

PARLIER.—A float depicting the new states of Alaska and Hawaii was decorated and entered in the recent Parlier Veterans Round-Up parade by the Parlier JACL. It won second prize in the commercial division.

On one end of the float was an igloo with Rickey Watamura as an Eskimo boy fishing. And separated by a beautiful blue ocean scene, on the other end was a Hawaiian beach scene, complete with palms, tropical fruits and plants and a cute little Hawaiian girl, Shari Ann Kimoto, strumming a ukulele.

The chapter last Sunday enjoyed a family outing at Oceano.

Honolulu Nisei to graduate West Point

WEST POINT, N.Y.—Cadet Arthur S. Kubo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl T. Kubo, 2203 Coyne St., Honolulu, will be graduated June 3 from the U.S. Military Academy.

Kubo will be commissioned a second lieutenant in the Engineer Corps and will receive a bachelor of science degree.

Appointed to the academy by Mrs. Elizabeth P. Farrington, Congressional delegate (R., Hawaii), Kubo was a cadet sergeant during his senior year.

CALVIN AOYAMA NAMED TO NEVADA BOYS STATE

RENO.—Calvin Aoyama was selected to represent Reno High School at Nevada Boys' State to be held in June on the Univ. of Nevada campus.

Active in student affairs, as well as sports, he has served as class officer in his freshman, sophomore and junior years and was recently elected student body vice president for the coming semester.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Aoyama, active Reno JACL members.

IDC CONVENTION THEME ANNOUNCED

SALT LAKE CITY.—The theme for the coming IDC Convention in November, to be hosted by Mt. Olympus JACL, will be "I Defy Complacency," it was revealed by George Tamura, convention chairman.

All events for the two-day affair have been tentatively scheduled. The site of the convention will be the Prudential Federal Savings Bldg., 33rd South and State Sts.

The next general meeting for Mt. Olympus JACL will be June 12.

CALENDAR

- May 30 (Saturday)
 - D.C.—Nat'l Memorial Day rites, Arlington National Cemetery, 9 a.m.
 - Salt Lake City—Memorial services, Salt Lake City Cemetery, 11 a.m.
 - Ventura County—Memorial Day services, Oxnard Japanese Cemetery, 10 a.m.
 - NC-WNDC—Joint Memorial Day services with Golden Gate Nisei VFW Post, San Bruno Nat'l Cemetery, southeast sec., 10 a.m.
 - Gardena Valley—Benefit dance, Elk's Lodge.
- May 31 (Sunday)
 - Los Angeles—Nisei Relays, Rancho Conega.
- June 6 (Saturday)
 - San Jose—Bridge Night, Buddhist Church hall, 8 p.m.
 - Salt Lake City—Graduates dance, Memory Grove Memorial Hall.
 - Watsonville—Graduates barbecue party, Sunset Beach, 6 p.m.
 - San Francisco—Auxiliary dance, Bookler T. Washington Center, 8:30 p.m.
 - Detroit—Teen Club bowling.
- June 5-7
 - San Francisco—Nat'l JACL Board and Staff meeting.
 - Fremont—"Railroad Days" booth, Niles.
- June 7 (Sunday)
 - Yellowstone—Community picnic, Rexburg.
- June 11 (Thursday)
 - Detroit—Executive meeting, International Institute, 8 p.m.
- June 12 (Friday)
 - Mt. Olympus—General meeting.
 - Philadelphia—Meeting, International Institute; Henry Shimomouchi, spkr.
- June 13 (Saturday)
 - Sonoma County—JACL Bowling dinner, Green Mill, Cotati.
 - Long Beach—Nisei Week queen dance, Grisinger's.
 - Detroit—Japanese movies, International Institute.
 - Southwest L.A.—"Queentime" ball, Ole Dixie, 43rd & Western Ave., 9:30 p.m. (Introduction of Miss SWLA for Nisei Festival).
- June 14 (Sunday)
 - Idaho Falls, Pocatello, Yellowstone—Joint Graduates dance, White Elephant Supper Club, Idaho Falls.
 - Monterey Peninsula—Community picnic.
 - Idaho Falls—Community picnic.
- June 20 (Saturday)
 - Chicago—Jr. JACL dinner-dance, Sheridan Plaza.
 - Chicago—Men's Nite.
- June 21 (Sunday)
 - Salinas Valley—Picnic, Sheriff Posse Ground.
 - Pocatello—Community Picnic, Southeast Idaho Fairgrounds.
 - Pasadena—Introduction of "Miss Pasadena" for Nisei Week at Gardeners Assn. picnic, Brookside Park.
- June 23 (Tuesday)
 - New York—General meeting.
- June 25 (Thursday)
 - East Los Angeles—General meeting, International Institute, 8 p.m.; travel talk on South America.
- June 26 (Friday)
 - Hollywood—Graduates outing, Elysian Park Lodge.
- June 27 (Saturday)
 - Pasadena—Benefit movie, Cleveland School, 7:30 p.m.
- June 27-28
 - San Fernando Valley—Sun Valley carnival booth.
- June 28 (Sunday)
 - East Los Angeles—Family picnic, Belvedere Park, 11 a.m.
 - Cleveland—Community picnic, Wiegand's Lake.
 - San Francisco—Community picnic, Speedway Meadows, Golden Gate Park.

Cal. Assembly OKs pay ban on petitions

SACRAMENTO.—A law that would take the profit out of circulating petitions for initiative and referendum measures was rushed through the Assembly last week with nobody denying that its aim is to put a crimp in plans for a referendum vote on the state's recently enacted FEPC legislation.

The measure, authored by Republican Assemblyman Bruce F. Allen, Los Gatos, carried an emergency clause which would make it effective as soon as signed by the Governor.

Without the emergency clause, the bill would not be effective until Sept. 19. That date also is the deadline by which professional petition circulators must collect the 262,789 signatures needed to qualify the FEPC referendum for the November, 1960, ballot.

Allen said he has been advised that "the petitions can't be circulated until after the Legislature adjourns."

With hasty action by the Senate and the Governor, this could mean that the anti-FEPC forces, ready to go to work, would find themselves faced with a law saying that "no person shall give, pay or receive any money or other valuable consideration for securing signatures of electors upon any petition for the initiation of any measure or referendum on any measure or for the recall of any public officer."

EX-GOV. DEWEY TO AID JAPAN TRADE AGENCY

TOKYO.—Former New York Governor Thomas E. Dewey was named as consultant for the Japan Export Trade Promotion Agency (JETRO), it was learned by United Press International here last week. The one-time Republican presidential candidate is expected to counter American industrial moves against Japanese goods. He is also serving as consultant for Italian firms.

Anti-smog relief for Bay Area farmers asked

FREMONT.—Permission to burn brush off crop lands is being sought by a committee recently organized by the Alameda County Mayors Conference. Mayor Tom Kitayama of Union City was among the committee members, which will work with the Bay Area Pollution Control District on this problem.