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## COLUMN LEFT:

Looking at this retirement problem

We dare say it's not too many years hence for many Nisei who'll reach their 45th birthday, when thoughts of retirement should come to mind. It was discussed at the Governor's Conference on Aging, which National JACL President Frank Chuman attended as delegate. We can conceive this problem of what to do upon retirement and how to prepare for it as part of JACL's traditional purpose to promote the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry. Whether it will mean group insurance on the basis of membership or a JACL Home for the Aged (all Nisei won't be financially set to retire at 65), we can't determine. But some program to prepare the Nisei of 45 today is apparent.

The need is very evident when you consider most Nisei are wage-earners. He has been paying on his social security for many years. He probably has insurance that he has been paying on for a long time and may own some government bonds. In 20 years, he will be ready for retirement on these fixed incomes.

Now, the economists have said dollars are depreciating in proportion to the growth of the national debt. From 1939 to 1951, our dollars lost buying power from 100 cents to 52 cents. In the nine years since 1951, the dollar lost another five cents. Our national debt in 1939 was \$40-billion; it's \$284-billion today. If the same pattern of public deficit spending continues for the next 20 years, the dollar would be worth about 24 cents — or having to put up \$2 to buy what \$1 buys today.

So the Nisei of 45 today asks: How are we going to get by with our 24-cent dollars when we no longer work and are depending on social security? One answer is to reduce public deficit spending, or don't you agree?—H.H.

## 32 OF 38 AJAs SUCCEED IN HAWAII PRIMARY

HONOLULU. — Under the partly-closed primaries, the results of the October primary have lost some of their accuracy as a vehicle to gauge the outcome of the November general election, according to the Hawaii Times political writer Harry Shiramizu.

During the open primary days, it provided for outright election or re-election of candidates as voters were able to cross party lines.

Assuming that the Oct. 1 primary is a pretty fair barometer, Shiramizu feels the Democrats would hold the edge in the at-large councilmanic races for the city-county of Honolulu and in the district races in the counties of Maui and Kauai. Republicans are strong in the mayoralty race in Honolulu, where incumbent Blaisdell polled 40,511.

### Four Elected Outright

Of the 38 Americans of Japanese ancestry vying in the Hawaiian primary, four were re-elected outright: Yoshito Tanaka, Hawaii county attorney; Richard Tanabe, Hawaii county treasurer; and Toshi Ebomoto, Maui county clerk; and Toshio Kabutan, Kauai county attorney.

Twenty-eight AJAs were successful in their bid for a spot on the Nov. 8 ballot. Fourteen are incumbents. Only one Nisei incumbent, a Republican supervisor in Hawaii, failed.

## Atty. General Mosk to keynote CCDC convention Dec. 4

FRESNO. — California Attorney General Stanley Mosk will be the keynote banquet speaker at the 1960 Central California District Council convention to be held here at Elk's Lodge on Sunday, Dec. 4. It was announced this past week by convention chairman Mikio Uchiyama.

The convention has traditionally installed new chapter officers in an impressive ceremony and in recent years a gala fashion show in the afternoon has replaced the convention ball held in the evening.

Now comes the possibility of starting the convention business sessions earlier on Saturday evening so that official delegates would have more time to cover convention business.

According to Mrs. Koko Sakohira of Fowler, fashion show committee chairman, the creations from Ross Atkins will be featured this year. Other committeemen include Kazuo Hiyama, Fowler, gen. arr.; Max Kawano, Selma, regis.; James Kubota, Fresno, banquet; Ralph Kimoto, Parlier, inv. and printing; Kiyoo Kawamoto, Reedley, Jr. JACL; Robert Ishida, Tulare County, banquet program; Bill Nakagawa, Delano, business session; Ben Matsunaga, Sanger, fashion show arr.; Ben Nakamura, Fresno, fin.; Thomas Toyama, Fowler, pub.; James Ikemiya, Dr. Akira Tajiri, Reedley, golf tournament.

### Tax study group

SAN JOSE. — Among 24 San Jose residents selected to a civic committee to study tax needs of the local school district are Mrs. Tokio Ishikawa, active PTA worker, and Dave M. Tatsuno, YMCA leader. Appointments were made by the San Jose Board of Education last week.

# Major civil rights case added for review by high tribunal

(Special to Pacific Citizen)

WASHINGTON. — Last Monday, at its first decision day of the new October term, the Supreme Court of the United States added 21 more cases to its 1960-1961 calendar, including one of major importance to civil rights advocates, according to the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League.

At the same time, the nation's highest tribunal turned down 377 other appeals and refused to reconsider its rulings in 55 cases decided last year.

Then, after issuing their first orders, the nine justices began to hear oral arguments in the first of three cases that challenge the constitutionality of the Smith and Internal Security Acts, both passed to combat Communist activities.

### Restaurant Case

In its major civil rights action, the court agreed to study the right of a privately operated restaurant in a publically owned building to discriminate against Negroes. The Washington JACL Office believes that this is a significant issue in that it may help clarify the line between "state action" to which the Federal Constitution's provisions against racial discrimination apply and merely private action, which is not affected by the Constitution.

The case developed about two years ago in Wilmington, Delaware, when the Eagle Coffee Shoppe, which leases space in a parking garage from a city corporation, refused to serve William H. Burton, a Negro city councilman.

Burton sue the restaurant, asking the courts to rule that it cannot refuse to serve him or any other person on racial grounds because the connection between the restaurant and the local government was close enough so that when the restaurant discriminated against him, the government was also discriminating.

Under established law, governments cannot discriminate on racial grounds without violating the "equal protection of the laws" clause of the 14th Amendment to the Federal Constitution.

### Delaware Statute

The Delaware Supreme Court ruled that the only connection between the city government and the restaurant was the \$28,000 rent paid each year. This, said the State court, was insufficient. The court also pointed with approval to a Delaware State statute allows restaurants to refuse service to any one whose presence "would be offensive to the major part of its customers and would injure his business".

In another case, the Supreme Court refused to review a lower court decision that the civil rights acts do not apply to discrimination against a white student who refused to pay an illegal enrollment fee.

In this matter, which arose in

## SABURO KIDO TO SPEAK AT SAN FRANCISCO FETE

SAN FRANCISCO. — Saburo Kido of Los Angeles will be the main speaker at the San Francisco JACL Issei Recognition dinner at the Four Seas Restaurant in Chinatown on Saturday, Oct. 22. The wartime national JACL president was chapter president here during the early years of JACL.

Issei who arrived in the United States before 1924 will be guests of the chapter and may obtain free banquet tickets by calling JACL Headquarters, dinner co-chairman Jack Kusaba reminded.

Franklin County, Missouri, a young white student refused to pay an eight dollar fee for social activities. She was jailed for refusing to leave the school and sued for damages.

The lower court held that the fee was illegal, but that the civil rights act did not give her a cause of action against the school board.

### Dr. Linus Pauling

In other action of possible interest to JACL, the court refused to review the dismissal of a suit by Linus Pauling and others seeking an injunction against United States atomic tests, agreed tentatively to decide whether a state constitutionally may require all lawyers to join the state bar asso-

ciation in order to practice law, agreed to decide whether an Oregon court ruling prohibiting inheritance of Oregon property by Yugoslav nationals in that State conflicts with a treaty, and declined to review dismissal of a suit by Democratic Congressman Charles O. Porter of Oregon for a passport good to travel to Communist China.

This week, the court also heard arguments in another restaurant case involving segregation in a Richmond, Virginia bus terminal. The issue involved is whether a bus terminal is an inter-state facility that comes within previous Supreme Court decisions holding that racial segregation in inter-state commerce is unconstitutional.

## CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATES TO BE QUERIED ON CIVIL RIGHTS BY JACL

WASHINGTON. — The more than 50 national organizations, including the Japanese American Citizens League, which comprise the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights plan to ask every candidate for the United States Congress his individual views on specific civil rights issues which will be considered by the 87th Congress which will convene next January.

Legislative matters on which specific "yes" and "no" answers will be requested of the individual candidates relate to "equal protection of the laws" school desegregation, voting, and discrimination in employment.

Senators and senatorial candidates, in addition, will be asked a number of procedural questions. These include those relating to Senate Rule 22 on cloture, or the "closing of debate," obstruction in committees, and obstruction on the floor.

### Realistic Questions

In announcing support of the questionnaire, the Washington JACL Office noted that the questions to be asked are realistic in terms of what the next Congress should consider, particularly in view of the campaign platforms of both the Democratic and Republican parties.

The Office also noted that the questions asked regarding views on procedural changes for both the Senate and the House are most important because the parliamentary rules and procedures in both

chambers have been used to obstruct constructive action even of majorities in committees as well as on the floor.

At the Nov. 8 general elections, voters will note not only for a president and vice president but also for 34 senators and 437 representatives.

Local chapters are urged to contact candidates for the Congress in their districts or states and ask them these questions in order to ascertain their attitudes for the information of all interested and concerned individuals.

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## HONOLULU ACCEPTS BID FOR TIE WITH BRUYERES

HONOLULU. — Honolulu Mayor Blaisdell has accepted an offer to link Honolulu and Bruyeres, France, as sister cities. The offer was made through Master Sgt. Wilbert S. Holck, formerly of the 442nd, which liberated the French community in the Vosges mountains.

JACL has a plaque commemorating the liberation of Bruyeres in a mountain park near the city. Each year on Liberation Day, Oct. 16, the city holds a memorial service to honor the dead of the 442nd.

Holck was one of the handful of non-Nisei enlisted men serving with the 442nd. He was a sergeant in the Cannon Co.

## Ex-Reedley Nisei heading landscape design school at Harvard works on projects

HARTFORD, Conn. — Sasaki, Walker and Associates, internationally famous site planners and landscape designers of Watertown, Mass. have been retained by Constitution Plaza, Inc. to lay out the raised platform of municipal plaza in downtown Hartford.

Hideo Sasaki, head of the renowned firm, is a native of Reedley, Calif., and a graduate and now a full professor and head of the department of landscape architecture at Harvard Graduate School of Design.

In San Francisco, the firm will be landscaping the new \$60-million Golden Gateway Redevelopment Project to be built north of the Ferry Bldg. along the waterfront. Plans call for eight 22-story apartment buildings, a 25-story office building and little town house apartments on 4.1 acres. No date of construction was announced because condemnation procedures for more than half of the land

are still in process.) Sasaki and his associates have designed educational, commercial and cultural structures here and abroad.

Among them are campus redevelopment as Massachusetts Institute of Technology; the Harvard Univ. of Medical School; the setting for the U.S. Embassy at Taipei, Formosa; luxury apartments at New York City's Washington Square; and Univ. of Rhode Island's 15-year development program.

## DATES

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**Quiz on Civil Rights Issues**

Here are the questions being asked every Congressional candidate by the JACL and other organizations (see front page story) on civil rights issues for the coming 87th Congress.—Editor.

**I Equal Protection of the Laws**—The "equal protection of the laws" guaranteed by the Constitution is part of the bedrock upon which our liberties as Americans rest. Yet today, nearly a century after that guarantee was proclaimed, it is still being denied to millions of our citizens.

The protection of constitutional rights should no longer be relegated to chance or to the uncertainty of private resources. It is not the rights of individuals alone that are impaired or denied; the very processes of orderly government are challenged and flouted. The government of the United States cannot assume a posture of neutrality toward compliance with its Constitution. Recourse to injunctive relief is provided for in 50 federal statutes, including the 1957 acts protecting the right to vote. Similar authority should be provided in the case of all civil rights, including the right to equal educational opportunity.

Will you work and vote for legislation authorizing the Attorney General to institute civil injunction suits to prevent the denial of constitutional rights, including the right to a non-segregated public education?

**II School Desegregation**—(1) Technical Aid: The transition from a segregated to a desegregated school system poses many complex and difficult problems. The public interest in orderly compliance places a responsibility upon the government to aid those communities that seek to fulfill their constitutional obligations, so as to enable them to make the transition as easy, as harmonious, and as rapid as possible.

The compilation and dissemination of information, the making of surveys, the arrangement of conferences, the provision of specialists' services, grants for the employment of additional teachers and for teacher training courses all can contribute significantly toward this objective.

Will you work and vote for legislation to provide technical and financial assistance to school districts to facilitate compliance with the Supreme Court's desegregation decisions?

(2) Compliance Date: In five states, not a single Negro child is as yet receiving the kind of education to which the Constitution entitles him; in five others, the total is but a handful. Six and a half years after the court's ruling, 2,500,000 Negro children are still confined to segregated schools - 94 per cent of those in such schools in 1954. Even under the most liberal interpretation, desegregation at the rate of 1 per cent a year can hardly be deemed to meet the test of "deliberate speed." Implementation should not be left dependent upon case-by-case litigation by individuals. To require school districts to adopt a plan for desegregation would seem to represent a minimum evidence of the "prompt," "reasonable" and "good faith" start towards compliance demanded by the Court's ruling.

Will you work and vote for legislation to require every school board affected by the desegregation decisions promptly to adopt a plan which will bring about desegregation at the earliest possible date?

**III Voting**—The payment of a poll tax by citizens as a prerequisite for registration and voting is still required in five states. Any imposition of an economic qualification for voting is a denial of basic citizenship rights.

Will you work and vote for legislation to prohibit the use of the poll tax as a prerequisite for voting?

Discriminatory application and administration of voter qualification laws, including tests of literacy, education and "interpretation" continue to afford a ready means of arbitrarily denying the right to vote to qualified citizens. The acceptance of 6th grade schooling in any state or territory as conclusive proof of literacy would establish a simple and objective standard which could easily be enforced.

Will you work and vote for legislation to prevent the abuse of literacy tests as a prerequisite for voting by establishing 6th grade schooling in any state or territory as conclusive proof of literacy?

**IV Discrimination in Employment**—Equality of economic opportunity is the declared public policy of the United States. That policy, however, is far from being realized.

Discrimination in employment breeds poverty, disease, slums and crime. It depresses wages, curtails purchasing power, limits production and retards economic growth. The United States can no longer afford this wasteful drain on our human and economic resources.

Nineteen states and approximately fifty municipalities have enacted legislation prohibiting discrimination in employment. Fifteen years of experience have demonstrated the efficacy of such legislation. Unfortunately, the areas in which discrimination is most widespread are those in which no such legislation exists.

Will you work and vote for legislation establishing a Federal Fair Employment Practices Commission with enforcement powers?

**Rules and Procedures:** The substance of legislation is inseparable from the rules and procedures which determine its enactment or defeat. (No civil rights bill in recent years has been defeated by vote on the floor of the Congress.) But during that same period, scores of urgently needed civil rights measures have died in the Congress without ever having been brought to a vote - victims of delay, obstruction and parlia-

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**Space Reserved for 'The Issei Story'****PRESS COMMENTS:****Let's Repeal Alien Land Law**

Seattle Times Editorial, Oct. 10, 1960

One of the issues at the top of the ballot on November 8, Senate Joint Resolution No. 4, will give Washington voters an opportunity to delete from the State Constitution the outmoded legal discrimination against aliens' right to own property.

The so-called anti-alien land law, twice relaxed through recent amendments, pertains to all aliens. But its primary effect has been to exclude Orientals from property ownership.

A wave of anti-Orientalism that swept the Pacific Coast in the late 1800's induced the Constitution's framers in 1889 to forbid the ownership of land by aliens.

Rigid naturalization quotas for Japanese and Chinese prevented many first-generation Orientals from becoming citizens before the Second World War.

As a result, many Orientals could not legally own property even though they had lived in this country for 40 or 50 years. Congressional action in 1952 lifted quota restrictions against all aliens already approved for permanent residence.

But the state's alien land restriction remained, though unenforced since the Second World War—the only one on the books of a Pacific Coast state. Oregon and California both repealed similar laws during the last decade.

Washington modified the Constitution in 1950 so Canadians from

provinces that allowed Washingtonians to own land in Canada could hold property here. In 1954 the Constitution was further relaxed to permit foreign corporations to become land owners in the state.

These amendments put the state in the unique position of forbidding an alien to own land but allowing a corporation of his countrymen to do so. The situation is inconsistent to the point of absurdity.

By passing Senate Joint Resolution No. 4 by an overwhelming vote—thereby referring the issue to the people this fall—the Legislature recognized the state's untenable position in attempting to enforce this discriminatory measure.

Washington's entire congressional delegation, Republicans and Democrats alike, strongly endorses the resolution.

The late Justice Robert H. Jackson of the United States Supreme Court once commented that a similar law, although fallen into disuse, "lies about like a loaded weapon ready for the hand of any authority that can bring forward a plausible claim of an urgent need."

The folly of keeping any "loaded weapon" lying around carelessly is universally recognized. Washington's voters should repeal the alien land law.

**TOKYO TOPICS: by Tamotsu Murayama****Nisei Designed Stamp Scores Hit**

TOKYO. — The Postmaster General's Office in Washington, D.C., recently sent a complete set of various stamp designs submitted by Miss Gyo Fujikawa for the U.S.-Japan Centennial with the color proofs and some specimens for display at the American Stamp Show, which was held here at the Matsuya Dept. Store on the Ginza from Sept. 25 to 30.

Hundreds of stamp admirers milled about to see this unique stamp exhibit. It was more or less a Gyo Fujikawa Show inasmuch as many of her works with other stamps were shown. Holding such a stamp show on the Ginza was something significant and one of great pride for the U.S. Embassy here.

Red China held a big stamp show in the Ikebukuro district and spent huge sums of money for publicity, spectacular posters, etc.

assets. Some small countries are and flooded the stamp stores with stamps from communist blocs. However, the U.S. Stamp Show was very efficiently executed and got more results than any other similar show.

Many countries are using stamps as an important medium to put across their cultural and political actually making money on stamps—it is a big source of income. Japan is beginning to realize this philatelic possibility.

**Japan Stamp Designs**

In Japan the issuance of stamps is dominated by a few "big shots". Thus poor designs are common with inferior color schemes. Japan is such an artistic nation. Therefore, she ought to be able to produce better stamps than other nations.

The Stamp Show was better than (Continued on Page 7)

**PC Letter Box****GRATEFUL AUXILIARY**

Editor: In behalf of the West Los Angeles JACL Auxiliary, we would like to thank you most sincerely for the splendid publicity you gave our recent benefit dance for the Westwood International Center.

Much of the success of our annual benefit is attributed to the wonderful cooperation and aid you have rendered our organization. It was most gratifying also to see the spontaneous response of the public who attended our benefit, in support of our efforts towards creating a spirit of understanding and goodwill not only in our community but internationally.

We wish to thank all of the businessmen who so generously donated the many door prizes, and to the airlines that helped with the decor.

May we again reiterate our appreciation to you and your staff.

MRS. HAROLD HARADA  
Publicity Chairman

West Los Angeles JACL

**Nisei on faculty at Swarthmore College**

NEW YORK. — Ailyn Terada, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Terada, 110 Morningside Drive, is now in the Women's Physical Education Department at Swarthmore College, Pa., as a dance and tennis instructor.

She received her M.A. degree from the School of Physical Education at the Univ. of Wisconsin, where she majored in the Science of Dance. Wisconsin is one of the few universities in the country which offers graduate work in the field of the dance. While in Madison she taught dance and drama classes at the YWCA schools.

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## Vagaries

By Larry S. Tajiri

### 'Bridge to Sun' Ready

The role of Hidenari (Terry) Terasaki is probably the most important for an actor of Japanese ancestry in recent Hollywood history. Now Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer has selected James Shigeta to portray the young Japanese diplomat who marries an American girl from the mountains of Tennessee in a real-life love story which is to endure Pearl Harbor and life in wartime Japan. The studio already had named Carroll Baker, the Dixie girl who became a star in "Baby Doll," for the part of Gwen Terasaki.

Shigeta is a discovery of Producer-Director Sammy Fuller who cast the Hawaiian Nisei, a popular singer in both the U.S. and Japan, in a non-singing dramatic role as the lead in his interracial love story, "Crimson Kimono." Contrary to Hollywood's usual ideas about East-West romances, Shigeta, playing a Los Angeles Nisei cop, won the girl (Victoria Shaw) in the film. Shigeta's next leading role was in James Clavell's drama of the early West, "Walk Like a Dragon," in which he played opposite Nobu McCarthy in a story which involved frontier prejudice against the Chinese.

Shigeta has just completed a major role (with Glenn Ford, Donald O'Connor, Miyoshi Umeki, Milko Taka and Michi Kobi) as the Nisei spy man, George Washington Suzuki, in the soon-to-be-released comedy about occupation Japan, Columbia's "Cry for Happy."

Now that the leads are set, production work on "Bridge to the Sun" is expected to start before year's end.

Although much of "Bridge to the Sun" will be shot in Japan, other sequences involving numerous characters of Japanese ancestry are expected to be made in Hollywood.

**LATEST Nisei actress to portray the title role in "The World of Suzie Wong" is Romi (Hiromi) Yamada who has the part in the touring company of the John Patrick play (in Cincinnati this week). Miss Yamada did the role on the summer theater circuit before joining the national company of the David Merrick production. Among the other Nisei in this troupe are Yoshi Naka, who toured with "Auntie Mame," as Ah Tong and Debbie Suzuki as Wednesday Lulu. A dozen Nisei were in the Broadway company of "Suzie Wong," including young Jeri Miyazaki who headed the original touring company which played two months in Las Vegas.**

George Shibata, first Nisei to graduate West Point and a jet pilot in Korea, established himself as an actor as Gregory Peck's aide in "Pork Chop Hill." Shibata's most recent role was in Allied Artists' "Hell to Eternity," the first Hollywood film to treat seriously the mass evacuation of Japanese Americans from the west coast in 1942. Shibata, who was studying for the law at USC when Peck asked him to play Lieutenant Ohashi in "Pork Chop Hill," has been writing on the side and is reported to have concluded a deal with Japan's Toho Productions who want to make a picture of his screenplay, "The Twain." The deal also includes an agreement that Shibata will star in the film.

Ross Hunter, producer of Universal-International's financially successful "Pillow Talk" and "Portrait in Black," expects to start work in February on the movie version of Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Flower Drum Song" in February. Hunter, who recently assigned Henry Koster to direct the \$5 million production, wants to use Oriental performers as much as possible in his adaptation of the musical romance which is set in San Francisco's Chinatown. Miyoshi Umeki and Pat Suzuki, who played the two femme leads in New York, reportedly are under consideration, while Hunter reportedly was impressed by Jack Soo (Goro Suzuki) who played the role of Sammy Fong, the top male comedy role, in New York and is currently doing the part on tour.

Carolyn Okada, now with the "Flower Drum Song" company, has been paged by Sammy Davis Jr. to be dance captain of Davis' new musical which has bookings on the west coast and in London. Miss Okada, daughter of Hito Okada of Salt Lake City, was considering the offer at last reports.

On the current Broadway roster the only project with an Oriental tinge is "Thirteen Daughters," a musical about a Chinese family in Hawaii with 13 daughters. However, the ladies have not yet been selected and production plans have not jelled as yet.

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## Three generations of single Japanese American family work together to harvest lettuce crop for Seattle market

(Those who've been raised on a farm will find this warm story of the Okitsu family of Renton, Wash., a nostalgic kind. It was published in the Seattle Times Sunday Magazine Oct. 2, under the by-line of Charlotte D. Widrig—Editor.)

Seattle Small-acreage farms are disappearing fast from the American scene. The few that remain in King County are nostalgic reminders of an era when local truck gardens supplied virtually all fresh vegetables sold in the Seattle area.

One of the homegrown crops still brought to Seattle's wholesale houses is lettuce from a 12-acre farm at 13440 S.E. 192nd St., Renton.

This farm is unusual in several respects. The moist black soil is the bottom of a former lake, lying in a pocket among wooded hills west of Lake Youngs. This veritable "oasis" has done its bit to help feed Seattle since 1914.

Today the farm is operated by five persons who belong to three generations. They are Frank Tokutiro Okitsu, born in Kumamoto-Ken, in Japan, in 1888; his two sons, George and John; John's wife, Margaret, and their 14-year-old son, Ronald. Between 200 and 600 crates, 18 heads of lettuce each, are harvested daily except Saturdays from about July 20 through September.

"We hope!" George said with a wry smile.

### End of Era Viewed

With the exception of the Second World War years, the Okitsu family has been growing lettuce for nearly a quarter of a century. But the Okitsus consider that the handwriting is on the wall.

"A general trend towards large mechanized farms, the innovation of supermarkets and large quantity buying, and the development of economical long-distance transportation, has almost put an end to the small-acreage farmer," said John.

"Each year the little farms, like the small independently owned groceries, meet with stiffer competition. For the past three years, George and I have been employed by the Postoffice Department in Seattle.

"For six months of the year, we work on the home farm as a second job, mainly because there is a lot of satisfaction in working together as a family and 'cutting a good crop.' I can tell at a glance when a field is ready to harvest."

John's wife, Margaret, whose hobby is sewing, also considers farming as her "second job." The first is keeping the house for the family, which includes a 6-year-old daughter, Janet. Margaret helps with the weeding, thinning and cutting—everything but the tractor work.

"When I was a girl growing up in O'Brien, I always said I wanted to marry a farmer," she remarked. "And I did. I love the farm."

### Summertime Job

Ronnie, too, is a part-time worker. The harvest season falls for the most part during school vacation, and Ronnie has become an expert packer. But, like most of the younger generation, he doesn't want to be a farmer when he grows up. His ambition is to be a mechanical engineer.

Frank, patriarch of the family, still likes to help in the field despite his 73 years. During the winter lull, he indulges in hobbies—painting pictures and carving birds.

"My father was an artist in Japan," he said with just a tinge of yearning.

In 1904, when Frank was 15 years old, he left his native land to accompany his future father-in-law and his fiancée, Masae, to Skagway, Alaska. He and Masae were married in 1908. Frank worked for eight years in the jewelry business in Skagway, then they moved to Seattle.

Two children were born to the couple while in Alaska—George, and Mary Jane, who is now Mrs. Fred Watanabe of Bellevue. Another daughter, Dorothy Teru, now Mrs. John Matsuoka, also lives in Bellevue. Masae, the mother, died in 1929.

### Began in 1932

Frank began his farming career in 1932, when he went to work in Orillia for Sawdey & Hunt. An inherent love of the land made it a pleasant occupation.

In 1937, he took a lease on the lake-bottom farm, which his sons

bought in 1939. For many years, the family leased and farmed additional land in the Kent Valley. They raised celery, carrots, corn, green onions, cabbage, cauliflower and turnips for the Seattle market. But lettuce has been their bread-and-butter crop throughout their farming venture.

"Commercial lettuce culture has its interesting sidelights," George remarked. "Until a few years ago, we sowed our seed in greenhouses and transplanted the young plants to the field. Those were the days when our farm produced premium lettuce, which sold at a top price. Since the war, varieties have been developed which are easy to grow, disease-resistant and good keepers, even when shipped from as far away as California. On the market today 'a lettuce is a lettuce.'"

The Okitsus now sow the seed directly in the field with a tractor, every three or four days from about May 1 to mid-July. Plants are thinned to 15 inches apart. When mature, they form a solid carpet.

Thinning and weeding between plants must be done by hand.

### Thumb and Fingers

"You still can't get away from the thumb and fingers!" John said. "Thumb and fingers also test quality. Generally around 85 per cent of our lettuce heads are firm enough to meet market standards."

"Lettuce requires cool soil. For this reason our low, pocket lake bottom has a natural advantage, the worst hazard to the crop is what we call a 'black frost.' Then, of course, there can be damage by excessive rain, tip burn in hot weather, and a fungus disease we call 'the drops' because heads literally topple over."

The history of the farm was reviewed by Frank. In 1914, the Wataru Ishikawa family (now living in California) drained the shallow body of water named Lake Gallagher, laboriously cleared the area with the help of horses and hand stump-puller, and prepared the land for planting lettuce—a crop which has been grown there continuously for 45 years.

In addition to commercial fertilizer added yearly, a thick layer of volcanic ash that blew down from Mount Rainier in ages past

and settled to the bottom of the old lake, adds phosphorus and other minerals to the peat soil. In the first harvest season, "Ishikawa would load his crates on a horse-drawn wagon and drive to the public market in Seattle, a distance of approximately 20 miles," John related. "About one mile from the farm, a steep hill prevented the load from making the grade. So he would take part of it off at the bottom of the hill, and relay it up."

### Sawmill Cable Helps

"As time went on, a small truck replaced the horse and wagon. Even so, the truck fully loaded couldn't make the grade. But a sawmill built at the top of the hill gave mechanical assistance. A cable hooked onto the truck, pulled it slowly up the slope."

The original farmhouse overlooking the field is now no more than a reminder of former days. The Okitsu family recently built a modern ranch-style home.

Here and there, a touch of Oriental art links hereditary background with their grass-roots American life. The living-room drapes are sprigged with boughs of cherry blossoms on a taupe background that matches the wall-to-wall carpeting.

During next winter's slack season, Margaret hopes to persuade her father-in-law to paint a cherry-blossom mural across an entire wall, to match the drapes.

"In the 1920's, he painted murals and stage backgrounds for community plays held at the old Nippon-Kon Hall, on Washington and Main Streets," she said. "So he should be able to do one for me!"

Looking over a collection of his Dad's paintings, fine as etchings and gay in color, John said, "Isn't it too bad that talented persons are faced with having to earn a living?"

Frank gazed out of the picture-window, his eyes resting on the lush green field. His ready smile acknowledged the compliment, but implied that farming, too, has its satisfactions. —Seattle Times

### Health group official

SACRAMENTO. — George Hirakawa of Penryn, active Placer County JACLer, was recently elected as treasurer of the Weimar council, which is composed of representative of health groups in many Northern California counties.



NIXON BACKERS—While beautiful Tucky Sakuma shows USC campus representative Ed "Fuzzy" Fujimoto of the Japanese American Nixon for President Committee the kimono she wore for the gigantic airport reception for Vice President Richard M. Nixon Tuesday night, Ikuko Kato displays part of her Nixonette outfit to UCLA representative Dave Taira.



## POINTING Southwestward

By Fred Takata

**SOCIAL HOPPING**—Last week we were busy social hopping around Los Angeles, which is a part of our job of promoting JACL to the public. We started by dropping into WLA prexy Aki Ohno's home, having been invited to join with WLA chapter members in a delicious dinner. We began to compliment Sue for the wonderful feast, when she quickly informed us that hubby Aki had done the whole thing by himself. All we can say is, Amazing! When it comes to good food, we're quite an authority pound-wise and we can honestly say that it was the best we've ever had. The Ohnos live on Barry Ave., and we're in favor of starting a movement to change the name to "Barry Delicious Ave."

The dinner broke up early, so everyone could hurry over to the Miramar Hotel in Santa Monica for the WLA JACL Women's Auxiliary dance. As usual we were lost and had to zig-zag our way towards Santa Monica from Pacific Ocean Park, looking for a neon to guide us into the location. We were ready to give up and make a phone call, when we drove right into the Maramar parking lot. It seems the Auxiliary forgot to put the address on the ticket, thinking everyone should know where the Miramar Hotel was located. Sorry gals, but after all, we're from the big city!

Dr. Milton Inouye was waiting for us at the door and sat us with none other than the Kunitzugas, together with City Councilman Karl Rundberg and Mr. Alphonso Bell, who is running for Congressman in the 16th District. We enjoyed chatting with them and learning more about politics than we have had in a long time. It seems Kango was trying to convert Mr. Bell into a Democrat and Mr. Bell was trying to convert Kango into a Republican. Most interesting!

Leaving the WLA dance just before the stroke of midnight, we dropped in on the TOT Ball, sponsored by the Nisei Legal Secretaries who were having their annual benefit dance for Shonien. This outstanding group was doing a wonderful job as usual with a good turnout for the event.

Hollywood Chapter prexy Mike Suzuki, also the Shonien Director, was really pleased with the attendance and said that this group had contributed more towards the Shonien Home than any other group in the area through their annual TOT Ball. Many of the Legal Secretaries are also active JACLers and we also spotted many of our JACL bachelor friends in attendance. Any luck fellas?

At the conclusion of the TOT Ball we hurried home, picked up our fishing gear and headed for San Pedro where we joined the East Los Angeles Chapter for their annual fishing derby trip to Catalina Island at 3 a.m. Since we're such a sad sailor we made sure to take our sea sick pills, but at that hour of the morning an aspirin would have done just as well. There were 14 members on the trip with chairman Mas Hayashi acting as captain, who showed us how not to land a yellowtail. Everyone caught fish which included a few calico bass, perch, 7 yellowtail, and a boat load of bonita. There were a lot of yellowtail hooked weighing close to 20 lbs., but most of them were lost including the one this farmer had on the line. We still don't know why they kept calling us a "farmer", we don't get the connection. ELA prexy Mabel Yoshizaki came down with a cold and couldn't make the trip, but she prepared a lunch for us single fellas that was really out of this world. The lone casualty for the day was Henry Onodera who had the Pacific Ocean blues, and changed to every color of the rainbow. Wife Kyoko, was busy playing nurse and trying to get her hubby to eat something to calm his stomach. Yep, you guessed it, they were one of the lucky ones who landed a huge yellowtail. King of the Bonitas, was none other than Roy Yamadera, who loaded up with two sacks full. After this hectic weekend, we took a little of our vacation time to recuperate.

**SECOND POLIO CLINIC A SUCCESS**—The JACL Regional Office together with the Women's Auxiliary of the Japanese American Medical Association held a very successful second clinic last Wednesday evening when 742 persons showing up for their polio inoculations. There were 172 receiving their first shots, 532 seconds, 13 thirds, and 20 boosters, with 12 free shots given. The third clinic will be held on Wednesday evening, November 9, 1960. We wish to give special thanks to our active JACLers who came out to give us a hand, such as Pat Nishimura, Ruth Nishimura, Yoshi Izumi, June Tawa, Peggy Tanaka, Rose Tanaka, Mikie Hamada, Mable Yoshizaki, Sab and Mine Kido, Roy Yamadera, Jim Higashi and from the Auxiliary, Mrs. Esther Nakao, Mrs. Mary Ikuta, Mrs. Michiko Obi and three doctors and nurses who graciously gave their time to make this clinic a success.

We hope that other Chapters in our District will conduct similar clinics as a community service and chapter project. WLA Chapter is now also conducting their third clinic, which has also proved to be a real success. Arrangements for a clinic can be made by contacting your local Polio Foundation, which provides the vaccine, needles and posters. The only requirement for the sponsoring organization is the location and obtaining volunteer doctors and nurses. The telephone number of the local office of the Polio Foundation is NO 3-3985.

**1000 CLUB WHING DING**—The L.A. Coordinating Council 1000 Club Whing Ding held in New Chinatown last weekend was a success with a good turn out. It was a rather quiet Whing Ding, and Pasadena came to the rescue with a hilarious skit that had us in stitches. We don't know about the other chapters, but they goofed by not coming up with any skits. However the other chapters in order to save face volunteered with special talent. George Inagaki, representing Venice-Culver, did the repeat on his Hawaiian hula dance; Matao Uwate, DTLA, sang Shina no Yoru; Queen Penny Tani helped out by

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## Philadelphia JACL in early campaign for '61 membership

PHILADELPHIA.—A relaxing evening has been promised Philadelphia JACLers attending the October general chapter meeting tonight at International Institute, according to program chairman Sumi Kobayashi.

"Tanko Bushi" and "Tokyo Ondo" will be taught the nimble-footed members by Mrs. Harada.

Jack Ozawa and Dick Horikawa were appointed co-chairmen of the 1961 membership campaign, which will start immediately so that local JACLers might take advantage of the Headquarter's offer to have the Pacific Citizen mailed to JACL households from January, 1961.

Hiroshi Ueyehara was appointed PC Holiday Issue chairman. He also will make the 1960 national convention report at the meeting.

## Fall membership meet for Mile-Hi

DENVER.—The annual Mile-Hi JACL fall membership meeting has been scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 29, at a place to be announced, chapter president Oski Taniwaki reported.

General plans call for a family potluck supper, entertainment and Hallowe'en party for children, pre-election and general JACL chapter business for adults.

Nominations for the 1961 chapter officers are also scheduled.

### Issel Dinner Dec. 3

The chapter also announced an Issel appreciation dinner has been scheduled for Dec. 3 with Henry Suzuki as chairman. Issel over 65 are to be guests.

The Mile-Hi JACL New Year's Eve ball has been set for the Grand Ballroom at the Denver Hilton. The annual recognitions dinner will precede with new officers installed.

## Holiday decorations to be demonstrated

SAN FRANCISCO.—"Holiday Decorations" for the homemaker will be the program for Nov. 4 meeting of the San Francisco JACL Women's Auxiliary. The Japanese Church of Christ at Post and Octavia Sts. will be the locale.

Co-chairmen Kay Onishi and Betty Kitazumi announced that there will be demonstrations of many festive table, mantle, center pieces, and other decorative settings from do-it-yourself kits for the holidays ahead. A nominal fee will be charged.

A short business meeting will be held starting at 7:30 p.m.

## Berkeley's Fall Festival

BY TAD HIROTA

BERKELEY.—An exciting new adventure in international understanding is unfolding this year in the East Bay.

Committee meetings, behind the scenes contact and extensive study programs will blossom into two specific programs aimed at creating better understanding and closer ties between the United States and Japan.

Choosing the year of the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic and trade relations between our two countries, the Berkeley JACL is undertaking to demonstrate to the East Bay community its appreciation and gratitude for the many ways in which this area has opened itself to Japanese Americans.

The demonstration of gratitude will take the form of an "aki-no-Matsuri," or fall festival, to which everyone is invited. The festival will include entertainment, Japanese food, demonstrations of various aspects of Japanese culture such as flower arranging, brush painting, odor, origami, etc., and exhibits of bonsai, Japanese gardens, shoji and homes, and many more.

### Project in Japan

The second program developing this year lies in the desire of a group of students from the Univ. of California who are not satisfied with allowing history to happen



Pulitzer Prize winning novelist James A. Michener will address the New York JACL installation dinner, Oct. 20, 7 p.m., at Grant Community Center, 1301 Amsterdam Ave. The sushi bento will be served at \$3 per person.

—Photo by Stephen Baldanza Kabul, Afghanistan

## REEDLEY CHAPTER'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY FETE SET

REEDLEY.—Reedley JACL celebrates its 25th anniversary at a gala banquet Saturday, Nov. 5, 6:30 p.m., at Reedley High School's West Hall. Wartime national JACL president Saburo Kido will be the principal speaker, it was announced by chapter president Kiyoshi Kawamoto.

Pioneer Issel will be special guests of the evening. The affair is open to all members of the CCDC chapters. Reservations are to be accepted at \$2.50 per person until Nov. 1 by Kiyoshi Kawamoto, 18542 E. South Ave., Reedley.

## CHRISTMAS CHEER SEEKS SUPPORT FOR PROGRAM

Over a thousand pieces of mail soliciting 1960 support of the Christmas Cheer campaign to aid needy Japanese in Los Angeles County were circulated this week, according to Cheer Chairman Jim Higashi.

As a JACL-sponsored community service, Christmas Cheer will publish the list of contributors as in past years. Those wishing to help may submit donations to Christmas Cheer, care of JACL Office, 125 Weller St., Los Angeles 12. Christmas Cheer has announced a \$3,000 goal with a Dec. 17 deadline.

## West L.A. JACL starting new polio clinic series

West Los Angeles JACL and the WLA Methodist Church will co-sponsor another polio-tetanus clinic next Tuesday, Oct. 18, 7 p.m., at 1913 Purdue Ave. A nominal \$1 fee is charged for each inoculation.

## Cortez striped bass derby planned November 13

TURLOCK.—The annual striped bass derby sponsored by the Cortez Japanese American Citizens League has been set for Nov. 13 at Frank's Tract and neighboring boathouses. Fishermen planning to compete are advised to get their reservations in as soon as possible as boats are limited.

Registrations and tickets will be handled by Seio Masuda, Jim Yamaguchi, Fred Kajioke and Takeo Yotsuya; donations—Mark Kamiya, Kazumi Kajioke, Tsutomu Sugiura, Kaoru Masuda; boats—Delta Harbor; Shizuma Kubo, Kiyoshi Asai, Harry Kajioke, Howard Taniguchi, Kaoru Masuda; Frank's Resort; Joe Nishihara and Kiyoshi Yamamoto; Dee's Boat Harbor; Saburo Okamura, Keiichi Yamaguchi, Terry Yotsuya; Boyd's Harbor; Tak Date, Kaname Miyamoto, Fredricks; Peter Yamamoto and Franklin Baba.

Publicity will be handled by Yuk Yotsuya, Yeichi Sakaguchi, Harry Kajioke, Albert Morimoto, Ken LaBrague, Ken Aronhalt, weighmasters—Frank Yoshida, Mas Uyekubo, Ben Kumimoto and Kazumi Miyamoto; prize and distribution—Nogi Kajioke, Don Toyoda, Hiro Asai, Jack Noda, Yoshi Asai, Kiyoshi Yamamoto and Joe Nishihara; finance—Sam Kuwahara and Ken Miyamoto; acknowledgements—Don Toyoda, Frank Yoshida, Howard Taniguchi and Pete Yamamoto.

The annual pre-derby rally dinner will be held on Nov. 9 at the Growers warehouse.

## Masquerade party planned by Fresno JACL chapter

FRESNO.—The Fresno American Loyalty League will sponsor a Masquerade Party at the Desert Inn on Oct. 28, at 7 p.m. It will be a couple affair.

Co-chairmen are Dr. George Suda and Hugo Kazato.

## Florin food bazaar

FLORIN.—Alvin Seno, active Florin JACLer, is chairman of the Japanese Food Bazaar to be held Nov. 12, 3-10 p.m., at the local Japanese Methodist Church.

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# Quiz on Civil Rights Issues

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mentary maneuver. Only through modification of those rules which have been misused to frustrate the Constitutional responsibility of the Congress to legislate by vote and through proper application of those rules and procedures that were established to overcome such obstructionist tactics, can the platform pledges on civil rights be fulfilled.

### SENATORS AND SENATORIAL CANDIDATES ONLY

**Senate Rule 22**—A majority of the Senators present and voting is sufficient for the passage of any legislation - including a declaration of war. But under the present Rule 11, two-thirds of the Senators present and voting are required to bring debate to a close so that such a vote may be taken. As a result a minority of the Senate is able to prevent the majority from acting. Revision of Rule 22 to permit cloture by majority vote is essential in order to free the Senate from minority dictation and to enable the majority will to be expressed on all issues. The opening of a new Congress is the only time such a change can be made under general parliamentary rules, free from the veto power of the present Rule 22.

At the opening of the new Congress in January 1961, will you work and vote for a change in Rule 22 to permit cloture after reasonable debate by:

- (a) a majority of those present and voting, or
- (b) fifty-one Senators (a majority of the total Senate membership)?

**Obstruction in Committee**—The standing rules of the Senate provide certain alternatives in order to overcome obstruction and delay by Senate committees and to assure that legislation may be brought to the Senate floor for debate and action. Among these alternatives are:

**Rule 14**, which permits a majority of the Senate to bring a bill passed by the House of Representatives directly to the Senate floor without referral to a committee. This was done in bringing the Civil Rights Act of 1957 to the Senate floor.

**Amendment** of an already pending bill by attachment of the desired legislation to it since there is no rule of germaneness in the Senate. This was done in order to obtain action on the Civil Rights Act of 1960.

**Rule 26**, which permits a majority to discharge a committee from further consideration of a bill, thus bringing it to the floor for action.

In order to enable the Senate to act upon civil rights legislation, will you support these, and such other applications of the rules as circumstances may dictate, so as to get this legislation to the floor without unreasonable delay?

**Obstruction on the Floor**—Time and again, civil rights bills have been reported on favorably by committee and brought up for debate - but not brought to a vote.

Fillbusters and the threat of fillbusters have operated either to prevent a vote on the floor or to force weak compromises as the price of allowing a vote. The only means of insuring a vote on a meaningful civil rights bill is the invocation of cloture as provided in whatever revision of Senate Rule 22 will be adopted at the beginning of this 87th Congress.

Will you vote to impose cloture after reasonable debate in order to assure a vote on meaningful civil rights legislation?

### CANDIDATES FOR THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**House Rules Committee**—The House Rules Committee was established to facilitate the orderly flow of legislation in that body. Instead, it has repeatedly been used as a vehicle for preventing legislation from reaching the floor. Measures reported favorably by appropriate legislative committees after lengthy hearings have often been shelved or wholly cast aside. On occasion the Rules Committee has even blocked referral to a House-Senate conference committee of legislation passed by both branches of the Congress. In order to free the House of Representatives from this legislative strait jacket, the obstructive veto power of the House Rules Committee must be curbed. This can be accomplished only at the opening of the 87th Congress when the House will adopt rules governing its proceedings for the duration of that Congress.

Among the alternatives proposed to accomplish this are the following:

(1) **Restoration of the 21-day rule** (in effect from 1949 to 1951) which provides that a bill which has been favorably reported by a legislative committee and held without action by the Rules Committee for twenty-one days may be removed from the Rules Committee and brought to the floor for debate and vote.

(2) **Reducing the number of signatures required on a discharge petition.** At present 218 signatures, a constitutional majority, are required, even though a majority of a quorum is all that is needed to pass legislation. The number of signatures required has been changed four times since the rule was adopted in 1910, and it has ranged from 145 (1931-35) to its present size.

(3) **Changes in the size and method of selection of the members of the Rules Committee.**

At the opening of the new Congress in January 1961, will you support proposals to remove the power of the House Rules Committee to act as a roadblock to bills reported by legislative committees?

**Obstruction in Committee**—The standing rules of the House of Representatives provide that a bill may be taken out of committee and brought up to the floor by a petition signed by a majority of the membership of the House. This rule was adopted as a means of overcoming obstruction and delay by House committees.

In order to enable the House to act upon meaningful civil rights legislation without unreasonable delay in committee, will you sign a discharge petition so as to get this legislation to the floor?

## LONG BEACH CHAPTER 'AUTUMN BALL' TOMORROW AT HARBOR COMM. CTR.

LONG BEACH.—Southland socialites were reminded of the Long Beach-Harbor District JACL "Autumn Ball" tomorrow evening at the Harbor Community Center by the ball chairman Joe Fletcher.

George Atsumo's orchestra will furnish the music. Penny Akemi Tani, 1960 Nisei Week queen, will be special guest. Fletcher and his vivacious partner, Betty Ruff, will entertain with exhibition dances.

Hostesses for those attending stag have been assured. The party starts at 9 p.m. The locale is two blocks west of Santa Fe Ave. on Pacific Coast Highway at 1766 Seabright Ave.

Ball committeemen include Art Noda, Hiro Morita, Dr. John Kashiwabara and Cabby Iwasaki.

## San Francisco Auxiliary dance to aid Issei aged

SAN FRANCISCO.—Chairman Barbara Nagareda announced that "Winter Interlude" has been chosen as theme for the second annual San Francisco JACL Women's Auxiliary orchestra dance to be held on Saturday, Nov. 12, 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Booker T. Washington Community Center at Sutter and Presidio Sts.

Committee chairmen are Jane Okada and Louise Koike, tickets; Marie Kogawara, hostesses; Amy Hatsukano, deco.; Yasuko Fujita, refs.

Tickets are \$1.50 per person and proceeds will benefit the Issei residents of the Laguna Honda Home for the Aged.

## San Jose JACL dinner social to be different

SAN JOSE.—The annual San Jose JACL potluck dinner-social will be held on Oct. 29, 7 p.m., at the Buddhist Church banquet room with Helen Mineta as chairman. Something different has been planned and each is expected to bring their own service, Miss Mineta added.

The chapter will hold its regular October meeting tonight at the JACL Bldg.

The New Year's Eve dinner-dance, Dec. 31, will be held at the Terrace Room of Hawaiian Gardens. The tariff of \$7.50 per person will include a 16-oz. New York cut steak and the trimmings, holiday favors and hats for a gala evening. The dance portion will be opened to the public.

## United Crusade

SAN FRANCISCO.—John Yasumoto, San Francisco JACL president, was named Japanese Unit chairman of the Bay Area United Crusade now underway. Assisting him in the campaign are members of the JACL Auxiliary, Buchanan YMCA and 1830 Sutter YWCA.

## Japan national earns U.S. FAA certificate

ST. PAUL.—Shigeaki Morita, 31, of Tokyo has become the first Japanese with a U.S. Federal Aviation Administration flight dispatcher's certificate, serving in that capacity for Northwest Orient Airlines.

He recently returned home from a 4½-month training at the airline's systemwide headquarters here.

## Bank employee mugged, hospitalized 8 days

SAN FRANCISCO.—Yosh Toriumi, former Golden Gate Optimist president who was slugged from behind by a bandit near his Berkeley home, is resting at home after being hospitalized for eight days.

He was found unconscious in a pool of blood by Berkeley police who brought him to San Francisco, believing him to be a San Francisco resident from the many identification cards he was carrying. He is an employee of the Bank of Tokyo of California.

## Sweepstakes winner

POCATELLO.—Mrs. M. Ochiai won the grand sweepstakes for flower arrangement and a blue ribbon for her entry in the recent Eastern Idaho State Fair.

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## Japanese American voters of Chicago to meet congressional, state candidates

CHICAGO.—Illinois is among the few states to permit registration of voters until 30 days before an election and Chicago JACL and the Nisei American Legion Post culminated their city-wide drive to urge Japanese Americans to register by providing transportation to City Hall where they were signed.

Tomorrow, the JACL and the Japanese American Service Committee are co-sponsoring a "Meet Your Candidates" Night at the McCormick YWCA to acquaint voters with campaign issues and visit with candidates.

Congressional candidates from the 2nd, 9th and 12th districts, where most of the Japanese Americans reside, are expected to attend. Invited were Congressmen Barratt O'Hara, Sidney R. Yates and Edward R. Finnegan, all Democrats, and their respective Republican opponents: Bernard E. Epton, Chester E. Emanuelson and Theodore R. Fields.

Special invitations were also extended to Gov. William G. Stratton and his Democratic opponent, Otto Kerner; and to Sen. Paul Douglas and his Republic opponent, Samuel

Witwer. Both the JACL and JASC since passage of the Walter-McCarran Act of 1952, enabling Issei to become naturalized citizens, has conducted naturalization classes and some 1,200 graduates of these classes have become citizens. About 200 are young wives of servicemen. It is estimated another 5,000 Nisei are of voting age, residing in Chicago.

## Seabrook awards student aid grant

SEABROOK.—Harvey Morita, 13, was the recipient of the annual Seabrook Chapter JACL Student Aid grant of \$100 it was disclosed. The selection was made by the scholarship committee headed by Mrs. Josie Ikeda.

The fourth son of George Morita and the late Mrs. Midori Morita, Harvey is a June graduate of Bridgeton High School and is now enrolled at West Virginia Wesleyan College as a business major.

Elder brother Dr. Paul Morita, who has his dental office in Bridgeton, is 1st Vice President of the local JACL, while two older brothers Eugene is in his third year at Jefferson Medical College, and Gerald is in his junior year at Ursinus College. His younger sister, Theodora, is a senior at Bridgeton High School.

## Reno JACLers sponsor reception for artist

RENO.—Mikoh Kasuye of the Ichijo School of Ikebana made Reno his first stop of an extended tour of the United States, where he has been invited to lecture and demonstrate the art of Japanese flower arrangement.

One of several receptions in his honor was sponsored by the Reno JACL. Guests and members were an enthusiastic audience as Kasuye used fresh as well dried material in both traditional and contemporary styles.

## Eden Township Jr. dance

OAKLAND.—The second annual Eden Township Jr. JACL dance will be held Saturday, Nov. 12, at the Oakland Buddhist Church hall with Sherry Imazumi acting as general chairman, it was decided at the group's meeting held Sept. 12 at the home of Jim Tsunomoto in Hayward.

It will be a record dance from 8 to 12 midnight.



Min Tsubota, active Young Buddhist lay leader, is 1960 chapter president of Seattle JACL. —Ogawa Photo.

## Youth Group-JACLers in citywide leadership meet

SAN FRANCISCO.—The San Francisco Youth Association sponsored a leadership conference Oct. 8 and 9 at the YMCA Camp in La Honda. Thirty students representing various high schools and organizations of the city participated. Ina Kajima represented the San Francisco Youth Group-JACL.

The conference emphasized better interracial understanding and leadership development.

Mrs. Richard Cahn, 1959 president of the League of Women Voters; Marie Kurihara, JACL Youth adviser; Dr. Watt Long, educational director of the Council of Churches; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rowe, SFYA; and Robert Simcock, YMCA camp executive, were conference leaders.

## Sequoia JACL potluck dinner set tomorrow

REDWOOD CITY.—The Sequoia JACL will hold a potluck dinner tomorrow at 6:30 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Hall, 1455 Madison Ave., Redwood City. General meeting will follow.

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# East of the River

By Richard Akagi

## HAVE YOU SEEN A DOG?

New York

It was Mary Sprung who said, "We should get James Michener to do it."

The "it" referred to was the "Issei Story." Mary's comment, partly wishful, partly jesting, was offered at the New York JACL Board meeting, in session at the Grant Community Center. We were grouped loosely in a circle and had just heard from George Kyotow and Roy Kurahara, our delegates to the National JACL Convention, who indicated in their joint report that the "Issei Story" was to be a major project of the JACL.

It occurred to me then that Mary, inadvertently, had put her finger on the one likely failing of the "Issei Story"—emotional accuracy. Apart from the fact that sociological findings are terribly dull, generally self-evident and therefore uninteresting, and seldom read, except by academic specialists, a compilation like the "Issei Story," where the information is solicited from the Issei by the Nisei, is apt to be less truthful than the so-called fictional account of their history.

First of all, with the Isseis being well in their seventies, there is the problem of faulty memory and the tendency to romanticize the past. More serious, however, is the matter of suppression, conscious or subconscious, of those events which may have been personally very painful or embarrassing to them. And it may well be that the most significant clues to the Issei behavior lie in those unrecited, unprobed incidents.

There is yet another hazard—the Nisei interviewer himself. "Public relations" minded as the average JACL member is, he will be tempted, either by inflection or emphasis, to get just those stories and facts which will present the proper Issei "image." ("Image" what a shipload of hoke is implicit in that word! Everything from institutions to detergents must now have the right "image"! I'm afraid that what the Nisei volunteer researchers will probably come up with is an Oriental-style Pollyanna version of the Issei history.

I'd like to quote here a writer mentioned earlier, James Michener, whose comments on another subject have some relevance to what I'm talking about in this column. In his "The Hokusai Sketchbooks," which incidentally is one of the handsomest books ever published in this country, Mr. Michener notes: "Hokusai, like all Japanese artists, was quite incompetent in drawing dogs or puppies. Some of the most improbable monstrosities cluttering the ages of Japanese art purport to represent dogs; they are formless, misshapen, and characterless . . . The explanation seems simple. The earliest Japanese artists got off on the wrong foot, saw dogs improperly, depicted them so, and no successor ever got the matter straightened out. Art is, far more than we like to think, an agreed-upon convention . . ."

"Image," also, is an agreed-upon public relations convention. And if the "Issei Story" abides by that convention, it will be worthless.

Mr. Michener concludes this particular passage on Hokusai's "Fauna," after noting the disastrous hold convention had on the way an artist "saw" things, with this observation: ". . . The virtue of men like Monet, Hiroshige, and Turner was that they finally saw artistically what billions or ordinary eyes had seen before: landscapes are not brown. Unfortunately, no Japanese woodblock artist ever saw a dog."

**MEMO TO NEW YORKERS:** Mr. Michener will be the speaker at the JACL Installation Dinner on Oct. 20 at Grant Community Center. The seating capacity is limited. If you haven't sent in the reservations post card, then please phone Roy Kurahara (UN 5-1010), George Kyotow (MU 3-0888), or R. Akagi (MU 8-0300).

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## JIM SAKATA STARS IN LONG BEACH KEG TOURNAMENT

LONG BEACH.—Pins toppled with ease at Circle and Major Bowls site of the 11th annual Long Beach Nisei bowling tournament, the past two weekends and big scores were numerous.

While Jim Sakata nabbed honors in the scratch end of all events with an admirable 1902 total Frank Oda took the handicap end of the competition with a 1991

W. Fay Co. squad of Dick Ung Sol Tringali, Jack Okamoto, George Tsuji and S. Kobayashi copped the scratch team event with 2810. Anchor Liquor team of Doc Kuroda, Rich Oye, Mineo Miya, Frank Oda and Al Ono took the handicap end with 2880-240-3120.

Babe Tawa came up with a neat 739 handicap total for the men's singles while Jim Sakata's 671 withstood the efforts of the second weekend of bowlers for scratch honors in the same event.

Eddie Tsuruta and Jim Sakata's 1324, rolled the first week and which included Sakata's 705 scratch, copped the men's handicap doubles.

Al Ah Sam and Delmar Leong took the scratch doubles with a 1262 total.

Miyo Toyama's 1040-116-1156 copped the women's handicap sweepers. Rose Yamasaki moved into first in the scratch end with a 922.

Kayko Harada and Harley Kusumoto's 1343 handicap total in the mixed doubles was not even approached for top honors.

Frances Okura and George Iseri won the scratch mixed doubles with a 1218.

## WALLY HAMADA COPS THIRD SAN FRANCISCO JACL GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

SAN FRANCISCO.—Wally Hamada captured first place in the fourth annual San Francisco JACL golf tournament at Sonoma Oct. 2, taking both low gross and low net honors in the first flight with a card of 80-9-71.

It was Hamada's third straight win in the yearly tournament sponsored by the local chapter for its membership.

Sim Seiki took the top honors in the second flight with a net 73 score. Both Hamada and Seiki won trophies donated by Sumitomo Bank (Calif.).

Spores were generally high and Hamada was the only player to break par with handicap.

In the women's flight, the two Bank of Tokyo California trophies went to Mrs. Harriet Matsuda who hit a net 77 and Mrs. Ruby Hirashima who finished two strokes behind.

## New bowling house

BLACKFOOT, Idaho.—Big news in bowling here is the opening of a new house by Roy and Ann Ono, the Pocatello JACL Newsletter reported this week.

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## 12-year-old lad, blind by cancer, learns self-confidence from rough & tumble judo

FORT WORTH, Tex. — Arthur Johnson gets no pampering from his parents—or his judo opponents—even though he is blind.

The 12-year-old Fort Worth youngster lost both eyes to cancer, but his father, Ray Johnson, says it is remarkable that the boy is alive and active. The type of cancer that took the boy's left eye when he was 16 months old and his right eye five years ago is often fatal.

But Johnson and his wife pledged to keep the boy from being dependent on them for everything and forced him to remain active.

And active he has been. Right now, his spare time from school work at the Austin State School for the Blind is spent in practicing judo, riding a bicycle and

swimming.

**Cycling by Curb**

He guides his way on the bicycle by running the wheel along the curb and gutter in his neighborhood street. He lives with an acute sense of direction when he's swimming.

Arthur is a rough-and-tumble judo advocate. The disadvantages of sightlessness are not enough to keep him from flipping heavier boys to the mat in the YMCA gymnasium under the eye of his instructor, Sam Numajiri.

A big part of the judo instruction is how to fall properly. Arthur spends much time tumbling through the air. Although he can't see where the floor is, he knows well enough to prepare for the tumbles.

"I always remember," he said, "that what goes up much come down."

**Hopes to Succeed**

It's unlikely that Arthur's energies will come down.

His father said, "We've tried to impress upon him that since he is blind, he is going to have to do well everything that he does, if he hopes to succeed in the world. He won't be able to rely on us for help."

When his mother takes him to the YMCA for judo lessons and swimming, she lets him out at the curb and tells him where the door is. From there, Arthur is on his own. And he gets little special attention at home.

He makes his own bed and helps with dinner chores.

Arthur seems content to adjust to a dark world, except for one thing. He would like to get one look sometime at his sister, Candace, 5.

## Canada Nisei wins 'Mr. Universe' title

MONTREAL. — Ken Togawa, 29-year-old pencil pusher at United Color, Ontario, achieved the highlight of his weightlifting career by being acclaimed Mr. Universe Oct. 2 at Memorial National Theater here.

For the past 10 years, he has been working out three hours a day at Mack Miyashita's gym to gain the spotlight and trophy, symbolic of the ultimate in physical perfection. He stands 5 ft. 3 in. and weighs 165 lbs.

Before winning the Mr. Universe title, Togawa won over 20 titles, including Mr. Ontario and "Most Muscular Man of Canada."



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# Northwest Picture

By Elmer Ogawa

## Not Enough Rain for Matsutake

Seattle

It has been said that "It's about time that you make your annual matsutake mushroom report on conditions here in the Northwest." Now, we do not necessarily like to follow a repetitious calendar controlled program, but the job as unofficial "excuse maker" seems to have fallen into our lap.

The great army of Issei and Nisei mushroom hunters must send tons and tons of the flavorful fungus to friends all over the United States. A little research with the air parcel post and air express people ought to reveal some interesting figures: a sort of Wall Street report on the local production of a much desired delicacy.

The year 1960 has turned out to be another of the recent famine years, and it is doubtful if anything good will develop after this late date. Few weeks ago, this column mentioned that the "40 day drought" had been broken, if only by a little misty atmosphere that could hardly be measured as rainfall by the weather people.

Since, it has been pretty dry with almost no rain in Seattle, but we've had reports of snowfall in Stevens Pass in the Cascades the past week, and quite a bit of rain out near Shelton, on the Olympic peninsula, which is the principal area of late season operations of matsutake hunters. So, things may begin to look up.

We're told that right now, the going price is about \$3.50 a pound in the local markets.

Well, what brought about our decision to talk up on this subject is the report of old friend John Reddin of the Times, who recently started a column "Faces of the City" and writes up Yoshito Fujii, JAFL board member and onetime classmate of ours, as the Dean of Seattle matsutake hunters.

It is reported that stories of Seattle's annual mushroom derby have reached Japan and have brought inquiries from Prof. Minoru Hamada, famous botanist of the Univ. of Kyoto.

As you know, the matsutake grows only in Japan and on the rainy slopes of the Pacific Northwest. The Northwest Variety, reportedly grow much larger than those in Japan. So the professor wanted to know at what altitude and in what type of soil our matsutake grows.

In the correspondence, Yoshito Fujii mentioned that he and his wife intended to fly to Japan. (They actually left last week). But when he heard this, Prof. Hamada asked Fujii to bring one of those jumbo size Washington matsutake with him.

So this brings us back to where we came in. Before his departure, Fujii tried for two weeks to find a prime specimen. No luck, the weather had been too dry. But when one is stymied, it's good to enlist the aid of friends, and a couple of fair sized Washington specimens were collected to accompany the Fujii's on the jet flight to Tokyo.

In recognition of this pilgrimage and its noble purpose, the professor has made arrangements for an all day matsutake derby near Kyoto, to celebrate the visit of the matsutake ambassador from Seattle.

Talks about hands across the sea! Perhaps this exchange of information will help the development of larger mushrooms in Japan, or the eminent botanist may help us to increase our productivity in the famine years. Perhaps introduce a variation in the spore which will thrive on less moisture.

Well, all that is just a matter of conjecture, and a reminder to people who call this corner of the world such a rainy so-and-so, that sometimes we do not get enough moisture.

## POINTING SOUTHWESTWARD: by Fred Takata

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along th Cha-Cha and leading the group in the ondo; Janice Mirikitani did a wonderful job in singing several vocal numbers, and San Fernando was quick to claim her as their representative; Kango Kunitzugu, SWLA, did a take off on Mort Sahl, and some of the cracks directed our way were really uncalled for! Dr. Ken Yamaguchi was MC for the evening and through his efforts made this gathering a Whing Ding!

## WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: by Mike Masaoka

(Continued from Back Page)

Since this represents official recognition by the next Emperor of Japan and must reflect the official attitude of both the Emperor himself and the Japanese Government, we are reprinting the significant paragraph below, with our appreciation to Mas Yonemura, because of its implications for the future.

After noting that a hundred years ago Japan's first diplomatic mission to the United States arrived at San Francisco, the Crown Prince declared: "Since then, many Japanese have landed here, some to study and absorb American civilization, others to make their homes here or elsewhere in this country. It is with the deepest satisfaction that I note their accomplishments and their children's, which contributed so much to cementing the ties of friendship between our two countries."

Inasmuch as the above was one of only five paragraphs in the remarks of the Crown Prince at the Mark Hopkins Hotel reception in his honor on September 24, 1960, its significance cannot be misunderstood in terms either of the past or the future.

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## Murayama —

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other cultural programs thus far presented by America, because many youngsters were anxious to see what kind of stamps America has. The significance of the last show was that the first Nisei lady designed the American stamp—and Japanese stamp lovers were specifically shown her works.

### International Show

Meanwhile, Tad Fujita, prominent Nisei philatelist in Berkeley, urged an International Philatelic Exhibition be held in Tokyo in 1964 in connection with the Olympic Games. Several persons have been already approached with his ideas. But Japanese authorities hesitate to express their opinions to this particular matter. It takes time and money to prepare such a gigantic undertaking.

## APL to launch new 23,000-ton liner

SAN FRANCISCO.—The SS President Lincoln, first of two Sea Racer cargo liners being built for American President Lines at Bethlehem Steel Company's San Francisco shipyard, will be launched on Sept. 28, it was announced today by Ralph K. Davies, chairman, and George Killion, president, of APL.

Official start of construction of the ship was Dec. 16, 1959, when the keel was laid. The President Lincoln is being built simultaneously with a sistership, the SS President Tyler, in a \$32 million construction project to give American President Lines two giant ships that will rank among the largest, fastest and most modern cargo liners sailing under any flag.

Design agent for the two Sea Racers is George G. Sharp, of New York. The interior design and decor will be the creation of Eleanor LeMaire, also of New York.

Principal characteristics show these additional statistics: overall length, 563 ft., 7 1/4 in.; beam, 76 ft.; displacement, 22,640 tons; total deadweight, 13,700 tons; general cargo, 544,950 cu. ft., excluding convertible deep tank and container capacity. The President Lincoln will have an officer and crew complement of 60, and air-conditioned accommodations for 12 passengers.

Designed to carry all types of general cargoes, the President Lincoln, and her sistership, President Tyler, due to be launched in December, will be fleet leaders in the cargo liner class. While basically the same in hull form and dimensions as the highly-functional Mariners, the two Sea Racers will incorporate many innovations in accordance with APL's policy of providing the most modern equipment for service to shippers around the world.

### Postal jobs offered

The Los Angeles Post Office is offering permanent employment to 500 men to fill existing clerk and letter carrier vacancies. It was announced by Postmaster Otto K. Oleson. Applicants must be U.S. citizens, at least 17 years of age and those residing within a 35-mile radius of the Los Angeles post office will be considered first to fill the job openings. Application may be made at any Los Angeles post office. Pay starts at \$2.10 per hour with increases annually to \$2.63 and an additional 10 percent for night work.

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**LOS ANGELES**  
Miyasaki, Shusaku (Chiyoeko Takenaka)—boy John H., July 20.  
Miyashiro, Yukio (Tsuyako Nakamura)—girl Gail Kibuye, July 23.  
Miyazaki, Fred S. (Sue Uyetake)—girl Lisa Akko, July 2.  
Mochizuki, Arthur N. (Yoshiko Matsuo)—girl Julie, July 3.  
Motoyama, Edward S. (Miyoko Oshiro)—boy Robin S., July 11.  
Murakami, Harold T. (Tatsue Fukunaga)—boy Layne T., July 6.  
Nagahama, Shiyel (Norma Kuhara)—girl Laura, July 30.  
Nakata, Richard (Merle Yee)—boy Leighton A., July 28.  
Nambu, Albert T. (Dorothy Okamoto)—girl, June 23, San Pedro.  
Nishida, Roger (Helen Okubo)—boy Kenneth S., July 11.  
Nomoto, Frank (Hideko Maeyama)—girl Laurie Mayumi, July 30.  
Ogawa, Raymond (Florence Okamoto)—girl Elsie A., July 2.  
Okada, James M. (Barbara Westfall)—boy Michael, Aug. 20.  
Okamoto, Satoru (Masae Aquino)—boy Brian S., July 9.  
Olson, Daniel (Asa Saito)—boy, July 20, Pacoima.  
Omatsu, Frank (Violet Takeda)—boy Dean Takeshi, Aug. 2.  
Omura, Henry H. (Barbara Yoneshiro)—girl Shelley A., July 6.  
Onaga, George T. (Shirley Shimaburo)—girl Iris K., July 23.  
Oshiro, Yoshio (Cynthia Tai)—boy James M., Aug. 1, El Monte.  
Paboa, James (Nobue Ajimine)—girl, July 28.  
Robinson, Hugh P. (Akiko Ohinata)—boy Lonnie, June 22.  
Sakaguchi, Noboru (Ayako Takamine)—boy Jon H., July 6.  
Sakamoto, Akira (Ruth Hino)—boy Arnold Akio, July 10.  
Sakaue, Minoru—boy, July 10, Rosemead.  
Sakemi, Eddie (Ituko Sumi)—girl Carrie Ann, July 25.  
Sato, Kozio—girl, July 17, Pasadena.  
Shigaura, Fred H. (Kiyo Kaido)—girl, June 9, June 6.  
Shigeoka, Masao (Nancy Oyadomori)—boy Ship Matsuo, July 24.  
Shigezane, Edward N. (Sumie Yamashita)—girl Sara L., July 11.  
Sung, Richard (Chizuko Tanaka)—boy Rodney S., July 29.  
Tajiri, Roy K. (Funiko Hasida)—boy Mark Kazumi, July 19.  
Takekura, Santiago (Chiye Sakomizu)—boy Kenneth, July 10.  
Tamashiro, James M. (Martha Higa)—boy Michael Taichi, July 25.  
Tasaki, James Y. (Keiko Kunishige)—girl Jennifer Y., July 6.  
Tayama, Jimmy (June Yokoyama)—girl Jeanne, July 19.  
Tomishima, Harry T. (Gladys Arakaki)—girl Jill M., July 24.  
Tori, Hebo G. (Hiroko Muranaga)—boy Rodney H., July 9.  
Tsujuchi, Elliot Y. (James Yoshino)—girl Terry K., July 5.  
Ueno, Tatsuya (Tomiko Tani)—boy Bruce Eili, July 21.  
Uno, Michio (Sumiko Masukawa)—boy Daniel T., July 29.  
Watanabe, Katsuo (Setsuko Furumoto)—girl Nora S., June 6.  
Watanabe, Thomas M. (Patricia Tomishima)—girl Debra N., July 8.  
Yamagishi, Kay (Mitsuko Akiyama)—boy Don K., Aug. 4.  
Yamamoto, Ramon (Akiko Tamura)—boy Randall R., Aug. 1.  
Yamamoto, Roland K. (Hortencia Noguchi)—girl Kay, July 13.  
Yamashita, Takashi (Etsuko Takahashi)—boy Dale S., July 13.  
Yokoyama, Masami (Nancy Katagi)—boy Roy Minoru, July 7.  
Yoshimoto, Sherwood Y. (Toshie Matsumoto)—boy Ward M., July 22.  
Yumori, Osamu (Miyoko Takai)—girl Aileen T., July 13.  
Zumwalt, Harry (Motoko Sawada)—boy, July 26, La Punete.  
Zumwinkle, Richard A. (Margaret Takahashi)—girl, July 10, Santa Monica.

### SONOMA COUNTY

Sato, George—boy, July 23, Angwin.  
**OAKLAND & EASTBAY**  
Miyakado, Michael—boy, Aug. 5, El Cerrito.  
Tameshima, Tadahiro—boy, July 23.  
Tashima, George—girl, July 9.  
**SACRAMENTO & VALLEY**  
Ambe, Natsuo—boy, July 18.  
Joi, Stanley T.—girl, July 18.  
'koti, John—girl, July 30.  
'urata, George—boy, Aug. 1, Yuba City.  
Hironaka, Haruo—girl, July 24.  
Ioshizaki, Tom—boy, July 14.  
Kenaga, James—boy, July 6, Carmichael.  
wasaki, Yanosuke—boy, Aug. 27, Yuba City.  
Kanemoto, Richard—boy, July 27.  
Lawamura, Joe—girl, June 3.  
Iihara, Shigeyoshi—boy, July 25.  
Coyama, Tsutomu—boy, Aug. 10.  
Suzashige, Stanley—boy, Aug. 30.  
Kurimoto, George—girl, Aug. 3.  
Iatsunoto, Karl K.—girl, Aug. 29.  
Iatsunoto, Robert M.—boy, June 29, Walnut Grove.  
Iiura, Hapime—girl, June 1.  
Iiura, Takashi—girl, May 31.

Morita, George—girl, July 28.  
Moriya, Tomiharu—girl, Aug. 8.  
Mitsukami, George—girl, Aug. 22.  
Murai, Tom—boy, May 27.  
Nagata, Raymond—girl, Aug. 29.  
Nakamoto, Boy—boy, May 27.  
Nimura, Nobuya—boy, July 11, Los Angeles.  
Oda, George—girl, Aug. 11.  
Ogi, Noboru—boy, July 24.  
Ota, Tauto—boy, Aug. 7.  
Sakamoto, Cosmo—boy Kay, June 25, Loomis.  
Sanbongi, Fred—girl Kathleen, June 22.  
Sato, George—girl, June 5.  
Shimono, Sam—girl, July 19.  
Shintani, Roy—boy, July 4.  
Suyenaga, George—boy, Sept. 3.  
Tagawa, Hideki—girl, Aug. 24.  
Takata, Ray—boy, June 30.  
Tanemori, Masaki—boy, Aug. 21.  
Taniguchi, Andrew—boy, May 21, Travis AFB.  
Tokunaga, Masashi—girl, Aug. 31.  
Tsukamoto, James—girl, Sept. 3.  
Tsukimura, Henry—girl, June 2, Yuba City.  
Tsunura, Frank—boy, July 27.  
Washizu, Masaki—girl, July 27.

### SEATTLE

Akiyama, James—girl, Aug. 2.  
Hirayama, Nob—boy, July 24.  
Hiramoto, Robert—boy, Aug. 21.  
Ishii, Nobu—girl, July 28.  
Kajita, Ken—boy, Aug. 19.  
Kato, Chris—boy, Aug. 15.  
Kumasaka, Roland—boy, Aug. 4.  
Maeda, James—girl, Aug. 2.  
Matsui, Tsugio—boy, Aug. 15.  
Mimbu, William Y.—boy, Aug. 22.  
Nakamura, Yukio—boy, Aug. 6.  
Nakashima, Hiro—girl, Aug. 13.  
Okuyama, Yelzo—girl, July 18.  
Sako, Yoshiaki—girl, Aug. 18.  
Takahashi, Kinji—boy, Aug. 14.  
Takeda, Shozo—boy, Aug. 6.  
Tanagi, Frank S.—girl, Aug. 18.  
Ushijima, Satoshi—girl, Aug. 3.  
Yamamoto, Hiroki—boy, Aug. 23.

### CHICAGO

Oshita, Yutaka — girl Radine Miye, Sept. 2.

### WEDDINGS

Iwamasa-Matsuda—Sept. 21, Gilbert II and Grace Y., both Los Angeles.  
Jew-Nishimuro—Aug. 28, Paul M. and Lily Y., both Los Angeles.  
Kanaga-Ita—Sept. 18, Jerry M. Florin, Jean K. Sacramento.  
Miyake-Ishizaki—Sept. 17, Rev. Kenneth, San Francisco; Joyce, Berkeley.  
Miyatake-Takiguchi—Oct. 2, Richard T. and Fumiko, both Los Angeles.  
Okabe-Nagatomo—Aug. 20, Dr. Masayuki, Sacramento; Shirli, Gardena.  
Shindo-Nomura—Oct. 2, Henry, Los Angeles; Eiko, Oakland.  
Taniguchi-Fukuda—Sept. 10, Alvin and Janet, both Seattle.  
Ueno-Ikeda—Sept. 11, Raymond T. & Jean, both Seattle.  
Wakita-Nishi—Aug. 7, Osamu A. and Nancy T., both Culver City.

### DEATHS

Abe, Hana, 73: Los Angeles, Sept. 23.  
Aragaki, Mrs. Kana, 53: San Jose, Oct. 4.  
Endo, Mrs. Fusako, 61: Los Angeles, Sept. 22.  
Imamura, Hikota, 79: Mountain View, Sept. 18.  
Iura, Mrs. Misako, 48: Los Angeles, Oct. 3.  
Kajitaka, Jitsuo, 53: Cutler, Sept. 11.  
Kumashiro, Mrs. Koel, 85: Los Angeles, Oct. 6.  
Kawahara, Tatsuzo, 78: Los Angeles, Sept. 21.  
Miyazaki, Tsuyako, 23: Los Angeles, Oct. 6.  
Ota, Shingo, 81: Walnut Grove, Sept. 30.  
Matsuzaki, Matsue, 57: San Francisco, Oct. 2.  
Nakagawa, Mrs. Viola, 60: New York, Sept. 15.  
Noriyu, Mrs. Sumie, 52: Alameda, Sept. 22.  
Ota, Mrs. Tomi, 63: Redondo Beach, Sept. 27.  
Sasaki, Seitaro, 76: Acampo, Sept. 21.  
Shinkawa, Mrs. Kinu, 73: Fresno, Sept. 25.  
Takahashi, Zenichiro: Santa Clara, Oct. 3.  
Shiroma, Joseph M., 45: Los Angeles, Oct. 4.  
Takaoka, Mrs. Shizu, 77: Fresno, Sept. 25.  
Ume, Mrs. Hisano, 68: Los Angeles, Sept. 25.  
Uyeno, Mrs. Kiyoko, 58: Los Angeles, Oct. 2.

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BY MIKE MASAOKA

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THOUGH THE PRESIDENTIAL sweepstakes are receiving the most publicity and attention, voters must not forget that the election of members to the United States Congress is equally important. Under our constitutional system of checks and balances, the legislative branch is coordinate with the executive branch. One is not more vital than the other, though, as a matter of fact, it is the Congress that sets the national policies by enacting legislation and appropriates the necessary funds for the operation of government.

In any event, in considering the qualifications of the nominees for the White House, voters should not neglect the candidates for the Congress, senators as well as representatives.

This November 8, in the general elections, voters will be called upon to elect not only a president and vice president but also 34 members of the Senate and 437 members of the House of Representatives, the senators to serve six year terms and the representatives two years.

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EVER SINCE THE JACL opened its Washington Offices in January 1948, before every national election we have provided information regarding the activities of candidates for the Congress in order that JACL members may better evaluate the qualifications and the attitudes of the candidates from their respective states and congressional districts.

Ever since it has become politically unpopular to be "anti-Japanese", members of both the Senate and the House have, more or less enthusiastically, supported or voted for those legislative objectives in which the JACL has had a special interest and concern. Accordingly, honesty requires us to state that no candidate for re-election this year to either the Senate or the House actively opposed any specific legislation in which the JACL was interested, except for civil rights bills when they voted either along party or geographic lines as explained in previous Newsletters on the subject when the "great" debates on the subject were being carried on in both chambers this spring.

Thus, in a general way, it can be said that all of the incumbents have demonstrated their sympathy and understanding of our specific problems and aspirations, and none have voted against their resolution.

In a sense, then, by voting for the re-election of incumbents, whether Democrats or Republicans, other things being equal, means that one is voting for "known" sympathy and willingness to cooperate. Conversely, again other things being equal, voting against the incumbent could mean voting for an "unknown" or "unproven" quality.

This adds up to a kind of endorsement for more Democrats than Republicans, but this is understandable when some two-thirds of the members of the Congress are Democrats.

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SENATORIAL SEATS ARE at stake in the following states where JACL has chapters or a substantial number of members: Colorado, New Mexico, New Jersey, Kentucky, Nebraska, Illinois, Idaho, Minnesota, Texas, Michigan, Montana, Oregon, Wyoming, Virginia, and Missouri.

Incumbent senators seeking re-election who have been particularly friendly and cooperative include Senators Clifford P. Case of New Jersey, Republican; John Sherman Cooper, Kentucky, Republican; and Paul H. Douglas, Illinois, Democrat.

OF THE 437 House seats, the following congressmen from congressional districts in which the JACL has a chapter or a substantial number of members have been most cooperative: California—Democrats John E. Moss, John F. Shelley, George P. Miller, B.F. Sisk, Cecil R. King, Chet Holifield, George A. Kasem, James Roosevelt, and D.S. Saund and Republicans J. Arthur Younger and Gordon L. McDonough.

Colorado—Democrats Byron G. Rogers and Wayne N. Aspinall.

Hawaii—Democrat Daniel K. Inouye.  
Illinois—Democrats Barratt O'Hara and Sidney R. Yates.  
Minnesota—Republican Walter H. Judd.  
New York—Democrat Emanuel Celler.  
Pennsylvania—Democrat Francis E. Walter.  
Utah—Democrat David S. King.

Washington—Republicans Thomas M. Pelly, Jack Westland, Russell V. Mack, Catherine May, Walt Horan, and Thor C. Tollefson, and Democrat Don Magnuson. (All signed the joint Washington State Congressional Delegation statement urging repeal of the Anti-Asian Land Law referendum on November 8.)

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THE IDENTIFICATION OF specific members of the Senate and the House as having been "most helpful" does not necessarily mean that other members were not. These other members may not have been called upon, or served on committees and subcommittees that had no jurisdiction over the legislation in which the JACL was interested.

### Tribute to Issei and Nisei

ATTORNEY MAS YONEMURA of Oakland calls to our attention a tribute to the contributions of the Issei and the Nisei by the Crown Prince of Japan at a reception in San Francisco recently, a tribute which, by the way, was not carried by the Japanese American press or the daily newspapers.

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## U.S. Office of Education to survey little known language resources of ethnic groups

PHILADELPHIA—A two-year nationwide study of the non-English language resources of American ethnic groups has been commissioned by the U.S. Office of Education.

The study, under the auspices of the Univ. of Pennsylvania, will be conducted by Dr. Joshua A. Fishman, formerly Associate Professor of Human Relations and Psychology, and will have the cooperation and assistance of the American Council for Nationalities Service of which the International Institute, is a member. The International Institute provides individual, group, and community service to foreign-born newcomers.

In announcing the project, Dr. Fishman pointed out that for many years American educators, and government leaders have been concerned that too few Americans possess sufficient knowledge of languages other than English. In order to strengthen America's cultural, commercial and diplomatic ties with the rest of the world, there is a great and growing need of individuals who can speak, read and write other languages. Americans of foreign birth and parentage constitute a tremendously rich but too little known resource in this important field.

The study will seek to determine what nationality groups in the U.S.

are doing to preserve their traditional language, and extent to which they are teaching them to their children and young people, and what their leaders and organizations think should be done to increase proficiency in and the general use of non-English languages among the members of these groups. The study will cover the foreign language press and radio, and will also explore the extent to which foreign language teachers in American High Schools and Colleges are aware of and utilize the non-English language.

According to Dr. Fishman, the study "is an important opportunity for American ethnic groups to bring their linguistic and cultural heritages to the attention of the country. At the same time, the study is an opportunity to clarify ways and means for the more effective preservation and perpetuation of these heritages, as well as an opportunity for nationality organizations and their members to become actively engaged in a project that has great meaning for themselves and their country."

Individuals and organizations interested in cooperating with Dr. Fishman should write to him care of the project's New York address: Language Resources Project, 11 W. 57th St., New York 19, N.Y.

## Final days of campaign to re-elect Inouye require contributions be submitted now

Mainland friends, supporters, and admirers of Congressman Dan Inouye, including former 442nd buddies and former residents of Hawaii, are being urged to send in their contributions immediately to help in his re-election by the Bipartisan Volunteers for the Re-Election of Dan Inouye.

Since funds must be sent to Hawaii and since they are badly needed to help in the final days of the campaign, contributions must be sent in not later than next week to be effective in the general November 8 election, Mike Masaoka, secretary, declared.

He noted that during the past two weeks, while his opponent has been campaigning vigorously, Congressman Inouye has been forced to be in Tokyo attending the Interparliamentary Union Conference as a United States delegate. Now, with only some three weeks left before the voting, Inouye will be hard put to match the well-financed radio, television, and newspaper campaign being waged by his opponent.

### Kono-Hawaii Luau

(Southern California Volunteers to Re-elect Dan Inouye are sponsoring a fund-raising luau this Sunday, 5-10 p.m., at Kono-Hawaii, 226 S. Harbor Blvd., Santa Ana.)

Masaoka disclosed that he had received a letter from William R. Norwood, chairman of Dan Inouye's campaign committee in Hawaii, in which the efforts of the Bipartisan Volunteers are lauded. "One of the problems we have to face here is that because of Dan's popularity and his showing of such great strength in the primary election, there are the assumptions on part of many people, including some of his very close friends, that he doesn't need any help. I can assure you that this is not the case," states chairman Norwood. "We are not conducting an elaborate campaign, but one which is consistent with Dan's decision not to take anything for granted and to campaign vigorously for re-election. This means we need money."

That it is trebly difficult to undertake the current campaign "even though the financial requirements are modest and carefully programmed in such a short span of time", chairman Norwood explained because Dan had to campaign for the Congress last year and the year before that for the Territorial Senate.

### Three Campaigns

Three campaigns in three years

### 442nd vet leader dies

HONOLULU.—George T. Miki, 42nd veteran who played one of the supporting roles in "Go For Broke", died Oct. 6. He was 39. Surviving him are his wife, the former Sachiko Kazunaga, 1950 Los Angeles Nisei Week queen, and two children.

## Dr. Watanabe succeeds as nat'l JACL chairman on international relations

Succeeding William Marutani of Philadelphia as chairman of the National JACL International Relations Committee will be Dr. Warren H. Watanabe, also of Philadelphia, it was announced this week by National President Frank Chuman.

Dr. Watanabe was the EDC committee chairman on international relations and served on the nucleus committee of Marutani.

## Chuman appears on ABC-TV public affairs program

Frank Chuman, national JACL president, appeared briefly on ABC-TV's first of 15 public affairs program last Sept. 27 when racial prejudice in the northern United States was the topic. He said discrimination against persons of Japanese ancestry was diminishing, though it still existed in housing and employment at the supervisory level.

## Japanese Americans named to Senior Citizens group

Shigemori Tamaki and Arthur Takei were named to the Senior Citizens Committee for Kennedy steering committee by Dr. Arthur Carsten, coordinator of the newly-formed group and research associate at UCLA Dept. of Industrial Relations.

Tamaki is president of the Okinawa Kenjinkai and Takei is head of the West Jefferson Democratic Club.

## Seabrook Issei dies

SEABROOK.—Torazo Matsumoto, naturalized Issei member of Seabrook JACL, died Oct. 6 of heart attack. A prewar resident of Norwalk, Calif., he was employed at the Seabrook Farms for the past 15 years.

## CALENDAR

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- Oct. 13 (Saturday)  
Chicago—Candidates Night, McCormick YWCA, 8 p.m.  
San Francisco—Youth Group social, Long Beach—Autumn Ball, Harbor Comm. Center.  
Cleveland—Social Security Night.  
Sequoia—Potluck dinner, Veterans Memorial Hall, Redwood City, 6:30 p.m.
- Oct. 16 (Sunday)  
NC-WNDC—Executive board meeting, Livingston-Merced JACL hosts.
- Oct. 20 (Thursday)  
New York—Installation dinner, Grant Center, 1301 Amsterdam Ave. James A. Michener, spkr.
- Oct. 22 (Saturday)  
Selma—10th Anniversary dinner, Bruce's Lodge, 6:30 p.m.  
Twin Cities—Potluck youth forum, JA Center, 6 p.m.; Abe Hagiwara, spkr.  
San Francisco—Issei Recognition banquet.  
West Los Angeles—Talent Night, Sawtelle Gakuen.
- Oct. 23 (Sunday)  
CCDC—Meeting, Selma Mission, 2 p.m.
- Oct. 23 (Friday)  
Fresno—Masquerade party, Desert Inn, 7 p.m.
- Oct. 29 (Saturday)  
Mil-Hi—Fall meeting.  
Portland—25th Anniversary Banquet, Bruce's Lodge; Akiji Yoshimura, spkr.  
Salt Lake—25th Anniversary Banquet, Prudential Auditorium, 33rd and S. State; Frank Chuman, spkr.  
Venice—Culver—Costume party, Venice Gakuen.
- Oct. 30 (Sunday)  
IDC—Annual convention, Salt Lake JACL hosts.  
Sonoma County—Nisei GI Memorial Service.
- Nov. 1 (Thursday)  
Puyallup Valley—Meeting, Tacoma Buddhist Church, 4 p.m.
- Nov. 4 (Friday)  
San Francisco—Auxiliary meeting, Church of Christ, 7:30 p.m.  
Sonoma County—Membership solicitors' meeting, Memorial Hall.
- Nov. 5 (Saturday)  
Southwest L.A.—Christmas Cheer benefit dance, Old Dixie Ballroom, 9 p.m.  
Reedley—Issei Recognition and 25th Anniversary banquet, Bruce's Lodge, 6:30 p.m.; Sab Kido, spkr.
- Nov. 6 (Sunday)  
Sonoma County—Auxiliary sukijaki dinner, Memorial Hall.
- Nov. 7 (Monday)  
Pocatello—Chow Mein dinner, Memorial Hall.
- Nov. 8 (Tuesday)  
ELECTION DAY—VOTE EARLY!  
Nov. 9 (Wednesday)  
Cortez—Pre-darby dinner, Grower's Warehouse.  
Los Angeles—Pollo Clinic.
- Nov. 11 (Friday)  
Chicago—Discussion meeting.  
Philadelphia—Chapter board meeting.
- Nov. 11 - 12  
Berkeley—Aki Matsuri, Trinity Methodist Church.
- Nov. 12 (Saturday)  
Long Beach—Baseball Award Night, Harbor Comm. Ctr., 7:30 p.m.  
Eden Township—Jr. JACL dance, Oakland Buddhist Church, 8 p.m.  
San Francisco—Auxiliary dance, Booker T. Washington Center, Sutter and Presidio Sts., 9:30 p.m.
- Nov. 13 (Sunday)  
NC-WNDC—Election meeting, Livingston-Merced JACL hosts.  
Cortez—Striped bass derby, Frank's Tract.
- Nov. 14 (Monday)  
Pocatello—JACLyn election.

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