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**COLUMN LEFT:****Implications of an assassination in Japan**

The horror of a young student rushing upon the platform to fatally stab Japan's Socialist Party chairman Asanuma was telecast on the U.S. television screens last week. One network showed it a second time in slow motion.

Asanuma was in the middle of a denunciation of the conservative government for its tactics in pushing through the U.S. mutual cooperation and security treaty. He was the first major political figure to be assassinated in postwar Japan, which only last June emerged from disorder and violence surrounding the passage of the new pact with the United States. His death left a party temporarily rudderless at the start of a national election campaign, which comes to a climax in voting around Nov. 23. (The Ikeda cabinet is dissolving the lower House next week.)

The political storm in Japan brewed by this assassination can be better understood in America by imagining the reaction to the murder of a presidential candidate. Asanuma was chairman of a party and in effect a candidate for prime minister.

Until the assassination, a conservative political victory seemed assured as a public reply to the leftist riots against the treaty with America and President Eisenhower's visit. Now the issue is placed in doubt. Since the knifing was the act of a fanatic right-wing student, there are fears that ultranationalists are trying to regain power.

Americans have paid scant attention to the political campaign in Japan. But the assassination and its implications for future relations with Japan will disturb current preoccupations with our own elections. It also puts Japan on guard to see that its democratic institutions aren't trampled by either leftist or rightist forces.—H.H.

## LEGION SPURNS 40 ET 8 BID FOR FULL STATUS

MIAMI BEACH. — The American Legion internal affairs committee rejected a move to restore the 40 et 8 to good standing Tuesday.

By an overwhelming vote, the committee upheld the action of the Legion commander and the executive committee last year stripping the estimated 90,000 members of the 40 et 8 of the right to wear Legion emblems and participate in parades because it restricts its memberships to white persons.

However, the door was left open for the 40 et 8 if it changed its membership restriction. Meanwhile the 40 et 8 opened its own convention in Miami yesterday.

One Mississippi Legionnaire said he had heard the 40 et 8 would pull out of the Legion and form its own independent organization and the Legion would lose up to 50,000 members.

The 40 et 8 voltures in California have been among leaders in the group to break the all-white stand. One unit in San Jose had elected a Chinese American into membership but was called down for admitting a non-white last year.

## Bakersfield JACL elects '61 cabinet

BAKERSFIELD.—One of JACL's youngest chapters her in Bakersfield is the first to report its 1961 cabinet, which will be headed by Joe Ono, president. He succeeds Dr. Warren Itokazu, who was in charge of the election meeting last week.

Other officers are Dr. Tosh Yumibe, 1st v.p.; Lloyd Kumataka, 2nd v.p.; Bob Kawahara, treas.; Fumi Tatsuno, rec. sec.; Tomi Monji, cor. sec.; Nellie Tatsuno, hist.; Nobu Torii, pub.; Ben Kinoshita, Dr. Itokazu and Bob Tsuibota, off. del.

Lloyd Kumataka and Guy Murotani volunteered to chair the chapter's duties of reception committee at the forthcoming Central California District Council convention in Fresno.

## Eden Township Cler named floral group official

SACRAMENTO.—Ken Fujii, active Eden Township JACler of Hayward, was named as new secretary of the California State Florists Assn. at the three day state-wide convention of the organization here and in Davis recently.

Fujii is a grower member of the group, operating the Fujii Nursery at 24949 Soto Rd., in Hayward.

## Shimanouchi addresses newspaper forum in L.A.

Henry T. Shimanouchi, counselor at the Japanese Embassy in Washington, D.C., was among those addressing the first World Newspaper Forum at Beverly Hilton last week. The forum was sponsored by the California Newspaper Publishers Assn.

Other speakers included Vice President Nixon, Abraham Ribicoff of Connecticut and atomic scientist Edward Teller.

## Chicago lawyer

CHICAGO.—Harry K. Mayeda, active Chicago JACler and public relations man for Curtiss Candy Co., has passed the state bar examination and is now practicing law with Louis A. Witsiepe.

Recently, Mayeda was admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court.

## Kennedy or Nixon will inherit responsibility to make return of vested property; 20 million voters may be swayed by stand

WASHINGTON. — With everyone thinking politics these days, there has been surprisingly little involvement of the return issue in the current Presidential campaign, the Committee for Return of Confiscated German and Japanese Property pointed out this week.

If Nixon wins, it is presumed that he will carry on the policy of the present Administration. That policy is one of support for the principle of return, not in kind, but in money, after all the confiscated property has been sold.

If Kennedy wins, the situation is less clear. Kennedy appears to be in favor of selling the confiscated property but he has not given any indication of how he might feel about a later monetary return.

Both Kennedy and Nixon, as the picture is seen here, want to reduce the assets to cash in order to give the money to private

American war claimants who suffered property losses in World War II.

### Kennedy Still Open

Senator Kennedy lets it be known that he has not made a profound study of the question and might be open to persuasion toward a position more favorable to complete return, on the basis of more complete information. It must be remembered in this connection that some of his foreign policy advisers are not seriously concerned about private property as an institution, especially where it is a question of the private property of former enemies.

Nonetheless, the outlook for return under a Democratic Administration would perhaps be just as bright, if not brighter, than under a Republican Administration, according to the Committee. This forecast may be hazarded for three reasons:

1. A Democratic Administration could push return legislation without having to fear being called "the party of Big Business."

2. A Democratic Administration will reinherit a policy, started under Truman and Acheson, of close alliance with Germany in NATO. The unsolved problem uneasiness between Bonn and Washington.

3. There are 20 million German Americans in the United States. To the extent that they are politically organized, which is weakly, they unanimously speak out for full return. Political analyst Samuel Lubell says that many German Americans voted for Eisenhower in 1952 and 1956, in an instinctive rejection of the Democratic policies of Morgenthau, Yalta and Potsdam. Confiscation of German assets in the United States was a specific part of the merits.

### Democrats' New Ideas

There is no doubt that the Democratic party leadership has outgrown the vindictive spirit of the war and early postwar years, but it has not yet shown that it is ready to wipe out the remaining practical injustices which that spirit produced.

Once again in power, and aware of what undoubtedly contributed to their defeat in 1952 and 1956, the Democrats might in the future be expected, by supporting return legislation, to show the 20 million German Americans that they can feel permanently comfortable and at home in the Democratic party.

Return legislation, in terms of inter-minority politics, has this extra charm. One can advocate return to German and Japanese private citizens without stepping on the toes of any large minority here.

For example, a politician cannot promise to support German recovery of the Oder-Neisse territories without risking a repercussion in Polish American circles. Return of property located in the United States however does not carry this inner political risk.

It is true that a few representatives of some of the Eastern European minorities here oppose return because they would like to use the funds for the payment of private American war claims, but this is not a major issue with any of them.

### Return Hot Issue

With the German Americans it is a hot and major issue.

Samples of the underlying German American warmth on this subject have been spurring to the surface repeatedly in recent weeks. The Steuben Society, German American patriotic society, has circulated key members of Congress with its resolution for full return, unanimously adopted at its national convention this summer.

The Voice, monthly publication of the Federation of American Citizens of German Descent, devoted about 25 per cent of its entire, most recent issue to the problem.

The leading German American newspaper in the United States, the Staats-Zeitung in New York, said August 5, that Eisenhower's promise to support a return program is a national obligation of the United States. (Eisenhower made the promise in a press release July 30, 1957.)

The editorial concluded that Eisenhower's successor "be he Republican or Democrat, will be faced with the obligation to carry out Eisenhower's promise."

### DATES

Nov. 2—Deadline for PC Introductory (Nov. 4) Issue; notify Pacific Citizen, 125 Weller St., Rm. 302, Los Angeles 12.

Nov. 15—Deadline for PC Holiday Issue choice spots for advertising.

Nov. 30—Final deadline for PC Holiday Issue copy and advertising.

## Livingston-Merced JACL to host NC-WNDC fall quarterly, DC officers to be elected

LIVINGSTON. — Members of the Livingston-Merced JACL Chapter met here Sunday with members of the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council Executive Board to set up the fourth quarterly meeting of the NC-WN District Council on Nov. 13, which will be hosted by the local chapter. Buddy Iwata will serve as general chairman.

The quarterly meeting will be held in Modesto at the El Patio Restaurant, 1309 McHenry Ave. Registration will start at 12 noon with fees set at \$5 for official delegates, \$4.50 for booster delegates, and \$3.50 for youth.

The regular District Council business session will take place from 1 to 3 p.m. with District Council Chairman Yone Satoda presiding.

### Workshops Planned

Following the coffee break at 3:30 p.m., three workshops have been set up:

(1) National JACL Issei Story project—Akiji Yoshimura, chairman.

(2) Housing Discrimination—Haruo Ishimaru, chairman.

(3) 1961 Membership Campaign—Bill Matsumoto, National Membership Committee Chairman, in charge.

Following the workshops, summary reports of each workshop will be given to the general assembly.

Speaker for the banquet period beginning at 6 p.m. will be State Assemblyman Gordon Winton, Jr., of the 31st Assembly District who is a fifth year 1000 Club member of the Livingston-Merced Chapter. Also in attendance and extending remarks will be National JACL President Frank Chuman, who will install the newly-elected executive board. Livingston-Merced Chapter President Gene Hamaguchi is handling the banquet arrangements.

### Golf Tournament

The Seventh Annual NC-WNDC Golf Tournament will be held in conjunction with the quarterly meeting. Bill Noda will be in charge and the first tee-off will be at 7 a.m. at the Turlock Country Club. Entry blanks are being

mailed to the chapters. The Sacramento Chapter is the defending champion in the 3-man team event. There will also be individual trophies for low gross and low net scores. The entry fee of \$10 for the golf tournament includes registration for the meeting and the banquet.

The District Council Board also discussed a number of items in setting up the agenda for the quarterly meeting business session. In attendance were the following members of the Executive Board: Satoda, Paul Ichijui, Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki, George Inouye, Henry Kato, Buddy Fujii, Eiichi Sakauye, Tak Tsujita, Edwin Ohki, Jerry Enomoto, ex-officio; DC 1000 Club Chairman George Ushijima. Also present were DC Nominations Committee Chairman George Baba; Akiji Yoshimura, member of the National Issei Story Committee; National Third Vice President Bill Matsumoto, and National Director Mas Satow.

Representing the host Livingston-Merced Chapter were president Gene Hamaguchi, Tetsu Morimoto, and Buddy Iwata. The meeting was held at the Livingston Farmers Assn. Office. Following the meeting, members of the executive board were dinner guests of the Livingston-Merced Chapter.

## Truck farms waning in Denver area

DENVER.—The small farmer in Colorado's fresh vegetable industry is rapidly becoming a thing of the past, particularly in the metropolitan Denver area, reports Dick Prouty, Denver Post farm editor.

Among the local farmers interviewed was George Fukui of 7110 York St., who is getting out of onion, corn, tomato and cucumber farming and gradually going into the flowering plant and nursery business.

He sold part of his land to a gravel company to help pay for the transition. His son, George, Jr., lives and works in Denver. Fukui sums up his situation: "Everything we buy costs twice as much or more as it did when I started 18 years ago, but the price of what we sell is all the same."

Prouty found many farmers blaming chain stores for low prices, although some disagreed since supermarkets are always looking for quality and quantity produce grown locally.

## CAPITOL-FLOWN 50-STAR FLAG GIVEN TO HAWAII

HONOLULU. — The 50-star flag that flew over the capitol in Washington, D.C., July 4 this year—the day the new flag became official—was presented to Dr. Laurence H. Snyder, president of the Univ. of Hawaii, by Rep. Daniel K. Inouye, at a ceremony Oct. 18.



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## REVIVAL OF DEBATING

Vice President Nixon and Senator Kennedy face each other for the fourth time tonight on television in a series regarded as the "Great Debates," although these meetings are not debates in the classic sense. The announcer in presenting these presidential candidates on recent telecasts refrained from the use of the word, "debate," instead, he used "confrontation." The fact, however, that they are popularly referred to as debates may help re-awaken interest in this time-honored activity. For the most part, debating is now engaged by students in high school and colleges . . . Not many years ago, debating societies composed of adults flourished through the land. "Not many years ago" is over a generation ago when radios started to come into the parlors of America.

It is said that Lincoln learned some of his first public speaking techniques in such a society as a young man. Working men's societies staged debates a few generations ago to help form the union movement. Social committees of churches often sponsored debates. There was a time when nationally known debaters toured the country, even as entertainers do today, deriving a good living from their fees. Clarence Darrow, the famed defense attorney, spent a good part of his latter years engaging in such debates.

At the peak of interest in debate in this country, the propositions argued covered almost every conceivable subject: women's suffrage (I remember being assigned the opponent view on this subject in high school—and to this day feel we should have won, only the girls outnumbered the boys in class which sat as the "jury.") child labor, "dutch-treat" dates, superiority of baldheaded men to hairy ones. All these were debated in the same formal fashion with the same definite rules.

Debating sharpens the wits, trains a person for a logical presentation of material, builds confidence and helps a man to let off steam—so the books of speech explain. It might be a useful by-product of this election year experiment in television-radio debating if a revival of interest in formal debating should occur . . . One man who knows the tricks of this trade in debating is our Washington representative Mike Masaoka, who coached the Univ. of Utah debating team before moving to San Francisco just before the war to become JACL's first full-time staff member. I would imagine many of our past and present leaders in JACL as well as youth have engaged in serious debating at one time or another . . . We see speaker clubs being groomed. A debating group would be a welcome counterpart in JACL circles.

## NEXT 'INTRODUCTORY' ISSUE

Fifteen chapters (including two inactive ones) ordered the PC introductory issue for October. Two more have requested them from November and it is not too late for other chapters to do so . . . We'll admit the October issue wasn't a "hard sell" presentation for JACL membership, but we intend to make it so for November.

Since it will be the issue just before national election day, some of the Japanese American committees supporting a candidate are placing political advertisement—aware that 10,000 copies would be distributed. Our business office reminds us that political rates are: \$3.50 per column inch, \$3 per column inch from half page (40 col. in.) up to a full page, and \$200 for a full page. Political advertising in the PC has always been welcome. It shows Nisei are willing to support the candidate or proposition of their choice in a media that happens to be the only nationally circulated publication covering persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States and which is read by leading government and public officials in America, who have faithfully followed the PC all these years to keep pace with the thinking and activities of Japanese Americans.



## Tokyo Topics

By Tamotsu Murayama

### America's First Naturalized Issei

TOKYO. — The name of Joseph Heco (Hikoza Hamada), father of Japanese journalism and the first naturalized American citizen of Japanese ancestry, was prominently mentioned during Japanese observance of Newspaper Week here Oct. 1-7.

Villagers of his home town in Hyogo prefecture (Ae village, Kako County—it was once called Harima-no-Kuni years ago), now want to dedicate a monument to this great pioneer and publish his biography. Heco is recognized as serving the cause of U.S.-Japanese friendship before the appearance of the Black Ships of Commodore Perry in Japan.

While Heco has written an autobiography in English ("The Narrative of a Japanese", edited by James Murdoch), the people of his village now want to publish a voluminous biography. Of course, such a biography will still rely much on his autobiography, but the villagers wanted to add some following items:

#### Mint at Osaka

When Japan became a modern state in 1868, the government established a mint in Osaka a few years later. Heco was instrumental in importing the necessary machinery at low cost from Hong Kong. For this service, Heco won the appreciation of Tomoatsu Godai, then a ranking official in Osaka and later founder of the Osaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

When the City of Kobe had plans to install an electrical light system, Heco loaned to the city for experimental purposes a steam generator he had brought home from America. The experiments with this machine hastened the eventual installation of a light system.

When Heco lived his later years in Kobe, he translated the U.S. banking law into Japanese and helped to establish a similar law for Japan.

#### Monument Planned

Heco died in Tokyo in 1898. The villagers are planning to unveil a stone monument to his memory on Dec. 12, the anniversary of his death, and display some of his personal belongings, such as letters and books, which are the treasured possessions of the Kobe city library and local historians.

It is wonderful to know this great American will be so remembered in Japan. In 1962, it will be the centennial of Japanese

journalism and we are appealing to the Ministry of Postal Services to issue a commemorative of this great man.

While Heco died in Japan, his great life and contribution to Japan's civilization and modernization are proper to the "Story of the Japanese in America", which is being compiled by JACL.

### Youth group dance

SAN FRANCISCO.—The San Francisco Youth Group-JACL square dance will be held at the Park Presidio YMCA tomorrow as a "get acquainted" social. Willie Masuda is chairman.

## WANTED

STORIES AND PHOTOGRAPHS OF

# LONG TIME CL-ERS

LAST YEAR, we honored some of the old-timers in JACL in our mammoth Holiday Issue. These were the men and women who have been active in JACL for at least 20 years, or JACLers who were outstanding before evacuation and still support the organization, though they relinquished to the younger generation, the more vigorous reins of chapter responsibility.

AS WE approach the end of the year, our attention focuses on the 1960 Holiday Issue—soliciting original short stories, chapter reports that will point out the most unusual or most successful events of the year, holiday greetings from the community and readers and human-interest yarns of old-time JACLers.

WE HOPE this announcement will come to the attention of our JACL chapters across the country in selecting personalities they'd like to see featured in this year's special edition. We'd appreciate hearing from them at this time, indicating who they have in mind.

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## From the Frying Pan

By Bill Hosokawa

**STRANGE COINCIDENCE**—More than 14 years ago, Frank and May Torizawa of Denver bought a Schnauzer pup. He was a brindle gray dog with a raffish expression. They named him Fritz. Their next-door neighbor, Mrs. Helen Umezawa, also bought a dog about the same time. This one was a setter which grew from gangling puppyhood into tall, handsome maturity. He was called Red.

The two dogs, being neighbors, became pals in dog fashion and frequently roamed the alleys and back ways together. Then, after a few years, Mrs. Umezawa moved to Los Angeles and took Red with her. The Torizawas also moved out of the area and into a new house miles from the old neighborhood.

The years passed, as they have a way of doing, and they took their toll on the dogs whose lifespan, as everyone knows, is considerably shorter than man's. Fritz developed rheumatism, or maybe it was arthritis, in his hip until it became an effort to get up and down. Some of his teeth fell out and his eyes grew dim. He seemed to be in pain with something that later was diagnosed as a canine cancer.

The other day, sorrowfully, his master and mistress had Fritz put to sleep. It was the merciful thing to do and perhaps some day, when human beings become old and helpless and pain-wracked, it will be legal for them to seek freedom for their spirits from worn-out bodies.

Deeply depressed by the experience, Mrs. Torizawa that evening telephoned Mrs. Umezawa, her friend in Los Angeles, to tell her about Fritz's death.

There was a long silence at the other end of the line. Then Mrs. Umezawa could be heard, speaking in a voice tinged with awe: "You know, just this very morning I had to have poor, sick old Red put to sleep, too."

**THE HAYAKAWA STORY**—One of the world's best-known Japanese is Sessue Hayakawa, the actor, now a youthful 70 years old and prospering anew in his profession. And like many another successful Hollywood personality, he has chosen to tell his story in book form. The book, to be released Nov. 1 by Bobbs-Merrill, is called "Zen Showed Me the Way." While the title hints overtones of mysticism, this is a lively and readable biography of a most unusual man.

Hayakawa, according to his own story, was born in 1890, the son of a governor of Chiba prefecture, not far from Tokyo. Hayakawa (his real first name is Kintaro) had hopes of entering the Japanese Naval academy. But he broke an eardrum while diving for abalone one day and was unable to pass the academy's physical examination. Deeply downcast he tried suicide by the traditional hara-kiri method failed and sought refuge in a Buddhist temple in search of peace and understanding.

From this point the story races on like a novel. Hayakawa took part in the rescue of some 1,200 passengers from an American ship that went ashore near the temple. This aroused his interest in the United States. He enrolled at the University of Chicago, and, he says, played varsity football as a 132-pound lineman by using judo techniques.

On his way back to Japan after graduation, Hayakawa stopped off in Los Angeles, witnessed an amateurish presentation of a Japanese drama in Li'l Tokio, and decided he could do better. He did. The acclaim stirred his imagination. He took a job at an ice plant on Catalina Island to make enough money to stage a play called "Typhoon" with an all-Japanese cast for an American audience. Thomas Ince, pioneer film-maker, saw the play and persuaded Hayakawa to let him film it. He was on his way.

In the days of the silents, Hayakawa was making as much as \$7,500 a week. He left Hollywood after he was convinced a producer was trying to kill him for the million dollar insurance policy on his life. Then came the years of self-exile in France and finally his triumphant return. You'll find the story fascinating, as I have.



### COMMUNITY CHEST CAMPAIGNERS

Jubilant is the word for George Russell (center), unit chairman for East Los Angeles Community Chest residential campaign, as he reviews the roster of Red Feather volunteers signed up to help out in this year's appeal. Helping out are from left: Attorney William Samuels, division chairman; co-chairmen Mrs. Sam Nakagawa, and Mrs. May Itano of the Sheridan St. School section.

## 1961 Christmas Cheer campaign opens, first contributions amount to \$203.

The 13th annual Christmas Cheer campaign opened this past week with contributions of \$203 received, including donations from Dixie Hunt of San Francisco and Albert Bonus of Seattle.

The campaign to assist needy Japanese in Southern California is being chaired by Jimmie Higashi, active Southwest L.A. JACLer who is also chairing the chapter's Cheer Dance Nov. 5 at the Old Dixie Ballroom.

Christmas Cheer is hoping to distribute at least \$3,000, goal for this year's campaign, toys and gifts for children, staples and groceries. The Hollywood Beverly Christian Church women's groups are rounding up toys again. And the Nissho Seinen Kai pledged to support Christmas Cheer by sorting, packing and wrapping the Cheer packages.

Contributions are being deposited with Sumitomo Bank, which is again providing free banking service. Donors this past week were:

Oct. 18-15  
\$25—Nanka Fukuko Kenjinkai.  
\$15—Miss Dixie Hunt (San Francisco) Chuman & McKibbin.  
\$13—Mr. Naomi Kashiwabara (San Diego).  
\$10—Anson T. Fujioka, F. H. Hirohata, Dr. Tom T. Watanabe, Alfred D. Bonus, (Seattle), Takai Realty (Roy Takai), Menlo Nursery, Pasadena JACL, Mrs. Sachiko Amano.  
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Total Donations to date ..... \$203.

### Japanese Americans for Nixon name committeemen

The Japanese Americans Nixon for President headquarters this week revealed 30,000 letters were mailed to Issei and Nisei voters in Southern California, urging their support of the Nixon-Lodge ticket. The appeal was prepared in both Japanese and English.

Serving on the steering committee with Eiji Tanabe and Gongoro Nakamura, co-chairman, are 45 Japanese Americans:

George Inagaki, Soichi Fukui, Ken Utsunomiya, Dr. James Hara, Frank Kawase, George Kanno, Tom Ito, Katsuma Mukaeda, Mary Magota, Frances Ishii, Dr. Richard Ono, Frank Yonemura, Bruce Kaji and Fred Fukura.

Frank Hirohata, Henry Tsurutani, Mary Mokuizaya, Butch Tamura, Henry Kanegae, Shosuke Nitta, Bill Wada, Luis Alhara, Saki Shirakawa, Marie Matayoshi, Taro Kawa, Roy Yamadera, Sam Furuta, George Fukushima.  
Mark Tsunokai, Masaru Okamoto, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Hiroto, Mr. and Mrs. John Fukushima, Cap Aoki, Nob Ishitani, Hide Izumo, Betty Yumori, Bruce Kaji, Harry Momita, Frank Nakamura, Yoriko Chikasa, Roy Sakiooka, Tom Ito, and Yosh Inadomi.

Active Orange County JACLers Henry Kanegae and George Kanno, assisted by Shosuke Nitta, pioneer Issei community leader and longtime JACLer, co-chaired the recent Orange County rally of Japanese Americans in the area for the Republican presidential candidate.

### Securities official

SAN FRANCISCO.—San Francisco JACL executive board member Hid Kasai and his wife, Allene, and family have departed for Tokyo to assume a position with the Nikko Securities Co. foreign department. He is expected to return in about two years to his post as director of Nikko Kasai Securities Co. here.

### Berkeley optometrist joins Nixon-Lodge campaigners

BERKELEY.—Dr. Henry Takahashi was named to the 48-member coordinating committee announced this past week for the Nixon-Lodge campaign in Berkeley.

Arthur Hargrave, local campaign chairman, said the committee, "represents a true cross-section of our community united in support of Richard Nixon and Cabot Lodge at the polls on Nov. 8."

### 'Around the World'

CHICAGO.—The Chicago JACL's "Around the World" project is in full swing and the first reports indicate the progress has been satisfactory. If response from participating chapters are as good as Chicago, there should be no difficulty in "going over the top", notes project director Harry Mizuno.

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## More Caucasians on Oahu, tops AJAs

HONOLULU.—Oahu now has more Caucasians in its population than at any time in its peace-time history.

Robert C. Schmitt of the State Planning Office, who compiled the figures, said last week that, counting servicemen and their families, there are 182,217 Caucasians on the Island.

That's 37.7 per cent of the total. Japanese Americans, who headed the list of ancestry groups for many years, today number 142,063, or 29.4 per cent of the total.

Ten years ago, Caucasians accounted for 26.7 per cent of the population and Japanese Americans 33.9 per cent.

If servicemen and their dependents were excluded from the totals today, the percentage of Caucasians would be 23.4 and of Japanese Americans 37.6.

### MONTEREY AREA SANSEI ACTIVE IN SCHOOL GOVERNMENT, CLUBS

MONTEREY.—Each passing year brings forth an increasing number of Sansei leaders at Monterey Union High School. Sixteen offices are being handled this semester, the Monterey Peninsula JACL Newsletter reported.

In student government are: Commissioner of Public Relations—Judy Sumida; commissioner of finance—Carole Miyamoto; sophomore class—Sheela Ozamoto, secretary; Sadoy Kanaya—v.p.; senior class—Arlene Imagawa, soc. dir.; Carole Miyamoto, v.p.

In student organizations: Key Club—Paul Kageyama, v.p.; Swim Club—Marsha Ninomiya, sec.; Girls Ath. Assn.—Kazuko Matsuyama, v.p.; Jr. Statesmen—Junika Kanaya, pres.; Tri-Hi-Y—Carole Miyamoto, pres.; Cheerleader—Midori Takimoto.

On student publications: Yearbook—Judy Sumida, editor; School Paper—Naomi Ozamoto, co-editor; Junko Kanaya, city editor; Janet Imagawa, asst. city editor.

## Name 42 Nisei to Kennedy group

Forty-two community leaders have been appointed to the steering committee Japanese American Citizens For Kennedy Committee, it was announced this week by George Maruya and Shigemori Tamaki, committee co-chairmen, who were also named by western region campaign director Ted Kennedy, younger brother of the Democratic presidential nominee, to the local Kennedy group.

The steering committee represents "a broad cross-section of our community and indicates the growing support that the Democratic ticket is receiving," commented Maruya and Tamaki.

On the steering group besides Maruya and Tamaki are:

Lefty Adachi, Mrs. Frank Chuman, Henry Hayashida, Toshio Hiraide, Robert Iwasaki, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kobata, Mr. and Mrs. Kango Kunitzugu, Mrs. Frank Kurihara, Mark Kiguchi, Sam Kiyotoki, Mrs. Lee Kusada, Tais Kishida, Sam Matsushima, Hideo Matsunaga, James Mitsumori, Mrs. Mary Oyama Mittler, Henry Mori, Soko Nakamura, Ken Nakaoka, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ohye, Mac Motonaga, Eddie Shimatsu, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Osaki, Arthur Takei, Carl Tamaki, Fred Taome, Kel Uchima, Joe Yasaki, Tui Yata, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Yamauchi, George Yoshinaga, Mr. and Mrs. Gard Yokoe, Dave Yokozaki, and Ted Okumoto.

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# By the Board

## Shooting for 20,000

By Bill Matsumoto, Nat'l 3rd Vice-President

Sacramento

By the time this reaches print, I am in hopes that all of the 85 chapters across the country have appointed their membership chairmen and are well on their way preparing for the 1961 campaign. We have nearly all the names of chapter membership chairmen now.

Personally, I am really excited and enthusiastic about the PC with Membership idea that was passed at the 16th biennial National Convention for it makes JACL news available to each member at a bargain price. Certainly, it is a "shot in the arm" for everyone concerned. I am confident that come March 31, 1961, we will have in fold the much awaited 20,000 members. I shall be greatly disappointed if we don't.

PC with Membership should be of immediate benefit to chapters which publish their newsletters. Some may want to discontinue this practice or cut down the number of issues and channel the printing and mailing funds needed for newsletter to other projects that many of us have neglected because funds were not available. To accomplish the latter, it should be noted that the chapter should appoint a reporter who will see that news reaches the PC. In the past, some chapters have been lax; hence, there was a dearth of chapter news of immediate interest.

There has been some discussion pro and con about the PC cut-off date for members signed in 1961, which is March 31, 1962. Because PC is part of the membership package deal, it would not be fair to new members if they are enrolled after Mar. 31, 1961, for they will not get their full dollar value. But it has also been pointed out that this cut-off date may not work out well in some areas. However, our survey shows we have no alternative so we are asking the few that are affected by this early date to bear with us on this score.

To make it easier for the membership chairman, it has been arranged with National Headquarters that the chapter membership lists compiled in previous years need not be prepared. All we ask now is that the Headquarters portion of the membership forms be remitted with the money and Headquarters will acknowledge by preparing the chapter roster.

The coming five months are a great challenge to all of us as far as membership is concerned. But the horizon is bright. Let's get 20,000 in '61.

## Citizenship Committee

By George Sugai, Nat'l 2nd Vice-President

Payette, Idaho

President Frank Chuman, through our National Director Mas Satow, has asked me to chair the new National Committee on Citizenship. I am honored for this appointment and shall do whatever I can to promote this important committee. I understand that heretofore, the National Citizenship Committee was in name only so that JACL could be represented at the annual Conference on Citizenship held in Washington, D.C. which this year was held on September 16-20. With good citizenship one of the primary purposes for which JACL was originally founded, the national headquarters felt this particular committee should take active form at the chapter level.

With more persons of Japanese Ancestry being able to vote every year—more Nisei and Sansei attaining voting age—voting franchise granted to our naturalized Issei—and more Japanese war brides being adjusted to the American way of life, we find that we can take a very active part in politics, first at the local level and then at the state and national level if we wish. It is of primary importance that we register and vote. Any candidate for office or for that matter anyone can go to the County clerk's office and find out if you are registered or if you have voted or not. Speaking on the local situation, I believe that the voting record of persons of Japanese Ancestry is good to fair and in some precincts not too good. Our job is to increase the number of voters and believe that we do this by the following six points:

Here are the functions we see for the National Committee on Citizenship on the local chapter level:

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## ST. LOUIS JACLERS INTRODUCE THINGS JAPANESE AT 'FULL MOON FESTIVAL'

ST. LOUIS.—It was a major effort on the part of many St. Louis JACLers who introduced a broad sampling of Japanese heritage at the Full Moon Festival held last Saturday at the Grace Methodist Church.

Even though time was relatively short to prepare such an undertaking, under the able leadership of general chairman George Hasegawa, the festival was off to a flying start with Kim Obata giving a big assist in the decoration lay-

out, tickets, program and poster design and printing.

Program for the evening included beautifully arranged food provided by the committee headed by Paul Maruyama and Mrs. Misao Izumi. Periodically during the evening, colorful Japanese dances, vocal solos by talented Momo Ohmoto and Sensei girls performing ondo numbers were presented on the main stage.

Mmes. Ema, Eto, Sakahara and Morioka also demonstrated flower arrangement on a smaller stage which was decorated to simulate a room in a Japanese house, complete with tokonoma.

### Sukiyaki Treat

Against this setting, two lucky guests from the audience were served sukiyaki with chef Paul Maruyama taking charge. The tea ceremony was also demonstrated by Mrs. Toki Ema, mother of chapter president Dr. Henry Ema. Other exhibitions included calligraphy by Bob Endo, Paul Maruyama and Ed Izumi with their efforts being sold. Sueko Suzuki and several others demonstrated origami.

The bazaar offering a tempting variety of items was directed by Dr. Al Morioka.

Hostesses for the Festival were attired in kimono, adding glamor and atmosphere to the evening.

While most of the chapter members assisted in this undertaking, other key committeemen included Lee Durham, movies for the kiddies in another room; Lois Eck, telephone; and Dick Henmi, talent.

## TERIYAKI ATTRACTS AS FOOD CONCESSION

East Los Angeles JACL again manned one of the most popular booths at the annual International Days, Oct. 8-9, at International Institute where food of foreign countries were featured. The chapter served teriyaki.

Frank Okamoto, general chairman, was assisted by Sam Furuta and Hiro Omura.

Proceeds were for the Institute, which is the "home base" of East Los Angeles JACL activities.

## East L.A. talent to entertain Issei

A "live" affair is in the making for the East Los Angeles JACL Issei Appreciation Night program loaded with amateur, semi-pro and professional talent, according to Mrs. Mabel Yoshizaki, chapter president. The program will be held at Tenrikyo Hall, 2727 E. 1st St., on Saturday, Nov. 5, from 7 to 10 p.m.

Frank Suzukida, lively emcee of Downtown L.A. JACL parties, will introduce the talent. As in the past, there will be no admission charge. Sandwiched in between will be refreshments and drawing for door prizes donated by local merchants.

## SOUTHWEST L.A. JACL DANCE NOV. 5 TO HELP CHRISTMAS CHEER FUND

Preparations for the fourth annual Southwest L.A. JACL Christmas Cheer benefit dance are in full swing, reports social chairman Jim Higashi. The sports formal stag-stagette affair will be held Saturday, Nov. 5, at Old Dixie Ballroom, 43rd and Western Ave. Administrative vice president George Matsubara will take over the emcee responsibilities during the intermission. Others on the dance committee are: Jim Shimamoto, gate; George Fujita, ticket distributions; and Ted Fujii, finance; Virginia Tachibana, hostess; Mas Kataoka, transp.

Intermission dance music will be offered by Kei Mochida through his Hi Fi equipment. Now of Long Beach, Kei is remembered as former social chairman of the Southwest LA JACL.

All chapter functions are open affairs. The general public is invited and all ladies will be admitted free of charge.

## Sequoia JACL bridge club to resume regular meets

REDWOOD CITY.—Winners of the recent Sequoia JACL Bridge Club tournament for September were: North-South — Henry Hamasaki and Mas Kimura, Mrs. Sachi Miki and Mrs. Hiroko Masunaga. East-West — Dr. Thomas and Dorothy Hiura, Hiroshi Honda and Shozo Maeda.

The San Jose JACL won the perpetual team trophy.

## St. Louis chapter votes board system

ST. LOUIS.—Unanimous adoption of a constitutional amendment to have a 10-man board govern the St. Louis JACL was reported in the recent chapter newsletter.

The chapter will vote for five to serve two-year terms and five to serve a one-year term. The slate of nominees is to be prepared with election by mail scheduled to be concluded by Nov. 30. Joe Inukai is nominations chairman. New board members will be installed at the inaugural dinner scheduled Dec. 3.

The chapter has also planned a surprise event for Friday, Nov. 11.

## Name orchestra for New Year's Eve dance

SAN FRANCISCO.—Local socialites will greet 1961 at the San Francisco JACL New Year's Eve dance at the Empire Room of Sir Francis Drake Hotel.

Dance chairman Don Negi announced this past week that John Cordoni's 12-piece orchestra has been contracted.

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## 1000 CLUB Notes

For the first half of October, Headquarters received a total of 47 new and renewal memberships as follows:

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East Los Angeles—Yosh Inadomi.  
Salinas Valley—Dr. Harry Y. Kita.  
**ELEVENTH YEAR**  
Sanger—Johnson Kebo.  
**NINTH YEAR**  
Southwest L.A.—S. Al Tanouye.  
Cincinnati—Masaji S. Toki.  
**EIGHTH YEAR**  
Arizona—Z. Simpson Cox.  
Venice-Culver—Mary E. Wakamatsu.  
**SEVENTH YEAR**  
Seattle—Joe S. Hirota.  
Downtown L.A.—Ernest K. Iwasaki.  
Philadelphia—Noboru Kobayashi.  
Venice-Culver—Mrs. Toki Kunimoto.  
Portland—Dr. Mitsuo E. Nakata.  
East Los Angeles—Dr. George Wada.  
Chicago—George S. Yasutoka.  
**SIXTH YEAR**  
Downtown L.A.—Yasujiro Kawasaki.  
Philadelphia—Ben Ohama, K. William Sasagawa.  
Seattle—Peter I. Ohtaki.  
Southwest L.A.—Dr. Katsumi Uba.  
Hollywood—Charles T. Ukita.  
**FIFTH YEAR**  
Southwest L.A.—Masamichi Katnoka.  
Tom T. Shimazaki, Jacie M. Wada.  
Gardena Valley—K. Ken Nakaoka.  
Orange County—Jim S. Okuda.  
Twin Cities—George Bokutani.  
San Mateo—Tomiko Sutow.  
New York—Dr. M. Raigh Takumi.  
Pasadena—Mich. Tsuchiyama.  
San Francisco—Charles Yonezu.  
Eden Township—Sho Yoshida.  
**FOURTH YEAR**  
New York—Shig. Kariya.  
Twin Cities—Dr. Sam I. Kuramoto.  
George M. Yoshino.  
Mid-Columbia—George Nakamura.  
San Mateo—Mary Sutow.  
Chicago—Frank Y. Takahashi.  
Mile-Hi—Rikizo F. Yamaguchi.  
**THIRD YEAR**  
Twin Cities—William Y. Hirabayashi.  
Venice-Culver—Mrs. Yasuko Inagaki.  
Reedley—William Minami.  
Fresno—Takashi Morita.  
Chicago—Misao Shiratsuki.  
**SECOND YEAR**  
Sanger—Peter K. Hasegawa.  
Fremont—Henry Y. Kato.  
**FIRST YEAR**  
Venice-Culver — Chris Inagaki, Patti Inagaki.

## Box Score

The 1000 Club box score as of Sept. 30 reveals 15 chapters have reached or exceeded their goals in the Club's campaign for 2,000 members. They are: PSWDC—Long Beach, Orange County, Pasadena, San Diego; NC-WNDC—Livingston-Merced, Sacramento; CCDC—Delano, Fresno, Parlier, Tulare County; PNWDC—Gresham-Troutdale, Puyallup Valley; IDC—Snake River; MDC—St. Louis; and EDC—Philadelphia.

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## The National Director's Report

By Masao Satow

**1961 MEMBERSHIPS**—The 1961 membership cards are being sent out this week to those chapters which have designated their 1961 membership chairmen. The new card omits the Pacific Citizen portion, but space is provided in the chapter and Headquarters portion to indicate whether the member is to receive the PC or not. The PC will be sent on a household basis. We are also doing away with the paper work required heretofore on the chapter's part by eliminating the listing sheets of names and addresses accompanying remittances to Headquarters to expedite promptness and insure PC mailings as early as possible. National Headquarters will make up these listing sheets and send a copy back to the chapter as a check and a record.

For those members who have recently subscribed to the Pacific Citizen, PC is working out a table of reimbursements for the balance of their current subscriptions. The 1000 Club members will continue to receive their PC on the fiscal year basis concurrently with their memberships.

Those who sign up for membership after November 1 will be for 1961 unless the individual stipulates his membership for the current year.

Twenty-six chapters have named membership chairmen. Additional assignments have been accepted by Sat Nishita, Berkeley; Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki, Contra Costa; Kaoru Masuda and Peter Yamamoto, Cortez; Mr. & Mrs. Leon Hashimoto, Imperial; Richard Horikawa and Jack Ozawa, Philadelphia; Tateshi Miyasaki, Rexburg; Herbert Teshima, San Benito; Dick Kushino, Twin Cities; and Fred Muto for the Pacific Southwest District Council.

Meanwhile, the National Membership Committee under Bill Matsumoto is preparing a general membership leaflet for distribution to the chapters.

Add Twin Cities and Rexburg to the chapters which have done better this year on membership than 1959. The Northern California-Western Nevada District Council has hit an all-time high for memberships.

**ISSEI STORY**—With two important mailings to the chapters on the Issei Story now in preparation from the National Committee, chapters which have not done so are urged to appoint their local chairmen for this project. Added to the listing of those who will carry the ball locally are Masuji Fujii, Berkeley; Bill Yukawa, Dayton; Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Akagi, Mt. Olympus; and Roy Yamadera for the Pacific Southwest District Council.

**FINANCIAL**—We received a welcome check for \$2,345.91 as the third quarter dividend from our National Endowment Fund. A quick rundown shows that 36 chapters have already exceeded their 1960 budget quotas for a total rebate of \$5,400. Overall, we are down, necessitating a parsimonious eye on expenditures.

**1000 CLUB FAMILY**—George Inagaki, who initially gave the National JACL 1000 Club its impetus, has just taken out 1000 Club memberships for his children, Patti and Chris, to make the Inagakis truly a 1000 Club family. George and wife Yuki are both Life Members, and his mother is a 3rd year member. When his father passed away several years ago, George established a memorial Life membership in his memory.

**NCWN EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**—The NCWN Board quarterly meeting last weekend ran to an unprecedented 4½-hour session, what with setting up the coming DC meeting, discussing the Issei Story project, the 1961 membership campaign, the new budget and quota system, new Executive Board nominations, etc. In agreeing to serve on the Executive Board, members commit themselves to eight Sundays per year for two years. The cumulative travel mileage and travel time would add up to a considerable number. This points up again that the strength of JACL is in its loyal volunteer leadership.

The Board also took a forward look in prospects for new National staff personnel.

There are pleasant aspects of the job. During recent weeks we have been a guest of the San Francisco Women's Auxiliary at its annual glamorous fall Fashion Show, although we had to work (?) by assisting the models up the ramp steps; and representing PC we were weekend guests of Harrah's to Lake Tahoe, Virginia City and Reno, along with members of the Bay Area Asian press representatives.

### BY THE BOARD:

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1. Stress the importance of registration and voting by all eligible Japanese Americans.
2. Encourage chapters to participate in local observances of National Citizenship Day, which in some communities still goes under the "I Am An American" Day designation.
3. Encourage chapters to sponsor political rallies to acquaint members with local candidates and propositions.
4. Continue chapter naturalization programs, especially for new comers from Japan, and assist wherever possible in their integration into American life.
5. Encourage Japanese Americans to participate actively in the party of their choice.
6. Publicize the national campaign endorsed by both political parties and promoted by the American Heritage Foundation of contributing financially, e.g. \$1, to the political party of choice.



### SAN FRANCISCO JACL SCHOLARS

San Francisco JACL presents \$250 checks each to Julie Inuzuka and Roy Ikeda (in center), winners of the 1961 chapter scholarship award. At left is chapter president John Yasumoto and Mrs. Yo Hironaka, scholarship committee chairman, at right.

—Photo by Steve Doi.

## Candidates Night for San Francisco set next Tuesday by Nisei Voters League, JACL

**SAN FRANCISCO**—This is a critical presidential year. In keeping with the national importance of this year's election, the San Francisco JACL and the Nisei Voters League will co-sponsor a Candidates Night next Tuesday, Oct. 25, at the Park-Presidio YMCA, starting at 7:30 p.m.

"It is not enough that each person registered merely vote," the chapter newsletter commented. "The vote will not have any ef-

fective meaning unless it is cast intelligently. This can only be done after thoroughly weighing the qualifications of each candidate and considering the pros and cons of each issue."

Co-chairmen of the rally, John Yasumoto and Jack Kusaba, have arranged to have all key candidates and proponents and opponents of propositions appear.

A sample polling chart will be furnished for benefit of naturalized Issei voting for the first time.

Serving on the committee are: Steve Doi, Shiz Yoshimura, Edison Uno, Fred Hoshiyama, Yo Hironaka, Chibi Yamamoto, Yone Satoda, Char Doi, Sam Sato, Don Negi, Marshall Sumida, Kaye Uyeda, Kathy Reyes, Ted Ono, Yas Abiko, Howard Imazeki, Dr. Tok Hedani, Sam Fusco, Yori Wada, Marie Kurihara and Hank Obayashi.

### JACL'S BIGGEST CHAPTER ANNOUNCES '61 DUES

**SAN FRANCISCO**—At the October board of governors meeting of San Francisco JACL, it was decided that the 1961 chapter dues would be \$5 per single member, \$7.50 per couple.

Hank Obayashi and Chibi Yamamoto were appointed co-chairmen of the 1961 membership campaign. Other appointments made by John Yasumoto, president, include Sam Sato, Dr. Hiroe Tsumori, nominations; Kei Hori, PC Holiday Issue advertising.

## Speakers club limit of 25 members near

**SAN FRANCISCO**—At the first full program of San Francisco JACL Speakers Club recently, a keenly interested group of 17 members attended. The reactivated club is composed of equal number of new and old tongue-tied members striving for fluency.

An optimum membership of 25 were expected by the next meeting Nov. 8. The group meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays each month at the Church of Christ social hall. The Oct. 25 meeting has been called off because of the JACL-Nisei Voters League political rally.

Yone Satoda chaired the last meeting Oct. 11. Bernard Yanover, topic master, asked questions which members answered extemporaneously. Four main speakers giving prepared five-minute speeches were Howard Ito and Dr. Clifford Uyeda, new members; Steve Doi and Calvert Kitazumi, old members. Kei Hori was master evaluator and critic.

### BERKELEY-OAKLAND CHAPTERS CO-SPONSOR ELECTION PANEL MEETING

**BERKELEY**—A panel discussion on the national election will be featured at the joint Berkeley-Oakland JACL chapter meeting to-night at Higashi Hongwanji, 1524 Oregon St., with Sho Sato, professor of law at U.C. Berkeley Boalt Hall, as moderator.

Four prominent citizens will form the panel: Charles O'Brien, chief asst. attorney general in the California Attorney General's Office; I. Michael Heyman, professor of law, U.C.; Henry Yee, staff member, U.C. administration; and Prof. Victor Ferkiss of St. Mary's.

Ken Matsumoto, Oakland chapter president, said the public is invited. A question period is also scheduled. Refreshments will be served.

## Reedley JACL to celebrate silver jubilee, Issei pioneers to be special guests

**REEDLEY**—The Reedley JACL will hold an Issei Pioneer night on Saturday, Nov. 5 in conjunction with the chapter's 25th anniversary banquet.

All Issei, 80 years old and over and those who have lived in the United States 50 years or more, will be honored at this banquet, according to Toru Ikeda and Ed Yano, co-chairmen in charge of program.

"In celebrating our silver anniversary, our chapter will pay tribute to our Issei parents who made many sacrifices against monumental odds and yet contributed so much to the welfare of our people and to our country," they said.

Saburo Kido of Los Angeles, past National JACL president, will be guest speaker at this dinner which will be held in West Hall of Reedley High School. Dinner will start at 6:30 p.m. and the cost will be \$2.50 per plate. Bill Minami will be the toastmaster.

On the committee for the event are: Dr. James Ikemiya, souvenir

### Eden Jr. JACLers pick mysterious dance theme

**OAKLAND**—"WPLJ" has been chosen as theme for the dance being planned by the Eden Jr. JACL to be given Saturday night, Nov. 12, at the Oakland Buddhist Church hall. Dancing begins at 8 p.m.

Sherry Imazumi is general chairman of the affair being assisted by: Shigeo Masuyama, refr.; Sharon Ide, inv.; Asako Nagatoshi, records; Marilyn Imazumi, door; and Butch Hara, cleanup.

### Sequoia JACL bridge club tournament results told

**REDWOOD CITY**—The Sequoia JACL Bridge Club will continue to meet on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month, starting the new season on Oct. 26 at Okamura Hall on Hogan Ranch Rd.

New members are welcome, announced club secretary Nancy Sakuda. The group held its second annual dinner at the Swiss Village Inn on Oct. 12. Meetings will start at 7:30 p.m. with a half hour instruction and duplicate bridge from 8 p.m.

## Monterey Peninsula to honor Issei at recognition fete

**MONTEREY**—A potluck supper and program honoring all Issei of the community is being planned by Monterey Peninsula JACL for Sunday, Oct. 30, 5:30 p.m., at the Monterey County Fairground Exhibition Hall. Jack Nishida, Al Ito and Royal Manaka are co-chairmen.

Special recognition will be made to the first naturalized Issei citizens, oldest man and woman, longest married couple and to the Issei with the most children and grandchildren.

An interesting talent show is being arranged to conclude the evening. A dollar fee is being assessed Nisei adults to help defray expenses.

Serving on the banquet committee are Aki Sugimoto, hall and table arr.; Paul Ichijji, ushers; Ruby Tabata, boutonniere; Nancy Nakajima, food & table decor.; Al Ito, Mr. Watanabe, talent; Nobuko Takigawa, Yo Tabata, awards; Barton Yoshida, p.a.; Oyster Miyamoto, pub.

### MONTEREY PENINSULA NOT CHANGING DUES

**MONTEREY**—While National JACL dues have been raised a dollar, the Monterey Peninsula JACL has voted to retain its chapter dues schedule of \$5 for single members and \$7.50 for couples in 1961.

The chapter is planning an early membership campaign to allow receipt of Pacific Citizen in each JACL household early in the year.

## Omaha CL decides uniform chapter fee

**OMAHA**—The Omaha JACL, at its September board meeting, decided to set uniform chapter membership dues of \$5 per person, beginning from 1961, and student fee at \$3.

The membership drive is expected to be completed by December so that JACL families could take full advantage of "PC with Membership".

The board, which met at the home of chapter president Mike Watanabe, also heard reports from convention delegate Alice Kaya, Em Nakadoi and national 1st v.p. Pat Okura; discussed prospects of sukiyaki dinners, and voted to send \$50 to the Washington Alien Land Law Repeal Committee.

Acknowledgement was also made of various contributions to the chapter treasury, including \$100 from the Robert Nakadoi and Kay Nakadoi in appreciation for the chapter's thoughts shown at the time of their bereavement. The amount has been placed in the Omaha JACL Scholarship Fund in memory of the late Goichi Nakadoi.

Mike Watanabe and Ronald Misaki were named co-chairmen of the "Back to School" social held recently at the Downtown YWCA.

### Save egg shells

**MONTEREY**—It is time again for Nisei housewives to think of special dishes requiring the use of eggs in the next few months. The Monterey Peninsula JACL auxiliary asks that the shells be saved to make cascarones, which will be sold at the year-end affair.



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## Baseball season winds up on goodwill note . . .

King Football reigns unfettered by World Series in mid-October, but one final note on baseball before closing its book for 1960. The San Francisco Giants are on their goodwill tour of Japan now after winning two exhibition games in Hawaii earlier this week. The Giants play their first of 16 games in Tokyo's Korakuen stadium tomorrow . . . The Taiyo Whales, Central League champions, won the Japanese version of the World Series last week in four straight games—winning by a one-run margin each time over the much-favored Pacific League titlists, Daimai Orions. The Whales created baseball history by capturing the league crown after finishing last in 1959.

## Gridders in collegiate ranks . . .

Teruo Yamamoto, all-city tailback from Banning High, tallied one of the touchdowns for the USC Frosh as they rolled over Cal Frosh 39-6 at the Coliseum here last Saturday as frosh teams opened their season . . . A sparkplug for the Cal Frosh in 1958, Kenji Sasaki is operating at fullback for the Cal Ramblers. In the season opener against El Toro Marines two weeks ago, he plunged over from 1 for one TD and completed a 2-pt. conversion pass to help defeat El Toro 27-20. Sasaki came from Los Angeles as a lineman, playing center for the freshmen . . . Starting fullback Larry Iwasaki of Fresno State College injured his ankle in the game against U.C. Santa Barbara three weeks ago and didn't come back to the playing field until last week.

## Many Sansei on So. Cal prep varsities . . .

Southland sport fans got a good look at the collection of Sansei players on high school gridirons this past weekend in pre-season PTA Milk Bowl games throughout the city . . . Roosevelt High halfback Jack Endow showed some spark against Marshall when he intercepted a pass and setup a touchdown for the Rough Riders who won 31-14. Other Sansei seeing plenty of action for the victors were defensive half Ronnie Minami, halfback Sam Furuta and guard Richard Miyagawa . . . End Gary Matsuura latched on to a few passes for Dorsey, which trampled Fairfax 26-0 . . . Halfback Danny Iwasaki intercepted a pass for 30 yards in the standout action among Los Angeles High Sansei gridirons as they ran roughshod over Venice High 38-6. Other Romans are guards Steve Furuta and Yuji Iwamoto and center Vic Aral. With Venice are quarterback Harold Yoshikawa and guard Victor Asai . . . Gardena High upset Belmont 14-12. Helping this cause were end Kats Nishi, halfback Mas Nakamura and guard Bob Endow. On the Belmont line are guards Shinji Seki and Mike Maeshiro . . . Tackle Dale Nomura, guards Lance Matsushida and Roy Tanaka did tremendous defensive work for Garfield, but Eagle Rock High still won 22-7 . . . Long Beach Poly, hoping to repeat its CIF championship, was nudged 6-0 by Burbank. Downhearted Jackrabbits were tackles Martin Nakaji, Katsu Kusaba, end Junji Nakamura and halfback Gary Furuta . . . Gary Okura scooted back a kickoff punt 85 yards to tally for Downey, which hacked Paramount High 25-13.

Up north, Eugene Kumagai, Menlo-Atherton half, raced 82 yards on a kickoff return to score in nosing out Westmoor High 27-20 recently . . .

## Report on the Issei Aging

The following report on the problem of senior citizens of the Japanese community in Southern California, prepared by Frank Chuman, national JACL president, was presented to the Governor's Conference on Aging at Sacramento, Oct. 3-4.—Editor.

On behalf of the Japanese American community of Southern California and as a result of a special one-day conference on the problems of the senior citizens of Japanese American Citizens League on September 24, 1960, we respectfully submit the following facts and recommendations:

A. The problems of the senior citizens of Japanese ancestry are generally similar to those of the senior citizens in the wider community so far as the agreement that there is not necessarily a correlation between physical age and chronological age. That is to say, a person between the ages of 60 and 70 is not necessarily senile or ill or mentally unfit to continue vigorous and worthwhile employment and activity. From this standpoint, the conference delegates were agreed that the present age of retirement of age 62 for women and age 65 for men be increased to a higher chronological age for compulsory retirement. It was also felt that there should be a more extensive educational program directed towards the employers of industries and business so that the employer would more fully appreciate that a person of the present legal retirement age is not necessarily a person who is unable to be a productive member of society.

B. It was the general consensus that because most of the residents were receiving at least minimum Social Security benefits upon retirement, together with in some

cases supplemental benefits by way of State Old Age Assistance, that even though such residents were living on marginal income for livelihood, that there was not the acute economic distress of no income or pension or assistance at. Some of the residents were living on between \$83 to \$105 per month. However, the monthly rent in some of the low rental units was approximately \$25 per month, thereby providing a small margin of income for other necessities of life.

### Aged Issei Living Alone

C. It was not possible in the short period of time to have a statistical survey made of the actual number of senior citizens who were living alone on pensions and other benefits. It is conservatively estimated that in the metropolitan Los Angeles area, the number of single senior citizens, both men and women, was approximately 600 to 750 persons. The other senior citizens, whether male or female, were residing with their sons, daughters or other relatives or in some home for the aged provided for in the Japanese community.

D. There was a general feeling that the senior citizens living alone did not particularly desire the co-operative or dormitory style type of living in boarding houses which required the individual to share his living quarters with two or more other persons. This type of co-operative dormitory type of living precluded any individual privacy, which was desired by each of the senior citizens. It was therefore the feeling of the conference that through government assistance, whether state or federal, there should be provided low rental type of apartment units with individual bath, kitchen and living quarter facilities.

E. The American citizens of Japanese ancestry, whether sons or daughters, seem to have a deep sense of personal responsibility and obligation to their parents, and in most cases, regardless of the individual and psychological tensions existing with the senior citizens parents and the sons or daughters living under the same roof, this pattern of responsibility was widespread and prevalent, thereby relieving the economic pressure on those senior citizens subsisting on benefits and government assistance.

F. Although the State Department of Employment in Los Angeles has a very worthwhile program called the "Homemakers of Los Angeles" wherein senior citizens can be called from time to time to work in private homes, it was the feeling that, because of language barriers, such programs for employment were not being utilized on a widespread basis by the senior citizens in the Japanese community.

G. The greatest concern among our senior citizens, like that of others in the greater community, was the drastic economic detriment which would ensue in the event the senior citizens suffered a prolonged illness or personal injury, thereby depriving them of their individual reserves. There was a strong feeling that some adequate medical and hospital insurance coverage should be provided as soon as possible to protect all senior citizens in the event of illness or accident or physical disability.

H. It was felt that with reference to any type of housing units for the senior citizens, that there should be some relaxation of the present health regulations, so that persons residing in such boarding type homes could also be provided with the minimum amount of medical care within the boarding home without relinquishing their right to remain in the home by being referred out to the County Hospital where the senior citizen would be taken care of as public charity cases.

### Recreation Center Needed

I. Once the economic pressures were alleviated and a more adequate medical and hospital coverage assured, it was the feeling of the conference that the most important factor in caring for the senior citizens was a recreational center where the senior citizens could freely come and go to partake of recreation, hobbies, visit with friends or make their own refreshments, or carry on some worthwhile educational program in the Japanese language. It was sug-

gested that full use be made of the various denominational churches throughout metropolitan Los Angeles for such recreational centers.

The following specific factors and recommendations were reported and agreed upon:

1. The need for recreational centers for the senior citizens.
2. The need for private living quarters with adequate medical services to those living in these facilities.
3. The need for an educational program for the senior citizens to provide them with a stimulating program for the remainder of their lives.
4. The need for adequate hospital and medical insurance.
5. The need to alleviate the loneliness and boredom of the senior citizens through increased use of recreational centers.

### Senior Citizen Group

6. The senior citizen committees of the aging be formed throughout Southern California to maintain a close relationship with city and county park and recreation departments and with senior citizen associations for exchange of ideas and programs with such private or governmental agencies. This program was deemed important in maintaining the citizens' activities and physical and mental health. It was agreed that the most important factor was to keep the senior citizen in touch with and to circulate with other persons on a social basis.

7. More effective use of senior citizens in some limited occupational activity, not necessarily for the purpose of providing income for their livelihood, but to maintain the senior citizen's individual sense of worth, value and well being.

8. To maintain and encourage hobbies and other outside interests with proper guidance in such activities.

### Adult Education

9. That there should be a more intensive adult education course sponsored in the Japanese language to prepare the senior citizens for their period of retirement.

10. To provide facilities and information to the senior citizens through the newspapers or other periodicals or organizations to inform the senior citizens of facilities for activities during their period of retirement.

It was pointed out that because of the peculiar wave of immigration of our senior citizens, being those persons of Japanese ancestry born in Japan who came to the United States from 1893 to 1920 particularly, that the average age of our senior citizens of male classification was 70 years of age and for the female over 65, whereas the average age of the first generation American citizens of Japanese ancestry, being the children of these senior citizens, was at the present time approximately 38 years. The great discrepancy in age raises not only economic but also social, psychological, cultural and linguistic problems which require special attention in the matter of caring for the senior citizens of the Japanese community.

## Kono changes his mind, wants to meet Olympic foe again

HONOLULU.—Weightlifter Tommy Kono has changed his mind.

He won't retire as an amateur as he planned to after the Rome Olympic Games.

On the contrary, he plans to be more active than ever, so says muscular, bespectacled Tommy upon his return from the Olympics recently.

(Kono was honored by JACL as one of outstanding Nisei in 1958 and awarded the silver JACL medallion for Distinguished Achievement.)

The two-time Olympic champion finished as runner-up to Russian Alexander Kurinov in the 165-pound barbell competition at Rome.

In upsetting Tommy, the stocky, 5-4 Russian broke Kono's world total lift record of 948 (set in 1958) by 16 pounds. Kono was second with 942 to Kurinov's 964.

The defeat rankles, admits the 5-6, 30-year-old Nisei.

### Wants Rematch

"I want to take him (Kurinov) on again."

"Now, more than ever, I want to keep training. I expect to face Kurinov again at the next World Weightlifting Championships in Vienna next year in October."

"The next time we meet—and if my knees are okay—somebody will have to break the world record to win," predicts Tommy.

And speaking of knees, the Islander reports he suffered a strained ligament in his left knee going into his last Olympic lift in the clean and jerk.

"If I had made my last lift I could have tied Kurinov," recalls Tommy, who further reveals that he has had an ailing knee (due to calcium deposits in his knee cap) since last fall.

He plans to rest for two months or so "until my knees heal up" before he resumes training.

No stranger is Kurinov to the stocky Islander.

### Met Once Before

They met once before in 1958 in Moscow. Tommy beat him then with a 925 total to the Soviet's 880.

Kono won the lightweight (148 lb.) title at the 1952 Helsinki Games and the light-heavy (181 lb.) crown at the 1956 Melbourne Games.

How would he have fared if he had put on more weight and entered again as a light-heavy in Rome?

"I think I could have taken it," sighs Kono. "I did 985 when I won as a light-heavy in Melbourne. The Pole (Polinski) who won the title in Rome lifted about 25 pounds less than my total."

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## Los Angeles NEWSLETTER

By Henry Mori

### Politicians Visit Li'l Tokio

Political traffic in Li'l Tokio and elsewhere is getting quite heavy and one finds he has to be extra careful in what he says to whom unless the latter happens to be in your same party.

A few days ago, national JACL president Frank F. Chuman gave us a buzz: "Gosh the opposition is running rings around us. We gotta get going." Chuman is a good Democrat and is active on the state level.

But he must be breathing a little easier what with the Japanese American Citizens For Kennedy Committee establishing a headquarters in the new Crenshaw Square shopping center. Word has it that Yo Takagaki, one of the brass of Crenshaw Realty Co., developers of the nearly block-long center, is giving the space free of charge.

The Nisei Kennedy headquarters would be the counterpart of the Japanese Americans Nixon for President Committee which houses itself on Weller St., just few doors down from the So. Calif. JACL regional office.

It appears that among the JACLers, the number of Democrats is good 6 to 1 margin.

We really can't understand this aside from the fact that most of the Issei "must be expressing their appreciation to the Republican administration for being able to become citizens at last."

Noting that there is a potential number of voters and influence among persons of Japanese ancestry, candidates to Congress as well as incumbents are making hurried visits into Li'l Tokio to meet with leaders to formulate campaigns.

The press recently met Rep. Chet Holifield, Democrat from East Los Angeles, and Congressman Gordon L. McDonough, Republican, from the Southwest area. Both are running for reelection.

An outright endorsement appears certain for Holifield and McDonough. Their names have cropped up more often than other legislators in vernacular print because of their active support in granting naturalization to alien Japanese.

Many of the Nisei will be crossing "party lines" to support them. A bi-partisan Japanese American committee for McDonough has already been formed.

We like to credit Joe Grant Masaoka for the gem of the week. He has a keen memory of an elephant, although it's never been proven the animal had good memory.

It all happened in a Li'l Tokio coffee shop. We were seated around the four corners of the table, sipping java. Eiji Tanabe, who is the co-chairman of the Japanese Americans Nixon for President Committee with Gongoro Nakamura, past Downtown JACL president, was reciting the goodness of Richard M. Nixon. "There's the man," Tanabe, onetime So. Calif. JACL regional director, gloated.

We didn't ask Joe what his party was but there was Tats Kushida, a Democrat, and us sitting rather quietly. From the clear blue, Masaoka points to Tanabe, like Nixon would to Mr. K.

"By the way, Eiji... weren't you at one time a Democrat...?"

### WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: by Mike Masaoka

(Continued from Back Page)

a negative.

**TO TRY OVERCOME** this difficult hurdle, Tak Kubota and his Washington State Committee for the Repeal of the Anti-Alien Land Law are working overtime. Their support comes primarily from the Seattle and Puyallup Valley Chapters of the JACL.

When one considers that more than 40 JACL chapters in California cooperated in a coordinated campaign in 1956 to persuade their voters to repeal a similar constitutional provision, one can appreciate the enormity of their task. And, four years ago, in spite of the magnificent educational campaign of the JACL, 746,000 voted against what was then entitled Proposition 13, 1,509,000 voted for repeal.

In the face of these experiences, voters of Japanese ancestry and their friends of goodwill cannot be complacent about the November 8 outcome, especially since some latent illwill towards those of Japanese ancestry may have been generated by the cancellation last June of the President's visit to Japan and the recent assassination of the leading socialist in Tokyo.

And what a shock would be defeat in these times when Americans of Japanese ancestry are so proud of their acceptance and optimistic about their future in this great land.

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### ALL-MALE SHIBAI CAST TO APPEAR AT WEST L.A.

An all-male cast will star in the West Los Angeles JACL community talent show to be held at Sawtelle Gakuen, Oct. 22, from 7 p.m. Photo shows (from left) Zenji Ikeda, Katsumi Fukumoto, Jiro Kobashigawa and Masao Tanimura in a scene from their skit. Tozo Yahata is director. Mrs. Ayako Yabuta is general chairman of the program expected to appeal to all ages.

## VITAL STATISTICS

### BIRTHS

#### LOS ANGELES

Barret, Lester (Kay Miyazaki) - boy  
Donald L., Aug. 5  
Beppu, Jay Y. (Fukiko Shiba) - girl  
Lisa J., Aug. 1  
Dickerson, Paul D. (Haruko Haraishi-  
mu) - girl Nancy, July 23  
Fujii, Minoru (Haruko Koshima) - girl  
Sachiko Linda, Sept. 5  
Fujinami, Kenichi (Frances Matsui) -  
girl Lilliane Akiko, Aug. 8  
Fukushima, Yuge (Diana Yumibai) -  
girl Christine Ann, Aug. 8  
Hayashi, Leo R. (Sally Y. Matsunaga) -  
girl Arlene Noriko, Aug. 11  
Hirohama, Patrick I. (Sachiko Shimizu) -  
girl Nathlyn Tami, Aug. 5  
Inaba, Yoshito (Miyeko Sakaguchi) -  
girl Jean Kimiko, Aug. 10  
Isosaki, Osamu (Elsie M. Asato) -  
girl Alyson Yukiko, July 29  
Ito, George (Toyoko Inouye) - girl Elsie  
Megumi, Aug. 8, Gardena  
Kagawa, Steve T. (Christine Kamachi) -  
girl Barbara A., July 31  
Kam, Luther B. (Tamiko Sakaue) -  
boy Stuart M., Aug. 1  
Kaki, Jim I. (Tamae Yashima) - girl  
Donna J., July 30  
Kojima, Richard N. (Toshiko Nakagawa) -  
boy Gordon Nobu, Aug. 6  
Kratzer, Gary (Tomiko Hamada) - boy  
Dennis R., Aug. 5  
Kunishige, Thomas A. (Kimiko Nohara) -  
boy Curtis G., Aug. 9  
Larkin, Curtis (Isako Nakazawa) -  
boy Curtis A., Aug. 2  
Marler, Joe L. (Kazuo Araki) - girl  
Peri L., July 22  
Matsumoto, David H. (Sumie Matsumoto) -  
boy Jon D., Aug. 1  
Miller, William (Elko Hattori) - girl  
Aug. 1, Monterey Park  
Minami, Mamoru G. (Meiko Kaneko) -  
boy Ken R., Aug. 4  
Miyagishima, Etsuo (Tamie Nogawa) -  
boy Alan Kuno, Aug. 8  
Morimoto, Nobuyuki (Hisako Nitahara) -  
girl Linda Hiroko, Aug. 7  
Nagafuchi, Yoshio (Yaeji Nishida) -  
girl Lynelle Hanako, Aug. 2  
Nakata, Katsuo (Natsuko Asato) - boy  
Glenn Hiroshi, Aug. 9  
Naruke, Donald T. (Reiko Hasukei) -  
boy, Aug. 8, Compton  
Noda, Keyichi K. (Mitsuko Tanabe) -  
girl Christine Reiko, Aug. 10  
Okhiro, Tadao (Emiko Meifu) - boy  
David Sueo, Aug. 12  
Ono, Koichi (Hisako Nishi) - girl Catherine  
Chiyemi, July 29  
Sagara, Susumu (Kimiko Nomura) -  
girl Aug. 5, Alhambra  
Shoji, Toshio (Nobuko Yamamoto) -  
boy Dwayne T., Aug. 14  
Takahashi, Richard H. (Kiyomi Yoshino) -  
girl Tracy Sachiko, Aug. 13  
Takata, Kanichi (Sadako Matsuo) -  
girl Nancy, Aug. 10  
Tanaka, Masami (Carol H. Nagata) -  
boy Paul M., Aug. 10  
Tekawa, Roy F. (Margaret Nobs) -  
girl Debra Mideri, Aug. 9  
Uehara, Takao (Shigeko Yoshimatsu) -  
girl Rene Hisayo, Aug. 9  
Uyemaru, Shun (Akiko Wakamatsu) -  
girl Vivian Yuki, July 30  
Yamaguchi, John (Suzuko Koike) - girl  
Lisa A., Aug. 7, Newport Beach

#### SAN FRANCISCO

Amino, Ted - girl July 26  
Harui, Yoshio - boy, May 28  
Hirabayashi, Irvin M. - girl, July 15  
Kawai, Anthony - boy, June 13  
Kawasaki, Toshiaki - girl, July 10  
Kobuba, Koshi - girl, July 4  
Kurisu, Thomas T. - twin girls, July 30  
Matsumoto, Noboru - girl, Aug. 17  
Minemoto, Robert M. - boy, Aug. 8  
Mito, Jito - boy, June 7  
Mitsuda, Minoru - girl, June 17  
Mitsunaga, Edwin - boy, Aug. 2  
Murakami, Tok - girl, July 29  
Nagata, Roy T. - girl, Aug. 17, South  
San Francisco  
Nakamura, Kenji - boy, Aug. 24  
Niya, Theodore - girl, July 28  
Ohta, Allen H. - boy, Aug. 6  
Okahata, Harry - girl, Aug. 26  
Ota, Yoshio - girl, Aug. 19  
Sakamaki, Joseph K. - boy, June 17  
Sato, Irving K. - boy, Aug. 19  
Shibasaki, Susumu - boy, June 28  
Shirashima, Ichiro T. - girl, June 30  
Terao, Francis - girl, July 14  
Tsutakawa, Richard - girl, July 30

#### OAKLAND AND EASTBAY

Fukunaga, George - girl, May 15, Hayward  
Hayashi, Harold - girl, Aug. 18, Richmond  
Horiuchi, John - girl, Aug. 20, Berkeley  
Ikawa, Miyoshi - boy, May 26, El Cerrito  
Kuwada, J. T. - boy, May 18, Berkeley  
Kotake, Yutaka - girl April 1, April 30, Fremont  
Mayeda, Harry - girl, May 29, El Cerrito  
Mayeda, Tsuneo - girl, June 8, Berkeley  
Matsumoto, Susumu - girl, Aug. 10, Hayward  
Miyakado, M. K. - boy, Aug. 5, Berkeley  
Sugiyama, Masami - boy, Aug. 13, Berkeley  
Suzuki, Kazuhito - girl, Aug. 31  
Tanaka, Ichiro - boy, Aug. 3, Berkeley  
Yamaguchi, Joe T. - boy, June 4

### Jr. Tri-Villes reveal

#### Nov. 11 dance theme

REDWOOD CITY - "A Thousand Stars" is the theme of the dance given by the Jr. Tri-Villes on Nov. 11. The dance, chaperoned by Dr. and Mrs. Hunter Doi and Mr. and Mrs. Kashima, will be held at the Palo Alto Buddhist Church from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

### CYC benefit dance

The Thanksgiving Eve ball, Nov. 23 at Disneyland Hotel's Magnolia Room, will be co-sponsored by the Nisei Trojans and Nisei Bruins for the benefit of Community Youth Council.

The CYC is composed of the Southwest L.A. JACL, American Legion and Nisei VFW posts and Optimists, engaged in athletic programs for youth.

### Trade exposition

The Japan Centennial Trade Exposition will be held Nov. 10-22 under a large tent on the Ambassador Hotel lawn facing Wilshire Blvd., it was announced this week.

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## WLA community talent show Oct. 22

BY SUMI OSHINOMI

West Los Angeles JACL is sponsoring a Family Night program tomorrow with community organizations contributing talent. The show will be held at the Japanese Institute of Sawtelle, 2110 Corieth Ave., from 7 p.m.

Although not a money-making affair, the public is being asked to contribute 50 cents per person to defray incidental expenses for hall, costume and stage settings.

Among the numbers on the program are the Buddhist Church accordian band, students of Hanayagi Tokuyae in modern and Japanese dancing, kendo demonstrations by Tadashi Onami and Harry Kagawa, fencing exhibition by Sandra Oshino and Sachi Kagawa, Baptist Church quartet, hula dance by Donna Jean Okubo, skit from a Methodist Church group and a Japanese skit by the Judo group.

The Buddhist Men and Ladies Guild will present a harmonica group, songs and dance. Other local groups will have shigin, kouta and shakuhachi artists appear to round out an evening of entertainment.

Ken Kiyohiro and Masaru Sasaki will share emcee chores. This is the first attempt by the local JACL to stage a community talent show.

## Sansei semifinalist in na'l merit exams

Diane Kubota, B-12 student at Roosevelt High School was announced as a semi-finalist in the National Merit Scholarship qualifying test. This places her in the top 10,000 highest scoring students, and the top 1 per cent of the entire nation.

Last spring the Merit Scholarship qualifying test was given in more than 15,000 high schools. Now in the semi-finalist group, Diane moves a step closer to winning a four-year Merit Scholarship to the college of her choice.

Semi-finalists will take rigorous three-hour Scholastic Aptitude Test of the College Entrance Examination Board, to be given in the testing centers throughout the nation on Dec. 3.

As a finalist, the student will be eligible for scholarship awards, sponsored by 115 business and industrial organizations, professional societies, foundations, individuals and the National Merit Scholarship competition itself.

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## Washington Newsletter

BY MIKE MASAOKA

### Alien Land Law Repeal

Washington, D.C.

#### VOTE "YES" ON 10!

This is the JACL battlecry in the Pacific Northwest where, in the general elections of Tuesday, November 8, voters of Washington State will have the opportunity to repeal the only remaining anti-alien land law on the Pacific Coast.

On the sample ballot which we have just received, the horizontal column headed "Initiatives and Amendments" is right below the horizontal column for "write-in" candidates.

Arabic number 10 is the lever number designation for Senate Joint Resolution No. 4 on this "Initiatives and Amendments" column. It is the last in this particular section, which precedes the county and local propositions.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 4 is described as "Ownership of Land by Aliens" and asks that the following question be answered either "YES" or "NO": "Shall the constitutional restriction upon the ownership of land in the State of Washington by aliens be removed by repealing Section 33, Article II as amended by Amendments 24 and 29 of the State Constitution?"



AS JACLERS ARE aware, the anti-alien land laws were spawned in that anti-Oriental are right after the beginning of the 20th Century in order that the alleged "yellow peril" of those times could not seize control of the western states through the ownership of land. Though worded against all aliens racially ineligible to citizenship, in practice and in intent they were directed solely and exclusively against Japanese immigrants who were lawfully admitted to this country for permanent residence. As a practical matter too, as the United States Supreme Court found in the so-called Oyama case in 1948, these racially discriminatory laws reduced native-born Americans of Japanese ancestry to the status of second class citizens by acknowledging presumptions against them that would not be sustained against the citizen children of other immigrant aliens.

Congress, by enacting the Immigration and Nationality (Walter-McCarran) Act of 1952, eliminated race as a qualification for citizenship and thereby nullified the legal basis for this arbitrary discrimination which, perhaps more than any other single statute, circumscribed the lives and opportunities of persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States. Several state supreme courts have declared these laws to be unconstitutional. Voters too in various jurisdictions have balloted to repeal these bigoted statutes. Today, only Washington of all the Pacific Coast states continues to keep this reminder of the grim past on the books.

Last year, the State Legislature, unanimously in the Senate and with only two dissents in the House, voted to place this matter on this November's ballot in the belief that it should be repealed.



ON ITS MERITS, affirmative votes should be a certainty, for, as of this moment, we are not aware of any organized or even unorganized opposition to repeal.

The entire congressional delegation—Senators Warren G. Magnuson and Henry M. Jackson and Representatives Thomas M. Pelly, Jack Westland, Russell V. Mack, Catherine May, Walt Horan, Thor C. Tollefson, and Don Magnuson—has issued a unanimous statement urging repeal. Senior Senator Magnuson on the floor of the United States Senate urged the voters of his State to vote for repeal. The Governor and the mayors of all of the principal cities have endorsed repeal, as have many of the most distinguished citizens of the State.

The Washington Association of Realtors, the State Grange, the State Bar Association, the Labor Council, the American Legion, the Democratic State Committee, the Republican State Committee, and practically every other major organization have approved resolutions urging repeal.

As a matter of fact, we do not know of a single individual or organization which was requested to endorse this repeal campaign to have come out against it.



IN SPITE OF this unprecedented support, and lack of known opposition, there is a good chance that this repeal amendment will be defeated on November 8. The reason for this grim possibility is the lack of information regarding this issue on the part of the voters. In such situations, past records indicate that voters, to "play it safe", will vote in the negative.

Consider that in 1950 there was an amendment to this same prohibition which would allow aliens from Canada to own land. This proposition was approved by only 2,000 votes—292,000 to 290,000. In this instance, there was no history of hatred and bigotry, and aliens from nearby, neighborly Canada were involved.

Consider that in 1956 there was another amendment to this same prohibition which would allow alien corporations to own land in Washington. In spite of well-financed, aggressive campaigns by leading oil companies who wanted to build refineries, it was passed by only 68,000 votes—364,000 to 296,000.

The repeal referendum amendment is hidden in the middle of a lengthy ballot and its descriptive title "Ownership of Land by Aliens" is not conducive to an automatic affirmative. Moreover, the question is asked in such language as to suggest

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## Fong reports bias in Asian nations

NEW YORK. — Hawaii's Senator Hiram L. Fong last week told a Chinese clan association here that includes the Fong family that the countries of Asia should practice at home what they preach abroad about the equality of nations.

Fong said that throughout a recent tour of Asia he had found minority groups discriminated against in the very countries that talked the loudest about equality at the United Nations.

"I was quite disturbed to find that these countries that ask for equality, self-determination and other such things in their external affairs do not grant these same things within their own borders," he said. "We in America have shown the way people of diverse origins have been able to work together with equal protection of the law."

## CANADA PAPER ASKS RACE CENSUS BE KEPT

OTTAWA.—The Canadian government's plans to delete references to racial origin in the 1961 census has stirred up a storm in Quebec. The influential Montreal newspaper, Le Devoir, suggested that Quebecers boycott the census scheduled to start next June.

Past censuses asked for racial origin. Next June, however, Canadians will be asked only to give their nationality, which in almost all cases will be Canadian. They can list their racial origin if they want to but it is not required.

## Luau for Inouye raises near \$1,000

SANTA ANA.—The luau sponsored at Kono Hawaii Sunday raised close to \$1,000 for Congressman Dan Inouye's re-election campaign. It was reported by Ken Kono, Southern California chairman for the Bi-partisan Volunteers for Inouye.

Those attending had contributed a minimum of \$10 as a token of their interest in the election campaign of the Hawaiian congressman, the first person of Japanese ancestry to serve in the Congress of the United States.

Those who are serving on the committee for the local Bi-partisan Volunteers include: Dr. Fred Kobayashi, Clarence Nishizu, Saburo Kido, Henry Mori, Hiro Hishiki, William Hiroto, Fred Tuomae, Fred Matsuo, Fred Wada, Ed Yamato, Cappy Aoki, Paul Watanaabe, Ted Igarashi, Dr. Dave Miura, Dr. Richard Kumashiro, Dr. Stanley Yanase, Jim Higashi, Tats Kusida, George Furuta, George Maruya, Frank Chuman, Frank Kurihara, Frank Kuwahara, Art Takei, Ken Watase, Dr. Harold S. Harada, Wallace Tom, Dave Niitake, Kiyo Yamato, George Inouye, Fred Hamaiishi, James Mitsumori, and Kazuo Yano.

This week, a last call for mainland friends of Hawaii's sole congressional representative to contribute to the campaign to assure re-election by an overwhelming majority was issued by the Bi-Partisan Volunteers for Dan Inouye.

Inouye's re-election is not only a concern of all Hawaii but also of all Americans who believe in democracy at its best, declared Shigeo Wakamatsu, Chicago area committeeman.

Gen. Charles W. Pence, original commander of the 442nd, said: "Contributions express good will and best wishes to one who can and who has made us all proud we are Americans for Inouye is carrying on most effectively the work which the 442nd Regimental Combat Team so gallantly began 18 years ago to prove that Americanism is a matter of the heart and mind and not of race and ancestry."

Saburo Kido, treasurer, urged contributions be sent immediately to him as treasurer at 302 E. 2nd St., Los Angeles or to Mike Masaoka, secretary, 919-18th St. NW, Washington, D.C.

"In his first year in Washington, Dan has proved more than a mere good representative of Hawaii, but has become a symbol of what American democracy is and can be," Kido added. "As such, he has earned the right to be re-elected for the common good."

## Letterhead Tells a Story

SEATTLE.—The letterhead of the Washington State Committee for the Repeal of the Anti-Alien Land Law, 318 Sixth Ave., tells a story in itself.

Urging a "yes" vote on Senate Joint Resolution No. 4 on Nov. 8 are the names of six honorary co-chairmen and 18 honorary committee members.

Endorsing the measure and serving as honorary heads are Senators Warren G. Magnuson and Henry M. Jackson, Gov. Albert D. Rosellini, Mayor Gordon S. Clinton, Mayor Neal R. Fosseen of Spokane and Dr. Henry Schmitz, president emeritus of University of Washington.

Honorary committee members include Mayors Ben Hanson of Tacoma, P.L. Wilson of Vancouver, H.O. Domstad of Bremerton and Jess Stahlhut of Sumner.

Businessmen include Henry Broderick, realtor; Maxwell Carlson, Nat. Bank of Commerce president; Wharton Funk, Lawyers Title Ins. Co. president; Joshua Green, Sr., Peoples Nat. Bank of Wash. chairman; Allen B. Morgan, Seattle-First Nat. Bank executive vice president; Reno K. Odlin, Puget Sound Nat. Bank president, Tacoma; John N. Ryder, Wash. Mutual Saving Bank vice president and state senator.

Clergymen are Rev. Howard C. Cole, Englewood Christian Church, Yakima; Rev. Wayne D. Griffin, Methodist Church, Port Orchard; the Right Rev. William Fisher Lewis, Bishop of Olympia; Rev. Clifford J. Pine, Liberty Park Methodist Church, Spokane; Rev. Ralph Turnidge, Seattle; Rev. Edgar E. Toevs, First Presbyterian Church, Moses Lake; Dr. Paul Raver, president, Greater Seattle Council of Churches.

Other civic leaders are Dr. Herbert L. Cahn, FACS, Richland; Rep. Ben Comfort, 26th Dist.; Marshall Forrest, Bellingham; Paul R. Green, past president of

Seattle Civic Unity Comm.; State Sen. Wilbur Hallauer; John L. King, president of U.W. Board of Regents; State Sen. Reuben Knoblauch; Rev. A.A. Lemieux; S.J., president of Seattle University; Wing Luke; Smithmore P. Myers, dean, Gonzaga Law School; King County Comm. Howard Odell; A. Lars Nelson, master, Washington State Grange; Mrs. Henry B. Own, Seattle School Board; Ted G. Peterson, Past Int. Director, Lions International; Charles C. Ralls, past Nat. Cmdr., VFW; Richard E. White; Ed Weston, president, Washington AFL-CIO; Mrs. Neal Tourtellotte, Republican National Committee Woman.

Organizational endorsements show action taken by American Legion; Young Democrats of Washington, King County Republican Convention; Washington State Board Against Discrimination, Democratic State and Republican Conventions, Washington State Grange, Seattle Civic Unity Committee, Washington Assn. of Realtors, National Council of Jewish Women, Washington Section, Jackson St. Community Council, Seattle City Council and Washington Land Title Association.

It also notes the joint statement by Congressional Delegation.

## Cleveland Issei dies

CLEVELAND. — Kumajiro Taketa, of 2198 W. 104th St. and a prewar resident of Orillia, Wash., died here on Sept. 24. He was the father of active Cleveland JACLer Fumiko Taketa. Also surviving are his wife Mitsuno, sons Harry, George, daughters Mrs. Alice Nakao, Mrs. June Maki and 11 grandchildren.

## CALENDAR

Oct. 22 (Saturday)  
Selma—10th Anniversary dinner, Bruce's Lodge, 6:30 p.m.  
Twin Cities—Pollack 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. 25 (Tuesday)  
San Francisco—Candidates Night, Park Presidio YMCA, 7:30 p.m.  
Oct. 26 (Wednesday)  
Sequoia—Bridge Club meeting, Okamura Hall, 7:30 p.m. (To meet every 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.)  
Oct. 28 (Friday)  
Fresno—Masquerade party, Desert Inn, 7 p.m.  
Oct. 29 (Saturday)  
East Los Angeles—Masquerade dinner-dance, Tai-Ping restaurant.  
Mile-Hi—Fall meeting.  
Parlier—25th Anniversary Banquet, Bruce's Lodge; Akiyo 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)  
Monterey Peninsula—Issei Recognition banquet, Fairgrounds Exhibition Hall, 5:30 p.m.  
IDC—Annual convention, Salt Lake JACL hosts.  
Sonoma County—Nisei GI Memorial Service.  
Nov. 3 (Thursday)  
Puyallup Valley — Meeting, Tacoma Buddhist Church, 8 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 sukiyaki dinner, Memorial Hall.  
Nov. 7 (Monday)  
Pocatello—Chow Mein dinner, Memorial Hall.  
Nov. 8 (Tuesday)  
ELECTION DAY—VOTE EARLY!  
Nov. 9 (Wednesday)  
East Los Angeles—General meeting, International Institute, 8 p.m.  
Sequoia—Bridge Club, Okamura Hall.  
Cortez — Pre-derby dinner, Grower's Warehouse.  
Los Angeles—Polio Clinic.  
Nov. 11 (Friday)  
St. Louis—Surprise affair.  
Sequoia—Jr. Tri-Villes dance, Palo Alto Buddhist Hall, 8:30 p.m.  
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)  
PSWDC—Fall quarterly meeting.  
NC-WNDC—Election meeting, Livingston-Merced JACL hosts.  
Cortez — Striped bass derby, Frank's Tract.  
Nov. 14 (Monday)  
Pocatello—JACL election.  
Nov. 18 (Saturday)  
Cleveland—Japanese cultural program.  
East Los Angeles—Christmas Cheer benefit dance, Inglewood C.C.  
Nov. 20 (Sunday)  
San Francisco — Auxiliary visitation, Laguna Honda Home.