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## COLUMN LEFT:

New JACL membership brochure should score

On hand is the new JACL membership leaflet, "Group Insurance for Security Through Unity," which is being distributed to 1961 chapter membership chairmen. The talent of "Wild Bill" Matsumoto, national third vice-president who happens to be a successful insurance man, is clearly evident for it talks of dividends (good acceptance of Japanese Americans from a status of insecurity, elimination of legal discrimination against persons of Japanese ancestry, first class citizenship for Japanese American resulting from naturalization privileges for their Issei parents, and cash payments for evacuation claimants) and assets (national recognition as the collective voice of Japanese Americans in a Democracy, 86 "field offices" serving Americans of Japanese ancestry, top Nisei community leadership helping to shape the company's policies, a strong Board of Directors with accumulated experience and know-how dedicated to the public welfare).

It lists JACL's diversified program — the "Peatitudes" as published in Mas Satow's column last month — and 10 objectives for the coming decade. Policy holders will receive a weekly report, the Pacific Citizen, to keep them posted on the company's (JACL) affairs.

What the group insurance costs to the prospective policy holder is not stated, however. This is the job of the respective solicitors in the 86 "field offices" (chapters), which have their own particular premiums.

The leaflets, we feel, should spark any membership drive into high gear. Comments on how they are received by prospects will be interesting reading in the PC. Old-timers around our office figure it to be a "shot in the arm" to sign up at least 20,000 members in 1961—H.H.

## Pocateello's first chapter president elected '61 leader

POCATELLO. —George Shiozawa, who was the first Pocateello JACL president twenty years ago, was elected 1961 chapter president at the annual election meeting here Nov. 27.

With him will be Mase Tsukamoto, 1st v.p.; William Kawamura, 2nd v.p.; Mildred Thatcher, treas.; Masako Endow, rec. sec.; Junko Yamashita, cor. sec.; Kae Sumida, hist.; Ronnie Yokota, del.; Hero Shiosaki, alt. del.; Jun Shiosaki, Mike Yamada, social; Harvey Yamashita, ath.; William Yamauchi, pub. and Newsletter editor; Larry Thatcher, 1000 Club.

The chapter installation dinner-dance will be held at the Green Triangle Inn on Dec. 30. New officers of the JACLs and the Footello Teens will also be sworn in at the same time.

Shiozawa, a Sapphire Pin honoree, has been very active in church and community affairs and is one of the most successful farmers of the area.

## TOPAZ MOUNTAIN SITE OF RARE ORE DEPOSIT

SAN FRANCISCO. — Bay Area Issei and Nisei who were at Topaz WRA Relocation Center in central Utah during World War II were probably surprised to learn that the barren area was good for something.

The Nichel Times had a UPI story from Washington, telling of 19 beryllium claims in the Topaz Mountain area being acquired by Beryllium International Corp.

## St. Louis JACL inaugural dinner-dance set, MDC chairman Kadowaki main spkr.

ST. LOUIS. — Midwest District Council Chairman Joe Kadowaki of Cleveland will be the installing officer and principal speaker at the St. Louis JACL inaugural dinner-dance Dec. 3 at Garavelli's Restaurant.

Kadowaki will be in rare form as a triple-threat as he may be called upon to headline in the entertainment portion.

Awards will be presented by the

## LONG-AWAITED ISSEI DINNER IN DENVER SET

DENVER. — Arrangements for the long-awaited Mile-Hi JACL Issei Appreciation Dinner have been completed for Sunday, Dec. 11, 6 p.m., at the Cosmopolitan Hotel here, it was announced by chairman Henry M. Suzuki.

Tamiji Onouye is directing the special Japanese entertainment program which follows the dinner.

Issei over 65 will be invited as guests of the chapter.

## Chicago Sansei vies in National Merit finals

CHICAGO. — Diane Yamada, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Yamada, was among semi-finalists of the Chicago high school system who qualified for the National Merit Scholarship final examinations being held this week.

A senior at Senn High School, she plans to continue her education at Northwestern University. Her father is an active Chicago JACLer.

## PRESIDENT INVITES JACL TO WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE ON AGING, TO PUSH FOR LOW-COST OR RENT HOUSING

The Japanese American Citizens League has accepted the invitation of the President and the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare to participate in the White House Conference on the Aging at Washington, D.C., Jan. 2-12, 1961. It was announced Monday by national JACL president Frank Chuman.

Chuman, who was appointed by Gov. Edmund G. Brown two weeks ago to the 100-member California State delegation to the same national conference, named Mike Masagoka, Washington JACL representative and veteran participant in various meetings of concern to persons of Japanese ancestry, as JACL's official participant.

Some 2,750 participants from all 50 states and several foreign countries are expected to attend the White House conference, which was authorized by special legislation enacted by Congress in 1958. Participants, except for specially invited representatives of national social welfare organizations, were named following local, state and regional meetings on the subject of aging.

### Interest Since 1952

In acknowledging the high honor accorded JACL, Chuman noted that ever since the 1952 National Convention in San Francisco the organization has been particularly concerned with the special problems of the aging Issei, particularly those without families and who suffered the loss of all their property in the wartime evacuation of 1942.

He also commented on the various national and state measures introduced and endorsed by JACL over the past decade which would

make the lot and life of the aging Issei more pleasant and enduring, including liberalizations in Social Security and old age pension benefits.

As a result of a special one-day conference on the aging Issei called by the Pacific Southwest District Council last Oct. 2, it was found that there is an acute need by the senior citizens of the Japanese community for low-rent housing.

Chuman, who presented the thinking of the PSWDC group at the Governor's Conference on the Aging in Sacramento several days later, said that JACL will now urge the United States government as well as state and private housing developers to seek means of building low-cost or rent housing for the senior citizens, including those of Japanese ancestry.

### Eisenhower's Call

According to President Eisenhower's conference call, "in striving to achieve a better life for all our people, we must give proper regard to the needs and the abilities of our older citizens. The opportunity to live a dignified, productive and satisfying life in old age is the aspiration of every citizen and an important goal of our American society."

"The first White House Conference on the Aging is a significant effort to find better ways to enlarge opportunities for our older people. In recognition of the broadly shared experience and responsibility for meeting the challenges in this field, representatives of private organizations and from all levels of government, as well as many other individuals, have been called to meet in Washington after extensive preparatory local and state conferences."

"This nationwide conference will enable them to pool their knowledge and wisdom on how to meet the needs and to use the abilities of older people with the ultimate objectives of satisfying basic human rights and serving the good of the nation."

### Seen as Major Effort

In the words of the Health, Education and Welfare Secretary Flemming, "The White House Conference on the Aging represents a major effort on the part of the American people—an effort endorsed and assisted by both the legislative and executive branches of the Federal Government and by all the State governments."

"This effort is directed to solving the major problems confronting the Nation's older people, and to developing programs and policies that will make life better for the older people of the future."

"The Conference is dealing not only with important problems but with great opportunities as well."

Chairman of the National Ad-

## DAD WINS HALLOWE'EN PRIZE GOING TO WOMAN

WASHINGTON.—It was an old-fashioned Halloween party with everyone attending in costume, the parents and youngsters all bobbing for apples and playing games like musical chairs at the D.C. Girls' Teen Club affair.

Jack Hirose won the men's costume prize and Don Komai won the women's costume prize (—not a misprint, assures the D.C. News Note club correspondent Carolyn Akagi). Michael Akagi won the boy's prize and Laura Komai (Don's daughter) the little girl's prize.

Jack and Don are both past D.C. chapter presidents.

Knowing both well, we're interested in a snapshot of this prize-winning pair.—Editor.)

visory Committee on Aging, Robert W. Kean, explained the basic purposes of the conference. "In accordance with the provisions of the law passed by the Congress in 1958, the White House Conference on Aging will provide a meeting ground for thoughtful, forward-looking Americans who are concerned with the conditions that confront many of our senior citizens."

"Most problems in the field of aging can best be solved by action at the state and local levels. There are areas, however, where the Federal Government can contribute. As a positive first step, the Federal Government has convened this conference so that an opportunity can be given to people from all parts of our Nation to exchange ideas and formulate plans and programs."

"The conference must not be an end in itself; it is but a beginning. Its basic purpose is to lay the groundwork for progress and achievement in every State and community in our country."

## JACL represented in state apprenticeship opportunities group

SAN FRANCISCO.—A permanent Committee on Apprenticeship Opportunities for Minority Groups was established recently under mandate of the California Conference on Apprenticeship held earlier this year, the California Labor Federation reported this past week.

The federation, through its civil rights committee, was instrumental in organizing a workshop session on minority problems at the conference, which called for the establishment of the new committee.

Comprised of representatives from labor, management, state and federal agency consultants, members of the California Apprenticeship Council, there are 12 minority groups, including the Japanese American Citizens League, represented.

## Judge Aiso nominates Mukaeda as candidate for 1961 county grand jury

Katsuma Mukaeda, Li'l Tokio civic leader and one of the first to become naturalized under the 1952 Walter-McCarran Act, was nominated last week by Superior Court Judge John F. Aiso to serve on the 1961 Grand Jury.

The legal interpreter and counselor was among the 148 citizens chosen as tentative grand jurors.

Presiding Superior Judge Louis H. Burke announced that 103 men and 45 women were named by 85 of the 102 judges in the county.

Eventually 19 names will remain on the roster to serve next year.

Mukaeda is Downtown L.A. JACL chapter president and resides in Pasadena. He is also chairman of the cultural division of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce.

### DATES

Dec. 15—New memberships due at Nat'l Headquarters if chapters want members on PC mailing list as of Jan. 1, 1961.

Dec. 31—Reports on first series of assignments on JACL History Project due at Midwest JACL Office, 21 W. Elm St., Chicago, Ill.

# Sign up for '61 JACL Membership Now



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## Ye Editor's Desk

## PROSPECTUS FOR JACL, INC.

Probably our National Director Mas Satow has presented this message at many a gathering, but the first time I heard it was in Fresno several years ago when the chapter was celebrating its 35th anniversary. Entitled "What Our Line?—a Prospectus for JACL, Inc." it deserves reprinting in this week's issue, the third of four special introductory issues going to chapters now in the process of recruiting new and renewing members.

"The Japanese American Citizens League is in business to sell a product—Americans of Japanese ancestry. It is essentially an American product, but the cultural heritage of Japan has been added to give it color and moral fiber.

"It is a good product of which we can be proud. It has passed the most exacting tests with flying colors.

"JACL seeks to maintain the quality of this product through programs of good citizenship, by encouraging the maximum contributions of its members to their respective communities, and by providing youth with opportunities to engage in constructive activities.

"JACL also functions to eliminate influences which may spoil the product, such as prejudice and sanctioned discrimination. It seeks to stem the efforts of misguided individuals who misrepresent the product, and dissuade those who would mislabel the product in derogatory fashion.

"Our product is a relatively new one on the American scene. This has necessitated a vigorous public relations campaign. There are encouraging evidences today that this campaign is proving effective, but continuing efforts must be made to make the product even more familiar.

"This requires a strong national organization and a large sales force. JACL invites shareholders in its campaign to sell its line and participate in the dividends of Security Through Unity."

We shall beg the indulgence of our regular readers as we shall carry some more material this week to help chapters sign up new members. We need their support plus all those who were in JACL this past year . . . As Bill Matsumoto of Sacramento, our genial national membership committee chairman, has said—"we're shooting for 20,000 members."

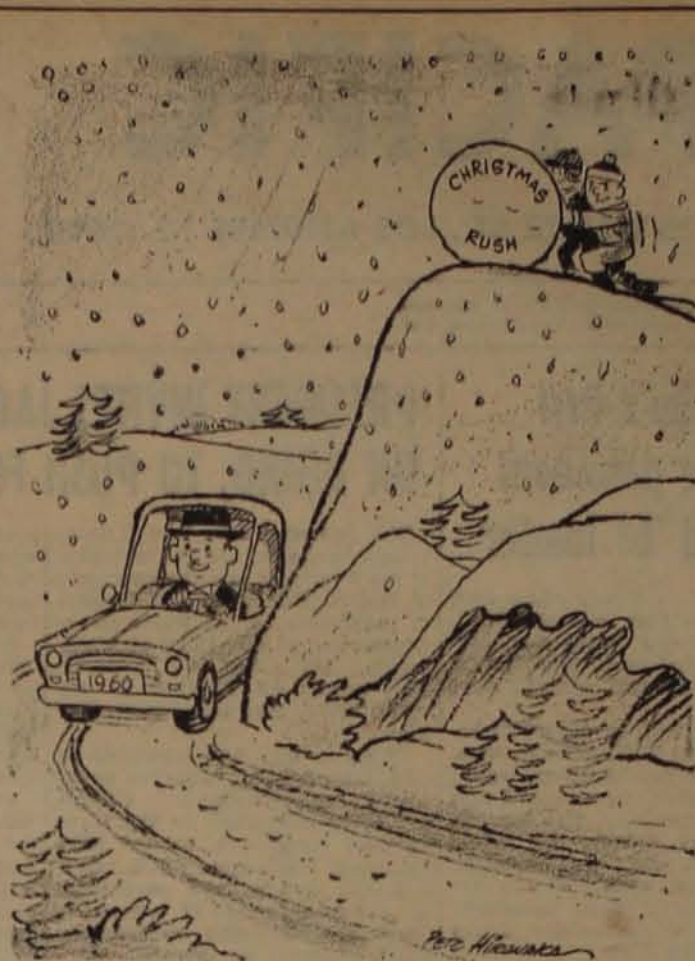
## THE NEW NC-WNDC CHAIRMAN

New chairman of the hustling No. Calif.-Western Nevada District Council is Henry Y. Kato of the Fremont Chapter. Late in 1958, the city of Fremont honored him by having a street named after him—Kato Ave., which is adjacent to Warren Ave. by the Nimitz Highway to San Jose.

The naming of the street was proposed by the fire chief and accepted by the City Planning Commission without opposition. Henry was a volunteer fireman for many years and fire commissioner of the now defunct Fremont Fire Department.

. . . And Fremont—the Pathfinder—was the first presidential candidate in 1856 of the present Republican party, preceding the successfully elected Lincoln. Fremont was the man who mapped the Oregon Trail, played a prominent part in conquering California during the Mexican War and was appointed civil governor. Quite a colorful man he was, too, arrested for mutiny and court-martialed in Washington in 1848. He resigned from the service, worked for the railroads locating passes between the upper Rio Grande and California, and elected one of two senators from California upon statehood in 1850. With the civil war, he was appointed a major general commanding the Department of the West

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## Annual Ambush

TOKYO TOPICS: by Tamotsu Murayama

## Artists by Tradition

TOKYO.—Prof. Chiura Obata recently conducted another successful autumn season tour of Japan with some 40 Americans. Mrs. Obata assists as guide for tea ceremonies and flower arrangements.

Unlike other tour groups coming to Japan, the Obatas take their tourists into the northern parts of Japan, where the traditional features of the country are still very evident. The Japanese in the northwest appear more "Japanese" than the "spoiled citizens" of Kansai and Kyushu.

Professor Obata tells us that his second son, Gyo, is busily engaged in architecture at St. Louis. He is currently constructing a model prison in Illinois, which will eventually replace Alcatraz in San Francisco Bay. The 35-year-old Nisei is also working on a new Civil Service Bldg., understood to be one of the largest structures in America, and the new 2,400-acre Illinois University campus.

Gyo has also won the contract to construct the new U.S. embassy at San Salvador. He also gained

eminence with his work at the St. Louis Airport and Record Bldg.

When this correspondent was in St. Louis, many Americans praised Gyo very much. They are very proud of this former San Franciscan. His older brother, Kimio, who as an outstanding fencer at Univ. of California, is doing very well as a commercial artist in St. Louis.

It is wonderful to receive news that the Nisei are doing so well in America.

Professor Obata comes from Sendai, whose family were traditionally artists. His ancestors were painters for generations for the lords of Sendai. Hence, it seems natural that artists like Gyo and Kimio are outstanding in their fields. The artistic sense was cultivated through many generations.

"Our family tree has produced many artists and fencing experts," Professor Obata said. "We are living up to the genuine spirit of the old Samurai. We are proud of our heritage. And we shall have to continue to work hard in the future."

## Oldest Japanese Christian church in America celebrates 75th anniversary

SAN FRANCISCO.—The San Francisco Japanese Church of Christ celebrated its 75th anniversary on Nov. 20. It is the oldest Japanese Christian church in America.

According to the 1885 records of the San Francisco Presbytery, here was a Japanese Gospel Society which was organized in 1878 and rented quarters at that time at 118 Golden Gate Ave.

In April of that year about 12 of the young men of this society signed a petition asking for the organization of a separate Japanese Presbyterian church and after several meetings with representatives of the local Presbytery formed the new church on May, 16, 1885.

These records disclosed that 18 persons joined the new church through letters from other churches and 16 others accepted on examination.

"Messrs. Koichiro Mitani and Jisaburo Morita were elected and

ordained ruling elders. Rev. James Carrington was requested to have general oversight over the church," the Presbytery's microfilm records of a Sept. 8, 1885 meeting revealed.

The new Japanese church was officially accepted as a member of the Presbytery on that date, the minutes also disclosed.

## Contra Costa board all host Christmas party

RICHMOND.—The annual Contra Costa JACL Christmas party will be held on Saturday, Dec. 10 from 6:30 to 9:45 p.m. at the Harry Ellis High School cafeteria, 33rd and McDonald Ave.

Marvin Uratsu, chairman, will be assisted by current board members, refreshments; Masako Oishi, Tomi Umemoto, Fumi Sugihara, purchasing; Santa Claus, Sumio Yoshii; Masako Oishi and Hannah Yasuda, telephone; Shy Nakano, song leader; Yuki Iwahara, talent program; George Sugihara, publicity; Steve Niino and Lily Niino, reception.

Hiro Hirano will act as emcee. The program for the evening will be similar to that of last year with gifts for the children, community singing, refreshments, and a talent program.

Joe Oishi, Sam Sakai, Bill Akagi and members of the youth group will also assist in the program.

## Nisei interest in annual Rose Parade perked by selection

SANTA MONICA.—In keeping with the theme of the 1961 Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade, "Ballads and Blossoms," Santa Monica's float will be entitled "Poor Butterfly," after the popular ballad.

Announcement of the local float theme was made last week by Bess Eiler, chairman of the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce float committee.

Mrs. Eiler also announced that California-born Shirley Nishimura, 17-year-old colonel of the Sergeantes at Santa Monica High School has been chosen to portray the title role on the estimated \$12,000 Santa Monica float.

Shirley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nishimura of Santa Monica, has a sister, Alice, 10, a Samohi graduate, and a brother, Frank, Jr., president of the sophomore class at Samohi.

## To Ride Jan. 2

Shirley was called from two different classes for discussions in the office of dean of girls before being informed she had been selected to ride on Santa Monica's float next Jan. 2.

"At first I thought I had done something wrong," she said. "It was so exciting when I learned why they had called me."

Meanwhile, Hawaii's Gov. William F. Quinn has been chosen grand marshal of the Tournament of Roses by the organization's president, Arthur Althouse.

"The Tournament wishes to honor our newest state by having its governor lead our 72nd parade," Althouse said.

## Nisei for Kennedy plan victory celebration

Campaigners of the Kennedy for President forces will hold a "victory celebration" at San Kwo Low, 228 E. 1st St., next Friday, Dec. 9, 7 p.m., it was announced by George Maruya and Shigemori Tamaki, co-chairmen of the Japanese American Citizens for Kennedy Committee.

"Although Kennedy did not carry California, we are convinced that our modest efforts contributed towards winning Vice President Nixon's home county of Los Angeles by a 21,000 margin," the two leaders declared.

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## From the Frying Pan

By Bill Hosokawa

Denver, Colo.

**POCKETBOOK ECONOMICS**—For the first time in recent history, Japan is growing enough rice to feed its people. The current crop is expected to reach 13 million tons, an output record for the sixth consecutive year. This means Japan's rice imports have dwindled, and Asian rice growers must find new markets.

At the same time, the United States is looking for countries to buy American rice. A year ago we shipped 56 million pounds to Cuba. This year our sales to Cuba dropped to something like 7 million pounds, thanks largely to an unpleasant character whose first name is Fidel.

What's all this mean here in America? Maybe somebody will start a campaign to popularize rice pudding for dessert. And maybe prices will come down at the supermarket if the law of supply and demand hasn't been repealed. Maybe.

**SANSEI MOOR**—Bert Lahr is coming to Denver next week to put on "A Midsummer Night's Dream" with the American Shakespeare Festival acting company. The company is looking for a Japanese American boy, about four feet tall, for a walk-on part. He will be made up as a Moor.

**END OF AN ERA NOTE**—Man named John Elliott Rankin died last week. He was a former congressman from Mississippi. He was co-sponsor of the bill which created the Tennessee Valley Authority, a great and fabulously successful experiment in federal development of a region's water resources. He was also an unabashed racist, a devout believer in the sanctity of white supremacy.

In large part because he opposed the breakdown of racial segregation, he was a loud and bellicose foe of Japanese Americans during the war years. He joined forces with a number of other members of Congress—mostly southerners or on the House un-American Activities Committee—to engage in the un-American activity of badgering the War Relocation Authority and Japanese Americans.

Rankin dropped into obscurity when he was defeated in 1952 after serving 32 years in the House. Most of his contemporaries of nearly two decades ago are either dead, or far removed from the national scene. An era is ending.

**SHOE ON THE OTHER FOOT**—News dispatches say a Tokyo manufacturer is suing some U.S. doll-makers, charging the Americans are producing and selling "imitation" Japanese dolls "of inferior quality, character and workmanship."

**HOW CAN WE HELP**—Almost every week, The Denver Post receives a letter or two from a Japanese student asking for help so he or she can study in the United States. The letters have a pathetic similarity: The writer is a young student, sometimes a boy, sometimes a girl. The student is studying English. He or she wants to find a sponsor who can offer a job and shelter while the student goes to school in America.

These youngsters are obviously sincere if somewhat naive. Perhaps they still think this is a land of milk and honey with streets paved of gold, a never-never land that would be the answer to their impoverished dreams.

Of course America is no such thing. But certainly many of these students deserve help. Unfortunately, Japan has no monopoly on worthy, ambitious, intelligent young minds searching for education. The world is full of them, and no small percentage is within our own country. Here is a great challenge for our people.

As great as the challenge of President Eisenhower's Commission on National Goals "to eliminate religious prejudice, handicaps to women, and discrimination on the basis of race."

## MONTANA SENATOR AGAINST U.S.-JAPAN TREATY CHANGE NOW

TOKYO.—Because of the "dangerous and unsettled" situation in the Far East, U.S. Senator Mike Mansfield (D., Mont.) believes the U.S.-Japan security treaty should not be revised at the present time, the Asahi Shimbun reported last week.

The comments were made in reply to questions submitted by the newspaper.

However, the senator recognized the "neutralist force" in Japan and said the U.S. should prepare to take the initiative in revising the treaty if the majority of the Japanese people favored it.

## Civil rights groups call statewide meet

FRESNO.—A statewide conference of civil rights organizations has been called by the California Committee for Fair Practices here at the Hacienda Motel tomorrow to "secure effective enforcement" of anti-discrimination laws.

The conference is expected to hammer out a final common strategy on state measures against discrimination in housing, public accommodations, facilities of business, services of enterprises licensed by the state and other legislation.

Committee Chairman E.L. Delums, who is a member of the state Fair Employment Practices Commission, said: "Machinery, staff, funds and authority for firm enforcement are essential for making anti-discrimination laws truly effective. Experience with the FEP Commission demonstrates this conclusively. We need the same kind of teeth to combat discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed and ancestry in other fields."

As a coordinating body, the Japanese American Citizens League is a participating member of the committee.

## Nisei promoted by Bank of Tokyo

Robert I. Nagata, a Nisei officer of the Bank of Tokyo of California, has been promoted from the Los Angeles branch to the head office in San Francisco. It was announced here recently.

According to Takeo Okuto, bank vice-president and Los Angeles branch manager, Nagata assumed his new duties at the main office this past week.

Nagata, who is one of several Nisei assistant cashiers with the banking firm, was born in Berkeley and graduated from the Univ. of California in 1949.

He started his banking career with the Bank of America in 1950 and joined the Tokyo bank when it began operations in 1953.

He was promoted to assistant cashier in 1955 and helped in the establishment of the bank's Gardena branch.

Since last February he has been at the Los Angeles branch again in charge of bank operations. A veteran of World War II, Nagata has been residing in Gardena with his wife and two children.

## Maryknoll Scout troop to invest 13 Eagle Scouts

Maryknoll Boy Scout Troop 145 and Explorer Post 145-X will hold its court of honor Dec. 11 at Crenshaw Youth Center and induct 13 Saneil Eagle Scouts.

The court will also recognize two other Eagle Scouts who were invested earlier this year—the 50th Year of Scouting in the United States. The troop's 25 Eagle Scouts will handle the investiture of the new candidates.

Institutional representative Brother Theophane of Maryknoll School is handling dinner reservations. Other dinner committeemen include Mits Ishibashi, Thomas Takeda, George Kasamatsu and Harry Keeney.

## Calif. attorney general to fight policy of 'whites only' in golf pro association

Attorney General Stanley Mosk last week expressed "bitter disappointment" that the Professional Golfer's Association rejected a resolution to eliminate the "white only" clause from its national constitution.

The national convention of the PGA meeting in Phoenix, Arizona, last week defeated by a vote of 64 to 17, a proposed resolution designed to amend Article III of their constitution to delete the Caucasian membership restriction which has barred Negro and other racial minority players from full PGA membership.

When he learned that the Southern California section of the PGA planned to introduce a resolution to strike the restrictive clause, Attorney General Mosk sent a communication to Guy Bellitt, president of the Southern California section of the PGA requesting that he communicate to the convention "a message from the Attorney General of California."

Attorney General Mosk's letter stated in part that failure to eliminate the restriction would "leave the association behind, and out of

step with awakening and responsible leadership in the total American community and expose it to the indignity of legal compulsion to open those doors... this State will not permit its citizens to be barricaded from employment and the opportunity to earn a living because of the accident of color or national origin."

In commenting upon the failure of the PGA convention to enact the resolution, Attorney General Mosk said, "We are bitterly disappointed that the PGA failed to take the requested action and thus to bring its constitution into line with the public policies of California and other enlightened and progressive jurisdictions."

"Because of these racial restrictions, we have advised all publicly supported golf courses within our State that they may not extend any special benefit of privilege to the PGA or its members. California will not sit idly by while a corporation, which enjoys a professional sports monopoly as does the PGA, functions, within our State. We have been anxious to bring about compliance with California law and policy through persuasion and negotiation. Now we consider the refusal of the national PGA body to eliminate its racial restrictive policy to be tantamount to open opposition to California laws and policies. We intend to take every step available to us, both in and out of the Courts to force the PGA either to eliminate this obnoxious restriction or to cease all activity of any kind within our State."

## JACL joins to honor Roger Baldwin

NEW YORK.—Roger N. Baldwin, promoter of civil rights internationally and for 30 years director of the American Civil Liberties Union, will be the 1960 recipient of the New York Chapter, League for Industrial Democracy, award.

It is being presented by Norman Thomas on Dec. 8 at the New York Community Church.

The award is for distinguished service to democracy and human rights. Brief tributes are to be made by representatives of various human rights organization. Mike Masaoka will speak for the Japanese American Citizens League.

Baldwin became a national JACL sponsor during World War II and is probably among the few who helped JACL and the Japanese so much during and after the war. He also founded the Japan Civil Liberties Union.)

## SEATTLE DAILY BLAMES SJR 4 LOSS ON WORDING

SEATTLE.—The Post-Intelligencer, which editorially supported SJR 4 to eliminate the Washington Alien Land Law, last week again took to the editorial column to comment on SJR 4, which was defeated.

"It is possible that the wording of the Alien Land Law measure sadly contributed to its defeat in an area where Washington State must soon assume a more tolerant attitude along with other coast states."

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## By the Board

By Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa, Nat'l JACL Board Member

There is no doubt in my mind that JACL is at the crossroads.

It can move forward. It can move backward. Or it can merely stand still.

At the last National Convention in June, the delegates voted overwhelmingly to move forward.

Among other things, four major decisions were made: (1) A new and increased budget. (2) Launching of the story of the Japanese in America. (3) Further development of the youth program, and (4) Pacific Citizen with membership.

The key to success in all of these programs is membership support and vigorous leadership.

Only time will tell how successful these major programs will prove to be. Too often we enthusiastically approve projects and programs at the National Convention—only to fall far short of their attainment.

As far as your Pacific Citizen is concerned, we have already had several meetings of the Board and Staff and just about all of the major and minor policies plus printing and publication problems have now been tentatively settled.

Beginning January 2, 1961, you may expect an entirely new format—four full pages rather than the current eight tabloid pages. This will give us an extra 1,500 column inches of much needed space annually which will be used for increased advertising and for special features.

Every JACL household will receive a copy of the paper—this will make your paper the largest Japanese American publication in the continental United States. Our circulation is expected to more than double. And advertising revenue looks very favorable under these new circumstances for we will have a select readership of possibly sixty thousand individuals throughout the United States. Correspondents will be appointed in every major area of the country and JACL members and friends will be urged to support our advertisers.

A new emphasis upon JACL and JACL problems will be made. The Pacific Citizen as a house organ will devote much of its energies to the promotion and building up of the JACL on all levels. It will be the main internal public relations media of the national organization. Perhaps even a new and more appropriate and descriptive name such as the JACL NEWS will be taken.

Your favorite columnists, including the best Nisei talent available in this field, will continue to be featured. External public relations and news and articles of general interests will also continue. The major changes will be in emphasis rather than in content.

Let us say frankly that we do not expect to please everyone—there are just too many differences in individual tastes, philosophies, interests and interpretations.

But we shall do our best to report and to interpret news of interest to Americans of Japanese ancestry generally and to JACLers particularly.

Your paper can and should serve as a forum for the common problems that confront us as Americans of Japanese ancestry dedicated to the ideal of becoming "Better Americans in a Greater America." We encourage and welcome your criticisms and suggestions.

The Pacific Citizen Board is an experienced and capable group. It includes past National Presidents George Inagaki and Saburo Kido, past Regional Director Tats Kishida, and longtime JACLers Tom Ito, Merijane Yabe, Sho Iino and Art Ito. All of these board members have served voluntarily ever since the paper was moved to Los Angeles from Salt Lake City. A new member, the dynamic Dr. Dave Miura of Long Beach, was welcomed to the board this year.

Staffers include Fred Takata and Marie Sugita of the Regional Office, Editor Harry Honda who carries the main publication load, and circulation manager Pearl Mugushima. We also benefit from the advice and counsel of national officials Mas Satow, Frank Chuman and

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## CCDC CONVENTION OPENS TOMORROW WITH EVENING BUSINESS SESSION

FRESNO.—One of the largest crowds to attend a convention of the Central California District Council is expected this Sunday, Dec. 4, when the new officers of the 10 member chapters are installed en masse at the convention banquet at the Elk's Lodge, State Attorney General Stanley Mosk was announced as the principal speaker.

Fred Hirasuna, CCDC chairman, will preside at the business session scheduled tomorrow from 6 p.m. at the Trails Roundup, 2531 W. Whitesbridge Rd., West Fresno. The final touches to the two-day convention were discussed last Sunday at Reedley with general chairman Mikio Uchiyama of Fowler presiding.

A gala afternoon of lovely models and fashions in the theme of "Sleigh Ride" will be held on Sunday at the Elk's Lodge.

The convention fees were announced as follows: \$6 package deal to cover registration, fashion show and banquet; \$3 banquet only for Jr. JACLers; \$1.50 fashion show only.

FRESNO.—The 11th annual Central California District Council convention opens with a business

session tomorrow night at the Trails Roundup in West Fresno.

The schedule:

5 p.m.—Registration.  
6 p.m.—Opening Ceremonies; greetings by Convention Chairman Mikio Uchiyama; Pledge of Allegiance led by Tak Naito of Reedley, CCDC 2nd vice-chairman.

6:15 p.m.—Business session, Fred Hirasuna, chairman, presiding. Report from Headquarters, Mas Satow. Report of Issei Story Project, George Kitahara of Parlier, CCDC Issei Story Project chairman.

The session will recess until 1 p.m. Sunday, meeting at Elk's Lodge, 5030 E. Kings Canyon Rd., when Report from the National President will be made by Frank Chuman.

The fashion show is scheduled from 3-4 p.m.

The CCDC convention banquet, with State Attorney General Stanley Mosk as principal speaker, will start at 6:30 p.m.

### Banquet Program

William Minami of Reedley, who helped to organize the Chicago JACL in 1944 and served as its first president, will be banquet toastmaster. A color detail from the Sierra Nisei VFW Post has been assigned. The Rev. Akira Hata of the Fresno Buddhist Church will deliver the invocation. Mayor Arthur Selland will greet the delegates and guests, to be followed by the installation of officers for the 1961 CCDC and 10 member chapters.

Kenji Osaki of Oroqui, accompanied by Akiyo Nakata, will entertain with a few vocal selections. Special awards will then be presented by Jerry Enomoto of San Francisco, secretary to the National Board. Past president pins will be bestowed by Fred Hirasuna, CCDC chairman. The CCDC Chapter of the Year award will be conferred by Kay Nakagiri, PSWDC chairman.

The finale will be the speech by the main speaker, Attorney General Mosk.

### CCDC FASHION SHOW OPENED TO PUBLIC

FRESNO.—The public is invited to the 11th annual CCDC Convention fashion show, "Sleigh Ride in Fashions", at the Elk's Lodge this Sunday from 3 p.m.

Tickets will be available at the door at \$1.50 per person.

Fashions from Roos-Atkins will be modeled by children, teenagers and ladies of the CCDC chapters. Mrs. Pat Watson, fashion coordinator, will be assisted by Mrs. Charles Barrett, commentator. Ben Nakamura and Mrs. Frank Sakohira are fashion committee co-chairmen.

On display in the lobby will be floral arrangements by Mrs. C. Ohara and Ichio Uchiyama, bonsai by Kuni Iwo and Japanese dolls by Mrs. T.S. Kuramoto.

In connection with the convention and fashion show, CCDC Chairman Fred Hirasuna and Mrs. Hide Shimada will be interviewed today on Joe Gomez News and Interviews on KMJ-TV (24), 12:15-12:30 p.m.

### Monterey Peninsula women auxiliary in Yule luncheon

MONTEREY.—The annual Monterey Peninsula JACL Auxiliary Christmas luncheon will be held this Sunday at Biff's Italian Restaurant in Seaside. Mrs. Dorothy Suzuki and Mrs. Haruko Honda are co-chairmen.

The Auxiliary announced Dec. 12 as the night to fill cascarone eggs at the JACL Hall from 7:30 p.m. These tinted, confetti-filled egg shells will be sold at the New Year's Eve party.

### Venice Christmas party

VENICE.—The annual Venice-Culver JACL Christmas party for the community will be held on Sunday, Dec. 18, 7 p.m., at the local Gakuen. An hour-long program has been arranged by chapter president Kaz Adachi.

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EVENINGS BY APPT.

## San Fernando picks K. Arimoto as head

SAN FERNANDO.—Katsuo Arimoto of Canoga Park was elected 1961 chairman of the San Fernando Valley JACL at its board of governors meeting Nov. 18 held at the Japanese American Community Center in Pacoima.

Other officers elected were Dr. Bo Sakaguchi, v.c.; Hideo Endo, treas.; Chiyo Yamamoto, sec. sec.; Lily Ikuta, cor. sec. and pub.; Fred Muto, 1000 Club; Sue Ogi-machi, hist. and editor. Other members of the board include Tom Endow, Tom Imai, John Kaneko, Dr. Tom Nagatani, Micki Nakagiri, Henry Ogimachi, Harry Otsuki, George Shibuya, Kingo Takasugi and Sam Uyebara.

The chapter is preparing a Christmas party for the family on Wednesday, Dec. 21, 6:30 p.m., at the Pacoima community center. Louise Nakae and Micki Nakagiri are co-chairmen.

## T. Toyama becomes Fowler president

FOWLER.—Under the automatic president-elect system in which the first vice-president becomes the head the following year, Thomas Toyama will be top man of the Fowler chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League in 1961.

The new Fowler officers include Tom Nakamura, 1st v.p. (president-elect); Dick Iwamoto, 2nd v.p.; Tak Ideta, sec. sec.; Dr. George Miyake, cor. sec.

Roy Kato, arh.; Mikio Uchiyama, del.; and Athley Nakamura, pub.

The office of the treasurer was deadlocked at the time the ballots were first tallied.

## Double feature Japanese movies, door prizes, food all free for West L.A. Issei

The Issei of West Los Angeles are cordially invited to attend the West L.A. JACL Issei Appreciation Night at the Japanese Institute, 2119 Corinth Ave., tomorrow from 7 o'clock.

The chapter will show two full-length color movies from Japan: "Haha to Musume" and "Jirocho Uridasu" with English subtitles, the Pan American travelogue on Japan, "How Small Is My Island", give door prizes and serve refreshments—without an admission charge.

George Kanegai, chairman of the program, announced Consul Shinichi Utsumi of the local Japanese consulate-general and Gongo Nakamura, past Downtown L.A. JACL president and Issei leader, will be guest speakers.

## Taye Isono elected WLA Auxiliary chairman

The West Los Angeles JACL Auxiliary elected Taye Isono as its president for the coming year at the Nov. 21 meeting held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Watanabe.

Assisting her will be Suki Uyeno, v.p.; Mrs. Harold Harada, sec.; Mrs. Shig Takeshita, treas.; Mrs. Joe Okitsu, pub.-hist.

Plans were also discussed for the Christmas party to be held at the Van Nuys home of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Yoshida on Monday, Dec. 19. Yuki Sato will be party chairman.

Hostesses for the election meeting were Mmes. Harold Harada and Sueo Hirashima.

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## Chaplain to speak at Long Beach JACL installation dinner

LONG BEACH.—Chaplain Robert Gunter will be the installing officer for the newly elected members of the Long Beach-Harbor District JACL Board of Directors at the installation dinner and dance to be held at Man Jen Low, Dec. 10, 7:30 p.m. The incoming members of the 1961-62 board will be introduced by emcee Eric Kawai, veteran toastmaster.

Speaker of the evening, Chaplain Gunter, sponsored by the Long Beach Council of Churches and serving at the Memorial Hospital of Long Beach, has had a great deal of speaking experience before varied groups, and is in popular demand because of his delightful Southern accent and collection of anecdotes.

Chairman Sumi Fujimoto announces that reservation ticket for the dinner may be purchased at \$4 per person. Phone reservation may be made by calling WALnut 3-4394 or HEMlock 6-3322 before Dec. 8. Dancing until 1 a.m. will follow the ceremony.

## Watsonville JACL selects Harry Yagi

WATSONVILLE.—Harry Yagi was voted 1961 president of the Watsonville JACL. He and his cabinet will be installed at a dinner-dance next Friday, Dec. 9, 6:30 p.m., at Reseter Hotel.

Masao Satow, national director, will officiate at the installation. Members and friends are asked to make reservations with chapter officers by Monday. Steak dinner will be served at \$5 per person and \$9 per couple.

Other officers are Kenji Shikuma, 1st v.p.; Louis Waki, 2nd v.p.; Masato Tsudama, treas.; Masie Morimoto, sec. sec.; Fumi Sugidono and Mae Higuchi, cor. sec.; Tom Nakase, aud.; Nobu Hamai, pub.; Tom Mine and Tommy Yagi, youth; Clifford Fujimoto, 1000 Club; Bill Mine and Tom Tao, del.

## To demonstrate art of canapes, hors d'oeuvres

SAN FRANCISCO.—Mrs. Helen Moriguchi, a professional cateress, will demonstrate the art of making canapes and hors d'oeuvres at the next San Francisco JACL Auxiliary meeting Dec. 12 at the Church of Christ. It was announced by Auxiliary president Mrs. Char Doi.

## Fashion show caption

The picture of the fashion show committee preparing for the CCDC convention in last week's Pacific Citizen on page 5 was reversed by the engravers and did not come to our attention until the press run was completed.—Editor.

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## The National Director's Report

By Masao Satow

### THE RIGHT TO VOTE

San Francisco

Indicative of the thorough preparations for the Central California District Council Convention this weekend in Fresno, Chairman Fred Hirasuna, Convention Chairman Mikio Uchiyama, and Fresno President James Kubota, called upon main speaker California Attorney General Stanley Mosk in San Francisco early this week.

This gave us an opportunity to bring to the Attorney General's attention the full details on the San Diego Issei challenged on his right to vote, thanks to the prompt fact finding action of San Diego JACLers Mas Hironaka and Ernie Uao.

Contrary to the initial report, Mr. Asajiro Okazaki was not challenged by the precinct head, but by two men who followed him to the precinct and whose names and addresses have been duly recorded. We pointed out to Mr. Mosk that Mr. Okazaki, like many other elderly Issei had become naturalized under Section 312 of the 1952 Immigration and Nationality Act which waives fluency in English for those over fifty years of age and had resided in the United States more than twenty years at the time the 1952 Act went into effect, showing that such persons need not be able to "read 100 consecutive words of the Constitution". We expressed concern that other Issei as well as other long time aliens recently naturalized might be deterred from voting in future elections.

Mr. Mosk indicated he would ask the State Legislature to clarify the matter, and expressed his opinion that once a voter had been duly registered he should be allowed to vote unmolested.

A copy of the facts in writing has also been transmitted to the California Advisory Board of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. While this Commission was set up to collect developments constituting denial of equal protection of the laws, its first duty was outlined as investigation of allegations that citizens were being denied the right to vote.

National JACL will seek to remove from the Idaho statutes the old law now being ignored prohibiting naturalized Orientals

from voting.

### FAIR PRACTICES

The various human relations organizations in the State will assemble in Fresno this Saturday under the auspices of the California Fair Practices Committee to discuss proposed civil rights legislation and legislative strategy. Prepresenting JACL will be President Frank Chuman, NC-WNDC Legislative-Legal Committee Chairman Haruo Ishimaru, Secretary to the National Board Jerry Enomoto, and the National Director.

The joint frank discussions between representatives of the Negro and Japanese communities in San Francisco's Western Addition have gone now to five sessions. Plans are underway to expand the group and to formulate specific programs for mutual relations within the framework of ongoing organizations and institutions in the area.

### YOUTH MEETING

We spent a pleasant evening with the San Francisco Chapter Youth Group advised by conscientious Marie Kurihara. Bill Hayashi, 1960 National oratorical contest winner, repeated his winning oration, and Dr. Hime Tsumori recounted the many activities of the San Francisco Chapter. Margaret Kai was elected the new president of the Youth Group.

### NATIONAL CONVENTION

The Sacramento Convention Board has remitted a check for \$567 representing the \$1 per registered convention delegate. With an additional \$106 from youth registrations, this places the official 16th Biennial Convention registration at 673. The largest official convention registration was San Francisco's 1,010 in 1956.

### 1961 MEMBERSHIPS

The 1961 memberships now total 267 with Philadelphia reporting 21 members and Contra Costa remitting 73. 144 PC's are involved in the total number of memberships.

The national membership leaflets have been delayed at the printers, but they will be packaged and mailed out to the chapters this week.

Meanwhile, National 1000 Club Chairman Frank Hattori is wracking his brains over a national 1000 Club brochure.

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# For the Prospecting Nisei

## 'They expect JACL to be everything'

(A general cross-section of JACL chapters was gleaned from the questionnaires prepared by the 1960-70 National JACL Planning Commission. The questionnaires were analyzed and a report made to delegates at the Sacramento National Convention. Again, we are indebted to the D.C. News Notes for its excellent presentation of this report for inclusion in the December "Introductory Issue."—Editor.)

A summary of the questionnaires of the 1960-70 National JACL Planning Commission returned by the chapters was reported by the Executive Secretary of the Commission as follows:

"... We have 60 per cent return on the questionnaires and a total of 51 chapters are represented in this summary that I would like to present. It will support some of the things we have been discussing. Also, how chapter leaders feel and think about these issues.

"In the area of JACL purpose and chapter functioning, 91 per cent of those who participate understood the fundamental purpose and aims of JACL and in a sense reaffirmed it by their response. Whether the chapter continues to serve as a need or purpose in the community—80 per cent felt that they served very little need and purpose.

"What is JACL to you as an organization? They expect JACL to be everything.

### Nisei Image

"What specific program suggestion can you offer to improve the image of the Nisei: 1) Use of speakers; 2) Dissemination of printed literature, leaflets, brochures, etc.; 3) Use of films if and when we can get them; 4) Participation in community affairs; 5) Cultural programs that can be sponsored.

"Community relations, community responsibilities—16 out of 56 chapters played a cooperative or supporting role in their communities as co-sponsors of many projects and 14 in addition played an active role in most of these, 14 said JACL was the only organization and therefore the community expected JACL to take the lead in these matters. We asked whether the chapter provided any special program for the Issei or students or newcomers from Japan. And it was interesting that half of them did and the other half did not. What did most chapters do? Many chapters sponsored community picnics for the community. Relationship of JACL chapters to other Japanese organizations is very favorable because 48 out of 51 that answered said that the experience has been generally cooperative and the other three friendly, but uncooperative.

"Many of these questionnaires are subject to question. I think the intent and general impression is fairly valid. In the area of discrimination, many chapters felt this problem is fast disappearing, the overt type of discrimination, that is. The most frequent was in the area of housing, then employment. The third was public accommodations. The particular item most checked was cemetery discrimination.

"Education—The specific area was discrimination in sororities and fraternities.

"Most of the chapters recommended that chapter visitations be continued. And second, workshops and clinic type of programs be sponsored.

"On scholarships, 42 out of 46 chapters favored expansion of our scholarship program to provide additional awards for deserving students.

"Despite tremendous gains made, the average Nisei is somewhat insecure and a bit apprehensive of the future due to wartime treatment and experience. About half disagreed. There is more feeling of stability and security and confidence on the part of the JACL leaders.

### Expand JACL Concern

"... We should continue to concern ourselves with those problems and issues relating to persons of Japanese ancestry. In the area of extending this and broadening this, the great majority were in favor of it.

"On the last page we ask your reaction to specific budget and finance consideration. We asked whether you thought about adjusting staff salaries. Seventy per cent indicated that we should immediately. About adding a full-time worker for youth service, half of them urged immediate consideration, and the other half recommended this for action in the decade.

"In the area of establishing a special service fund to assist our National staff, about 60 per cent favored immediate consideration, 5 recommended for later action.

"On establishing a regional office in key cities, 32 recommended that this should not be an immediate consideration, only 6 thought we should give immediate attention to this.

## 'Well, why JACL at all ...'

(Omaha JACL called November "membership month" and to get its membership in the mood for early renewals for 1961, chapter president Mike Watanabe stressed the value of JACL as a "form of insurance" in his monthly newsletter column.—Editor.)

### BY MIKE WATANABE

Presently, I'm traveling on the highways of the south-central part of the United States selling carnival merchandise.

The sun is shining now, but it might as well not be, for here George Shimada and I stand out in the middle of nowhere with the bearing burned out on our car. George just left for town to get a tow truck and here I am alone sitting and thinking. I'd like to talk to the crickets but then, that seems rather senseless. Oops! Here comes the tow truck.

To get back to the mainline of thought, I wonder about the JACL. I mean about a cause for its existence. Well, why have a JACL at all. Here I am putting a few bucks in my pocket, busily working each day making a living, minding my own business, tending to my own personal problems, and saying "hello" to and meeting new friends. To me, this is the gist of living. And so, what conclusion can I come to other than that the JACL has nothing to do with my way of living. More likely, the JACL will never have anything to do with my way of living.

### If Nothing Happens

So here I am again sitting, content with life as anyone else. Life is all right so long as nothing

happens to make it more miserable. A natural inclination for anybody is to eliminate the causes. Only trouble is that most of the time, I can never foresee events that may make life a little or quite a bit tougher. I'd like some insurance and, of course, I want the best insurance. I consider the JACL a form of insurance. I wonder about people like Mike Masataka, Mas Satow, or Min Yasui. They are very humble, very intelligent and very dedicated people—much more so than the average person. But why so dedicated to this form of insurance? I'm sure they would easily find other means of occupying their time. They somehow have the ability to stand by worldly and non-materialistic values—a trait little existent nowadays. I've mentioned just three people, but they are limited to how much you and I believe in this seemingly worthless bit of insurance. This insurance isn't worth much unless the people perpetuating it are well-organized. We in Omaha are pretty well organized, however, improvement should never be halted. The social events, sukiyaki dinners, and other projects do serve a purpose in that people get to know each other better and know what to expect of each other. This criteria is one of the basis of a good organiza-

## JACL's goals for '60-'70 decade recommended

Ten major recommendations were made by the 1960-70 National JACL Planning Commission at the 1960 Sacramento Convention:

1. JACL needs to develop a greater commitment as an organization on matters of civil rights and international relations.

2. The JACL should be expanding its interests and concern for community responsibilities and participate actively in the field of community relations.

3. JACL should launch an education program to help youth and members understand their heritage and tradition.

4. JACL should organize youth or junior JACL groups in order to develop future leaders.

5. JACL should expand the National Scholarship Program to give recognition to Nisei students of high caliber.

6. A subscription to Pacific Citizen should be included with JACL membership.

7. We must strengthen our local chapters by providing needed or requested services, a leadership training program, and printed material sources.

8. We must find ways and means of increasing the earnings of our JACL Endowment Fund and attain the million dollar goal.

9. We ought to begin to give serious thought to the possible replacements and the retirements that will occur among the National staff during the next ten years.

10. JACL should make fuller use of the National Conventions to inform and educate visiting delegates and friends about the JACL programs, purposes and objectives through the use of displays, visual aids, pamphlets, etc.

## Future plans of JACL reported to National Council

According to its executive secretary, Abe Hagiwara, the National JACL Planning Commission believes that within the next ten years, we may have a budget of \$125,000. Two additional full-time staff members would be hired—a program secretary and a director of information.

Four items were listed as immediate goals by the Commission:

1. We should start immediately a documentation program beginning with the Issei Story, with \$5,000. (This project has been begun since the Convention.)

2. To organize or develop an education program for the JACL—internal program—\$2,500.

3. Create a \$5,000 program service fund for sending our qualified representatives to assist the National Director in serving the local chapters.

4. To set aside a sum of \$2,500 to make some salary adjustments in our staff and some benefits.

"Putting all this together, it would come to \$15,000. The Commission's suggestion for raising this amount was increasing your quota to the budget across the board and raising the national dues \$1 not including PC membership, and to organize a special project to raise that money."

(National dues were subsequently raised \$1 to include PC with membership, effective 1961.)

After summarizing and discussing ideas for the immediate goals, the Commission expressed their feeling that "We have got to put more emphasis on the learning aspects of these meetings as well as the decision-making. In fact, decision-making would come easier if we learn and become better informed."

I'm not a preacher. I prefer to believe that I may be giving a hot tip and tips come from people I admire and respect.

Now I must return to the land of teddy bears and ferris wheels.



## BY THE BOARD:

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Mlle. Masaoka and district chairman Kay Nakagiri.

Under the guidance of these leaders, we look forward confidently to a successful transition of "PC with membership."

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But leadership itself is not enough. I believe it pertinent to suggest that in the final analysis, it will be the membership itself who will determine whether this or any other JACL program will be successful. An early completion of the membership drive is a must under the new program; hence we strongly urge that JACLers everywhere work towards this end. The stakes are high: The future strength and growth of the JACL itself is involved.

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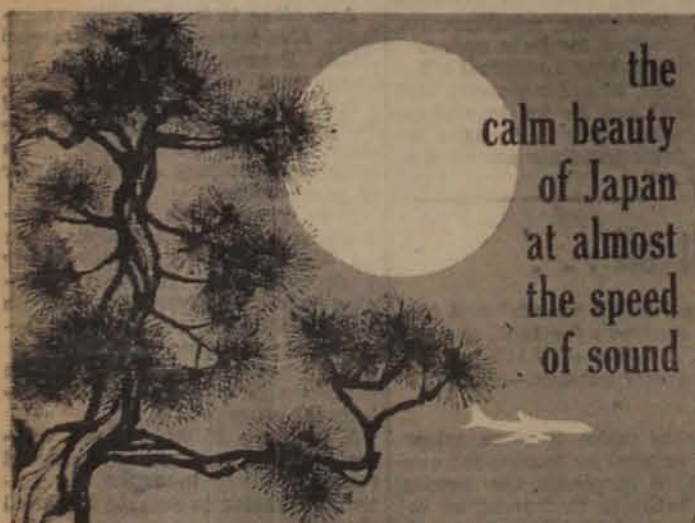
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LONG BEACH.—For the third consecutive year, Gardena JACL won the 4th annual Long Beach Invitational Basketball Tournament, a jointly sponsored tournament by the Long Beach Hi-Co and the Long Beach-Harbor District JACL. Led by the hard driving captain Ed Fukumoto, and lanky Frank Yanai, the experienced Gardenians proved too much for the scrappy, inspired quintets from West Los Angeles. However, the play of Walt Kataoka, the diminutive demon aided by Don Kame, won the hearts of the fans, players and officials. He was unanimously awarded the Richard Nishimoto Memorial Trophy for the "Most Inspirational Player" of the two-day tournament in which he scored a total of 81 points, a new individual record.

In addition to the above named players, others awarded the "Tournament All Star" honors were Tets Tanimoto of East Los Angeles and Long Beach's Grant Hiraoka whose defensive play was second to none. In the consolation title game, Santa Monica led by captain Ron Kiino topped the youthful Tigers of the Southwest Los Angeles chapter, ably coached by Mack Hamaguchi.

Honorable mention honors were awarded to Wayne Miyashiro (SWLA), Lindy Kim (SWLA), Wilbur Fukuzaki (Gardena), Ron Kiino (Santa Monica), Glen Tanamachi and Nobe Komori (Long Beach), John Asari (Venice-Culver), and Jiro Takahashi (ELA).

Officiating again were coaches of the Long Beach Unified School District whose time was offered gratis. Thanks to Charles Acosta (Bellflower H.S.), Bill Crutchfield and Armand Cure (Jordan H.S.), Sam Dimas, Willard Foerster, John Herbold (Poly H.S.), Howard Lyons (Millikan H.S.), Don Malloy and Wayne Skill (L.B.C.C.), and Rusty Thornton.

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SAN FRANCISCO.—Rodney Someya, starting center for George Washington High, was picked by sports staffs as first string center both the Examiner and Chronicle of the All-City football team this past week.

Someya played an outstanding role in the city's Triple Aye co-championship game Thanksgiving Day, which Washington won 27-13 over St. Ignatius. He is 5 ft. 8 1/2 lbs., and becomes the first Nisei to merit first-string All-City honors since World War II. His teammates Ron Ogi and Hiroshi Shimizu of Poly High received honorable mention by the Examiner.

Biggest fish landed in  
Florin JACL derby annals

FLORIN.—R. Nakayama of Sacramento was declared winner of the Florin JACL fishing derby with his 37 1/2-lb. striped bass caught Nov. 20. Derby committeemen Frank Umeda, Eddie Kadoya and Mikio Takeoka said it was the biggest ever caught in chapter derby history.

Other prize-winning participants were:

2nd—Bill Okamoto; 3rd—Charles Nishi; 4th—Willie Mizusaka; 5th—Nob. Keiunji; 6th—Mac Goshiki; 7th—Roy Watanabe; 8th—Al Menda; 9th—Frank Nakayama; 10th—Seichi Tada; 11th—Dave Kawai; 12th—Mike Umeda; 13th—Roy Kawamura; 14th—Harvey Kadoya; 15th—Frank Mukai.

Acknowledgment for prizes to local merchants were made by the chapter to:

Takehara Variety, Kerns Market, Bill Kashiwagi of Equitable and Kobata Bait Shop.

George Dakuzaku and Bill Kashiwagi were the weighmasters.

Victory Dance held at the Community Center where team and individual awards were presented by lovely Keiko Saito and Joan Takenouchi. Attired in coats and ties, the youths enjoyed one of the season's best social. Chaperons were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sugiyama, Miss Frances Ishii, George Iseri, and Dr. John E. Kashiwaba.

Kansas City Sansei  
grid star 'all city'

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—Nisei families of this vicinity were elated to learn Ron Mirkikani was selected to the Kansas City Star first string All-City Interscholastic team Nov. 19. The Sansei lad, only 143 lb., and 5 ft. 6 was named to one of four backfield posts.

One of the guttiest ball players in the league, his deceptive running and solid blocking helped Southwest High finish with a 5-3-1 record to wind up in third spot of a 10-team Greater Kansas City league. The selection was more meaningful because Southwest High has the largest enrollment here.

Ron, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mirkikani, of 605 W. 74th St., is also a regular-varsity member on the basketball team. He is a senior this year. His father Frank was remembered as one of the outstanding semi-pro baseball players in years gone by when he lived in Stockton, Calif.

TOKYO GIANTS FAIL  
TO RENEW CONTRACT OF  
WALLY YONAMINE

TOKYO.—The Tokyo Giants will not renew the contract of Wally Yonamine next year. The Honolulu Nisei had helped the club win eight pennants during his last 10 years with the Giants.

A Giants spokesman said the 34-year-old Nisei demanded the same terms as his 1960 contract although his performance has deteriorated the past three seasons.

Seattle Nisei wins state  
singles bowling tourney

SEATTLE.—Akio Yanagihara won the singles title in the Washington State Bowling Assn. tournament held at Tacoma.

He rolled a 767, with only 24 pins handicap.

Placing fourth was Stan Tsujikawa from Federal Way with 710 (50 pins) who also finished in the same spot in all events with 2007 (150).



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## Los Angeles NEWSLETTER

By Henry Mori

### The December Hustle

These are busy times for the vernacular newspaper people. Somehow, they look more "pinched" than in other months. For just around the corner comes the annual holiday editions.

And the So. Calif. JACL headquarters in the new Sun Building, on Weller St. is no exception. The year end hustle for news copy and display ads for the Pacific Citizen's holiday number is quite obvious.

But aside from that chore, the staff will be aiding the Christmas Cheer program which the volunteers from various areas of the community pitch in to deliver "little more happiness" to less fortunate persons of Japanese ancestry this Yule season.

Jim Higashi, general chairman of the 13th annual Christ-

mas Cheer drive, reported that as of this week, nearly \$1,500 has been raised. "But the pace is little slower this year than in the past," he has said.

Last year when the committee had set up a \$2,000 goal the response was "overwhelming" and it developed that the Christmas Cheer was able to distribute nearly \$3,000 in monetary gifts to 300 or more Japanese Americans of less means.

A similar goal has been set by Higashi and he hopes the public will support it heartily. There are annual Caucasian contributors who, we think, should be cited for their charitable gesture—not that any of them seek it.

They follow the news in the Japanese press and respond without even receiving an appeal letter.

### Caring for the Aged

When we interviewed Charles Kamayatsu some years ago he mentioned something about preparing for retirement. "The time will come when all of us will have to take life easier," the active prewar JACL leader reminded us.

Certainly the years that the average Issei have are ebbing. And with it comes the problem of the caring for the aged. Our pioneer parents have not had it easy, compared to those of us today.

The Japanese Chamber of Commerce launches its "dollar a year" welfare campaign. Comparable to the annual March of Dimes drive, a dollar donation per person hardly covers the increasing need of the ailing Issei who are confined in old folks homes or county institutions.

According to Frank Kurihara, Chamber's president, there were 36 cases of old age assistance last year. The Japanese, known for their overzealous pride, have been quiet about their needy. But for all practical purposes, they should be brought out in the open.

Our national JACL president, attorney Frank F. Chuman, has been invited to attend a conference on aging in Washington, D.C. as a member of California's 100-man delegation in January.

We somehow get an urgent feeling that the oldsters as well as the youngsters should be included in the JACL program.

We'd like to see a campaign of sort started on a local chapter level which can take care of the first generation indigents, if need be.

### WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: by Mike Masaoka

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the total of all votes cast in the national elections of November 8.

Presidents Woodrow Wilson and Harry Truman, both Democrats like Senator Kennedy, lacked the majority of all votes cast in the respective campaigns in which they were elected to the White House.

Other American Presidents Presidents who were "minority" executives were John Quincy Adams, elected by the House of Representatives when four candidates divided the electoral votes and he himself garnered only 30 per cent of the popular votes cast, James K. Polk, Zachary Taylor, James Buchanan, Abraham Lincoln, Rutherford B. Hayes, James A.

Garfield, Grover Cleveland, and Benjamin Harrison. Only Wilson failed to gain most of the popular votes cast in both of his elections, however.

This means that the next President will not have a "clear mandate" from the people. Accordingly, questions are now being asked as to whether such a chief executive can provide positive leadership to the nation, and especially in his relations with the Congress which, though predominantly Democratic, is still dominated by a coalition of southern Democrats and conservative Republicans.

At some later date, we shall speculate on this problem in detail.

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headquartered at St. Louis, then transferred to West Virginia. Resigning in 1864, he was nominated by a splinter Republican group for president but withdrew before elections. He lost a fortune in railroad ventures, appointed territorial governor of Arizona in 1873, and restored his major general rank in 1890 just before he died.

How come all this on Fremont? We used to live on Fremont Avenue before the war and wanted to know after whom our street was named.

## Christmas Cheer contributions lag

Canned goods, staples and toys are beginning to pile up in the Christmas Cheer Office (same as JACL Regional Office) this week as the 13th annual Cheer campaign nears its zero-hour on Dec. 17.

This past week another \$149 was received to make the current total of \$1,492.50—not quite the 50 per cent mark of the \$3,000 expected this year. Chairman Jim Higashi says the current pace is slightly behind last year for the corresponding period.

The list of Cheer recipients is still open and recommendations will be appreciated. All cases will be kept in confidence.

The list of donors for the week of Nov. 21-16 follows:

#### CHRISTMAS CHEER DONATIONS

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\$25—Union Church of Los Angeles.  
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\$3—Frank Higa.  
\$1—U. F. Hanzawa.  
Cheer Fund Recapitulation  
Total Previously Reported ...\$1343.50  
Total This Week ...149.00  
Total Donations To Date ...\$1492.50  
Other Donations  
Canned Goods and Staples—West Adams Christian Church.

### Tom Yego exchanges vows with Sacramento bride

SACRAMENTO.—Jean Motoko Nakatani of Sacramento exchanged nuptial vows with Tom Masayuki Yego of Penryn at a double-ring wedding ceremony solemnized Nov. 20 by Rev. Abiko and Rev. Fujimoto at the local Buddhist Church.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Soichi Nakatani, operator of the Lincoln Theater, and the groom is the son of Mrs. Tom Yego and the late Tom Yego, Sr., a co-founder of JACL.

More than 500 guests were present at a reception held in the Governor Hall on the State Fairgrounds. Bill Matsumoto was master of ceremonies, and felicitations were extended the newlyweds by a large group of their friends, including Attorney Henry Taketa and Masao Satow, National JACL director.

### New play opening at Beverly Hills Playhouse

Husband of the former Chizuru Nakaji of Long Beach, Samuel A. Boyea, is the author of a new play, "A Lie Is a Century Long", opening Dec. 9 at Beverly Hills Playhouse.

Play involves a West Indian Negro family in New York, where there is a cultural conflict between the reserved dignity of the family's British background and the jazz-born reality of Harlem. Rex Ingram and Pauline Myers, outstanding Negro stars, will co-star.

Boyea, who was born in British Guiana, is a descendant of the unconquered aboriginal Djukas of Dutch Guiana. Mrs. Boyea, mother of five children ranging from 2 to 13 years of age, is now with the Long Beach Public Library.

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## VITAL STATISTICS

### BIRTHS

#### MICHIGAN

Sasamoto, Tom (Yoshiye Kawamoto)—girl Lynn Miko, Oct. 17, Holland.

#### WEDDINGS

Eagan-Konatsu—Oct. 15, Paul M. and Shizuko, both San Jose.  
Imoto-Matsumoto—Oct. 8, Charles T. Vista; Masako J., Fallbrook.  
Inouye-Nishimoto—Nov. 5, James, Selma, Michiko, Reedley.  
Kagiyama-Yoshida—Sept. 3, Tom, Henderson, Colo.; Beulah, Denver.  
Matsubara-Hirabayashi—Nov. 5, Ray K., North Fresno; Ruby H., Lindsay.  
Miyazawa-Shimono—Sept. 18, Frederick Y. and Ruby F., both Denver.  
Sakai-Taniguchi—Sept. 25, Takayoshi and Michie, both Denver.  
Sasamoto-Yamaguchi—Sept. 4, Dr. Sam Chicago; Hitomi, Denver.  
Teraoka-Onomichi—Nov. 12, Henry, Bowles; Jean, Selma.  
Yamanaka-Harada—Oct. 29, Thomas, Parlier; Fumie, Visalia.

### DEATHS

Arai, Shigezo, 76; San Leandro, Nov. 6.  
Arakawa, Mrs. Taka, 67; San Diego, Oct. 22.  
Cassar, Mrs. Taeko Udagawa; Los Angeles, Oct. 22.  
Chomori, Genahiro, 77; Los Angeles, Oct. 19.  
Higuchi, Mrs. Moto, 81; Los Angeles, Nov. 7.  
Higuma, Taunehachi, 79; Los Angeles, Oct. 18.  
Horimoto, Horizo, 87; Oakland, Oct. 20.  
Iahihara, Mrs. Toyo, 75; West Los Angeles, Oct. 21.  
Inamura, Mrs. Toyo, 66; Los Angeles, Oct. 18.  
Ishikawa, Frank; Cleveland, Oct. 15, (w) Rose, (s) John, (d) Mrs. Jean Hosokawa.  
Kihara, Kaichiro, 88; Oakland, Oct. 24.  
Kubota, Mrs. Fujiye; Delano, Oct. 23.  
Nagami, Muneji, 82; Los Angeles, Oct. 16.

### East L.A. JACL slates Dec. 7 election meeting

The East Los Angeles JACL will hold its 1961 election meeting at International Institute on Wednesday, Dec. 7, 8 p.m.

### Stereophonic sound demonstration planned

SAN FRANCISCO.—The San Francisco JACL will hold a general meeting on Monday, Dec. 5, at the Hal Cox Studio, 3325 Fillmore St., from 7:30 p.m. The program will feature Hal Cox on stereophonic.

Nominations will be accepted from the floor for the coming 1961 board of directors during the meeting.

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## Washington Newsletter

BY MIKE MASAOKA

### Presidential Appointments

AS THIS is written, it appears that President-elect Kennedy intends to be an active President with close personal contacts with his principal advisers. It is understood that he is eliminating the "chief of staff" concept embodied in President Eisenhower's assistant president system and to reduce the number of White House assistants and advisers. He is expected to have a personal White House staff more nearly the 15 that former President Truman had than the 51 functioning under President Eisenhower.

According to newspaper accounts, he must select immediately some 80 high-level "policy-makers" in order that an easy transition can be made on January 20, when the new Administration takes office, from the present Republican Administration. In addition there are some 600 more "secondary" appointments which he must make, as well as some 1,200 other appointments to carry out the ordinary operations of this Government.

During the recent campaign, Senator Kennedy made a personal commitment that "Should I be elected President, it would be my intention to ask the ablest men in the country to make whatever sacrifice is required to bring to the Government a ministry of the best available talent . . . For no Government is better than the men who compose it—and I want the best . . . All appointments, both high and low, will

be made on the basis of ability—without regard to race, creed, national origin, sex, section or occupation." Since that time, he has indicated that he intends to call some able Republicans to the public service, thereby adding "political affiliations" to his list of non-essential factors in the appointment of capable officials for his Administration.

Because his election was made possible in substantial part by the support given him by such racial minorities as the Negroes, Jews, Mexicans, and even Asians, as well as by many "nationality" groups, we have a right to look forward to his appointments of qualified citizens from both of these vital segments of our population to important policy-making positions of real responsibility in his Administration, especially in the light of his professions on this subject.

Moreover, since Nisei Americans took a more active part in this past campaign than ever before, we are hopeful that competent Americans of Japanese ancestry from both Hawaii and the continental mainland will be appointed to those offices for which they are as qualified or better qualified than other citizens seeking to serve this new Administration.

Such unprecedented appointments would not only serve the Administration and our nation but also prove most salutary to our international relations, another field of great concern to our next President.

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### Recounting the Ballots

ALTHOUGH the Democrats in Hawaii have demanded a recount in last November 8's results which placed the Aloha State in the GOP electoral college total by some 141 votes, and although there are suggestions in some quarters that the Republicans might demand similar recounts in several states where the margin of Democratic victory was razor-thin on the basis of unofficial returns, there is little likelihood that recounts will put Vice President Nixon into the White House instead of Senator Kennedy, the currently acknowledged President-elect.

And, even if the recounts demanded by both Republicans and Democrats resulted in a situation where neither the Democratic nor the Republican candidate could command the necessary 269 votes in the electoral college to assure election, the odds still favor Senator Kennedy.

Under the Constitution, when an election is shifted to the House of Representatives because no candidate has the requisite number of electoral votes to gain the presidency, each state has a single vote to be determined by the majority of that state's delegation.

In the new House which convenes January 3, 1961, Democrats hold a majority in 29

state delegations and the Republicans in only 17, with four evenly divided. Ten of the states which went for the Vice President on November 8, including California, Hawaii, Idaho, and Utah where JACL chapters are prominent, have more Democrats elected to Congress than Republicans. On the other hand, five of the so-called Kennedy states have more Republicans than Democrats. These include the more populous states of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Michigan, Minnesota, and Wisconsin, all of which, by the way, also have JACL chapters. Mississippi has eight unpledged electors and Alabama six. Georgia's technically unpledged 12 electors have been counted in the Kennedy column since its state leaders have gone along with the party ticket and Louisiana's ten electoral votes have also been counted for the Democrats until the school integration problem broke out in New Orleans.

But, with the Speaker of the House Sam Rayburn and most of the standing committee chairmen from the South, it is expected that most of the states of the old Confederacy will vote for their traditional party standard bearer to be the next President of the United States in order to assure unity in government and control over patronage, if nothing else.

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### 'Minority' President

IT HAS become clear that the next President of the United States will be the 12th "minority" chief executive in the nation's history and the third in

this century, both the latest unofficial tabulations indicate that both Senator Kennedy and Vice President Nixon each received less than fifty percent of

## NISEI WITHOUT SPECIAL SKILLS, TECHNICAL TRAINING HIT BY BIAS

SAN FRANCISCO.—A picture was drawn the final week of October of a somewhat less tolerant San Francisco than had been suggested by its diverse make-up.

After three years of experience with racial and religious discrimination in job hunting, the San Francisco Commission on Equal Employment Opportunity reported that discrimination here "may be less overt or less rigid than in other areas, but it exists, nonetheless."

"In contrast with the areas where intergroup tensions are particularly strong," it said, "San Francisco's circumstances may well appear favorable. But this advantageous position is largely a matter of contrast."

#### Task Understaken

The seven-member commission started work on Aug. 12, 1957, after this city had passed the first municipal fair employment practices ordinance in California.

Now it has been supplanted by a California Division of Fair Employment Practices which began operation on Sept. 8, 1959. Since then the city commission has been cleaning up the complaints filed during its first two years. The October report was its final one.

Eighty formal complaints were handled. Seventy-five had race as the basis for the alleged discrimination. In 74 instances the complainants were Negroes, in one, an Indonesian. One person based his complaint on ancestry and five on religion. In one case, counted twice, the basis was both race and religion.

More than 80 per cent of the complaints were filed against employers and 7.5 per cent against both a labor organization and an employer.

### JACLers guests of theater for 'Holiday in Japan'

DETROIT.—Steve Parker's "Holiday in Japan" show opened here Nov. 22 with Detroit JACL cabinet members and friends as special guests of the Cass Theater.

Lending atmosphere for the first two evening performances were Nisei-Sansel usherettes in kimono.

This double-barreled tone of complaint, according to the report prepared by the commissions' executive secretary, John Riordan, an attorney, "touches upon the widely used discriminatory device of a 'vicious circle' in which the employers insist that the job applicant be a union member and the union, in turn, insists that the applicant for membership already have a job before admitting him to the union."

The commission was not surprised by the absence of complaints from Oriental Americans. It noted that Oriental San Franciscans had lived nearly a century "at the sufferance of a dominant Caucasian community, fundamentally insecure, surviving through subordinate accommodation to the ways of that community."

As a result, the commission reasoned, "there was a degree of uncertainty among them as to the value of asserting employment rights so recently established by law."

The report, however, pictured Chinese Americans as having been steadily moving in recent years out of their traditional occupations and into the general labor force.

"This appears to apply particularly," it said, "to young women in clerical capacities and to young men in technical and professional fields. Much further progress remains to be achieved before the historic barriers are fully surmounted."

#### Job Picture for Nisei

Japanese Americans were pictured as less segregated in employment than formerly but neither the average young man of Japanese nor the one of Chinese ancestry, without special skills or technical or professional status, the commission reported, "enjoys the same expectations of job opportunity as his Caucasian counterpart."

Efforts of the growing Negro population of the city to attain full integration in the labor field on a merit basis drew this comment:

"Job discrimination against the Negro in San Francisco may not represent a pattern as old or as

## Issei pioneer who retouched photographs of every President since Wilson succumbs

WASHINGTON.—Genichiro Nishio, 76, who had retouched every President's portrait since Woodrow Wilson, died after an illness Nov. 22 at his home at 5852 Eastern Ave. NE.

During his 42 years with Harris & Ewing, the Issei pioneer master craftsman erased blemishes and unflattering lines from many of the world's greatest faces. "He was our greatest retouching artist," a fellow employee said.

He once noted in an interview that in the more than 250,000 negatives he had retouched no woman ever complained because she was made to appear too young.

"It's different with the men in public life," he said at the time. "Big men don't want you to take the lines out of their faces that give them character and strength. They would rather look strong than young."

#### Remove Plumpness

President Taft had asked him to take some of the plumpness out of his face; Franklin D. Roosevelt wanted to look older on his second inauguration portrait, so Nishio's deft hands added lines.

Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes, Nishio related some years ago, had wanted to look more dignified. "But he was dignified, so there was not much I could do. He was all beard and not much face showing."

Some of the Presidents, Nishio had found out, liked their blemishes. F.D.R. refused to have the mole on his face retouched, and Calvin Coolidge didn't want his freckles removed. John L. Lewis liked his bushy eyebrows.

His hobbies—besides golf, in which he won several amateur tournament cups—included art work with charcoal, oils and watercolors.

He was a member of the Washington Duffers Club.

Nishio's favorite subject was President Eisenhower—perhaps because of their common interest in golf.

Despite his age, Nishio got out

to the links every chance he could until a year or two ago.

#### Favorite President

Nishio came to this country from his native Japan in 1905. He studied photography in Tennessee and art in New York, and in 1912 won the Corcoran Gold Medal at the Corcoran Art School for his charcoal drawings and paintings. In 1954 he became an American citizen.

Surviving are his wife, Miyo, and three daughters, Seiko Wakabayashi, Avondale, Md., Mrs. Hanako Inada of Severna Park, Md., and Sachie.

## EX-CONGRESSMAN RANKIN DIES, WAS BITTER FOE OF JAPANESE AMERICANS

TUPELO, Miss. — Former Rep. John Elliott Rankin, 78, died of heart attack at his home Nov. 26. One of the most turbulent political figures since he was elected to Congress in 1920, he was a fiery crusader for white supremacy.

(See Bill Hosokawa's personal comments in his column on Page 3.)

(During World War II and thereafter, he was one of the most anti-Japanese racists in Congress and probably objected to more private bills for benefit of individual Japanese, immigration and claims than any other member.)

Rankin, who was re-elected 15 times, was finally defeated in 1952 after his district was combined with another when Mississippi's congressional delegation was reduced by the 1950 census.

### New partnership

WASHINGTON.—The D.C. News Note reports this week that a new partnership, Masaoka-Ishikawa and Associates, will begin Jan. 1. They are, of course, Mike Masaoka and Sam Ishikawa.

## Upton Close's death recalls WW2 stand for Nisei fair play

Former radio commentator Upton Close, who has been in retirement and living in Mexico off and on the past six years, was killed when his auto collided with a train Nov. 13 in Guadalajara, members of his family in Hollywood were informed. He was 65.

Right after Pearl Harbor was bombed, Close visited National JACL Headquarters in San Francisco and expressed his sympathies for the Nisei. Though opposed to Japan's aggression in the Pacific, he was one of few nationally recognized commentators who spoke for fair play and justice for the Nisei over his radio news program.

A missionary in China before World War II and considered an authority of the Orient, he achieved prominence as a writer on Asia in the 1920s and 30s. In 1932 he predicted China would become Communist and that a "mad military clique (was) riding the lovely land of Japan to ruin."

Close also had urged boycott of Japanese goods as a means of halting aggression in Manchuria. He said that Japan would ultimately attempt to conquer Pacific Asia but that "no one intimately acquainted with Japan believes she possesses the resources or the skill to succeed in this adventure."

Upton Close was the pen name of Josef Washington Hall, a graduate of Walla Walla College in his native state of Washington. Among the books he authored was "Challenge—Behind the Face of Japan (1935)"

rigid as in communities where a disadvantaged Negro population has existed for many generations, but, nonetheless, it has worked to limit Negro employment to the less desirable jobs."

### CALENDAR

- (Dec. 3 (Saturday))  
CCDC — Business meeting, Trails Round-up, West Fresno, 6 p.m.  
West Los Angeles—Issei Night, WLA Gakuen, 7 p.m.  
Florin — Installation dinner, Wakanaura, Sacramento, 6 p.m.  
Chicago—16th annual Inaugural Ball, North Park Hotel.  
St. Louis—Inaugural dinner-dance, Caravelli's Restaurant, 6:30 p.m.; Joe Kadowaki, spkr.  
Dec. 4 (Sunday)  
CCDC—Convention, Elk's Lodge, Fresno.  
Monterey Peninsula—Auxiliary Christmas luncheon, Biff's Italian Restaurant, Seaside.  
Dec. 5 (Monday)  
San Francisco—Nominations meeting, Hal Cox Studio, 3225 Fillmore, 7:30 p.m.  
Dec. 7 (Wednesday)  
East Los Angeles—Election meeting, International Institute, 8 p.m.  
Dec. 9 (Friday)  
Watsonville—Installation dinner-dance, Reseter Hotel, 6:30 p.m.  
Dec. 10 (Saturday)  
Contra Costa—Christmas party, Harry Ellis High School, 6:30-9:45 p.m.  
San Francisco—Auxiliary Invitational Christmas dance, Park-Presidio Y, 9:30 p.m.  
Sonoma County—Auxiliary Christmas party.  
Long Beach—Installation dinner-dance.  
Dec. 10-11  
PNWDC—Quarterly meeting at Moses Lake, Wash., Elmer's Restaurant and Lounge.  
Dec. 11 (Sunday)  
Mile-Hi—Issei Appreciation dinner, Hotel Cosmopolitan.  
Philadelphia—Christmas party, International Institute, 3-7 p.m.  
Dec. 12 (Monday)  
San Francisco — Auxiliary meeting, Church of Christ, 7:30 p.m.  
Monterey Peninsula—Auxiliary meeting, JACL Hall, 7:30 p.m.  
Dec. 14 (Wednesday)  
Monterey Peninsula—Board meeting.  
Sequoia—Bridge Club, Okamura Hall.  
Dec. 17 (Saturday)  
Chicago—Christmas party.  
Dec. 18 (Sunday)  
St. Louis—Christmas party, St. Augustine's Church.  
Venice-Culver—Christmas party, Gakuen, 7 p.m.  
Delano—Christmas party, American Legion Hall.  
Long Beach—Christmas party, Harbor Community Center, 7 p.m.  
Dec. 19 (Monday)  
West Los Angeles—Auxiliary Christmas party, home of R. Yoshida.  
Dec. 21 (Wednesday)  
San Fernando Valley—Christmas party, Japanese American Community Center, Pacoima, 6:30 p.m.  
Dec. 28 (Wednesday)  
Sequoia—Bridge Club, Okamura Hall.  
Dec. 30 (Friday)  
Pocatello — Installation dinner-dance, Green Triangle Inn.  
Dec. 31 (Saturday)  
San Jose—New Year's Eve party, Terrace Room, Hawaiian Gardens.  
Mile-Hi—Recognition dinner and New Year's Eve ball, Grand Ballroom, Denver Hilton.  
San Francisco—New Year's Eve dance, Empire Room, Sir Francis Drake Hotel.  
Sacramento—New Year's Eve dance, Masonic Temple, 9 p.m.  
Jan. 1 (Sunday)  
Long Beach—New Year's dance, Community Center.  
Jan. 8 (Sunday)  
NC-WNDC—Executive board meeting, Contra Costa JACL hosts.

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