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RARE APPEARANCE, RARE FORM

Without mincing any words, let it be said that Mike Masaoka made one of his rare public speaking appearances in Los Angeles (the first time since 1954) and his delivery was in rare form. I only hope that the eloquence of his speech was not lost in the tape recording which the Long Beach-Harbor District JACL hopes to make available to other groups in the near future.

Some of us who have heard Mike addressing similar groups through the years later agreed his dynamism hasn't diminished. Maybe it's because he was in Los Angeles, the city that led in the movement to have the Japanese evacuated in 1942, and that some of its public officials here and in Congress wanted to keep the Japanese out of California by shipping them all to Japan after the war.

The speech at the successful PSWDC Convention last weekend at the Sheraton-West was, indeed, the highlight of the two-day affair. We're glad that the Southwest L.A. JACL convention hosts, had asked Mike to come west to speak.

There were many new faces in the audience, including some youth. They may have been too young to remember the tragedy of evacuation, but it was vividly portrayed as Mike can only do with words. Others may not have wanted to have it recalled because the words may have been too harsh, but how else should it be depicted? Evacuation is an indelible mark in American history and it takes an occasional booster shot like Mike's speech to keep our guards up.

One tribute to Mike's speech came from an unexpected source. A Downtown JACLer had been trying to interest his good friend for several months to become a member. After listening to Mike's 40-45 minute speech, he agreed to join.

POTENTIAL OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

It is no secret that JACLers outside of Southern California look to the Pacific Southwest District Council to lead the nation in membership. Shig Wakamatsu, when he was president, addressed a similar PSWDC convention at Long Beach and called this land of sunshine (and smog) the "El Dorado" of JACL because of the concentration of Japanese American residents. Shig envisioned a goal of 50,000 — with Southern California contributing a great share.

The latest census shows 157,000 "Japanese" in California and experts estimate 90,000 in Southern California. This potential has been a constant target—not only for JACL campaigners but for promoters and solicitors from other quarters. As a consequence, it may be that the dollars for membership in an organization have been stretched too far.

A typical Nisei family in Los Angeles is asked to support his church, his business group, a recreational group (like fishing, bowling or golf), community welfare, his favorite charities, countless numbers of specific benefits throughout the year and JACL. If he's a home-owner (and many of them are), he sees his tax bills rising year after year. Other necessities keep eating away at his "take home" pay. Does he have \$5 left for JACL?

There was no thought on our part for belittling JACL by placing it last in the foregoing paragraph. Rather, it was to emphasize the position JACL has in undergirding the existence of various other institutions.

The fundamental interests of JACL are to see that no person is denied his rights and privileges because of race, color or creed. JACL is a nationally-recognized civil rights group, primarily composed of Japanese Americans and being founded some 30 years ago during a time when the color of a man's skin was an excuse to deny him a job, a home and even the right to citizenship. And JACL happens to be the only one looking after the interests of Japanese Americans in particular in this regard.

This point is still being shown when a Japanese in some difficulty will look to JACL for assistance, be he a member or not. This trust of the community will never be misused. But at the same time, the facts of life are that the organization needs the active support of everyone if its good works are to be made available to all.

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Chapter Chit-Chat

Venice-Culver JACL

George Inai will chair the JACL booth at the annual Venice community carnival next month.

Kaz Adachi and his associates in the CYC will select the cream of the local crop of athletes to enter a chapter team in the Nisei Relays May 28.

Bonquets to Volchi Asari of Venice High, one of the winners of the scholarship from the State of California.

Seattle JACL

The chapter newsletter committee published its first edition this past month. On the committee are Elmer Ogawa, Mike Ishikawa, Joan Aoki and Ruth Matsuo.

It's nice to know Frank Hattori, national 1000 Club chairman, is as good as new. He was in the hospital for a week for kidney surgery.

Y. Paul Suzuki, son of Dr. and Mrs. M. Paul Suzuki and Jean Tsukamaki of Kent were married April 13 and will make their home in Los Angeles.

Milwaukee JACL

The men, Fremont Ogawa, Sam Sam Shinzaki, Charley Matsumoto and Denis Makiya, of Milwaukee JACL prepared the spaghetti dinner for over 80 members for the March meeting. Program chairman Marge Ogawa presented blue ribbons to the chefs, recognizing them as "Maestro Cucco di Pasta".

For the April function, the chapter sponsored a Cherry Blossom Festival at the Lake Park Pavilion, serving only 100 persons because of the limited facilities at the buffet and treating them to a fine program of music and dances of Japan.

Cliff Dykstra, board member, is head of the Milwaukee Aquarium Society with a membership of 155, meeting monthly at the Mitchell Park Pavilion. This week it held its sixth annual exhibition of 145 tanks with over 100 species of tropical fish. Cliff's interest in this hobby originated when his wife lost her pet goldfish several years ago.

St. Louis JACL

The weather was ideal as 70 children with parents participated in the annual egg hunt on Easter Sunday at Tilles Park. Anna Johnson made sure everyone got a basket to take home.

David Shimamoto was elected senior class president of Southwest High.

Paul Maruyama, attired in hakama, and Sueko Suzuki appeared on "Coffee Break" TV show March 3 to explain the Japanese Festival of Dolls.

When "Majority of One" played in St. Louis, the Dan Sakaharas and Paul Maruyamas entertained Mmes. Kanna Ishii, member of the cast, and her husband, Buffy Mural, at a sukiyaki dinner in the Japanese room of the Sakahara home.

Another theater note: local children appearing in the Webster Groves production of the "King and I" were Janet and Jane Eto, daughters of Dr. and Mrs. Jackson Eto, Kiku Obata, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gyo Obata; Kimiko Nance, daughter of Mrs. Yoko Nance.

Dan Sakahara's daughter Lois is engaged to Michael Perly of New York. She is a nurse at Barnes Hospital while groom-to-be is studying medicine at Washington University here.

Items for this column were gleaned from the various JACL chapter newsletters received within the past two weeks.

Convention booklet cover designer earns gold award

SALT LAKE CITY. — Two Salt Lake Chapter members picked up several "gold awards" at the recent exhibit of the Utah Advertising Artists Association which held its annual display and meeting this past week at the Hotel Utah.

Nisei artists, Paul Hasegawa and Ted Nagata, won their awards in several categories as follows: Annual Reports-Ted Nagata, Book Jackets-Paul Hasegawa; Menus-Paul Hasegawa; Advertising Illustration-Ted Nagata. Total number of awards given was 25.

Both members have won numerous awards in the past. Paul will be remembered for his beautiful and distinctive booklet cover design in 1958 for the 15th Biennial National Convention. Ted and his father, James Nagata, are both active in local Chapter activities.

Singing contest judges

Judges for the seventh annual Radio L.I. Tokyo amateur singing contest in Japanese to be held May 21 at Nishi Hongwanji were announced this week. They are: Bernice Kajiki, Columbia Recording star of Japan; Consul Masao Tsukamoto, in charge of cultural affairs; and Shigesato Kasuga, Japanese kouta and haiku instructor.



Time to Rally

Los Angeles Newsletter: by Henry Mori Never Fails to Deliver the Message

SOMEONE commented during the weekend convention of the Pacific Southwest JACL District Council that Mike Masaoka is a natural born orator. Mike never fails to deliver a message.

And even if you had to boil down what he had to say in his 45-minute speech Saturday night at the Sheraton-West Hotel where the two-day party was held—on subjects which may be "old hat" to longtime JACLers—his talk still carries a lasting inspiration.

Mike said this was his first in eight years to speak before a well-attended audience of Japanese Americans. His subjects covered the 442nd, the camp days and the resettlement.

Mike indeed is an inspiration and a guiding light to the younger generation Japanese Americans. We have yet to hear anyone, Nisei or non-Nisei, who has the complete command of his audience like Mr. Masaoka. And that frankly includes some of the Washington legislators.

We saw many new faces in that group of JACLers that night. Many were still in their twenties or early thirties. Many of them said it was their first time to hear Mike. They said it was a real treat.

WE DON'T want to dampen any worthwhile project being stimulated in town but Nisei Angelinos of late have gone fund-raising.

First social worker appointed by JACS

The Japanese American Community Services this week revealed its first appointment of a professional social worker to its staff as of May 1. He is Satoshi Hayashi, formerly with the Catholic Youth Organization.

He is handling several cases already referred to JACS, Kanako Kunitzugu, president, said. Hayashi is a 1952 graduate of UCLA and has a master's degree in social work from USC. He was director of the Watts Community House since January, 1960.

Orange County JACLers' son wins state honors

PLACENTIA. — Melvin T. Matsukane, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Matsukane, 1960er and active Orange County JACLer, was named as one of the top 47 students in the county for a state scholarship award.

There were 14,000 applications from throughout the state and some 1,500 awards were made for scholarships ranging up to \$900. Mel in an honor student at Valencia High, co-captained the varsity football team from quarterback and is competing in lightweight track as a broad jumper.

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Mochi by Machine

Ann Arbor, Mich. I noted with interest, the item in your Feb. 17 PC. It seems to me that Mr. & Mrs. Harada of Philadelphia and other Japanese are rather behind our times even traditionally mochi-wise.

It might interest them and possibly many other Japanese to know that we have been making the traditional New Year's mochi here in Ann Arbor, Michigan, for many of the Japanese families as well as for our annual Open House Japanese New Year's Dinner when any exchange student or professor who is in Ann Arbor is invited to the traditional o-soni and other Japanese New Year feast with us, and we don't end up with the by-products of sore muscles, blisters, etc.

We have been doing this especially for the benefit of the exchange students and professors from Japan whom we knew would be missing their traditional o-soni and other native foods.

Thanks to the Japan Food Corp., we have a Mochitsuki machine, which puts out about 20 pounds in less than two hours with just the two of us making the cakes as they come out of the machine. And we certainly need that and more when there are close to 30 hungry Japanese students, and all at one time. And then, of course, there are the other residential Japanese families who ask for them too.

We have been doing this for the last eight years, not only on New Year's Day but for Thanksgiving dinners when the University of Michigan International Center places all foreign students in private homes to share the Thanksgiving Day dinner. Knowing that many of the Japanese students do not like turkey and mashed potatoes, we invite about 15 of them to our Thanksgiving dinner Japanese style, in other words serve Japanese food (sushi, teriyaki, etc.).

Yes, it's a lot of work for one person but when we realize that it means that these students from Japan will have a better understanding of the Nisei here and the fact that we may be citizens of our adopted country, we have NOT lost any of the Japanese ancestral taste or heritage. It is worth the trouble. They are amazed and ask if other Nisei here are as Japanese as we.

I think if other college cities would have members of the JACL take a little more time to show more interest in these students, I am sure we would have better understanding of the Nisei in Japan. Many of them still think we have completely deserted our ancestral country. But when they realize that this is only in loyalty and not in heritage and that we still respect the customs as well as their foods, they can be very friendly and carry these messages to Japan.

So you see, a little bit of effort goes a long long way to better understanding and relationship between the people of Japan and the Nisei here.

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Sister City Day

SAN FRANCISCO. — The annual San Francisco-Osaka Sister City Day, sponsored the local Youth Association, was held on May 10, at the Tea Garden. A special cherry tree from Osaka was planted. Margaret Kai, president of the S.F. Jr. JACL, performed Japanese dances.

'Operation Abolition'

SAN FRANCISCO. — "Operation Abolition," the controversial film depicting student riots at the City Hall last May when the House Un-American Activities Committee held a hearing into Communist activities here, will be shown and discussed May 19, 8 p.m., at the Church of Christ. Marie Kurihara is program chairman. Speakers from both sides of the controversy are scheduled.

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Park Presidio Tri Hi-Y "Enchantess" (from left) are June Omura, Akemi Yamane, Margaret Kai, S.F. Jr. JACL pres., and Carol Chew. They will be one of the attractions of the San Francisco Jr. JACL "Varieties of 1961" benefit show tomorrow at the Scottish Rite Auditorium. —Photo by Pete Asano

'Varieties of 1961'

SAN FRANCISCO. — Chairman Roy Ikeda of the San Francisco Jr. JACL "Varieties of 1961" revealed the cast of talent to be presented tomorrow night, from 8:30, at the Scottish Rite Auditorium. Yone Satoda will be emcee.

Heading the list of entertainers will be concert pianist Bill Hayashi, JACL oratorical champion and student at Stanford and the San Francisco Conservatory of Music.

There will be songs and dances by the Enchantess, Lynn Nakada and Ellen Ogo of San Mateo, Marjorie Iwasaki of the Hanayuki Dance School of Tokyo who is now a student nurse at UC, the four-piece Standells band, folk singers from KFEA, and accordionist Yoshi Shintani.

Kow Takemoto, music instructor in the City Schools, is music consultant. Koji Ozawa will be technical adviser.

Abstract art study by JACLer in nat'l contest

SALT LAKE CITY. — A Salt Lake Chapter member, John Mizuno, was announced as a winner in a recent Motorola Art Exhibit on May 1. Mizuno won second place honors with an abstract study entitled "Constructions". His painting, along with the other entries was displayed at the Axelrad Furniture Store. Mizuno was awarded a clock-radio.

His painting will now compete for national honors in the Motorola National Art Exhibit to be held in Chicago June 27 through July 4.

John is probably the outstanding Nisei abstract artist in the state and has won numerous prizes and awards for his work. He is a brother to Harry Mizuno, active in Chicago JACL circles, and Bill Mizuno, last year's board member. He and his wife, Nobyo, and three children reside at 1192 Lexington, Salt Lake City, Utah.

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OMAHA'S ISSEI PIONEERS RECOGNIZED AT JACL BANQUET

Over 130 persons attended the April 17 Omaha JACL Issei Recognition Banquet. Some of the Issei honorees were (from left) standing—Tom Kuba, Rita Mori, Mrs. Anna Ishii, Mrs. Tom Arikawa, Mrs. Sato Yoden, Mrs. James Miyeno, Kanichi Matsunami; seated—Mrs. Kiyoko Watanabe (mother of current JACL president Mike Watanabe), Mrs. Ellen Egura, Mrs. K. Ando, Mrs. Sen Fujii, James Miyeno and Joe Okuda. Other honorees not pictured were Sen Fujii, Mr. and

3 waves of Issei settled in Omaha: 1st came as strikebreakers, 2nd as businessmen, and 3rd as evacuees from West Coast

By Mike Watanabe

Omaha. The Issei came to Omaha in three different groups. The first group came as a result of the need for strikebreakers around the year of 1900. The second group consisted of men who were determined to start businesses of their own around the year of 1929. The third group came to Omaha as a result of World War II. They were the victims of prejudice and underhanded businessmen, so were chased from their West Coast homes.

The first group of people came for the purpose of breaking a strike at Cudahy Packing Co. in South Omaha. Kinjo Okagima, who appears to have been the first Issei to set foot in Omaha, was foreman for the Cudahy Packing Co.

On Dec. 31, 1904, Kinjo recruited 183 Issei to start work. The bulk of these Issei were people who began residence on the West Coast but eventually came to the Midwest looking for newer opportunities and to begin life anew. Denver, Colorado was the center where these Issei strikebreakers were hired, then shipped to Omaha.

The majority of these hard-headed, 30-year-old Japanese had but mere educational backgrounds equivalent to grade school and below—plus a few with college degrees in agriculture. Sure enough, the strike which had Cudahy wor-

The story of the Issei in Omaha is full of amusing and serious touches. The circumstances which led to the movement of the Issei to Omaha are interesting and must be written in the pages of history. The Omaha Issei are the beginning of a certain group of people who certainly have made a marked effect which is rather obvious in Omaha but taken for granted to the point where no material had been made to make the Issei a matter of record. So here goes:

Never took place.

Packaging Workers

The Japanese were considered above average in working enthusiasm. Oddly enough, their pay was equivalent to that of other workers—\$1.75 a day. But contractors took a percentage of the salaries of these wide-eyed Issei who considered Omaha a good place to work because wages were above those of the West Coast. As a short time passed, contractors relinquished their percentages and the Issei enjoyed the full monetary reward of their work.

Some opposition was met at bringing these Japanese to Omaha. Due largely to a Mr. Reed (then Chief Watchman at Cudahy and formerly Chief of Police in South Omaha) these Issei were made employees at Cudahy. Then there was a Miss Reed who daringly took upon herself to attempt teaching the English language to eight of the 183 people from the strange land. You see, her neighbors objected. No violence took place. Rather cute was the fact that these eight men continually escorted Miss Reed to the street car after lessons.

These Issei lived in labor camps located at 37th and M Streets. The labor camps went out of existence in 1937 when they became overcrowded and boarding houses became their living quarters.

Undoubtedly, the vast majority of these Issei were of the Buddhist religion. However, some of these had the yearning to be churchgoers. In 1907, Reverend Van Winkle of the South Omaha Baptist Church was preaching to six Japanese.

On the whole, these first Japanese were a happy people and

accepted life as well as anyone else as it was. Few of these settlers still reside in Omaha. Many moved out as farmers. Others moved out seeking various other occupations. Some of these pioneers were people like James Ishii, Sr., Joe Watanabe, Toshio Kutow, Rita Mori, Joe Okuda, and Chuzo Okimoto.

The Businessman

The second group of Issei were a people who destined themselves to become individual businessmen in this free American enterprise. The first inkling of any Japanese owning a business was evidenced in 1906 when both Joe Watanabe and opened a boarding house in South Omaha and Mr. Fujimoto opened a boarding house in Omaha proper in 1906. Mr. James Ishii, Sr., one of the Japanese settlers bought a business from Mr. Osato in 1923. Incidentally, Mr. Ishii was a packing house worker and one of the few first settlers to start a thriving business. Then there were others like the Yoden's, Matsuo's, Watanabe's, Takechi's, Yamazaki's, and Akamatsu's who had a start in Omaha. Also, a few of these have remained in Omaha while a few have moved out to places other than Omaha. These Issei have what later proved to be thriving businesses.

Postwar Resettlers

World War II came along and as a result, many Issei found Omaha as a permanent home at the end of the war. Quite naturally and for the first time in history, the Japanese were considered a sneaky and dirty race, however, the impact of prejudice was little felt by the Japanese in Omaha. The Issei representative of this era were people like the Tamai's, Matsumoto's, Nakadoi's, Doi's, Shimada's, Arikawa's, Egusa's, Tsuiji's, Ikebasa's, and others. Most of these Issei were quite along in years and so handicapped to contribute any direct material benefit in Omaha. What they did bring along with them is the Issei whose record in Omaha is quite a showy one and whose appearance has added a zest of life to the Japanese people in Omaha.

To conclude, the Issei brought into Omaha the Japanese race. Do you wonder why the Omaha Issei Story should be written.

The Omaha Issei Story certainly is incomplete and has room, for more detail, interesting events, and factual material. Anyone wishing to contribute to the Omaha Issei Story is encouraged to do so.

Request Neglected

This request has been neglected. That sacred acre has been allowed to grow up in woods and brush.

Recently a citizen of Arkansas had the place cleaned off and owner of the adjoining farm leveled up the mound upon the place. The American Legion Post of McGehee is interested in keeping these grounds beautiful.

The great need is for the construction of a road from the cemetery out to the highway. When the land formerly used for the relocation center was sold, the cemetery acre and a strip out to the highway were reserved as United States property.

The deed to this small area is held by Mr. Mike Nakamura, a citizen of Scott, Ark., and held in trust for the families whose loved ones are buried at Rohwer.

It would be wonderful if the highway department, in carrying forward its road construction program in DeSha County, would build a permanent road from the highway out to this lonely spot.

We need to remember that not many cities gave the lives of 30 sons in the cause of freedom, and only the families in these relocation centers sent forth their sons from behind barbed wire.

San Diego Sansei competent in Spanish picked for So. American summer seminar

SAN DIEGO. — A local Japanese American boy will be one of 10 representatives of the United States at an international affairs seminar in Connecticut and South America.

Timothy Kaihatsu, a junior at Clairemont High School, will leave for Pomfret, Connecticut May 21 and from there visit Venezuela and Columbia, returning to San Diego in mid-August.

He is the 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kaihatsu of 3871 Chippewa Ct., active San Diego JACLers.

Tim came to San Diego with his parents when he was 3 months old. He is a graduate of Stevenson Elementary School, where he was student body president, and of Marston Junior High School.

The seminar is sponsored by Pomfret School in an effort to stimulate active interest in foreign affairs among high school students. Twenty students are chosen to attend the seminar, 10 from the United States and 10 from the continent the seminar chooses to focus on.

Last year students went to Africa, the year before to India. Only 10 school systems in the United States have been chosen by Pomfret School to send a representative to the seminar.

San Diego, one of the districts chosen, selected one student from each of the nine city high schools then narrowed the number of candidates to six. Pomfret then sent people to interview the finalists.

They considered candidates who had ability in art or music, some knowledge of Spanish, and who could speak and write with clarity. Tim plays the guitar and is considered by Clairemont High administrators to be at a professional level in his knowledge of early American folk songs. He is a member of the Clairemont baseball team.

The seminar pays all expenses from Connecticut to and through

NC-WNDC—

(Continued from Front Page) lic, while the youth delegates and advisors met with Marie Kurihara of San Francisco and Jerry Enomoto, national JACL Youth Committee chairman, to talk over the Jr. JACL movement.

Chapter president Hi Akagi of Alameda welcomed the delegates. George Ushijima was in charge of arrangements.

Dignitaries Honored

At the banquet which followed with George Ushijima as toast master, ex-mayor of Alameda, William McCall, now councilman was honored by the host chapter for his support to the Japanese community. A scroll of the "Japanese American Creed" was read by Joanne Takeda and presented by Haruo Imura to McCall.

Other dignitaries at the dinner were: Mayor and Mrs. Franz Collischoon, City Manager and Mrs. H.D. Weiler, Police Chief and Mrs. Floyd Drake and Mr. and Mrs. Abe Kofman, Alameda Times-Star publisher.

Human Rights

Publicity techniques and programs of the Jewish B'nai B'rith's Anti-Defamation League was the subject of the banquet speaker Stanley Jacobs, Pacific area director of the league in San Francisco. He said the ADL was originally organized to combat discrimination and prejudice against those of the Jewish faith but it has now expanded its program of concern for human rights of all persons.

Similarly, now that JACL has resolved most of the major problems faced by Japanese American, Jacobs urged that Nisei through the JACL should become more involved in protecting the rights of all people.

For the most effective public relations, Jacobs said it requires personal, face-to-face contacts.

Orange County resident

wins PSW confab prize

Jim Tsutsui of Costa Mesa was announced as first prize winner of \$250 of the PSWDC Convention drawing held this past weekend at the Sheraton West Hotel. Other winners included:

2nd (\$100) — James Kodama, Imperial, Calif.
3rd (\$50) — H. Miyaya, Los Angeles, Calif.

Prizes down to seventh place were awarded. Linda Mizuhara, Southwest L.A. candidate for Nisei Relays queen contest, drew the numbers. George Matsubara, finance chairman, was in charge.

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TIM KAIHATSU
South America bound

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LONG BEACH CHAPTER TAKES HOME PSW CONFAB TEAM BOWLING TROPHY

Long Beach JACL's five-some paced by Allan Kobata's 622 scratch effort won the PSWDC Convention bowling championships with a 2837 total this past Sunday morning at Rodeo Bowl.

The Arizona JACL perpetual team trophy was awarded to Allan's wife, Frances, who was present at the Sunday luncheon-fashion show at the Sheraton West Hotel where the bowling awards were announced by John Ankeny, bowling chairman.

Only six teams were entered. In the Scotch doubles held at Holiday Bowl, Hiro Matsubara and Tami Teramoto won this special event with a 662. Other winners among 27 teams competing were:

2 — Kats Yagura-Saye Matsui 3 — Paul Paul Kiyohiko-Dot Sumida 4 — Hide Hanaguchi-Chuck Yoshida 5 — Mr. and Mrs. George Yuta.

Sacramento bowlers to fete team sponsors, alley mgrs.

SACRAMENTO. — With most of the 53 team sponsors and alley managers from five bowling houses scheduled to attend as well as local city bowling association officials, the Sacramento Nisei Bowling Association awards dinner-dance is anticipating a record crowd on May 20 at El Dorado.

Eugene Okada and Irene Doug are co-chairmen of the event. Tickets are available at El Rancho Bowl, added Ed Hayashi, local NWA president.

(Continued from Front Page) senior year. Although she intends to obtain her credentials in elementary education, her secret ambition is to open a nursery school of her own.

An active member of the St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Linda has typical teenager's interest in bowling and dancing. She also sews and dabbles in painting for her own amusement. Her parents, Eugene and Helen Mizuhara, reside in the Southwest area of Los Angeles.

Three more area candidates are expected to be announced in the near future for a total of nine. The judging will take place next Friday. There are to be no eliminations, one will be chosen queen and the rest will be named Princesses.

The Relays queen will receive a special trophy donated by the Japanese American Junior Chamber of Commerce plus a free permanent and make up analysis by the Yamano Beauty College. The princesses will also receive special Relays trophies, with all girls receiving orchid corsages donated by Mike Hide of the Dos Pueblos Orchid Farms of Santa Barbara.

Japan Air Lines, Pan American World Airways, Northwest Orient Airlines and the British Overseas Airways have donated complimentary flight bags to be presented to the queen candidates and to the participating athletes.

POCATELLO CLERS PLAN IDC PARLEY

Committeemen for the 11th Biennial Intermountain District Council convention, set for Aug. 11-12, at the new Student Union Bldg. on the Idaho State College campus in Pocatello shifted into high gear with the selection of the site recently. The registration committee (pictured on top) urges delegates and boosters to have their summer vacation include the IDC convention. In the photo are (from left): top—Junko Yamashita, chmn.; Jane Ugaki, Kae Sumida; lower—Joanne Kawamura, Mika Shiosaki, Kazu Kawamura and Midori Tsukamoto. BOTTOM PHOTO: Officials of the host Pocatello JACL meet with IDC chairman Joe Nishioka of Idaho Falls. At left is Bonnie Yokota, convention chmn.; Nishioka; Marianne Endo, conv. sec.; and George Shiozawa, chap. pres.

Monterey golfers elect

MONTEREY. — Tak Yukitake is 1961 president of the Monterey Peninsula Golf Club, which has scheduled 10 club tournaments, starting Feb. 5 at Del Monte.

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JUMPING PHENOM ENTERS NISEI RELAYS

Sus Ito of Narbonne High, who has a 6 ft.-3 in. effort in the high jump which tops the Nisei Relays record of 6 ft.-3 in., is leaping over the hurdles as he is entered in both the 70 high and 120 lows as well as his favorite high jump in the 10th annual Nisei Relays to be held at University High on Sunday, May 28.

Southwest L.A. —

San Fernando —

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Kaye is 5 feet 4 inches and weighs 100 pounds. The future dental hygienist is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kamikichi Takahashi of Pacoima.

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Nisei to participate in West Coast Relays

FRESNO. — Nisei athletes in the high school and elementary grades are among the near 1,800 scheduled to compete in the annual West Coast Relays here tomorrow.

Don Kimura is anchoring the Fowler's Fremont elementary 800 relay team. Ben Fujikawa is also on the team.

Trout derby at Tulare

JACL outing tomorrow

VISALIA. — The Tulare County JACL will sponsor a trout derby at its Lake Sequoia outing tomorrow. Weigh-in time will be 5 p.m. with prizes for both youngsters and adults.

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Chicago Jr. JACLers to stage mammoth youth festival

CHICAGO — Selecting "Hawaii" as its theme, the Chicago Jr. JACL will sponsor a spectacular Youth Festival at the Olivet Community Center, 1441 N. Cleveland Ave., on May 19 through 21.

In conjunction with the festival will be the crowning of Miss Aloha Hawaii on May 19 during the coronation dance.

The carnival will swing into action on Saturday and Sunday with games, prizes, entertainment and refreshments. A specially built waiian and Japanese food all day Sunday, May 21.

A variety show, "Gate", musical and comedy program, will be presented on Sunday at 4 p.m. and at 8 p.m.

Proceeds from the festival will be used by the JACL to promote and sponsor youth activities, scholarships and community service projects. Tickets for the carnival may be purchased at the JACL office, 21 W. Elm St.; Japanese American Service Committee, 1110 N. LaSalle; or at the Olivet Community Center. Admission is 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for children.

Mark Chan is general chairman of the festival. Working with him heading the various committees include:

Virginia Onodera, queen contest; Mei Furusho, coronation dance; Tomi Sano, Kim Shilars, decorations; Frances Hashiguchi, talent show; Rosa Hara, games; Chandler Joe, carnival; Oki Furukawa, art; Frank Auland, music; Lincoln Shimidzu, donations; Masako Inouye, T. Sakamoto, Sue Mayeda, food; Chiyu Tomihiko, bazaar; and Paul Yamakita, treasurer.

"It stood for 'energy'. Chuman cited the new vitality as evidenced throughout the entire organization.

Memberships in chapters and districts are bounding to all-time highs and new energy is noted in the unification achieved by the Pacific Citizen going to all of the members.

"It stood for 'potential'. And its evidence was noted especially in the Pacific Southwest.

Banquet Program
The resolution introduced by Ernest Debs, chairman of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, welcoming the convention was presented by his deputy, Frank Petty, to Mark Kiguchi, chapter president of the host Southwest Los Angeles JACL.

The Rev. John Yamashita of Century Methodist Church rendered the invocation and benediction. Toastmaster Roy Iketai introduced guests, including:

Saburo Kido, Dr. Roy Nakagawa, George Inagaki, all past national presidents; Masao Sato, national director of San Francisco; Akiji Yoshimura, chapter liaison of the Issei Story Project, of Colusa; Kay Nakamura, PSWDC chairman, of Burbank; Mikio Uchiyama, CADC chairman, of Fowler; Judge John F. Also, Los Angeles Superior Court; Harry Honda, JACL editor, and Mrs. Marie Sugita, Regional Office secretary.

Janice Mirikitani rendered several Japanese vocal solos, accompanied by Mrs. Sue Joe, following the dinner which featured roast of beef, chicken and flowers were furnished through courtesy of two PSWDC board members: Mike Hida of Santa Barbara and "red Mido" of San Fernando Valley.

The "Spring Time Ball" with Benny Lorin's orchestra, which concluded the evening, was attended by at least 400 and socialites said it was one of the most enjoyable of the season.

May Nomura was banquet chairman. Art Sugita was dance chairman.

JACL is trying to protect the good name of the Nisei, he said. In closing, Mike called attention to Memorial Day coming May 30. "We wouldn't be here if the boys didn't volunteer for the 42nd," he said.

Chuman's Message
In a brief message to the delegates of the PSWDC National JACL President Frank Chuman noted that as he outlined his talk, the first letters of the topics listed spelled "HELP", and signified JACL was "help" since taking office and visiting with chapters and district councils.

"It stood for 'heart'. He saw JACL as an organization with a heart, having the best interest of its members and community in its focus.

Fashions dazzle SRO group at luncheon

The elegance and decor of the Sheraton West Hotel's Regency Room was a perfect setting for the PSWDC Convention Fashion Show Luncheon Sunday afternoon.

That breath of spring air in May was colorfully translated in the creations by Mr. Mori and styles from Loni's Exclusive Shop exhibited by five winsome models: Faith Akashi, Nancy Akioyoshi, Carolyn Kikunaga, Helen Kobata and Penny Tani. Loni Chang was moderator.

The gay and brightly colored of pink, mint green, and bright orange were displayed in a variety of 30 numbers ranging from play outfits and street attire to Californian evenings.

The very few male delegates present at the show agreed with the hushed remark made by one chap sitting behind us: "This beats playing golf on Sunday," and it was a beautiful Sunday for golf—moderate temperatures, enough breeze to keep the among away and maybe add an extra push to the ball in the air.

Virgie Tachibana was the fashion show luncheon chairman, assisted by Mrs. Michi Shimazu. Tom Shimazu was luncheon emcee.

As the closing event of the two-day convention, chapter president Mark Kiguchi of the host Southwest Los Angeles JACL acknowledged the efforts of Sam Hirasawa, convention chairman, and his committee.

Michelle Hiza, assistant chairman; Kikunaga, Kikunaga, Eleanor Sekita, sec. Ruth Nishimura, reg. Mack Hara, sec. May Nomura, banquet; Art Sugita, dance; John Akioyoshi, bowling; and Virgie Tachibana, fashion show luncheon.

The fashion show luncheon was "sold out" early in the week with over 200 attending. And while the program was listed to begin at 1 p.m., practically all the seats were occupied before that hour, allowing Kiguchi to comment that such a turnout was unique among Nisei and ought to be continued.

Pacific Northwest district convention dates selected

ROOD RIVER, Ore. — The Pacific Northwest District Council convention will be held here Dec. 2-3 with the Mid-Columbia JACL as hosts. The brief announcement lists the 1960 Club Whing Ding for Saturday night and business session all day Sunday concluding with the banquet.

Federation president
ST. PAUL — Franklin Hijikata was re-elected president of the St. Paul Federation of Settlements and Neighborhood Centers.



SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Chester Sakura, Sr., accepts Milwaukee JACL's first scholarship award of \$200 for his son, Chester, Jr., from Nami Shio, scholarship committee chairman.

Milwaukee JACL gives 1st scholarship to pre-med student

MILWAUKEE — Milwaukee JACL's first scholarship award of \$200 was made to Chester Sakura, Jr., a second year student at Northwestern University and about to start his pre-medical studies.

The presentation was made this past month by Nami Shio, scholarship committee chairman.

The award was accepted by his father, Chester, Sr., in his absence. Now in the television repair service, Chester, Sr., has been JACLer for many years. He and his brothers received nationwide recognition upon volunteering together for military service during World War II.

Chester, Jr., was graduated from Rufus King High where he was an honor student and active with campus life.

Miss Shio, it is recalled, was Milwaukee's first woman chapter president (1952), promoted chapter participation in the Holiday Folk Fair, Jr. JACL and scholarship, and recently honored with the JACL Silver Pin, first such award being made to a Milwaukee member.

President's Profile:
Optometrist Leads Sonoma County JACL

board. His spirited enthusiasm on JACL has earned him much respect from local JACLers.

In addition to his active participation in JACL he is a member of the Montgomery Village Lions Club, a member of the Board of Directors of the Santa Rosa Junior Chamber of Commerce and serving as secretary of the Redwood Empire Optometric Society.

While not engaged in JACL or community activities, he spends his spare time bowling. He has won the doubles championship in the Santa Rosa Men's Association Bowling Tournament this past year.

With his dynamic leadership, the Sonoma Chapter expects to have another banner year of activities and projects in 1961.

DR. ROY OKAMOTO
Sonoma County President

SEBASTOPOL — Dr. Roy Okamoto, president of the Sonoma County Chapter for 1961, is the 17th president in the local chapter's history.

Roy, as he is known to his fellow JACLers, is the third son of Mrs. Tomo Okamoto of Occidental Road, Sebastopol. Born and raised in this area, he was graduated from Santa Rosa Junior College in 1956 and continued his higher education at Univ. of California at Berkeley, graduating in 1959 and majoring in optometry. He now maintains his practice at 1182 Yulupa Ave., Santa Rosa.

For Dr. Okamoto, JACL and its objectives have not been strange for his oldest brother, George, is active in the local community and won the JACL Outstanding Community Service Award in 1958. Another older brother, Dr. Robert Okamoto is also in the field of optometry and practices in San Jose, where he is active with the San Jose Chapter.

During the past year Dr. Roy Okamoto served as the local chapter's first vice president and prior to that time served on the chapter board.

ANNOUNCEMENT
It has come to our attention that some JACLers who have signed up for 1961 membership within the past three months are not receiving their Pacific Citizen. We would appreciate hearing from them as soon as possible.

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Sonoma County JACL names winner of '61 chapter scholarship

SANTA ROSA — A Healdsburg Union High School student, Anna B. Cornwell was named the winner of the Sonoma County JACL's third annual Pioneer Memorial scholarship, it was announced by chapter officials last week.

Judges for the contest met May 4 and also selected Dennis K. Fujita of Petaluma Union High as an alternate.

The winner will be presented with a \$100 cash scholarship and a plaque, according to Dr. Roy Okamoto, chapter president.

A record number of outstanding applicants were received from six of the seven high schools in Sonoma County. Judging was based on scholastic achievement 50 per cent, need 40 per cent and 10 per cent on leadership and student activities.

The panel of judges included: Dr. DeForrest Hamilton, Supt. of Sonoma County Schools; Charles R. Robinson, ass't. supt.; Dr. Okamoto, chapter pres.; James Murakami and Edwin Ohki.

The local chapter scholarship is administered by Frank Oda as chairman while Ohki serves as secretary.

VENICE-CULVER TO HEAR FROM TRUANT OFFICER

VENICE — A general meeting of particular interest to parents has been scheduled tonight by the Venice-Culver JACL at the local Japanese Community Center, according to Jane Yamashita, chapter president.

Two speakers from the schools here have been announced. They are Boy's Vice-Principal Edmondson of Marina Del Rey Jr. High and Bud Tubbs, truant officer for this area.

Tentative plans were also disclosed for a chapter party honoring local high school graduates on June 9. Mrs. Frances Kitagawa, popular teacher at Del Rey School, will be in charge.

Fremont JACL tea
FREMONT — The Fremont JACL will honor local mothers at a tea tonight at Hansen Hall. Door prizes, games and refreshments will be served.

Chairman T. Yonekura will be assisted by: Michi Honda, June Honda, Kiyoko Sekigahara, Eleanor Sekigahara.

Living with JACL: by Saburo Kido

During FDR's First Year

A card has come to Harry Honda, our editor, from Mrs. Yayoi Ono of Dayton, O. She states that the Long Beach chapter was not in existence at the time I mentioned about the telegram being sent by the Los Angeles chapter to various groups of the Southland. I am quoting facts and figures from the Hato Shimo. The reporters may have been over-enthusiased or received the release from JACL headquarters.

Inasmuch as I am not familiar with the facts, I am mentioning this bit of information to correct the record.

Part VI: Continued
When the San Francisco chapter brought down the bid for the 1934 Biennial National Convention, it had obtained the promise of the chapters to support it. Therefore, we read in the New World Daily News that the American Loyalty League of Fresno was going to have a "gala" event on January 3, 1934 to raise funds towards Fresno's share.

The patrons and patronesses were to be as follows: Messrs. and Mesdames Roy Mizota, Harvey Iwata, John Nakagawa, Fred Yoshikawa, Kari Nagata and Dr. and Mrs. T. Yatabe.

The dance was to be held at the Silver Slipper Ballroom with Ed Young's Dixie Rhythm Kings.

The San Francisco chapter members staged a benefit play, "Charley's Aunt."

During this time, there were three daily vernacular newspapers in San Francisco: the Japanese American News, the New World

Daily News, and the Hokubei Asahi.

As I mentioned in the beginning, the Japanese American News had about two or three fires during its lifetime. Consequently, the bound volumes were destroyed.

The New World Daily News and the Hokubei Asahi were merged later into the New World Sun.

However, during the years 1933 and 1934, they were independent of each other. Somehow, the Hokubei Asahi's English section seemed to have had more space. John Fujii, presently in Japan, was the English editor.

District Meeting
A meeting of the Northern California Federation was called at the Yamato Hotel on December 10, 1933 by Saburo Kido, chairman. The place was on the corner of Grant Ave. and California St., the premises presently occupied by the Yamato Sukiya.

It was decided at this meeting that the budget for the national convention would be \$2,000, of which \$500 was to be raised by the affiliated chapters and the San Francisco chapter to be responsible for the remaining \$1,500.

Delegates present for this meeting were the following:
Fresno—Fred Hirasawa, George Abe, Hiroshi Yamamizaka, Monterey—Harold Hifashi, Masako Suyama, Stockton—Masaru Kuwada, Sacramento—Walter Tsukamoto, Santa Clara—Dr. S. Nakahara, Hiroshi Suyama, Placer County—San Sanada, Alameda—Akira Horikoshi, Lloyd Onomoto, San Francisco—Saburo Kido, Susumu Togasaki, Akira Horikoshi and Tamotsu Murayama.

Plans for an oratorical contest were discussed. The topic chosen was "Citizenship." It was to be limited to high school students and not lasting over 20 minutes. The following committee was appointed: Walter Tsukamoto, Sacramento, chairman; Sam Sunada, Placer; Masaru Kuwada, Stockton.

The official name of the federation was changed to Northern California District Council.

Deputation work to organize several more chapters in Northern California was also discussed. The Alameda chapter's officers were listed as follows:

Massayoshi Morino, pres.; Yoshiyo Takagi, v.p.; Fumiko Takakura, Masao Nakano, Fumiko Iahara, and Kathryn Tsukiyama, now Mrs. Takeo Okamoto of San Francisco.

The San Francisco chapter began its official preparations for the convention when it elected the following officers: Dr. Tokutaro Hayashi, pres.; Takayuki Domoto, v.p.; Susumu Togasaki, treas.; Earl Tanbara, sec. sec.; Alice Iwawaka, cor. sec.; board of governors: Sumio Miyamoto, Mrs. Charles Yonezu, Takeo Okamoto, Mrs. M. Higaki, and Yasuo Abiko.

JACL Slogan
During one of the meetings of the convention committee, a slogan was the subject of discussion. Sumio Miyamoto, who is travel bureau-insurance-accountant and so forth in Sacramento, suggested the "Security Through Unity." This was the beginning of the motto which is now one of the two ideals which symbolizes the JACL of today. The other is the one which is the brainchild of Mike Masaoka, which came into the national picture after he became the field director in 1941—"For Better Americans in a Greater America."

At the February meeting of the Northern California District Council, Dr. S. Nakahara was elected as the chairman; Walter Tsukamoto of Sacramento, sec. sec.; Haruo Imura of Alameda, cor. sec.; Hiroshi Yamamizaka of Fresno, treas.

Haruo Imura and Yoneo Bepo of San Francisco were appointed to make the preliminary arrangements for the oratorical contest to be held by the Northern California District Council.

Two finalists from each district were to compete in San Francisco for the finals. The subject was to be on "Citizenship." A trophy was to be presented by the Japan Society of San Francisco.

San Jose and Alameda agreed to raise \$70 each to aid the convention fund.

The national convention date was officially set as August 31 through September 3.

JACS WIN JACL ENDORSEMENT

Kay Nakagiri (left), chairman of the Pacific Southwest District Council, JACL, confers with Kango Kunitzugu, president of the Japanese American Community Services (JACS), after resolution endorsing the new social welfare agency was adopted at the recent convention held at the Sheraton-West Hotel in Los Angeles.

PSWDC endorses welfare agency program of Japanese American Community Services

With the PSWDC convention unanimously endorsing the role of the new Japanese American Community Services of Southern California, its president Kango Kunitzugu this week issued a statement of appreciation.

"We welcome the wholehearted endorsement of JACS and its program by the PSWDC and we look forward as an agency to working with JACL on the district council and chapter levels, based on JACL's continuing efforts to promote the welfare of all persons of Japanese ancestry," Kunitzugu stated.

Besides Kunitzugu, past PSWDC chairman, other JACLers taking active role in the development of the new agency were:

Kay Nakagiri, current PSWDC chairman; Soichi Fukui, Downtown Los Angeles pres.; Father Clement, Downtown Los Angeles chaplain; Hideo Iruma, former Hollywood pres.; Dr. David Mura, former Long Beach pres.; Wilbur Sato, former East Los Angeles pres.; and Mike Suzuki, former Hollywood pres.

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Masaoka speaks —

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But the lessons of World War II when Japan became our enemy taught him that the acceptance of the Nisei in America is largely dependent upon the political status of Japan.

To stress this particular point, he conceived how prejudice against persons of Japanese ancestry in America might be applied. It will be more subtle, he warned.

If Japan becomes a neutralist nation and then is taken over by the Communists and joins the Sino-Soviet bloc, Mike envisioned Nisei in critical positions of employment being relieved. An employer with a government defense contract might say to a Nisei worker: "We know you're a good worker, loyal, etc., but we have to let you go because of..."

"Jap" is Insulting
Mike's own feelings on why the use of "Jap" should be eliminated from the written and spoken language were very forceful. "If we accept it, it means we're not sensitive to the sensibilities of other peoples. We would accept the use of other terms of 'wops', 'kikes', etc. All of this is an insult to the people to whom they are directed."

And he also touched on JACL's current revival of the program to eliminate the showing of anti-Nisei movies on television. When these pictures were made in World War II period, these films were poor and didn't attract but with television, the coverage has been expanded, creating a wrong image of Japanese Americans.

JACL is trying to protect the good name of the Nisei, he said. In closing, Mike called attention to Memorial Day coming May 30. "We wouldn't be here if the boys didn't volunteer for the 42nd," he said.

Chuman's Message
In a brief message to the delegates of the PSWDC National JACL President Frank Chuman noted that as he outlined his talk, the first letters of the topics listed spelled "HELP", and signified JACL was "help" since taking office and visiting with chapters and district councils.

"It stood for 'heart'. He saw JACL as an organization with a heart, having the best interest of its members and community in its focus.

Calendar
May 13 (Saturday)
Tokyo County—Ouling-trout derby. Lake Merritt.

May 14 (Sunday)
Detroit—Japanese picnic, International Institute, 7:30 p.m.
San Francisco—Trio-Jules dance, Palo Alto Buddhist Church, 8:30 p.m.
Contra Costa—Japanese cooking, Dr. T. Togasaki, 7:30 p.m.
West Los Angeles—Benefit movies, Sawtelle Garden, 7:30 p.m.

May 14 (Sunday)
Idaho Falls—JACS Mother's Day program.

May 15 (Monday)
West Los Angeles—Auxiliary workshop, Mrs. Shig Takemura, 12:30 p.m.

May 16 (Tuesday)
Pasadena—Board meeting, Union Presbyterian Church, 1:30 p.m.

May 18 (Thursday)
West Los Angeles—Polio-typhus clinic, Shouse Ave., Playwood.

May 19-21
Cleveland—Trip to Niagara Falls and Canada.

May 20 (Saturday)
San Mateo—Dance, American Legion, 9 p.m.

May 21 (Sunday)
Mil-Hi—Graduates dance, AAUEW Hall, 9 p.m.

May 22 (Monday)
Long Beach—Juni Night, Little Theater.

May 21 (Sunday)
West Los Angeles—Junior trust meet, University High. Entry deadline May 16.

May 23 (Friday)
Southwest L.A.—Loni's Appreciate Nite Hollywood—Square dancing, Elysian Lodge.

May 24 (Saturday)
White River—Installation and Graduation banquet, Fern Inn, US 50.

May 21 (Saturday)
East Los Angeles—Erasel Ball, Chalon Mart, 1913 S. Broadway, 8:30 p.m.

May 22 (Sunday)
Twin Cities—Jikkō Old Lodge.

May 23 (Monday)
Los Angeles—Nisei Relay, University High.

May 24 (Tuesday)
San Francisco—Pamela breakfast, Buddhist Church, Ames.

May 25 (Wednesday)
Pasadena—JDC Meeting.

May 26 (Thursday)
Pasadena—Memorial services, JACL Hall, 9 p.m.

May 27 (Friday)
San Francisco—Sonoma County—Memorial rites, San Bruno.

June 4 (Sunday)
San Francisco—JACL Olympics, Kears Stadium.

June 5 (Monday)
Sacramento—JACL picnic, Elm Grove Park.

June 9 (Friday)
Philadelphia—General meeting, June 18 (Saturday)
Detroit—Benefit movies, International Institute, 7:30 p.m.

June 12 (Tuesday)
Southwest L.A.—Quintessence Ball.

June 13 (Wednesday)
East Los Angeles—General meeting, International Institute.