



JACL WREATH LAID AT U.S. MAINE MONUMENT

Mrs. Nawa Munemori places the National JACL wreath at the Battleship Maine monument at Arlington National Cemetery. William Marutani assists.

Washington Newsletter: by Mike Masaoka

## Commemorative Services

WASHINGTON. — Not since mid-July 1946, when then President Truman welcomed the 442nd Central Postal Directory home with a special parade and an unprecedented seventh Presidential Distinguished Unit Citation at the White House in another rainstorm, has there been a more impressive ceremony concerning Americans of Japanese ancestry than those held on Sunday afternoon, June 2, at Arlington National Cemetery to commemorate the 20th anniversary of Japanese American military service in World War II.

Unfortunately the steady downpour prevented telecasts of the historic events but the newspapers and the radio from coast to coast, and even across the seas, carried the stories of the inspired tributes at the Fort Myer Chapel, the Army Standard Honor Wreath Ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknowns, the special wreath ceremony at the Masshead Monument to the Battleship Maine, and the individual visitations to the graves of the 21 Nisei war heroes interred in the National Cemetery at Arlington.

In spite of the imminent death of Pope John and the official state visit of the President of India, the Washington Post, probably the most cited newspaper in the country, carried a front-page picture of Mr. and Mrs. Nakashima of Pocatello paying their respects to their soldier sons, Raito and Wataru who sleep in honor, and home section front page pictures featured Mrs. Gladys Onoye Shimazaki watching National JACL President Pat Okura lay a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns with a military honor guard standing by, and Mrs. Nawa Munemori after she had presented a wreath at the Maine Battleship Monument.

A feature news story bordered the two impressive pictures on the front page of the home section. A day earlier, on June 2, the morning of the ceremonies, the Post carried a special editorial saluting Japanese Americans who served in World War II.

White House Visit

The next morning, when the President met with Mrs. Munemori and the JACL delegation at the White House, television cameras had a field day, as did still photographers and radio and newsmen.

So many "firsts" took place for persons of Japanese ancestry and for JACL that June 2 weekend

Ernie Uno accepts 'Y' position in Honolulu

LOS ANGELES. — Ernest Uno, formerly executive secretary of the Southwest YMCA in San Diego, has accepted a position of program and membership secretary of the Nuuanu YMCA, Honolulu. He departed here last Friday and his wife and children will follow.

The Unos are returning to Hawaii after 10 years on the mainland where he served the "Y" in Ventura, Tacoma and San Diego. He began his career in 1950 as boys work secretary for the Rural Oahu YMCA. He is a graduate of Manual Arts High, Los Angeles City College and Whittier College, and a 42nd RCT veteran.

Munano "Y" is opening its new million dollar building in August at the site of the former Harris Memorial Methodist Church at Fort and Vineyard Sts.

that there is not enough space to recapitulate them at this time. And, on Tuesday afternoon, June 11, another precedent was established when members of the House of Representatives spent some two hours in paying tribute to Japanese American military service in World War II.

Majority Leader Carl Albert secured the two hour special order for these tributes at the request of Democratic Congressman George P. Miller of Alameda, California, the only West Coast Congressman to be the chairman of a standing House Committee, that on Science and Astronautics, and one who has been most helpful to JACL legislative objectives for the 19 years he has been in the National House of Representatives.

### Record Reprints Ordered

Not only because of its inspirational impact on Japanese Americans but also for its historic importance, as well as its potential use in the future against racists and bigots, we are having some 10,000 copies of these tributes, which will be in the Congressional Record, reprinted and made available to JACL members soon on a "first come, first served" basis. In addition, we have some 10,000 reprints of the Congressional Record remarks of Senator Hiram Fong of Hawaii, in which he included the Fact Sheet prepared by the Public Relations Subcommittee on the background and record of Nisei gallantry in Europe and in the Pacific, as well as in the air and on the sea, in World War II.

These two official pamphlets should be most interesting human documents for every JACL member, especially so that their children may read and understand this heroic chapter in Japanese American experience.

And, every JACL chapter should have copies on hand for use against the racemongers and the professional patriots who would foment hate and prejudice against those of Japanese ancestry in another time and place.

With these words, we will have to end our comments on the Commemorative Services, even though we wish there was time and space to describe the little incidents of the White House visit and the Capitol tour, as well as of the

### Three candidates seek Nisei Week queen title

LOS ANGELES. — Three candidates for Miss Nisei Week, 1963, were introduced this past weekend. They are Kaye Takahashi of San Fernando, Maureen Okada of Gardena Valley and Jayne Tanimura of West Los Angeles.

Southwest L.A. JACL will introduce its candidate tomorrow at the Hollywood Women's Club. Long Beach announced its selection is to be revealed June 22. June 24 is the deadline for nominations.

The Coronation Ball will be held Aug. 11 at the Palladium with Les Brown's band, the Optimists announced.

Political science head

PALO ALTO. — Dr. Nobutaka Ike has been appointed chairman of the Political Science Dept. for the 1963 academic year, it was announced Saturday by the Stanford University board of trustees.

Arlington Services themselves, to illustrate the humaneness of the participants.

### CONGRESSMAN FRANCIS E. WALTER

When Congressman Francis E. Walter passed away on May 31, Americans of Japanese ancestry and the JACL lost by far their most influential "friend" in the National Congress.

Indeed, he enjoyed so much power and prestige that it will take at least four Congressmen just to take over his important chairmanships, for he was the Chairman of the House Un-American Activities Committee, Chairman of the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization, Chairman of the Democratic Patronage Committee, and Chairman of the Democratic Caucus.

Telegrams of sympathy and condolences were sent by National JACL President Pat Okura and by the EDC. Wreaths too were sent to the funeral by both the National JACL and the EDC.

Washington JACL Representative Mike Masaoka and Mrs. Lorraine Yamasaki, who was the secretary of the Washington JACL Office during the more hectic days of that office, attended the funeral which was held, coincidentally, in the Fort Myer Chapel.

### First Call in 1946

Since we first contacted him early in 1946, we have worked with him and his staff on a most friendly and understanding basis. Without doubt, most of the major legislative achievements of JACL could not have been secured so expeditiously without his active support and leadership—the stay of deportation legislation that prevented Japanese treaty merchants and others with American citizen families from being separated through the deportation of the alien Japanese parents, the evacuation claims act that authorized partial compensation for some of the property losses suffered in the 1942 military movement; the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 by which resident alien Japanese, and all other Asians, could become naturalized citizens and by which all Asian nations, including Japan, were removed from the totally excluded list and extended

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### WAR-SCARRED SHRINE AT BRUYERES UNCHANGED

HONOLULU. — Mayor Rene Drahon, the mayor of the French hamlet of 4,000 near the German border in the Vosges mountains, attended the U.S. Conference of Mayors here this week. Bruyeres is the sister city of Honolulu.

Bruyeres is a town liberated by the 442nd RCT in Oct. 18, 1944, at the cost of 2,600 Nisei casualties.

Nearby in the wooded area is a monument in memory of the Nisei heroes and a National JACL plaque, where memorial services are conducted each year on Liberation Day. There are many trees in the area with shreds of shrapnel and many a partially overgrown foxhole.

By town decree, it is forbidden to alter this war-scarred shrine, although the town has been completely rebuilt.

## Recommendations for Nat'l Jr. JACL studied at Salt Lake

Special to the Pacific Citizen  
SALT LAKE CITY. — Energetic youth attending the 1962 National JACL Convention in Seattle clamored for a national Jr. JACL organization and to effect its establishment, they went home resolved to become organized though no date was set.

It was the first assembly of youth representing the three Jr. JACL district councils now organized in the Intermountain, Northern California-Western Nevada and Midwest JACL jurisdictions.

The weekend meeting at the Newhouse Hotel here, June 8-9, under auspices of the National JACL Youth Commission chaired by Jerry Enomoto, served as a progress report of the three district youth councils.

Reports were rendered covering five fields: objectives, program, organization, finance and constitution. These were discussed and those points in agreement are being referred to the district youth councils for further study and implementation.

### Reports Section

Ben Kawakami of Mt. Olympus Jr. JACL chaired the reports section of the meeting. The reports were presented by:

Objectives—Roy Ikeda (in absence of Margaret Kaji, San Francisco; Program—Robert Akagi, Mt. Olympus; Organization—Roy Ikeda; Finance—Roger Nishida, Sacramento; Constitution—Ross Harano (substituting for Gil Furuhiko), Chicago.

### The Objectives agreed upon were:

1.—To coordinate all Jr. JACL organizations by establishing uniform goals, policies and programs.

2.—To provide youth with experiences to give them understanding of their heritage as Japanese Americans and to enhance their knowledge and appreciation of their culture from Japan.

3.—To conduct social and recreational activities as an integral part of the program for development and enrichment of the members.

4.—To make members aware of current social trends and issues affecting Japanese American youth.

5.—To educate its members regarding the problems of other minority groups as well as those of Japanese American youth.

6.—To join others in combatting un-democratic practices.

The suggested program would include:

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## Move to eliminate literacy test for voters fails in Cal.

SACRAMENTO. — A constitutional amendment authored by Assemblyman Alfred H. Song (D., Monterey Park), to remove the requirement that a voter be able to read English was referred to committee last week.

The vote was 43-31 in favor, but 11 short of the two-thirds majority needed for approval of a proposed constitutional amendment. Democrats generally favored the measure.

Assembly Speaker Jesse Unruh, in urging its approval, said his father was an illiterate farmer but voted for many years in states without the reading requirement. The proposed measure would have permitted a voter who could not read to have a literate companion assist him in the polling booth.

"If we are indeed interested in democracy, in having the fullest participation in politics," Unruh urged, "the vote should be extended to as many people as possible." Pleading that ability to read is not required for intelligent voting, he said: "My father is totally illiterate; he can't read or write and can barely sign his name."

### Allen Influence Feared

In opposition, Assemblyman Vincent Thomas (D., San Pedro) suggested the foreign-born could go to school to learn to read and write. Assemblyman Houston Flournoy (R., Claremont) protested the bill "opens the door to alien influences."

In support, Song, Honolulu-born Korean American and first Oriental elected to the State Legislature, said California's literacy test was "promulgated to keep citizens of Mexican ancestry from voting. In Texas and New Mexico, the Spanish-speaking people have had a long history of participating in elections and I have heard no complaints that their participation perverted the democratic process."

(JACL interest in voting rights of naturalized citizens was shown in the November, 1960, elections when an Issei in San Diego was challenged and denied the ballot. Since that time, the State Legislature passed a bill to prohibit challenges at the polls because of the literacy test.)

# Chuman musters L.A. against Birmingham-type violence

LOS ANGELES. — The past three weeks have been tension-filled days for immediate past national JACL president Frank F. Chuman as chairman of the Los Angeles County Commission on Human Relations.

On Sunday afternoon, May 25, the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., spoke at Wrigley Field on the situation in Birmingham. An estimated 30,000 packed the stands and baseball field.

Described by Dr. King as "the largest and most enthusiastic civil rights rally ever held in the history of this nation", its simple objective was to raise money to cover the high cost of bail and litigation in the Negro struggle. It was a striking display of support for the campaigns of non-violent resistance to segregation.

"We have problems right here in Los Angeles, too," Dr. Christopher L. Taylor, local NAACP president reminded the crowd. He cited alleged police brutality against Negroes, de facto school segregation, unequal administration of justice, discrimination in employment and housing.

### 'General Attack' Planned

Four days later on Memorial Day, the local press reported on its front pages that Los Angeles would be the main target of a Birmingham-type drive to eliminate all forms of racial discrimination, quoting past NAACP local president, the Rev. Maurice A. Dawkins. "We have the largest Negro population here of any city west of the Mississippi," he declared.

Rev. Dawkins revealed that Negro leaders would meet the following week upon call of the NAACP to plan strategy and a timetable for the "general attack."

Reaction was immediate. The NAACP said their three telephone lines were busy all day Friday with people asking what they can do to help.

Chuman called an emergency meeting of his Human Relations Commission on Saturday, which decided to ask the Board of Supervisors for support of a face-to-face meeting of Negro leaders and civic leaders. The meeting was suggested by Supervisor Kenneth Hahn and City Councilman Lindsay, who introduced motions in this past week to implement plans for the "joint county-city leadership conference."

### Hawaii FEPC bill signed by governor

HONOLULU. — The Hawaii fair employment practices bill — believed by many here as unnecessary in this racially harmonious state — was signed June 4 by Governor Burns.

The law, effective Jan. 1, prohibits employers and labor unions from discriminating against an employee or union member because of age, race, sex, color or ancestry.

The state labor department said that the bill was enacted as a "matter of policy and principle." Many business leaders opposed the law on the ground that there was little discrimination in Hawaii.

However, Hawaiians have become aware of discrimination in housing and perhaps in employment and they have long known that a few private clubs traditionally deny membership to all except Caucasians.

### Cal. anti-bias bill on real estate men set aside

SACRAMENTO. — The bill to suspend the license of real estate agents who discriminate because of race, color or creed was set aside by the Senate committee on governmental efficiency last week. Authored by Sen. George Miller, Jr. (D., Martinez), it was considered a backstop to the Brown administration's fair housing effort.

Milton Gordon, state real estate commissioner, said he understood that parts of the bill would be amended into another bill which is pending before the same committee.

### CANADA ADMITS 130 JAPANESE IN 1962

OTTAWA. — Immigration of Japanese into Canada during 1962 was 130, the Dept. of Citizenship and Immigration reported.

Postwar Japanese total is 1,355, the majority arriving since 1956, out of a grand total of 656,899.

### June 6 Grievance Meeting

By Thursday, June 6, the date for the afternoon-long conference at the Statler-Hilton called by Human Relations Commission, invited leaders had gone out to leaders of government, industry, commerce, schools, banking and religion to meet with the community Negro leadership.

The five-hour meeting was of historic significance, Chuman said the following day, "because it was the first time that civic leaders and captains of industry met to discuss openly and publicly the Negro problems."

"It is highly significant that Los Angeles is open to consider the grievances of Negroes," Chuman added. The Negro demands for "total integration" with the first results expected within 10 days were justified, according to Chuman.

With the NAACP spearheading the drive, the following major demands were made:

### Four Major Demands

1.—Enactment by the State Legislature before its June 21 adjournment of strong, comprehensive fair housing laws. Failing this, "enactment in July by both the Los Angeles City Council and Board of Supervisors" of similar fair housing ordinances.

2.—Re-drawing of school district lines before the opening of September term to effect "significant integration of enrollment of these schools."

3.—A report by January, 1964, on establishment of a procedure for presentation of citizens' grievances against law enforcement agencies to independent citizens' review boards.

4.—Legislation and contractual agreements to strengthen fair employment practices and prompt action to push non-discrimination in industry and labor unions.

The meeting was recessed into action groups in the four fields to come up with recommendations for the whole conference. The commission was charged with recalling the overall conference back into session by June 17 for first reports.

### Civic Leaders Appointed

Chuman also appointed civic officials and leaders to serve on the continuing study groups. They included such personalities as Police Chief Parker, Sheriff Pitchess, Victor Carter of Republic Studios to law enforcement; J.L. Atwood, president of North American Aviation, Paul Cunningham, Pasadena chamber of commerce president and Norman Houston of the Urban League, to employment; Jael Crowther, city school superintendent; Dr. C.C. Trillingham, county school superintendent; Mrs. Mary Tinglof, L.A. Board of Education to education; and John Williams, L.A. Realty Board president; Methodist Bishop Gerald Kennedy, Wendell Green to housing.

Stiffest opposition to any of the demands came from Police Chief Parker who took exception to the charges of police brutality against Negroes at the meeting.

About 170 persons representing the higher echelons of city life attended.

The United Civil Rights Committee, formed on June 3 after reports that Los Angeles would be made a target city for integration, adopted a "wait and see" attitude. The UCR represents some 100 Negro, civil rights, church and other groups. Dr. Taylor of the NAACP is chairman. It submitted its report Sunday at a meeting at the First AME Church.

### Unique Confrontation

John A. Buggs, a Negro, and executive secretary of the county human relations commission, sized up the Thursday, June 6 meeting by saying:

"It was the first time a confrontation had taken place between those with grievances and those who ought to hear them. It was a unique meeting for metropolises outside the South." He was also hopeful that progress would be reported at the next general meeting.

What is happening in Los Angeles is another manifestation of Negro impatience with second-class citizenship. This is how Attorney General Robert Kennedy views the situation nationally:

1. "The Birmingham demonstrations were a success. That en-

couraged Negroes elsewhere. Also the use of dogs and fire hoses aroused a lot of people, Negroes and whites.

2. "I think ordering federal troops to the vicinity of Birmingham had an effect, too. It showed them the federal government was watching the situation.

3. "So all this gave the Negroes heart. And I think it had an opposite effect on the whites. They realized that there isn't much use trying to stop it any longer.

4. "The Negro is better educated now than he was a few years ago. He knows what he wants.

5. "These new nations in Africa today, the Negroes here see distinguished African leaders and diplomats received by President Kennedy and (Soviet Premier) Khrushchev. He sees them getting the red-carpet treatment at airports. He can be proud of these members of his race, and finds a sense of identity with them."

Step Up Action: The May 20 Supreme Court decision on sit-ins resulted in the NAACP stepping

## JACL urges U.S. Civil Rights Commission be made permanent before Senate group

Special to the Pacific Citizen  
WASHINGTON. — The Japanese American Citizens League went on record last week before the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Constitutional Rights advocating the establishment of a permanent U.S. Civil Rights Commission, whose term expires on Nov. 30, 1963.

"If this is not possible at this time, we urge that its existence be continued for at least four years," the subcommittee chaired by Sen. Sam J. Ervin, Jr. (D., N.C.) was told by Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative.

At the same time, the JACL urged that the duties and responsibilities of the Civil Rights Commission be increased to serve as a clearing house for civil rights information and provide technical assistance to government agencies, communities, industries, organizations and individuals with respect to equal protection of the laws.

### Other Minorities Involved

Though the subcommittee was considering legislation on the life of the commission, JACL added:

## Pat Okura, EDC telegrams acknowledged during congressional eulogy for Walter

WASHINGTON. — The House of Representatives spent the entire afternoon of June 3 eulogizing the late Congressman Francis E. Walter, in which only three telegrams were acknowledged and printed in the Congressional Record.

One was from Gov. John A. Burns of Hawaii, another from Pat Okura as national JACL president, and the third from the Eastern District Council of the Japanese American Citizens League.

Rep. Thomas E. Morgan of Fredericktown, Pa., chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee and dean of the Pennsylvania congressional delegation, introduced the telegrams addressed to the Speaker of the House John W. McCormack into the Record as follows:

### The EDC telegram:

Washington, D.C., June 1, 1963. Hon. John McCormack, Speaker of the House of Representatives, U.S. Congress, Washington, D.C.: Chapters of Eastern District Council of Japanese American Citizens League meeting here in Washington, after learning of passing of Congressman FRANCIS E. WALTER, of Pennsylvania, unanimously approved resolution paying tribute to the dedicated public service of Congressman Walter, over 30 years in National House of Representatives. Always an able and courageous lawmaker, he also had compassion for those less fortunate and he championed causes of those who needed a champion in the National Legislature. After World War II, when heroic war record of Japanese American troops in every theater of war became known, he assumed leadership in securing corrective and remedial laws of benefit to those of Japanese ancestry. He was instrumental in enactment of evacuation claims legislation to partially compensate Japanese Americans for their wartime losses. He led the fight to prevent the deportation of alien Japanese stranded in this country during war who had sons in our Armed Forces in World War II. He helped draft and enact the Immigration and Nationality Act that bears his name which repealed race as a qualification for naturalization and quota immigration. We join the Nation in mourning his loss, for our country and our citizens have lost a devoted and inspired legislator for the common good.

Eastern District Council, Japanese American Citizens League, John Yoshino, Chairman; Edwin Mito, Vice Chairman; the Board of Directors, D.C. Chapter: Toshio Kame, Chairman of the Board; Philadelphia Chapter: Kyomi Nakamura, President; Seabrook, N.J. Chapter: Roy Kurahara, Chairman of the Board, New York Chapter.

Rep. Walter, who died on May 31, regarded the enactment of the Walter-McCarran Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, despite the presidential veto, as one of his greatest accomplishments.

Funeral services were conducted June 4 at Fort Myer Chapel, Arlington National Cemetery.

### Toastmaster lt. gov.

PORTLAND. — Jack Ouchida, a Gresham-Troutdale JACLer, was recently elected Lieutenant Governor of the sub-districts of Area 7 of the Toastmasters International. Area consists of almost 30 Toastmaster groups.

He is the past Governor of Area 7, supervising five groups of the area of Southern Washington, Western Oregon, and as far south of Yreka, Calif.

Evidence of the more aggressive policy was seen in the arrest of Roy Wilkins, NAACP executive secretary, in Jackson, Miss., when he joined in picketing a downtown store.

The May 20 decision made it plain that no city ordinance or state law can be used to deny Negroes their rights in lunch counter cases.

Vice President Speaks: A Memorial Day speech at Gettysburg, Pa., by Vice President Lyndon Johnson set in motion a more direct and powerful administration intervention and involvement in the mounting American race problem.

He called for equal justice, education and opportunity for all Americans in "this moment of challenge." Recalling Lincoln's own appeal for a new birth of freedom, Johnson stated: "The Negro is not a problem." (Continued on Page 2)

"We Americans of Japanese ancestry know from personal experience during World War II the meaning of the loss of the many and great immunities, privileges and opportunities of American citizenship, as well as the respect and dignity to which all Americans should be entitled as a matter of right and decency."

JACL believes that had there been a U.S. Civil Rights Commission to investigate the facts and recommend action to the government in 1942, truth and justice would have prevailed over the hate and hysteria fomented by war and prejudice of some against persons of Japanese ancestry.





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## Ye Editor's Desk

### JOBS FOR YOUTH

Our accent on youth at this time is appropriate. Jr. JACLers were meeting in Salt Lake City last week to hammer out recommendations for a national JACL youth association. . . JACL chapters have or are having parties in honor of graduates. . . Teen-agers will be looking for either summertime or their first full-time jobs. This phase beckons the most serious attention. Though not as sensational as juvenile delinquency, the issue of jobs for youth is a much bigger and more dangerous problem.

JACL's traditional concern for employment opportunities goes back to the first years of the organization. The Nisei were being graduated in large numbers from high schools and colleges in the 1930s and found the doors to business and industry outside of Japanese town closed. National JACL conventions of those years paid special attention to this issue. . . The conventions, since that time, have advocated fair employment practices.

For the ambitious youngster who wants to spend part of his school vacation in gainful employment, this summer will find the situation more than normally frustrating. Increasing automation, a decline in non-skilled job openings and a trend among full-time workers to take vacations during the winter months are eliminating summer jobs. . . On the other hand, government figures show no less than 3.3 million youngsters will be 16 this year—a million more than last year. The Labor Dept. adds that over the next three years 5 1/2 million youngsters, most of them 18 and 19, will be looking for their first full-time job. As many as 2 million of these will not have graduated from high school.

If the present unemployment rates persist, then 12 pct. of this group will be idle. Among the dropouts, the unemployment rate will be much higher at 25 pct. Worse still, unless the dropouts somehow receive additional training, their chances of ever landing a job will be almost nil.

Now that the bill to extend the bracero program two years has been killed, the California Dept. of Employment is figuring to attract youth into harvest work during summer vacations to help meet this problem. There were some 32,000 Mexican braceros in the state under contract as of May 25. The Dept. of Employment estimates 60,000 farm laborers will be needed next year as replacements.

One of the blunt facts that youth must face with respect to the major industrial disputes reported in the daily press is that unskilled and semiskilled jobs are drying up fast in the areas of American economy that were once plentiful. Issues involved in collective bargaining are more often concerned with job security rather than wage demands. Labor leaders are very keen on what happens to men who are sidelined by machines. . . On the other side of the table, management bargains for cost-cutting proposals and the forward march of machines over men.

This trend—to save the man but scrap the job—should flash a warning on every school blackboard. Certain kinds of jobs are now gone forever in rail, steel, airline, longshore, city-transit and printing industries. The man who performed them are being helped by labor-management cooperation through retraining, relocation grants, early retirement, etc. But the newcomer cannot expect to benefit. He is faced with the proposition of bidding for one of the higher skilled jobs or search for an opening in the shrinking range of job opportunities that ask little training or skill.

If today's teen-ager wants to have a steady and satisfying job in the decades ahead, he has no alternative but to study hard and attain technical skills. If he fails to hit the books now, he will soon hit the streets unprepared to meet the employment demands of the new American economy.

One student of social science has said: "Today's unteachables will be tomorrow's unemployed. . . Whether he stays in school or drops out, the teen-ager and his training have been considered a matter of national concern. In fact, many of our sociologists see the problem as having passed the stage of mere concern and become a question of national survival. So, in knuckling down to serious preparation for his future role in American economy, the young American can now realize that not only the job, but the nation he saves will be his own."

In today's job market, the high school graduate who has taken a general arts course stands little chance. If he has the grades (plus the finances), he should continue on to college. If not, a vocational school is a must. There are jobs for high school graduates with typing, stenography or other office skills or vocational training.

The Labor Dept. points out: "If the corrosive and frustrating effects of unemployment upon many of the non-college-bound youths are to be avoided, action programs must be developed immediately." Foremost, of course, is to expand the economy and create more jobs. There are other suggestions, such as youth conservation corps and the youth area employment program—of which more will be said in the coming weeks.

## Sen. Fong Inserts Nisei WW2 Review in Congressional Record

This is the final installment of the "Fact Sheet" of the Nisei war record as published in the Congressional Record by Sen. Hiram L. Fong of Hawaii, the first American of Asian ancestry to be elected to the U.S. Senate. —Editor.

### Military Intelligence

Although not nearly as well publicized or known by the general public, about as many Japanese Americans served in the Military Intelligence Service (MIS) in the Pacific as were in the 442d. And, in many ways, their contributions to victory were more dramatic and important than were those of their fellow Nisei in the European theater.

As a matter of fact, much of their work is still classified by the Department of Defense.

In a special message to the Ninth Biennial National Convention of the Japanese American Citizens League held in Denver, Colo., February 28, 1946, then President Truman declared in part:

"It is significant that of the 33,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry who served in the Armed Forces, there were a great number of casualties, including hundreds who died for the American way of life."

The record is documented by evidence of the highest valor. Yet the highest evidence of their devotion to America is that in fighting for their country, these assigned to the Pacific theater had to fight people of their own race. They did know that in victory for the American cause was victory for all mankind.

"Their service is a credit not only to their race and to America, but to the finest qualities in human nature."

When strained relations in the summer of 1941 suggested the possibility of war with Japan, it was discovered that in the actual prosecution of any Pacific war, intelligence work would not be successful without knowledge of the Japanese language. Accordingly, in the highest secrecy, the military decided to establish a military intelligence service language school (MISLS).

While it was hoped at first that there would be enough Japanese-speaking Nisei so that a few weeks' review in general Japanese vocabulary and a little instruction in military Japanese terminology and combat intelligence would be sufficient to fit them for field duty, it was soon learned that, after a survey of the first 3,700 Nisei, only 3 per cent were relatively accomplished linguists, only about another 4 per cent were proficient, and a further 3 per cent could be used only after a prolonged period of training.

In other words, the racists notwithstanding, the Americanization of the Nisei on the Pacific coast had advanced more rapidly than most of the U.S. public was aware.

On November 1, 1941, the 4th Army Intelligence School opened in a remote converted hangar in the Presidio at San Francisco, with 60 students, 58 of whom were Nisei.

### Chief Instructor Also

Then Pfc. John F. Aiso was discharged into the Enlisted Reserve Corps to assume his duties as chief instructor. He was subsequently commissioned as a major and was the head of academic training for the school when it moved, first, to Camp Savage and then Fort Snelling, Minn., after the mass evacuation of all persons of Japanese ancestry from the west coast in the spring of 1942.

As one of the first Japanese Americans to become involved in this program, and as one with major responsibility for its success, now a colonel (Reserve) in the Judge Advocate General's Corps of the Army, and Los Angeles Superior Court Judge, John Aiso will participate in the June 2 commemorative services.

After the school was moved to Camp Savage in June 1942, the classes were enlarged. It was after the 100th Infantry Battalion had been moved to Wisconsin that the first Hawaiian Nisei were transferred to MIS.

After the call for volunteers early in 1943, those who had special capabilities in the Japanese language were assigned directly to Camp Savage, though they had volunteered for the 442d.

Incidentally, on July 7, 1943, Company S, composed of Nisei language specialists from Camp Savage, reported to Camp Shelby

and the 442d, for combat training in the field preparatory to being shipped overseas.

Late in 1944, the school was shifted to the more permanent surroundings of historic Fort Snelling.

### 6,000 MIS Graduates

In June 1945, the first and only Women's Army Corps (WAC) unit was activated as a part of the school.

After the defeat of Germany in Europe, America's armed might shifted completely to the Pacific. To meet this new challenge, the MIS courses had to be accelerated. Then, after the surrender of Japan, in midsummer 1945, MISLS had to shift its emphasis from military Japanese to so-called occupation Japanese.

When MISLS held its 21st commencement at Fort Snelling, June 8, 1946, it had graduated some 6,000 troops, most of whom were Nisei.

Thirty-five of the first MISLS graduates class, soon after the attack on Pearl Harbor, were assigned to the Guadalcanal and the Alaskan areas.

These 35 language specialists, being pioneers in their field, left without having any ratings whatsoever, since there was no existing table of organization for this specialty. Not until a year later, when their work was recognized by the various division and Army commanders, did they receive their first stripes.

### At Guadalcanal

The first campaign in which they proved themselves was in the Battle of Guadalcanal.

These guinea pigs, as Japanese language specialists were also instrumental in translating the Imperial Japanese Navy battle plans, which proved to be the deciding factor in the U.S. Navy's dealing the Japanese fleet its worst defeat in naval history off the northeast coast of the Philippines later in the war.

Graduates of the MISLS were assigned to approximately 130 Army and Navy units, with the Marine Corps, and also were loaned to our Allies. They were attached to the Joint Intelligence Center, Pacific Ocean area, with headquarters in Hawaii.

Teams of at least 10 linguists were selected for each of the headquarters of more than a score of infantry divisions in the Pacific. Other language teams were assigned to the Joint Intelligence Collecting Agency, which later combined with British Intelligence to form the Southeast Asia Translator and Interpreter Center with headquarters in New Delhi.

Teams were also assigned to Merrill's Marauders, Mar's Task Force, Far Eastern Air Forces, and the China-Burma-India theater. During the Attu and Kiska campaigns off the Alaska coast, nearly 50 MIS graduates were working out of the advance Alaska department, with headquarters in Adak.

### Eyes and Ears

These Nisei combat intelligence men became the eyes and ears of not only the American fighting forces, but also that of other Allied armies fighting the Japanese.

The Army prepared these men for manifold duties as interrogators, interpreters, translators, radio announcers, propaganda writers, and cave flushers, among their more usual activities.

Because of these Japanese American language specialists, who had to have at least two non-Nisei GIs assigned to them to prevent their being mistaken by their own American troops for the enemy when in the field, it is said that "never before in history did one army know so much concerning its enemy prior to actual engagement as did the American Army during most of the Pacific campaigns."

Graduates of the MISLS translated the entire Japanese battle plans for the naval battle of the Philippines. These plans were captured from commander in chief of the combined Japanese fleets when the plane in which he was hurrying to join his fleet made a forced landing in the Philippines.

Likewise, the complete Japanese plans for the defense of the Philippines were also made known long before the landing on Leyte.



CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS ATTEND RITES

Among the many congressmen attending the June 2 commemorative services conducted by JACL at Arlington National Cemetery were (from left to right): TOP — Mrs. Frank E. Moss, wife of Sen. Moss of Utah; Rep. Edward Roybal and George P. Miller, both of California; LOWER — Rep. Lionel Van Deerlin of California; Togo Nakagawa, representing Japanese American veterans of Hawaii; Rep. Don Edwards of California; Rep. Compton I. White of Idaho; Rep. Thomas P. Gill of Hawaii; and Sen. Frank Moss of Utah.

Guadalcanal, Buna, New Georgia, Myittha, Attu, Munda, Pelil, Tawara, Saipan, Iwo Jima, Leyte, Okinawa—these are to mention only a few of the places where American troops were aided by Nisei combat intelligence. And these non-Nisei soldiers will long remember the Japanese American combat intelligence men who lie where they fell in a confined cemetery but in the stunning jungle and sandy beaches far from home.

"The indispensability of the linguists cannot be summarized in a few paragraphs. It can well be said that without the participation of these Nisei, the U.S. forces would have battled against greater odds. Information and knowledge of the enemy obtained by these men cannot be measured in words but by the weight of victory itself."

According to a newspaper report of October 14, 1945, Allied Headquarters in Tokyo for the first time officially revealed the use of Nisei troops in ATIS.

### ATIS Accomplishments

It said that approximately 2 million documents were classified by ATIS according to tactical, strategic, and long-range value.

Some 20 million pages of translations were made and thousands of prisoners interrogated.

The Nisei, who were described as America's "Human Secret Weapon" against the Japanese, were so efficient that the captured documents sometimes proved their worth within 20 minutes after seizure by American soldiers when U.S. troops were sent against the new enemy installations they disclosed.

The importance of Nisei combat intelligence troops is indicated in a news dispatch of mid-August 1944, reporting that six Japanese Americans, four evacuees from California and two from Hawaii, had been awarded Bronze Stars Medals for aiding in the capture of Saipan, in the Marianas.

### Sgt. Frank Hachiya

Another example is Sgt. Frank Hachiya, whose name was removed from a courthouse honor roll in Oregon because he was of Japanese ancestry and who received posthumously the Distinguished Service Cross, the highest decoration for valor awarded a Nisei in the Pacific in World War II.

Dropped behind Japanese lines weeks before the attack, he was mortally wounded by the invading American troops who mistook him for the enemy.

Though dying, he managed to crawl to an American officer and deliver the maps of the Japanese defense of Leyte.

By his hundreds of his fellow Americans and shortened the campaign in the Philippines considerably.

Hachiya's exploits in MIS are typical of those of thousands of other Nisei in this highly sensitive and important wartime activity.

### Merrill's Marauders

California Frank Bonham, writing in "Burma Rifles," declared: "Merrill's Marauders were a small unit. They carried the lightest of weapons, ate the meagerest of rations, and were burdened with little credit even from their own ear-ache-ridden headquarters."

Yet they carried their own sort of heavy artillery—courage beyond the call of duty—and of the men who demonstrated this quality none were more outstandingly courageous than the 14 members of the little group of Nisei who marched with them.

"In his perceptive and beautifully illustrated history of the 5307th Composite Unit (Provisional), Charlton Ogburn, himself an ex-Marauder says of them:

"All of us, I suppose, when we are moved to reflect upon what human beings are capable of, find that certain images come to mind as illustrations of surpassing achievement. One of these images is that of a composite recollection of Nipmuk, Ga, and of no part of it more than the heroism, moral as well as physical, of the Nisei soldiers of the 2d Battalion, and in the 3d Edward Mitsukido and Grant J. Hirabayashi, decorated for their service, and their persistent volunteering to go forward to intercept the commands of the enemy when the land units were engaged by trainblocks."

"And General Charles Willoughby, General MacArthur's Chief of Staff for Intelligence states that the Nisei shortened the war in the Pacific by 2 years, in enabling the Allies to learn the real strength of the Japanese army."

"But perhaps the real meaning of their sacrifices and courage for us other Americans is expressed in something Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell—'Vinegar Joe'—had to say about the Japanese American soldier at the conclusion of World War II."

"The Nisei brought an awfully big chunk of America with their blood. We cannot allow a single injury to be done them without defeating the purposes for which we fought."

### ATIS Commander

In his autobiography "I Was an American Spy," Col. Sidney F. Macbair, who commanded the Allied Interpreter and Translator Service, in which thousands of Nisei served, devotes a whole chapter to "The Nisei." He begins his chapter with these paragraphs:

"I want to make an unequivocal statement in regard to the American Japanese ancestry who, being American citizens, fought by our side in the war. Had it not been for the loyalty, fidelity, patriotism and ability of these American Nisei that part of the war in the Pacific which was dependent upon intelligence gleaned from captured documents and prisoners of war would have been a far more hazardous, long-drawn-out affair."

"The United States of America owes a debt to these men and to their families which it can never fully repay. At a highly conservative estimate, thousands of American lives were preserved and millions of dollars in material were saved as a result of their contribution to the war effort. It should be realized also that this group of men had more to lose than any other group in the war. If they had not been captured, their torture would have been in vain."

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The Issei

By Elmer Ogawa

## Northwest Picture

Summertime Festivals



SEATTLE. — Pint-sized Terry Osada is only 16 but already a veteran in show business. Born in Japan, she appeared there professionally at an early age, and made her Seattle debut at the Green Lake Aqua Theater in 1955 in "The King and I."

Since then, she has made numerous professional appearances, but to bring this up to date, we saw her today rehearsing for her parts in "Kismet," one of three major attractions in Seattle's summer theater. She sings in the chorus and is a member of the ballet team of the show which stars Anna Maria Alberghetti and Gene Holmann. "Kismet" plays at the Aqua Theater July 23-28.

Academically, Terry is abreast with American born kids her age, is a cheerleader at Seattle's Highline High School and is active in the Cornish School of Arts. So whether you're a Californian vacationing in Seattle, or a Northwest resident, come along to see the show. As Terry is also Pat Suzuki's size, she'll be easy to spot among all those bigger boys and girls.

Another Aqua Theater attraction will be "Redhead," a combination musical comedy and mystery that ran for 453 performances on Broadway. It will play from July 9-13 and will star Gretchen Wyler and Peter Marshall.

Then, of course during Seafair week, August 2-11, there will be the Aqua Follies, and the week following "Camelot" at the Civic Center opera house starring Kathryn Grayson and a New York Company.

### Seafair Events

Space will not permit the mention of the hundreds of Seafair events with all their fun and parades, to be climaxed by the \$25,000 unlimited hydroplane races August 11 on Lake Washington.

As mentioned previously, the Japanese community will present another inspired float idea in this year's Seafair parades and as before is expected to reveal its "Sunday punch" in illumination at the climactic night event.

And there is ever present our personal hope that a Nisei candidate will become the queen of all royalty on a Seafair Week. Some-

## Civil Rights—

(Continued from Front Page)

gro says, "Now." Others say, "Never." The voice of responsible Americans—the voice of those who died here and the great man who spoke here—their voices say, "Together." There is no other way.

President invites: On June 4, President Kennedy invited 100 businessmen with interests in the South, urging them to desegregate without waiting for official action; the reaction was mixed.

He also ordered the same day all federal construction programs to eliminate discrimination in hiring and federally-supported apprenticeship-training programs.

At San Diego State College on June 8, the President called for an end to de facto school segregation. He offered a five-point program on the race question in a speech before the U.S. conference of Mayors in Honolulu the next day.

The five courses recommended were:

- 1—Establishment of a biracial human relations committee in every city.
- 2—Elimination of local racial segregation laws.
- 3—Establishment of nondiscriminatory practices in the hiring and promoting of municipal employees.
- 4—Establishment of equal opportunity ordinances in housing, public accommodation and employment.
- 5—Organization of special campaigns to reduce school dropouts.

**Detroit Rally:** Another interracial challenge appears in Detroit on June 23 when the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., is expected to address a rally at Convention Hall. There is talk of 100,000 participants in this city of 500,000 Negroes.

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By Bill Hosokawa

## From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

**GRADUATION DAY** — Early on a June morning, while the night's crispness still lay on the land, Kenji Nogaki and I drove down to the Air Force Academy some 65 miles south of Denver. The occasion was the Academy's 15th graduation exercises, and Kenji's nephew, Warren Nogaki, was among the 493 cadets about to be commissioned as second lieutenants. Kenji had come out from New Haven, Conn., just for the event.

So had Warren's mother, Florence, and his brothers, Roger, Bryan, Douglas and Randy, who live in Bergenfield, N.J., just across the Hudson from New York City. It was a proud day for the Nogaki clan.

From where we sat in the football stadium, it was impossible to distinguish one cadet from another as they marched onto the turf in precise formation, their white trousers, blue jackets and gold sashes brilliant against the green. It was not until the cadets were called forward, one by one, to receive their diplomas and commissions that we knew for sure which one was Warren.

President Kennedy spoke to the graduates, assuring them of the need for men in a world seemingly converted to push-button warfare. Then came the traditional words: "Gentlemen, you are dismissed," and the graduates tossed their black-billed white caps high into the stands in gesture symbolic of their freedom from the academy's iron discipline.

Afterwards, we had a chance to shake Air Force 2nd Lt. Warren Nogaki's hand and wish him well. Four years ago, when Warren first flew out to enter the academy, he was a downy-cheeked six-footer fresh out of high school. Now he is a lean young man, an officer and gentleman, quipped with a fine education and prepared to enter flight training and a career of service to his nation.

It would have been nice, I thought, if Warren's dad, Takeo, could have been on hand to see his son graduated. But Takeo is dead. And the memory of his passing was the only cloud over the happiness that Kenji and Florence and all the younger Nogakis experienced that fine June day.

**NON-SCHOOL EDUCATION** — Our Pete, now a strapping young man of 15, got his first job this summer. The primary tool of his occupation is a broom, and he is required to wield it with considerable vigor if not finesse. After his first day on the job he came home with the announcement that he had learned from older hands two important things: (1) Which bosses to look out for, and (2) where to hide while taking a rest.

There seems to be a reasonably good chance that Pete will go far in this world.

**DIFFICULT DECISION** — There is no harder assignment, seems to me, than to pick the best from a group that is made up of eminently deserving and well-qualified individuals. This is a responsibility that has been wished on me number of times in the Mile-Hi JACL Chapter's annual scholarship awards to high school graduates. This year there were 11 finalists and four awards, which meant that seven of the youngsters would have to be disappointed. We three judges finally succeeded in agreeing on the scholarship winners, but not before undergoing some serious misgivings.

Today's Sansei scholars, to judge from those I've encountered in these judging experiences, are doing every bit as well as their Nisei parents in the classrooms. But in addition, they are taking a vigorous role in extracurricular activities as leaders and not simply members. Most Nisei are inclined to take passive parts in school activities. The Sansei, on the other hand, are more aggressive. They are leaders. And that's all for the better.

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## Devotion of JACLers on June 2 com'illee undaunted by rain

BY CAROL TAMURA

Special to the Pacific Citizen  
WASHINGTON. — Many of us take for granted the work of the many members of the JACL who have devoted so much of their lives in order to ensure the perpetuation of the organization and its work toward bettering the life security of all Japanese Americans. A particular case in point is seen in the members who were responsible for the successful conduct of the 20th Anniversary Commemorative Services held at Arlington National Cemetery on June 2.

Arrangements for the services were in the hands of a special committee comprised of Washington, D.C., chapter members who worked for over six months in order to realize this project.

The final result of their work was seen in the Commemorative Services held on June 2 which fulfilled every expectation of the committee members.

Despite the downpour of rain, some 300 persons turned out for the services which were necessarily conducted in the shelter of the Fort Myer North Chapel of the cemetery rather than in the open area near the Flagpole as earlier scheduled. This included several Congressmen who came to pay homage to the Nisei soldiers who served in World War II.

In the Washington area there was a great deal of press coverage with mention of the services made over the radio networks and stories printed in the three local newspapers.

But above all there was a prevalent feeling that the services were little enough to show respect and gratitude to the contributions which the Nisei soldiers made to this nation and particularly to the acceptance of Japanese Americans as full-fledged members of the American society.

Guided by this objective of paying national tribute to the Nisei serving in World War II, the Committee sought to make this event the most memorable possible. The wheels began to turn as early as November, 1962, when the plans were formed and the various areas of responsibility were delineated by the Committee members.

### At the Helm

At the helm of this crew was Mike Masaoka, Washington representative, who directed the activities from the time the National JACL leaders decreed that such services should be held. Mike skillfully secured the Cemetery facilities, the honor guard service at the base of the Tomb of the Unknowns, the U.S. Army Band, honored guests and speakers in addition to providing general leadership to the Committee.

Committee secretary was Mary Toda, who tirelessly handled the household functions, ensuring that everyone knew what everything was about, by mailing out correspondence, making telephone calls, taking messages, typing the many speeches and reports, and proving that behind every successful venture is a conscientious woman.

Directing the public relations aspect was John Yoshino who made certain that all major newspapers, television and radio networks were informed of the services by sending out over 200 press releases. The Voice of America even taped the entire Sunday afternoon program for broadcast overseas.

Chancellor of the Exchequer was Joe Ichijima who handled all budgetary and financial matters.

Ed Mitoma was responsible for the usherettes, program distribution and the EDC dinner-dance held the previous evening.

Hisako Sakata secured hosts and hostesses for the Gold Star parents, kept them fully informed and



### IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE WAR DEAD

National JACL President K. Patrick Okura has just finished placing the National JACL wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns at an Army standard honor wreath ceremony conducted June 2 as the bugler blows Taps. Ritual was conducted in a driving rain as witnessed by the many umbrellas appearing in the background.

provided transportation for the parents to all of the events of the day.

In charge of reserved seating at the Cemetery grounds was Susie Sakato who also assisted in keeping the hosts and hostesses for the Gold Star parents informed.

The laying of the wreaths was the primary responsibility of Ira Shimazaki who has been in charge of the Memorial Day wreath-laying services for the past 15 years.

Harry Takagi, a Nisei veteran originally from Seattle, was the logical choice for being the veterans group liaison. Harry also arranged for the reception for the invited guests following the services.

In order that JACLers across the nation might view the services on film, Harry Takagi made the arrangements to ensure that full film coverage would be available on all aspects of the afternoon's events.

These are the eleven Special Committee members who planned and carried out the 20th Anniversary Commemorative Services. This did for each Japanese American. They deserve a great deal of accolade and recognition for their services. It is only through the actions of persons such as these that things are accomplished and the organization strengthened.

### Kenzo Uyeno, 39

WASHINGTON. — Kenzo Uyeno, 39, chief of the system development division, Data Systems Office of the Army Materiel Command, here died June 1 at the Sibley Hospital after a tonsil operation. A native of San Pedro, Calif., he graduated with honors from UCLA in 1948, served in the Army until 1951 and then became an Army civilian employee.

A former national judo champion, he founded the Washington Judo Club, was president of the Capitol Judo Black Belt Assn. and of the U.S. Black Belt Federation.

**Kotaro Sudo, 81: Pioneer Miami (Fla.) resident** whose efforts to beautify the city won him civic admiration, of heart attack, May 31, at his home, 4406 Prairie Ave., Miami, Fla. Survived by wife, no children.

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# Go Detroit in '64

BY KAY MIYAYA

Detroit  
Here I am huntin' and peckin' again on the old battered typewriter. Having hung up my spurs some years ago, I had hopes that I was through with publicity—but here I am back in the saddle for the big round-up in '64—the 18th Biennial National JACL Convention to be held here in Detroit, Mich., July 1-4.

Riding herd with me will be a battery of writers appearing in this column to keep you posted on the various phases of pre-convention activity.

Happily, one of the regular contributors will be Mary Togasaki (Mrs. Minoru Togasaki), who will provide the human side of the Convention Board doings, and personalities, etc.

The former Mary Kuba came to Detroit in 1953-54 as an exchange teacher from Hawaii, then more recently settled here as Mrs. Togasaki.

Being a wife to the Detroit JACL Board Chairman and a mother to two children presently occupies her full time. However, she has graciously offered her talents for your edification and enjoyment.

We hope that many of you will plan to come to Detroit next year—not only for the National Convention, but also for a vacation in Michigan.

To cover the many facets of a vacation in Michigan, we are fortunate to have the talents of Cathy Ishioka (Mrs. Ben Ishioka). Originally from Seattle, she is a charming asset to Detroit. Majoring in English, Cathy received her B.A. in Education during the war years. After her marriage to Ben Ishioka, she settled in Detroit and continued her interest in young people. She has been very active in the Girl Scout Movement, having at one time served on the Southwest District Council.

Standing by to assist the regulars will be the Convention Board. Each committee chairman will appear in print with a special report on his committee's progress.

We hope you will be watching for us. In turn we hope to convince you, too, to GO DETROIT IN '64.

## Impressions

BY ISAAC MATSUSHIGE, PSW Regional Director

### EQUAL RIGHTS

The PSWDC chapters and its members have been keenly aware of the current issues of the Southern California area in the struggle of the Negro people for total equal rights.

Though each JACL chapter is to chart its own course according to the needs and the particular climate of its community, as stated by National JACL President, K. Patrick Okura, a JACL policy statement is to be prepared in defining the role of the JACL chapter in the current Negro struggle for equal rights. This statement of JACL policy is expected to be ready following the August 30-Sept. 2 EDC-MDC Convention in Cleveland.

Here in Southern California and specifically in the Los Angeles area, the current needs, position and climate have given us indications that the PSW chapters may be prompted to chart and to define its individual chapter role to the Negro struggle for total equal rights at a much earlier date.

If so prompted, it will be my hope to the PSW chapters that as we move into areas of a active participation and expressions of concern in giving our direct support to the Negro struggle, that above all, we give this support in the American way.

We must continue as always, to reaffirm our faith in the Japanese American Creed which reads in part, "Although some individuals may discriminate against me, I shall never become bitter or lose faith, for I know that such persons are not representative of the majority of the American people. True, I shall do it in the American way; above board; in the open, through courts of law, by education, by proving myself to be worthy of equal treatment and consideration. I am firm in my belief that American sportsmanship and attitudes of fair play will judge

### Sound system authorized for purchase by Gilroy

GILROY. — Purchase of a sound system was authorized by the Gilroy JACL board at its May 22 meeting and Jim Yamane was appointed as its custodian.

It should come in handy soon with the graduates attending scheduled June 16 and a family night party sometime in July. Robert Kishimura, outgoing chairman, will report on arrangements at the next board meeting June 12.

Lawson Sakai was named Gilroy JACL blood bank chairman. The arrangements with American Red Cross will be explained to the membership soon.

### Supervisors honor Morro Bay Sansei

MORRO BAY. — The San Luis Obispo county board of supervisors has designated June 17 as recognition day for Mike Kishiyama, Morro Bay High senior who has been appointed to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y.

The youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Kay Kishiyama of Baywood Park, he is a 4.0 grade average student and delivered the valedictory address at the school commencement June 13.

(Karen Nagano, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Nagano, will be the class salutatorian. Her father is president of the Morro Bay Elementary School board and recently re-elected to the San Luis Obispo City school board.)

The June 17 fete for the Sansei had born in Ogden is being held at the Breakers Restaurant, from 7:30 p.m. Supervisor William Watson and Mrs. Linnea Waltz, local editor, are co-chairmen.

Washington, D.C. JACL  
Scholarship Benefit: A talent show of 27 numbers to raise funds for the Washington, D.C. JACL scholarship fund will be staged tomorrow, 8 p.m., at Leland Junior High School, Chevy Chase, Md.

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## 30 candidates screened for Mile-Hi awards

Mile-Hi JACL: A straight "A" student, valedictorian and student body president Darryl Glen Kaneo of Jefferson High, Denver, was named winner of the Mile-Hi JACL Harry H. Sakata memorial award for 1963. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Kaneo, 2095 Newland St., Edgewater, Colo.

More than 30 candidates were screened to select 11 finalists, from which the four award winners were chosen. Mile-Hi JACL scholarship winners were James Suekama, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam S. Suekama of 1225 Santa Fe Dr., straight "A" student and valedictorian at West High, editor of his school paper and winner of a Gates Foundation scholarship; and Ray Imatani, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Imatani of Henderson, and Paul Sasa, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Sasa, also of Henderson. Ray was valedictorian at Brighton High and president of his school's national honor society. Paul was head boy at Brighton High and captained the football team.

Terumi Otsuga, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Keizo Otsuga of 2098 Clarkson St., was named winner of the Cathy Post 185 Award, head girl and salutatorian at West High.

Other finalists were: Janice Abo, salutatorian, North High; Gordon Aoyagi, head boy, Manual High; Calvin Kato, ROTC Cadet of the Year, East High; Ralph Mura, ROTC Cadet of the Year, Manual High; Sharon Tani, DAR Good Citizen Award winner, Adams City High; and Lillian Terada, head girl, West High.

The chapter is honoring all AJA graduates tomorrow at a dinner-dance to be held at Premiere Motel.

On the scholarship committee were: Jean Sato, comm. chmn.; and Robert M. Horuchi, awards chmn.; Bill Kuroki, Mile-Hi JACL pres.; Tom Hilda, Cathy Post Comm.; Min Shibusawa, Robert Sakata, and Min Yasui.

William K. Hosokawa, Associate Editor of The Denver Post, Luke Terry, principal of Cole Jr. High School; and Agnes Hoshino, former deputy director of the Colorado State Board of Education.

San Jose JACL: Howard Hayakawa, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hayakawa of San Jose, was awarded the \$100 San Jose JACL scholarship at a recent dinner held at Red Coach Inn.

A leader, athlete and scholar, Hayakawa was student body president at the new Overfelt High School in east San Jose, varsity letterman in swimming and water polo, and winner of several school athletic awards including a \$700 state scholarship. He majored in chemistry and mathematics.

Other Sansei with equally brilliant records considered for the chapter award were: Vivian Hara of Andrew Hill High, Candice Memmolo of Cupertino, Shirley Matsumura of James Lick, Jonathan Hirabayashi of San Jose, Linda Otsugi of Fremont, Yasuko Ikuta of Pioneer, Alice Hayano of Sunnyvale.

Members of the San Jose JACL scholarship committee were: Helen Mineta, chmn.; Dr. Jiro Oyama, Judge Wayne Kanemoto, Dr. Tojiro Ishikawa, Robert Tachibana and Dr. Tom Taketa.

Mt. Olympus JACL: Carolann Nakamura, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Nakamura of 3452 S. 2000 East, Salt Lake City, was named recipient of the Mt. Olympus JACL Kiyu Matsumori Memorial scholarship and the perpetual plaque. She is active in the Mt. Olympus Jr. JACL and a graduate of Olympus High.

On the scholarship committee were: Helen Oniki, Elaine Mitsari, Yukus Inouye, Bob Mukai and Tom Matsumori.

The Masaoka Scholarship candidate selected by both Salt Lake and Mt. Olympus chapters will be announced by National Headquarters soon.—Editor.

Salt Lake JACL: Scholars, scholars everywhere and but one grant to give. This was the somewhat despairing lament of the Salt Lake JACL scholarship committee as they sifted through more than a dozen applications for the chapter's annual scholarship award which was upped to \$200 this year.

The scholarship committee finally selected three choices: winner Gary Nakao of Bountiful High, alternate winner Maureen Terashima of East High, and the Masaoka Scholarship candidate, Nakao.

Amend credit union rules to expand membership  
SAN FRANCISCO. — The San Francisco JACL Credit Union has amended its constitution to extend its membership to all JACLers, it was announced this week by Edison Uno, president. Heretofore, the credit union was restricted to local

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## Chapter Call Board

### Contra Costa JACL

'Japan Night': Everyday friends of Contra Costa JACLers will be guests at the chapter's "Japan Night" program tomorrow at the Richmond Memorial Youth Center. About 100 persons are expected to enjoy an evening of Japanese talent, culture and cuisine, according to chapter president Sam Kitabayashi.

The program, to be emceed by James Kimoto, is as follows:  
Pledge of allegiance; Color guards; Boy Scouts Troop 101 Greetings; President Sam Kitabayashi, Introduction of guests; James K. Kimoto.

Koto ensemble: Takako Murakawa, Edward Hiramoto, Wendy Naruo, Sachiko Nishii, Jane Hori.  
Japanese Dances: Shiozaki Troupe.  
Japanese songs: Kimi Hashimoto, accompanied by Jerry Hashimoto.  
Flower Arrangement: Madame Shun-uei Uchida and commentator Tamoko Suzuki.  
Japanese dance: Karen Shibata.  
Movie: Pearl Is Born.

The following are on the various committees:  
On the committee are:  
Program — Elsie Kano, Hannah Yasuda, V. Kimoto, Meriko Maida; Food — Elsie Kano, Masako Oishi, Haruno Yamashita, Flora Nishimura, Taya Waki, Fumi Sugihara, Publicity — Meriko Maida, Sumiko Yoshii, Grace Goto; Decorations — general arrangements; Stages of Richmond area, Junior JACL, Japan Air Lines; PA System — Sam Sakai, Kuni Shibata.

### Long Beach-Harbor JACL

'Miss Harbor' Coronation: Setting for the fifth annual Miss Harbor coronation dinner-dance June 22 at Lafayette Hotel will feature the colorful flags of the world and a display of Japanese dolls and bunsal, the Long Beach-Harbor District JACL reported.

Five girls vying for 'Miss Harbor' are:  
Yuko Hosokawa, Ann Hiraoka, Sharon Kato, Shirley Basaki and Jean Yasui.

Dinner will begin at 7 p.m. Dance with the Azuma Band starts after Miss Harbor is announced. She will also represent the chapter in the Nisei Week queen contest.

General chairman Jim Okita is being assisted by:  
Cathy Iwasaki, Art Noda, Dr. John Kashiwabara, Joe Fletcher, Hisao Hashimoto, Ritsuko Iwasaki, Kathy Ichikawa (LA GA-1197 for reserv), Sue Sugiyama.

### Chicago JACL

'New Horizons': Chicago JACL and Jr. JACL will honor 1963 graduates at the "New Horizon" dinner-dance on June 22, 6:30 p.m. at the North Park Hotel's Crystal Terrace ballroom. Three Chicago JACL chapter scholarship awards and two Americanism medals will be presented in addition to the announcement of the two Chicago nominees for the Pvt. Ben Frank Masaka Memorial and Col. Walter Tsukamoto Memorial scholarships.

Noboru Honda will be toastmaster. The Vibrations will furnish the dance music. Admission will be \$5 per person (\$4.50 for students) and \$2 for dance only.

### Salinas Valley JACL

Barbecue Date: Salinas Valley JACL will honor local graduates this Sunday at Bolada Park, Pit No. 6, at noon. Ted Ikemoto and Henry Hibino are in charge. Being honored are:

Salinas High: Ryan Abe, Denise Houston, Corey Kubota, Roy Oishi, Amy Shiratsuki, Harold Ueda and Sandra Urabe. North Salinas High: Irene Ishihara, Nobu Ohashi and Kathleen Taneda. Hartnell College: Elaine Fukuba, Alan Kitaji, Naomi Kitamura, Nobuko Ougi, Jean Tada and Ann Terakawa.

Miss Houston, daughter of Mrs. Nobu Houston, and Roy Oishi have won scholarships to attend U.C. Berkeley and Hartnell College, respectively.

### Sonoma County JACL

Grads' Dinner-Dance: A potluck dinner followed by a dance to honor local graduates will be co-sponsored by the Sonoma County JACL and Enmanji YBA on Saturday, June 15, 6:30 p.m., at Enmanji Memorial Hall.

Picnic Postponed: The annual JACL picnic usually held in early summer has been postponed to a later date, Dr. Roy Okamoto, publicity chairman, reported.

JACLers.  
At the same time, plans were revealed to boost credit union membership to 500 by the end of this year.



JUNE 2 COMMEMORATIVE SERVICES AT ARLINGTON

Gravesite services are being conducted by the Rev. Shoji Honda of the Washington Buddhist Fellowship at the graves of PFCs Tanamachi and Nagato, first Nisei interred at Arlington Nat'l Cemetery.

## Judge Aiso reports on Japanese life on West Coast at EDC

WASHINGTON. — Changes in the life of Japanese Americans in Southern California appear to indicate physical decline in the Nisei may be beginning earlier than among other Americans of the same age, according to Judge John Aiso, who gave an informal talk at the Eastern District Council banquet meeting June 1.

About 100 persons attended the dinner, including visitors who had come to attend the commemorative services for Nisei who fought and died in World War II.

Judge Aiso said that most Nisei were in or approaching middle life and the accompanying physical, moral and social problems.

Physical decline may be beginning earlier among the Nisei than among other Americans of the same age, he said, possibly because of a poorer diet in childhood and the self-imposed rigors of the many who always strove for superior achievement in school and career.

Nisei have also social responsibilities to both the general community and the Japanese community, and the burden can often be physically taxing, he said. He observed that middle life seems also to be a period of increased soul-searching and evaluation of life.

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Care of the aging Nisei is a serious, social problem for the Nisei, Judge Aiso stated. He stated that a number of Nisei have become charity cases because they either do not have children or the children are unable to care for them. Such Nisei, he said, are sadly in need of a rest home or their own where they can be understood in their own language and where other special provisions can be made for them.

Crime and juvenile delinquency seem to be increasing among the young Nisei and Sansei, Aiso stated. Among the possible causal factors he mentioned were: the poor relations between parents who married unwisely in wartime, the high standards of living that require both parents to work, idleness among the youth, fathers too busy with work, bowling and other activities, the influence of television, and the disturbances caused by the change from rural to urban life.

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