

MORE ISSEI TO BE INTERVIEWED IN LOS ANGELES

History Project
Conducts Class for
30 Interviewers

LOS ANGELES—In response to calls for more interviewers in an augmented survey of the Greater Los Angeles Metropolitan Survey Area 30 bilingual Issei and Nisei attended a training session held at UCLA last Saturday. Principal Investigator Professor Gene N. Levine, administrator Joe Grant Masaoka and editor Yasuo Sakata gave instructions on the interviewing with the reduced version of the Issei Interview schedule.

"Interviewing calls for all the gifts you have in eliciting answers from respondents. Like a doctor seeing patients you have to be friendly and understanding but objective. You must assure the statistically selected Issei that his replies will be confidential," stated Levine.

"Family gatherings have to be avoided and the interviewing restricted to the Issei head of the household. Translating the questions into Japanese must be done with care lest the meaning be inadvertently twisted. Then, the simultaneous translation of the responses must be handled with care even to the point of writing the responses in Japanese and later transcribing your notes," urged Levine who is in charge of the sociological part of the survey.

"We intend to conduct about 300 or more interviews in the Greater Los Angeles Area. As a part of the training each of the interviewers is asked to do an interview which the project office will check. If the interviewer is selected he will receive further assignments," Levine said.

Those present at the training session were:

Mrs. Asakaye Aratani, Mrs. Nancy Aso, Mrs. Fumiko Eshima, Miss Marian Fujimoto, Mrs. Mariko Hashiba, Mrs. Nobue Hachimori, Torao Hirohama, Shyogo Iwamoto, Miss Chizu Kameta, Miss Tomiko Kiyono, Miss Kazuko Koda, Miss Takako Koda, Mrs. Katsunobu, Arnold Maeda, Miss Helen Nishio, Ujio Stephen Nawa, William Nukida, Miss Kay Okazaki, Mrs. Mary Ono, Mrs. Kuni Okuda, Lloyd Shingu, Edward Tamae, George Yamamura, Rev. John Yamashita, Bob Yamuchi, Mrs. Martha Yanagi, George Dote, Mrs. Yae Ahara, Mrs. Ethel Kohashi and George Takei.

PSW to recognize Nikkei leaders at Long Beach fete

LOS ANGELES — Community leaders of Japanese ancestry whose services in their respective areas merit recognition will be honored at the PSWDC pre-convention rally banquet Saturday, April 30, at the Edgewater Inn in Long Beach. It will climax the first day's session on matters to be discussed at the National Convention July 26-31 at San Diego.

Katsumi Arimoto, recognition chairman, said the 21 chapters in the district council have been asked to nominate candidates, whether Issei, Nisei or Sansei who have contributed much within their own communities. A chapter may honor as many persons as it desires.

Chapters were reminded to include a 25-word resume of the contributions made by each leader so that these may be duly noted on the scrolls to be presented. Names and resumes should be submitted to the JACL Regional Office by April 5 to allow adequate time for the scrolls to be printed.

Along with the "homage to the leaders" will be a talk by National JACL legal counsel William Marutani and the crowning of the Nisei Relays queen. Marutani will relate his experiences as a volunteer attorney in behalf of civil rights workers in Bogalusa last summer.

General Chairman Mike Shimizu has named Dr. David Miura of Long Beach as the banquet emcee. Others working on the two-day event are:

Dr. Robert Obi, program printing; Frances Ishii, dinner; Ted Tsukahara, youth; Mrs. Toshiko Yoshida and Merian Amato, sec.; and Fred Taomae, pub.; Akira Onno and Dr. David Miura, adv.

Tickets for the banquet are \$7.50 per person and are available from chapters of the Regional Office.

The Edgewater Inn is located at 6400 E. Pacific Coast Highway, east of Long Beach.

\$250 scholarship

SAN FRANCISCO—Local Nisei high school graduates planning to enroll in college this fall may apply for San Francisco JACL's \$250 scholarship. High school counselors have application forms, according to Nancy Yoshihara, committee chairman.

Deadline for applications will be announced.



Tom Shimasaki

CCDC nominales Tom Shimasaki for nat'l 3rd v.p.

DELANO—Nomination of Tom Shimasaki of Tulare County JACL for the office of National JACL 3rd vice-president was announced by the Central California District Council at its quarterly session here Sunday.

This is the first of the various nominations expected to be submitted by May 25 from district councils.

Shimasaki, a life underwriter for New York Life at Lindsay, first joined the JACL in 1936, was Tulare County JACL president in 1941, 1942 and 1947, and Northern California district chairman in 1942 and CCDC chairman in 1962. He also received the JACL sapphire pin in 1952.

A 15-year Thousand Clubber, Shimasaki is also active in the Lindsay Chamber of Commerce, Tulare County Republican Central Committee, and Kiwanis. He was Kiwanis lieutenant-governor of District 18 last year, and Lindsay's Citizen of 1963.

A chartered life underwriter, Shimasaki is also a member of Tulare-Kings County life underwriters association and the Fresno chapter of American Society of CLU.

His family includes wife Mitsue, two sons Robert, 24, and Lynn, 12, and three daughters, Mrs. Janet Yoshida, now teaching in San Leandro; Irene, 17, and Christine, 9. They are members of the First Baptist Church.

"We are proud to have a calibre of man as Tom to accept this nomination," Dr. Frank Nishio, CCDC nominations committee chairman, said. "CCDC has not had a nominee for a number of years, but if elected Tom will make up for the absence with the type of representation of which we can all be proud."

Ole '66: by Rich Kawasaki

Jr. JACL Constitution

Los Angeles
At this point it appears likely that the outcome of the San Diego convention hinges on the ability of delegates to agree on the adoption of a constitution for a National Junior JACL organization. It seems reasonable, then, that some forethought be given to important parts of this draft.

General form of the constitution at present closely follows both the draft presented at Detroit and the resolution passed by the Interim Youth Council at Salt Lake City last summer.

Following are points which I think should be given consideration and also some of my personal thoughts about each.

The Salt Lake City proposal printed in the March 11 PC outlines quite well the structure of the proposed council form of the national organization. However, it is felt by some that there should be provisions for an appointed office of Vice-president which would be filled by one of the district representatives. The qualifications for this suggestion would be all those "patented" reasons concerning the absence of the president and so forth.

Drop Associate Members

Article IV, section 6 and By-Law II, sections 4 and 5 of the draft presented in Detroit concern the status of and the restrictions on associate membership. I propose that these be struck from the draft on the grounds that they are based on racial and national origin group membership and that they would serve no purpose except to be detrimental to the national organization.

I suggest that a section be added to By-Law VII concerning vacancies: "Where there is no DYC a representative

Miss NC-WNDYC

OAKLAND—Miss NC-WNDYC will be crowned April 16 at the Oakland Buddhist Church with the Bold Rebels playing for the dressy sports coronation dance.

PNW CHAPTERS PUSH EFFORTS TO MEET \$20,000 SJR 20 BUDGET

SUMNER, Wash.—Chapter efforts in the SJR 20 (alien land law repeal) fund drive to amass \$15,000 by June 1 are well over the halfway point with \$8,725 raised and \$2,000 pledged, according to Dr. James Kanda, ways & means subcommittee chairman to the JACL-SJR 20 committee.

Seattle with an \$8,000 quota, has raised \$5,745. A sum of \$2,000 has been pledged. A talent show, direct-mail solicitations and special canvass are to follow.

White River Valley JACL has appropriated \$500 from its treasury to meet their commitments to the SJR 20 committee. Plans to raise this sum is still under study and any funds in excess of \$500 will be remitted, Dr. Kanda was assured.

Puyallup Valley JACL has raised some \$1,728 of their committed \$2,500, the major portion coming from PNWDC convention profits (\$767) and chapter treasury (\$500).

The Puyallup Valley JACL has other fund-raising activities planned, including a movie benefit in April.

Puyallup Valley contributed its PC Holiday Issue commission (\$29), membership rebate (\$14) and Little Theater Project proceeds (\$89).

Spokane JACL has no commitment but reports some \$300 in individual contributions. Direct-mail solicitations are being considered.

The PNWDC contributed its

share of convention proceeds (\$192) to meet its quota of \$4,000. Kaz Yamane heads the district-wide canvass.

The PNWDC is committed to raise \$20,000 of the \$35,000 budget to repeal the restrictive alien land law in the state of Washington at the November election. Acknowledged were:

SEATTLE: JACL, \$500; Albert Bonus, \$20; indiv. contributions, \$1,995; (Apt.-Owners Assn.), \$250; Movie Project, \$2,000; \$2,000 pledged.

WHITE RIVER VALLEY: JACL, \$500.
PUYALLUP VALLEY: JACL, \$500; PNWDC Convention profits, \$767; Dr. and Mrs. John Kenman, \$20; indiv. contributions, \$310; Little Theater Project, \$89; PC Holiday Ad Commission, \$129; Membership Rebate, \$14.
PNWDC: Convention Profit, \$192.

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Maryland aims to kill anti-miscegenation law

ANNAPOLIS — Reversing itself, the Maryland Senate voted Tuesday to repeal the state's 305-year-old law prohibiting interracial marriages.

The bill, which the Senate defeated Mar. 8, now goes before the House of Delegates. It was the first time such a measure was approved by one of the two houses.

Legislation was sponsored by Sen. Verda Welcome (D-Baltimore), last month after widespread publicity of a Maryland folk singer and a white nurse being denied a license to marry.

100th anniversary of Okei's death due, feudal lord's descendant visits grave

GOLD HILL (El Dorado County)—The grave of a Japanese girl who died here almost 100 years ago was visited Mar. 14 by a descendant of the feudal lord of her home district.

The grave, located on a hillside near Gold Hill, is marked by a simple headstone which says: "In Memory of Okei. Died 1871. Aged 19 years. A Japanese Girl."

Ichiro Matsudaira, son of the former ambassador to the United States, Tsuneo Matsudaira, headed a delegation that made the pilgrimage.

His grandfather Katamori Matsudaira was the lord of the province of Aizu from which Okei emigrated in 1869. A duplicate of her headstone is enshrined at a park outside Wakamatsu (Fukushima ken) near her birthplace.

School Children Donate

School children there donated \$300,000 for it and about 10 years ago a young farm trainee from that area who spent a year in California

took back handful of dirt from the Gold Hill site to place by this replica on the slopes of Seal hill.

Okei came to California as a maid to E.W. Snell and his Japanese wife.

Snell had been a gunnery and munitions expert for Lord Matsudaira and had to leave Japan after Meiji restoration wars in which the Matsudaira forces joined the Tokugawa shogunate side against the victorious imperial forces.

Snell brought over about a score of Japanese for a colony to raise tea and mulberry leaves for a silk enterprise. Their efforts failed however, and most of the immigrants left Gold Hill.

So did the Snells remained and so did Okei. Until her death from malaria she often was seen climbing a hillside where she was outlined in the flaming sunset as she looked west toward Japan.

Matsudaira arrived from Tokyo earlier in the day. He is managing director of Bank of Tokyo, Ltd., and chairman of the board of its affiliate, the Bank of Tokyo of California.

100th Anniversary Near

With the 100th anniversary of Okei's death only a few years from now, he expressed a desire to observe the occasion in some way.

"We have an Aizu society in Tokyo and I feel sure that they will be interested in participating in a suitable commemoration program or project," he said.

He said he had heard of the existence of Okei's grave many years ago and had long hoped to make this visit.

Accompanying Matsudaira were three Bank of Tokyo of California directors James G. Ottagiri, San Francisco importer and exporter; Dr. Terry T. Hayashi of San Francisco and Kozo Ishimatsu of San Jose.

Also in the party were Soichi Nakatani and Dr. Akio Hayashi of Sacramento.

Yoshinari leaves for 2-month trip overseas

CHICAGO—Kumee Yoshinari, National JACL president, will be in England on a two-month business trip for his firm, the Turtle Wax Co.

During his absence, Jerry Enomoto of Sacramento will serve as acting president.

Ed Mitoma honored at D.C. testimonial

WASHINGTON—Ed and Eiko Mitoma, longtime active D.C. JACLers, were honored by the chapter at a farewell testimonial dinner here Mar. 12. Among the 130 attending were Congressman and Mrs. Spark Matsunaga, Etsu and Mike Masaoka.

A past chapter president, Ed Mitoma is currently EDC vice-chairman. He leaves the U.S. Naval Ordnance Laboratory in nearby White Oak, Md., to take a position with Aero Space Corp., San Bernardino, Calif.

Excerpts of testimonial letters from friends were read and presented by Charles Pace, chapter president. Mrs. Mitoma was presented a five-piece pewter server.

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SCHOOL BOYCOTT THREATENS IN SEATTLE MAR. 31

Closing Down of
Central Area Schools
Asked by Proponents

BY ELMER OGAWA
(Special to the Pacific Citizen)

SEATTLE—For more than a month, Seattle has been living under the shadow of a threatened boycott of the public schools March 31 and April 1.

The movement initiated by the Congress of Racial Equality and National Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People is for the purpose of pressuring the School Board for more rapid action on a matter which has been subject to discussion in all media of communication for many, many long months—de facto segregation in the public schools of Seattle's central area.

The situation here is hardly any different than the school segregation problems faced by all major cities in the nation as a result of the housing congestion visited upon minority groups, principally Negroes, in the less desirable parts of the city.

Boycott proponents even go so far as to demand the closing down of several central area elementary schools, including the new Washington Jr. High (3 or 4 years), regarded as a model educational plant, and the distribution of students to other schools all about the city, many of which are still all white, or at least lacking in Negro student attendance.

JACL Chapter

As a natural consequence, the Seattle chapter of the JACL cannot escape exposure to the controversial problem. Conscientious and dedicated Don Kazama of the local chapter's Human Rights Committee brought to the local board meeting a resolution-type letter which was intended for the School Board, but there was nothing on the original draft to indicate its distribution.

A few words of the opening paragraph are self-explanatory in that we are committed to "express our sympathy for the purpose of the planned boycott" and that is a nice conservative way to stick out one's neck, but a lively discussion followed, which was probably all for the best, though perhaps an embarrassing ordeal for Don, simply because some of us hate to see a measure railroaded right through simply because of that frequent phenomena—no one will take the initiative to start a discussion.

Churchmen React

A thought provoking development gained considerable space in the Seattle Times, when 15 prominent Protestant ministers led by August M. Hintz of the First Baptist disassociated themselves from the press pronouncement of the Council of Seattle churches board, and said:

"In this instance we do not accept the technique of boycott because it calls for illegal action. 2nd—it is a deliberate attempt and treacherous use of underserving young people as the tools and victims of the motives and objectives of adults."

3—It fosters disrespect for law, condones insubordination thinly veiled by the problem of civil rights.

4—The resultant ferment is destructive of the educational process and is a perversion of the strength most needed in evolving, integrated society.

The whole issue has been thrashed about pretty thoroughly in all parts of the city, and now that parents are being asked: "Are you going to instruct your children...?"

The planned boycott may well turn out to be a flop, but at least those who started the whole discussion may be well satisfied in initiating the most vigorous public discussion to date on the matter of racial imbalance in the Seattle public schools.

NEW YORK RE-ELECTS JACK OZAWA CHAIRMAN, DINNER PLANS SET

NEW YORK — Jack Ozawa was re-elected board chairman of New York JACL at its Mar. 10 meeting.

Among the coming events discussed was the 22nd anniversary dinner to be held April 23, at the Brasserie Restaurant, Washington representative Mike Masaoka will be the featured speaker.

Washington Newsletter: Mike Masaoka

2 documentary books on Evacuation nearly finished

Washington
Of some interest to the evacuees themselves and to the new generation of Japanese Americans, many of whom were born in war relocation centers, may be the news that at least two significant documentary books, written in popular style, dealing with different aspects of the Evacuation are now in their final stages prior to publication possibly later this year or early next spring.

One is by Retired Navy Captain Allan R. Bosworth, a former California newspaperman who has authored some 16 books, including two involving Japan ("The Lovely World of Richi-San" and "The Crows of Edwina Hill"), and more than 500 short stories.

The other is by retired government civil servant Dillon S. Myer, who is best remembered by older Japanese Americans as the humanitarian and courageous Director of the War Relocation Authority.

Though of necessity their respective stories will overlap some details, the Bosworth book will deal with the forces and the factors that caused the Evacuation decision, while the Myer volume will relate the WRA Story.

Please note that Evacuation is capitalized, in accordance with the suggestion of PC Editor Harry Honda, because it describes a unique and unprecedented experience in the history of the Japanese in America and is not to be confused with the ordinary meaning of the withdrawal of troops or civilian population.

Bosworth Research

Captain Bosworth has engaged in a mountain of research, bringing up to date the various Army and Government reports, as well as previous books and documentaries on the background, the prejudices, and the motivations that brought about the military decision to evacuate, as well as the conditions in the camps which caused troubles and a relatively few to

Co-ed who wants to become a lawyer crowned Cherry Blossom queen

BY RICHARD GIMA

HONOLULU—Sandra Mie Shimokawa, 19, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Francis G. Shimokawa, of Wailuku, Maui, was crowned the 1966 Cherry Blossom Festival queen Saturday night, March 19, at the Civic Auditorium.

She is the granddaughter of late Dr. and Mrs. Shusui Yamashiro of Wailuku, Dr. Yamashiro, a devout Christian, who died in 1955 in Yonagutsu, Okinawa, where he established a home for orphans.

Miss Shimokawa, a 1964 Baldwin High School graduate, is a sophomore at the Univ. of Hawaii. Her ambition is to become a corporate lawyer after attending Boston University and Columbia or Yale Law School.

Runners-Up

Runners-up were Patricia Miekko Sato, Arlene Mitsuko Hosaka, Elizabeth Aiko Yoshioka and Leatrice Hayako Takaoka, in that order.

Chosen Miss Popularity was Sharon Haraguchi, who will make the trip to Los Angeles in August with Queen Sandra.

Pat Sato, the first runner-up, was also chosen Miss Congeniality by her fellow contestants.

Miss Shimokawa, as the 1966 Queen, has also won a trip to Japan.

The 15 contestants in order of appearance were:

Michele S. Nakamura, Karen K. Konori, Linda S. Uchida, Karen S. Takayasu, Arlene M. Hosaka, Amy Nishimura, Patsy L. Nakano, Amy S. Rokuta, Elaine H. Hasegawa, Patricia M. Sato, Elizabeth A. Yoshioka, Sandra M.

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Fiesta en San Diego: Connie Yamaguchi: Deadly Deadlines Stare

San Diego
Deadlines, deadlines, deadlines! "Deadline" is surely the most dreaded word in San Diego. As the days before convention time whirl by, we are finding ourselves at the mercy of the all-mighty and ever-ominous deadline.

These deadlines are very important for the success of the convention. But, our deadlines are your deadlines, as the old saying almost goes. We must have your cooperation in meeting them.

The convention booklet committee is one group that may have to commit "hara kiri" unless their deadlines are met! Because of the printing schedule and contract, their deadlines are of extreme importance.

The committee asks all DYC Councils to please send their pictures and short articles about themselves for the convention booklet immediately. The first deadline is Mar. 31. Please try to make the first deadline. But if this is impossible, you must make the very final deadline, Apr. 15, or your DYC will not be in the booklet.

Each DYC Council must



Sandra Mie Shimokawa
Cherry Blossom Queen

Shimokawa, Sharon Haraguchi, Leatrice H. Takaoka and Minnie T. Nishi.

Judges were: Mrs. George G. Gaugler, Mrs. Marjorie Yoshioka, Clarence Chun Hoon, Consul Suekazu Hananaka, Robert Harlocke, Willis Sanburne and Shinzaburo Sumida.

Charles Ushijima, Honolulu Japanese Jaycee president, was master of ceremonies.

Plane Missed

HONOLULU — Nisei beauty queens from Los Angeles have a penchant for missing planes to Hawaii, it seems. Last year Jean Komai, Miss Nisei Long Beach, missed her plane because she got caught in a freeway traffic jam. She arrived on a later plane.

This year Carol Ann Kunisugu, 1965 Nisei Week Queen, failed to catch the right plane "because of a mixup in in-

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renounce their birthright. He emphasizes, however, that though the circumstances of Evacuation and of the camps were such that it is understandable that a few gave up on their country and their citizenship, the overwhelming majority remained steadfast in their loyalty to the United States.

He has personally interviewed Colonel Karl Bendisen, who from the vantage point of hindsight, now explains what his responsibilities were and why he took the actions he did. He is also attempting to secure answers to never-before-answered questions from such as now Chief Justice of the United States Earl Warren, former Attorney General Francis Biddle, and former Assistant Secretary of War John J. McCloy. He is providing all of them the opportunity on the record of explaining their participation in the Evacuation decision and its aftermath some 24 years after the fact.

Test Case Angle

Captain Bosworth's interest in the Evacuation is identical to that expressed in last year's CBS documentary, "The Nisei — The Pride and The Shame," and the recent New York Times magazine feature "Success Story: Japanese American Style," that the American public be made aware that what happened to Japanese Americans during World War II may happen to other American citizens in an accidental power in a national other time and in another place because the United States Supreme Court found that the Evacuation was a constitutional exercise of pres-

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'Evangeline' spurs writer to tell of J.C. evacuation

TORONTO—Canadian authoress Jessie L. Beattie of Hamilton, Ont., has written what is probably the first novel depicting the life of Japanese Canadians in "Strength for the Bridge" (McClelland & Stewart) to be released Mar. 29.

Novel includes a complete cast of Japanese Canadians and covers the period of Japanese Canadian settlement in British Columbia (circa 1900), the evacuation and resettlement.

"Long, long years before 1941 a similar injustice was perpetrated on the Acadians in Lower Canada, suspected while innocent, rejected while loyal," Miss Beattie recalled. "I think I wrote 'Strength for the Bridge' because as a child I wept over the sweet Evangeline who wandered for years through the land in search of her lover, who was lost to her when that first evacuation from Acadia took place."

"In 1941 an attempt was made to keep families together—to be civilized while cruel."

FIRST CANADIAN NISEI JUDGE APPOINTED

TORONTO — Lucien Kurata, 43, is resigning his post as reeve of Swansea to assume his post of deputy magistrate May 1. He is the first Canadian Nisei appointed to the bench.

An engineer-lawyer, he was appointed a Queen's Counsel last year in recognition of his contributions to Canada. He graduated in metallurgical engineering from Toronto in 1945 and went to Osgoode Hall for his law degree in 1948.

His late father was curator of zoology for 35 years with the Royal Ontario Museum.

SAN FRANCISCO SIGNS OVER 1,500 MEMBERS

SAN FRANCISCO—San Francisco JACL chapter, largest of the 88 in the national organization last year with 1,704 members, has signed up over 1,325 person to date for 1966.

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Ye Editor's Desk

NEW TROUBLE IN WATTS

Tuesday is the busy day at the shop where we're engaged in last-minute editing, writing heads and proof-reading. So it was with trepidation that we swapped soothing music on the little radio for police calls last week when a fellow came into the shop hollering the "riot's on again in Watts".

We had visions of the National Guard being called out that night and the curfew reinstated. Since we live in the curfew area that was imposed last August, for a while we feared going into the area after midnight. But no curfew was imposed, the Guardsmen kept on alert but not called and the trouble in Watts contained—not only by the police but also by the Negro residents in Watts.

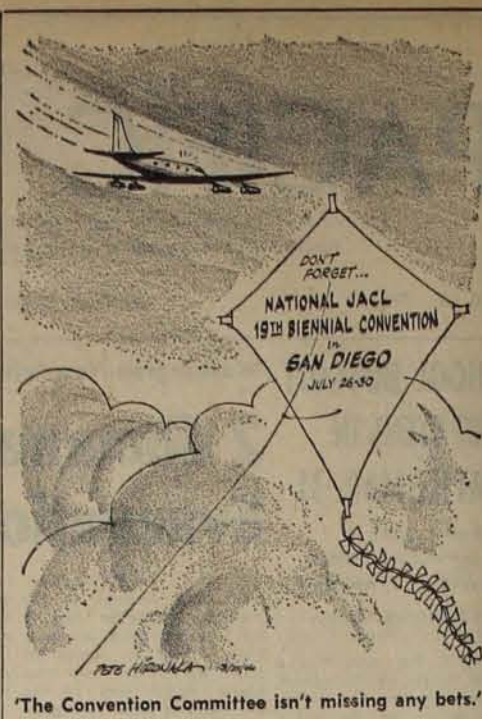
As the mayor pointed out, the city should be grateful to the Negro citizens who did so much to prevent more trouble by urging the young people to get off the streets. They took on themselves the responsibility for a quick return to sanity. We're grateful that so many realized at once that the uproar some people wanted to start would undo all of the efforts to improve the situation since last August.

The hoodlum element involved was small but active. It cost the lives of two men—one a courageous Mexican American who once considered the priesthood and who was a strong believer in equal rights and the other, a Negro, who was an innocent victim.

One thing that should disturb the Negro community, as was pointed out in an KNX editorial last week, is the "indiscriminate violence that was aimed at any white person in the troubled areas. If white persons cannot safely enter the area, at any time, then Watts can indeed become the closed ghetto that some people claim it is. All people should be able to move freely in and out of Watts. That is absolutely essential to the reconstruction of racial understanding. It is vital to all of the many efforts that are now underway in Watts, and much work is being done."

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Masaoka —

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emergency.

As a concerned citizen, he believes—as does JACL—that if an appropriate case can be found, the Supreme Court should be given another opportunity to reverse itself and find that, even in wartime, in the absence of martial law and when the courts are in operation, military necessity may not be invoked to deprive individual citizens or groups of citizens of their rights to personal freedom and to private property arbitrarily.

Of course, if the present Court is to hear the matter again, both Chief Justice Warren and Associate Justice Tom Clark would have to excuse themselves from participation because they both were among the major officials who influenced the Evacuation decision, Warren as the then Attorney General of the State of California and Clark as the then President's personal representative to the Western Defense Command.

The Myer Memoirs

As might be expected, Dillon Myer's documentary will tell for the first time the reasons behind the various administrative decisions of the WRA which so affected the lives and the fortunes of the evacuees.

His no doubt will be a more or less personal narrative of his memorable experiences as the WRA Director, when he tried against difficult odds and circumstances to bring humaneness, decency, and justice to those in his charge, when he determined that a program of resettlement in "normal" communities should replace "permanent" internment "for the duration", when he urged that evacuees be given the chance to serve in the Armed Forces.

Today, when the housing and the employment problems of Negro Americans are among the most troublesome of our domestic questions, the WRA story of how local citizens set up special committees to find housing and employment for evacuees leaving relocation camps, as well as providing friendship and fellowship while gaining general community acceptance for the evacuees, may well serve as an illustration of what might be done in the present crisis.

After all, the WRA housing-employment experience may well be the first government effort along these lines—and that wartime program was an unqualified success.

In any event, the WRA Story should have special meaning to all evacuees. And, to Dillon Myer the current status and acceptance of the evacuees only 24 years after their internment is vindication of his administration and his vision, for never before in American history have so

many been subjected to such mistreatment and yet come through such experiences without bitterness and hate.

Too Little Known

The Bosworth and Myer volumes promise to be outstanding and distinguished documents of a too-little known chapter in American history.

While we feel that all citizens should be interested in their publication, we feel that Japanese Americans will have a special interest. To evince, they will recall memories of their tragic experiences of almost a quarter of a century ago. To the children of evacuees, they will relate the wartime travail of their parents, and give to them a sense of pride in what their parents overcame.

Both books should be fitting and appropriate preliminaries to the great JACL-UCLA Japanese American Research Project now under way, which seeks to produce definitive historical and sociological treatises on the Japanese in America 1885-1965.

Captain Bosworth has expressed an interest in using pictures of the Evacuation movement and of the life in the WRA camps in his forthcoming book. He believes that such pictures will make the book more attractive and more understandable.

Mr. Myer has expressed his intention of listing names of some Nisei who have gained distinction in their respective fields of endeavor, to indicate to the reading public just how well Japanese Americans are accepted today and how they are involved in almost every aspect of American life.

Some Help Asked

We would appreciate it if evacuees with pictures that they think are appropriate for a documentary of the Evacuation and internment would notify the Washington JACL Office of the availability of their pictures.

And, we would appreciate it if JACL members and readers would be good enough to send us the names and brief sketches of Japanese Americans who have gained honors in the various professions, vocations, businesses, arts and sciences, sports, etc., or are engaged in unusual activities.

While Mr. Myer may be able to use all of them, a truly representative listing would be most useful to JACL and for general public relations purposes, for—unfortunately—no such authoritative listing is available at this time. So, may we urge individuals to write about their friends and even themselves in order that we can try to put together a listing of the more distinguished Japanese Americans today.

Pictures and names of outstanding individuals should be sent to the Washington JACL Office, 919 18th Street Northwest, Washington, D.C. 20006.

HISTORY PROJECT:

Dawn of Asiatic Interests

To the Nisei and Sansei who seek the "how" and "why" Americans first came into contact with Japanese, the JACL-UCLA sponsored Japanese American Research Project administrator Joe Masaoka offers this explanation, stressing the human and less on the diplomatic aspects of history.

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On land 2,000 soldiers of the Hikone Fleet and 800 soldiers of the Kawagoe Fleet took post as guards and 130 ships of the Aizu Fleet with 50 ships of the Oshi Fleet were posted on the sea. The ceremonial reception building was guarded by Shogunate soldiers clad in foreign style military uniforms and equipped with foreign arms.

"The marines led the way and the sailors following, the commodore was duly escorted up the beach . . . on either side of the commodore marched a tall, well-formed Negro, who, armed to the teeth, acted as his personal guard. These blacks, selected for the occasion, were two of the best looking fellows of their color that the squadron could furnish.

"After Perry entered the reception hall and was seated, a silence hung on the air. Finally the chief Japanese interpreter inquired if the diplomatic letters were to be delivered. At a signal from Perry, 'the stalwart Negroes . . . marching up to the scarlet receptacle, received the boxes from the hands of the bearers, opened them, took out the letters, and displaying the writing and seals, laid them upon the lid of the Japanese box—all in perfect silence.'"

Seclusion Threatened

Thus Perry presented the President's letter addressed to the ruler of Japan with Chinese and Dutch translations. He stated he would return next spring for an answer, weighed anchor, and instead of going out, his fleet advanced until he came in sight of the city of Edo, the

Convention —

(Continued from Front Page)

Here is some more convention information for you and more deadlines, of course.

Registration

Registration for youth at the convention will be \$1. Registration may be made, according to the convention schedule, until the final day of the convention week.

Incidentally, only one member of a family must be registered in order for all the family members to participate in the convention activities.

If a Package Deal is purchased, your registration fee will be included and you will be pre-registered. Package Deals may be obtained from: Masato Akawa, 4181 Lodi Way, San Diego, Calif. 92117.

Checks for Package Deals should be made out to the Jr. JACL Convention Fund. Package Deal requests should be received by July 17 in order to be pre-registered.

Lodging

The next important piece of information concerns lodging. Because San Diego is a convention city and a vacation land, lodging requests must be placed early. Since the convention will be held during the peak tourist season and the Del Mar races will be in full swing, lodging will be at a premium.

Lodging cannot be guaranteed unless requests are placed early; the sooner the better. The final date for receipt of lodging requests is July 10. Lodging requests must be accompanied by a \$10 deposit. Checks should be made out to the San Diego Convention and Visitors' Bureau.

Lodging requests are to be sent to:

San Diego Convention and Visitors' Bureau, 330 A St., San Diego, Calif. 92101.

I know that these are a lot of dates to remember, but we really need your cooperation. We have had some difficulty in obtaining replies and it is almost impossible to plan activities without your responses. Virginia cannot possibly plan the Talent Show unless you respond to the inquiries. It is the same with all the other committees.

Also, don't forget the National JACL Oratorical and Essay contest deadlines. The deadlines are coming up sooner than you think.

I've been wondering why there aren't any questions. Oh well, in the meantime, keep selling your convention tickets and the 40 percent commission should begin to add up. I'll have to end here or I won't even make the deadline for this week's issue!

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capital, and conducted surveying operations until July 27 when he left.

Perry departed from Japan and turmoil ensued within the tight secluded country. The American note and later a Russian fleet in demanding Japan open its doors had upset the traditional seclusion. At this time of national emergency the Shogunate realizing its military inability to forcibly turn down the insistence of the foreigners tried to unify public opinion for the first time heretofore unheard of in Japan, which was an oligarchy. It tried to solicit the influence the Emperor whom the nation held in reverence.

It is indicative of the motion of the times but the Shogunate requested the Emperor to issue an order to melt temple bells all over the land to make cannons. It was issued April 19, 1854.

It distributed copies of the translated President's letter among the feudal lords and the Shogun's retainers, and asked for their reactions.

Over a thousand written opinions were returned to the Shogunate most advocating seclusion. All recognized the poor state of national defenses and an anxiety over the fate of the country. The governor of Uraga, who had negotiated with Perry, urged that Japan not repeat China's folly where that ancient domain had been easily humbled by the western powers. Isolationists and progressives violently disagreed.

Later the more progressive feudal domains produced many leaders who advocated the "overthrow of the Shogunate."

Perry re-entered the Bay of Edo with nine ships on Feb. 11, 1854 earlier than he had anticipated, to beat French and Russian warships which he suspected were trying to beat him. Two weeks were spent in haggling over where to hold the negotiations. Japanese accounts show Perry had threatened possibility of war. Perry's report made it clear he constantly brought up his intention to sail up to the capital. He may not have realized it but this threat brought the Shogunate to the conference table because Perry's approach so close to the Shogun's castle would have been considered a national disgrace due to the negligence of the government in terms of national defense and might have toppled the government.

Negotiations Completed

At any rate the Japanese commissioners came prepared to accept the basic demands. Each side maintained its dignity and as soon as it became clear both sides were in agreement there was winning and dining, entertainment (the Japanese offered sumo wrestling and the Americans reciprocated with a minstrel show), and a lavish exchange of gifts, including a miniature railroad and a telegraph set from the Americans, and from the Japanese lacquered ware, silks, and porcelain, as well as 35 bundles of charcoal, 300 chickens, and 200 large bags of rice.

Sumo wrestlers demonstrated their power by carrying a rice to the shore: "Each of the sacks weighed not less than 125 pounds, and there only a couple of the wrestlers who did not carry each two sacks at a time . . . One man carried a sack suspended by his teeth, and another, taking one in his arms, turned repeated somersaults as he held it, and apparently with as much ease as if his tons of

flesh had been only so much gossamer, and his load a feather."

On April 18 the Commodore moved his squadron to Shimoda where Perry wanted to examine the port which was to be opened to the Americans. Up until this time the entire squadron was in battle readiness, every man at his station. Now the Commodore gave his men liberty and everybody relaxed. Business had been concluded.

The Official Narrative, prepared at the supervision of the U.S. Senate, checked in every detail by the Commodore himself, does not carry the day-to-day human side of the men's experiences but scrolls and paintings made on the spot by Japanese scribes illustrate the happenings at Shimoda.

Japanese Observations

Ship's personnel engaged in surveying and recorded data on details on land and on the sea. Americans went fishing, got drunk, did their laundry. Dr. James Morrow, the expedition's agriculturist collected specimens of flowers and plants and sketched them. The Americans took pictures of beautiful Japanese ladies for the "American" king.

At first the edict was against fraternizing with the foreigners and the Americans found it difficult to get acquainted with the girls. Mr. Portman, the expedition's interpreter in Dutch, wrote a postscript in an official letter to the Japanese:

"All the people of Shimoda are very kind. There is one important matter, however, that I would appreciate your taking appropriate action on. This is the fact that all the girls of Shimoda are in hiding. Like everyone else, I am anxious to become friends with some Japanese girls, and hardly think any harm will come from it. It appears, however, that the Japanese officials have enticed all the girls with money and are appropriating them solely for their own pleasure, which to me is utterly unreasonable. I trust you will appreciate that this is an extremely important matter."

One sailor cleverly overcame this situation when the town's courtesans obliged by serving sake to the Americans. The Japanese scribe in his illustration and caption describes this situation:

"After that, when the harlots had come into the banquet room to serve sake, one of the Americans opened up a big parcel, and, bringing out a bolt of fine purple woolen cloth, gave it to the harlot who was serving him . . . The harlot thereupon took the matter greatly to heart and the following idea popped into her mind: 'I get this precious treasure only for serving him drinks. If I gave him my body too, what limitless profits might be mine!'"

"One night . . . she seduced the American. He, needless to say, was delighted, for his strategy had worked just as he had planned. Henceforth, each and every night the man had his pleasure thus, gradually depleting his ship of its supplies. Eventually, however, word of this reached his senior officer, who caused a great fuss . . ."

Williams summed up the Expedition thusly, ". . . Not a shot has been fired, not a man wounded, not a piece of property destroyed, not a boat sunk, nor a Japanese to be found who is the worse, so far as we know, for the visit of the American Expedition."

On the morning of June 28, 1854 the whole Perry squadron got under way, having concluded the first Treaty of Amity with Japan.

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By Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

WORLD OF SCHIZOPHRENIA—The manner in which Nisei make news these days seems to be without limit, as witness the case of Kyo Izumi, a Canadian-born architect whose story is told in the Feb. 26 issue of *Weekend*, the syndicated Canadian Sunday newspaper magazine. Izumi, 44, is noted as the architect who designed the Yorkton Psychiatric Center in Yorkton, Saskatchewan, and the design he used is known as the Izumi-Osmond concept. The other name honors Dr. Humphrey Osmond, now director of the Bureau of Research in Neurology and Psychiatry for the state of New Jersey.

Izumi was given the assignment of building a mental hospital, but he found psychiatrists talked a language he did not understand. He wanted to know how familiar things looked to a victim of schizophrenia, and he learned that the much-discussed drug, LSD, produces a condition very much like the illness. So, under scientific observation—irresponsible use of the drug is roundly condemned—Izumi took LSD and entered a simulated world of schizophrenia.

He found a weird and frightening realm in which everyday things appeared grotesquely distorted and in wild colors, and time seemed to stand still. He took the drug a number of times and discussed his nightmarish visions with psychiatrists. Out of this experience he was able to design a hospital designed from the patient's point of view. For example, the beds are low because Izumi found that under the influence of the drug he found security in being able to touch the floor. There are many provisions for privacy, and colors are visually warm and comfortable.

"Nobody," writes the author, Bill Trent, "could have planned Yorkton without knowing what it was like to look down a corridor—and see another world."

HEART MOUNTAIN—By strange coincidence, three strangers have written to me within the last few days about Heart Mountain, the war relocation center in Wyoming which was home for more than 10,000 evacuees between 1942 and 1945. One was an Oregon television producer who was planning to put together a documentary program on the camp and was looking for color. The second was a college student seeking information for a paper. The third was a writer who had put together a magazine story, with many minor errors, and wished to have it published.

Where the writer found his information, I do not know, but I was startled to find the manuscript started with Kay Tanouye's poignantly memorable verse (credited by the author to an "unknown evacuee") which goes like this: Snow on the rooftops / snow on the coal; / winter in Wyoming / winter in my soul. (Winter in Wyoming, where it can stay below zero for three days at a time and the wind punishes the land cruelly, can be a fearful experience for a people who had known nothing but sunny California.)

These communications were a reminder that much time has passed since the dark days of World War II, and an entire generation has grown to adulthood with no knowledge of the Evacuation. I'm sure that even among the people who live in Powell and Cody, Wyo., the two towns closest to Heart Mountain, and among those who live close to the sites of the other WRA camps, the story of the Evacuation is an unfamiliar one. Legends must have grown around the camps themselves, concocted of half-truths and much imagination, with even the oldtimers confused about the facts.

Come to think of it, a man old enough to escape the draft and stay out of the Army in 1942, and maybe got a job hammering together the tarpaper barracks of the WRA camps, is collecting Social Security today if he's still alive.

The time is ripe now for a book on the Evacuation and camp life. The documentary material is still available, the principals are still around to add their recollections, and there is a vast audience that needs to be told about an extraordinary chapter in American history.

Nisei appointed 442nd vet directs poverty war head Bay Area council in Sonoma County for social planning

SANTA ROSA—George T. Kurata, 33, of El Cerrito was the unanimous choice of the Sonoma County Community Action Council last week to run the local war on poverty. His contract calls for \$850 a month for one year.

The screening committee had nine candidates to consider but found the Nisei who served with the 442nd Central Postal Directory in Italy during World War 2 and for many years with various United Nations agencies its top choice.

Since 1960, Kurata has been comptroller for the Hills Brothers Furnace Co., Berkeley. Right after WW2, he joined the U.N. International Refugee Organization in Geneva and was a camp director in Italy until 1951. From 1951-57, he worked for the U.N. Korean Reconstruction Agency in Korea, involved with rehabilitation of Korean refugees. Then from 1957-60, he was a consultant for the U.N. World Health Organization, working mainly in Latin America.

A graduate of Maryknoll school in Los Angeles, he graduated from Cathedral High, received his B.A. from St. Mary's College and his B.S. in engineering from Cal-Tech. He speaks a number of languages including Spanish, Japanese and Italian.

Medicare sign-up attracts Issei

SACRAMENTO—Over 80 Issei attended the Sacramento JACL Medicare meeting last week at Nisei War Memorial Hall.

Sumio Ota and Art Mauch, both from the local Social Security office, explained the program and answered many questions. Roy Sonoda interpreted the entire program in Japanese.

Charles Kobayashi, chapter president, presided. He also announced Medicare leaflets in Japanese are available in various Japanese stores and business offices.

FOWLER—Ray Kyono of the Fresno Social Security office addressed the Fowler JACL meeting on Medicare Wednesday. Atty. Mikio Uchiyama translated for the benefit of the Issei.

Tod Ono, 40

SAN FRANCISCO—Tod Ono, active San Francisco JACLer, died Sunday, March 20, of heart attack. He was in Sacramento on business when he collapsed going to his car after an appointment. He suffered a previous heart attack in August last year.

A two-term president of the San Francisco Chapter in 1962 and 1963, he was elected to the NC-WNDC Executive Board to serve as treasurer from Nov. 3, 1963 to Oct. 16, 1965. He was currently co-chairman of the NC-WNDC Budget & Finance Committee and a 6-year 1960 Clubber.

Ono also served previously on the San Francisco Chapter executive board from 1959-1962.

Ono was a public accountant, partner in the firm of Irving Rosen & Co. Born in Sebastopol, May 22, 1925, and a graduate of Santa Rosa College and Golden Gate College of San Francisco, he served in U.S. Armed Forces in Europe 1944-1946. He is survived by wife, Jane, and daughter Christine, 15.

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SAN FRANCISCO—Paul Akana, the Los Angeles-born son of a Japanese diplomat who served with the 442nd RCT in Italy is the new executive director of the Bay Area Council for Social Planning here.

The job entails coordination of Bay Area counties' planning in health, welfare, youth services and recreation.

Akana's father was a young Tokyo lawyer who married his English tutor, an American missionary. He was in the Japanese consular service to ward the end of the first World War. Young Paul was a student at Andover Academy, graduated from YU and from Columbia with his master's degree in social work. He taught at Indiana University and was associate executive director of Pittsburgh health and welfare association before coming here.

Yori Wada resigns CYA post for YMCA

SAN FRANCISCO—Yori Wada, 43, has resigned from his \$19,000-a-year position as a board member of the California Youth Authority to return to the Buchanan St. YMCA to become again its executive secretary on April 1. He had been appointed in 1962 by Gov. Brown to fill a vacancy and then reappointed to a full 4-year term the following year.

Wada explained he preferred to work with youth before they get into trouble, whereas the CYA works with youth after they get in trouble. The state position also kept him away from home as much as four days per week.

VD discussed

SACRAMENTO—Because of the recent report of a 400 pct. increase in the county's venereal disease rate, the Sacramento Japanese Family Guidance Committee sponsored a public meeting on the subject last night at Riverside School. Dr. Crashi Mitoma was meeting chairman.

The committee was organized to combat juvenile delinquency last year after several young Japanese Americans were arrested for burglary in Sacramento.

Deaths

LOS ANGELES
Hamamoto, Yasuhiro, 18; LaHara, Feb. 20—p. Mr. and Mrs. Yutaka, br. Yasutani, Yasumori, Yumasa.
Haruta, Keith, 21; Carpenteria, Mar. 7—p. Mr. and Mrs. Rikui, sis. Chieko, br. Mr. and Mrs. Kikichi (Chicago), Mrs. Mitsuo Yorikawa.
Ishikawa, Sono, 70; Long Beach, Mar. 4—h. Keishichi, s. Minoru (Fresno), Kouji, d. Chizuko Kanetomo, Sakaye Kawamura, 17, ge. 1 ggc.
Kakimoto, Tatsui, 65; Gardena, Mar. 5—Rev. Testin, Key Santa Barbara, Tommy T (Seaside), d. Chiyoko Broughton (Monteirey), Sayako Cook (Georgia), 12 ge. 4 ggc.
Kanda, Aya, 70; Santa Maria, Mar. 8—s. Yukio, Kunio, d. Chiyoko, Mrs. Masako Tsuruta, Mrs. Fuyako Tanouye.
Kanevoshi, Hirotsuke, 84; Pomona, Mar. 6—w. Tsu, d. Tsutaye Tsujoka.
Kataoka, Irene K. DDS, 31; Mar. 8—h. Mitsuru, s. Mark M. Jr. p. Mr. and Harold K. Wakamatsu, br. Dr. Harold T. Herbert Keiji, sis. Betty H. Wakamatsu, Mae Miyoko, Darlene Sayako.
Kawahara, Mrs. Okame, 65; Pasadena, Mar. 7—h. Hinausuke, s. To-shiyuki, Takashi, d. Susie Yamada, Florence Fujimoto, 5 ge.

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Eden Township JACL

Get-Acquainted: The Eden Township JACL's potluck supper tomorrow at 6 at the Eden Japanese Community Center will serve as a get-acquainted party for old and new residents. Moses Oshima, chairman, is being assisted by: Mmes. Jean Kawahara, Yo Kawabata, Fred Miyamoto and Kazuo Sakai.

Fowler JACL

Community Picnic: Fowler community picnic this Sunday at Kearney Park is being co-sponsored by the JACL, Methodist and Buddhist churches. Committeemen assisting general chairman Harry Honda are:

Mrs. William Kobayashi, Methodist Church; Patay Tanaka, Buddhist Church, co-chmn. for children's games and prizes; Chuck Ideia, fnr.; Thomas Toyama, sound system; George Yamamoto, softball.

April Dinner: No date has been set for the April dinner meeting being sponsored by Fowler JACL to hear Leland Bargstrom, county probation officer, speak on the problems of divorce. Tom Kamikawa is meeting chairman. It will be held at Bruce Lodge.

Portland JACL

Potluck Supper: Portland JACL greets its new members at a potluck supper tomorrow, 6:30 p.m., at Nichiren Church. Walter Sakai, chairman, is being assisted by Mmes. Arthur Somekawa and Jim Mizote.

San Francisco JACL

Ikebana: San Francisco JACL Women's Auxiliary will present Mrs. Shoko Kiyasu of the Ikenobo School in a flower arrangement demonstration April 19, 7:30 p.m., at Pine Methodist Church, 426-33rd Ave. She has been teaching the art locally since 1955.

Contra Costa JACL

Potluck Dinner: Contra Costa JACL will feature a potluck Japanese dinner April 24, 5:30 p.m., at the Stege School to honor the Issei and welcome new members. George Nakagawa is chairman.

A Misora Hibari feature-length film will be shown after the dinner. The school is at 51st and Potrero, Richmond.

Long Beach Harbor JACL

Fashion Show: With "Summer Madness" as the theme, Long Beach Harbor JACL's fashion show will be held at the Veterans Clubhouse, 28th and Pacific, on Sunday, Apr. 17, 2 p.m. Mrs. Emily Sunohara is chairman. Jean Lanning will be commentator.

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Canadian Nisei student surprises university by filing for post of chancellor against fishing industry leader

VANCOUVER, B.C. — A 21-year-old Japanese Canadian student, Randall K. Enomoto, has filed nomination papers to oppose fishing industry leader John M. Buchanan for the post of chancellor of the Univ. of British Columbia.

Enomoto, who believes the university is run with too much secrecy, caught the university by surprise as he filed his nomination a few hours before the deadline. Until he showed up with the papers, signed as called for in the University Act by seven UBC graduates, officials were

PRIZES DONATED BACK TO BE AUCTIONED OFF

OAKLAND—Results of raffle drawings seldom make news but at the Oakland JACL potluck dinner, a 7½ hp boat motor and two fishing rods were won by a Mr. Maruyama.

He donated the prizes back to the chapter and a second drawing was held. Dr. Ishizu won them and he in turn donated them back. It was then decided to auction the prizes off to the highest bidder and Tom Nomura obtained the lot for \$45.

S.F. bridge club

SAN FRANCISCO—The local JACL Bridge Club has been continuing its monthly session (except for a pause last November) and invites those interested to participate on the third Fridays of the month at Christ Episcopal Church hall, Clay and Pierce.

Will Tsukamoto was elected club chairman. On the board are: Barney Hata, Eddie Moriguchi, Magnus Nagase (cor. sec.), Bill Nakahara, Keiji Taira, Akira Watanabe (tournament director), W. Tsukamoto; Non-board officers: Howard Ito, treas.; Kei Shibata, pub.

Results of recent sessions are:
January—Alice Moriguchi-Bill Nakahara 31½, Jack Tanabe-Kuni Yoshioka 32, Kiyoshi Matsuo-Will Tsukamoto 31½, Earsel Hinoki-Akira Watanabe 29.
February—Bill Nakahara-Will Tsukamoto 35½, Magnus Nagase-Fred Tashiro 30½, Norman Moriuchi-Jean Nakamura 30, Fred Edamatsu-Akira Watanabe 29½.

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ready to name Buchanan chancellor by acclamation. Buchanan, 69, former president and chairman of the board of B.C. Packers Ltd., Canada's biggest fish-packing firm, filed his nomination entry some time ago for the three-year term.

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Enomoto said his candidacy is no joke.

He decided to run, he said, because he thinks the university board of governors and its senate are too restricted, secretive and undemocratic.

Postmaster Hara wants to hire own part-timers

HONOLULU — Postmaster George T. Hara, who had to hire Sen. Hiram Fong's son for a part-time job last year, said he could hire young workers more fairly than the civil service.

"If I had things my way, I'd find out if they (summer student employees) really need the money to go to school," Hara said.

Until last summer's controversy, in which the Senator's son was hired to a \$237 an hour anti-poverty job, postmasters were in charge of filling the jobs. Students would now be hired from a list presented to him by civil service, but he would go over the list himself to check for inequities. "I want to be sure that their folks aren't making \$40,000 a year before they get the job. I've got income tax statements I can always check if I want to do," Hara added.

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CALENDAR OF JACL EVENTS

Mar. 25-26
San Jose—Jr. JACL benefit movie, Okida 8 p.m.

Mar. 26 (Saturday)
Contra Costa—Family Bowling Night, Albany Bowl, 7:30 p.m.
D.C.—Mig. Md.-Nero Capital Park & Planning Comm. Auditorium, Silver Spring, 8 p.m.; Rep. Spark Matsunaga, spkr., "South-east Asia Today."
Fresno—Potluck dinner, Japanese Congregational Church, 6 p.m.
Portland—Get-together, Nichiren Church, 6:30 p.m.
San Diego—Jr. JACL dance, El Toyon Community Center, 8 p.m.
San Francisco—Women's Auxiliary dance, Holiday Inn, 245 S. Airport, South San Francisco, 9 p.m.
Santa Maria Valley—Installation: Joe Grant Masaka, spkr., Sequoia—Potluck dinner, Palo Alto Buddhist Church, 6:30 p.m.

March 26-27
IDC-IDYC—2nd Qtr. Session, Snake River Valley JACL hosts, Ontario.
Sonoma County—Trip to High Sierras.

Mar. 27 (Sunday)
Chicago—Women's Aux'y Mtg. Mr. Takeko Nomiyu res, 1:30 p.m.
Fowler—Community picnic, Kearney Park.

West Los Angeles—Earth Science trip, Kramer Junction, Mojave, 9 a.m.

Mar. 29 (Tuesday)
Westside L.A.—Gen Mtg. Tai Ping Restaurant, 8 p.m.
Mar. 30 (Wednesday)
Seattle—Human Relations Face to Face Mtg. JACL Office, 8 p.m.

April 1-3
Seattle—JACL bowling tournament, Imperial Lanes.

April 1 (Friday)
Chicago—Jr. JACL Mtg. JASC Bldg.

April 2 (Saturday)
Contra Costa—Bd Mtg.
Orange County—Justice Stephen Tanura testimonial dinner, Wil-bury Clarke's Crest Hotel, Anaheim, 7 p.m.
San Jose—Dance class, Sumitomo Bank Hospital, 7:30 p.m.

April 2-3
Pasadena—Buddhist Church bazaar booth.

April 3 (Sunday)
Long Beach—Egg hunt, Silverado Park, 1:30 p.m.
Monterey Peninsula—Spring pot-luck dinner, 6 p.m.
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Politics

Lani Higa, 17, Verdugo High senior, was mayor in the Girls Day in Government observance this week in Los Angeles. She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Walter Higa of Tujunga. Her father is physicist with Jet Propulsion Lab.

Art Takei is vice-chairman of the Assemblyman Elliott re-election committee as well as Dr. Yaemitsu Sugimachi, educator, and **Edmund Jung** (DTLA 1000er), president of the Northside E. 1st St. Redevelopment Assn.

Toshio Serizawa, 49, Hawaii state representative, got into politics because he was mad at politicians. In his native Kauai in 1947, he was active with the Jr. chamber and asked for money for a high school track but was denied by the board of supervisors. In that same meeting, it approved money to restore a horse race track. Following year he ran for the board and was elected, re-elected in 1950. In 1952, he was elected to the Territorial House. There was a lull after that session, but in 1959 he successfully ran for the House from the Big Island.

Courtroom

A federal grand jury indicted the American Honda Motor Co., the Honda Dealers Assn. of Southern California and six officers of both organizations of Southern California and six officers of both organizations of price-fixing last week. Of the \$55 million of sales in the U.S. during 1964, about \$7½ million were in Los Angeles, the indictment said and alleged the association was formed with encouragement of American Honda and that it was used to fix retail prices on the motorcycles, parts and accessories. Nearly all local dealers were named as co-conspirators but not as defendants in the charge.

A Los Angeles municipal court judge's opinion on the validity of the state law prohibiting women from dispensing alcoholic beverages may have favorable effect on the operation of Li'l Tokyo's noma. Judge Joseph R. Grillo recently found Sarah L. Gardner guilty of Sec. 2556 of the Business and Professions code but expressed the opinion the code section is unconstitutional because it discriminates against women.

Fine Arts

The Avery Brundage Collection of nearly 6,000 pieces of Asian art treasures will be housed in a new wing of de Young Memorial Museum in San Francisco's Golden Gate Park, scheduled for a June 11 opening. Lobby showcase at Merit Savings and Loan in Li'l Tokyo is featuring artistic bonsai creations of Keiseki Osuni.

Business

City View Hospital board chairman **James Mitsumori** announced a \$20,624 net cash profit for the fiscal year ending Oct. 31. Gross income was \$840,973. Formerly known as the Japanese Hospital of Los Angeles, it moved three years ago to its new location near Lincoln Park. **Steve Nakashima**, who holds a contract to operate a restaurant at the new San Jose Municipal Airport terminal, has asked city officials to be released from the obligation because of the illness of his partner, Frank Thatcher. **Takito Yamaguma**, past Downtown L. A.

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JACL president, was promoted vice president of the Bank of Tokyo of California at a directors' meeting last week. Bank president **Naoji Harada** cited 1965 as another good year: assets (\$147 million), deposits (\$128 million) and loans (\$83 million) and operating profits (\$63,000 after taxes) being higher than 1964. A custom-designed gas station operated by JACL's **Frank Milo** across the street from Watsonville's city hall was commended by the Chamber of Commerce for its good looks.

Churches

When the Twin Cities Japanese American Community Center on Blaisdell closed last summer, Twin Cities Buddhists had no place to meet. The group was too small to maintain a building, too large for private homes but through efforts of Minneapolis Tribune's religion editor who related their plight, their Sunday School is being held at George Shea's Red Carpet Beauty School and Issel-Nisei services at the First Universalist Church. **Zenshuji** in Li'l Tokyo broke ground for a new \$400,000 temple. Tawa-Shimozono are the architects; Yasuo Hamano, owner of Umeya Co., building chairman. Members set aside a dollar a month for the past 10 years to raise the funds.

Sokagakkai president **Daisaku Iku Ikeda** denied his organization was a political rather than a religious group this week. Some doubts have been raised by Brazilian authorities who are alarmed with the spread of Sokagakkai in South America. Ikeda was in Sao Paulo to attend the group's cultural festival last Sunday.

Sports

Long Beach Wilson High quarterback **Ron Fujikawa** was among six outstanding Southern California athletes honored by the Herald-Examiner Interscholastic Press Assn. and Thom McAn Shoe Co., being awarded the coveted bronze football shoe. **Yoshima** is expected to start his last leg of a around-the-world voyage to Japan about April 5. He had towed his 19-ft. sloop on a trailer across country after he landed in New York a half year ago from Genoa. **Joe Stanka**, who pitched six seasons with the Nankai Hawks of Osaka and then voluntarily retired last year following the death of his son in an accident, has returned to pitch for the Taiyo Whales of Tokyo. **Cappy Harada**, now of Oakland, was named assistant general manager and public relations director of the Lodi Crushers, a new baseball team in the Class A California League. It will be affiliated with the Chicago Cubs.

Entertainment

Toho LaBrea's feature starting tonight, **Plants from the Dunes**, is rated as the most controversial adult picture ever imported from Japan. From a novel of the same name by **Junnosuke Yoshiyuki**, it tells of a strange relationship between a cosmetic salesman and a masochistic bi-girl and her sister.

Agricultural Inspector
SAN FRANCISCO—T.T. Osa-sa, asst. regional inspector general for the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, 355 Battery St., said his office is looking for a person fluent in Japanese with accounting or investigative background. Salary ranges from \$9,000-12,500.

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NISEI WEEK beauties arrive in Honolulu to participate in the Cherry Blossom Festival. They are (from left), June Shioji of Long Beach, 1965 queen Carol Ann Kunitugu of Orange County, Barbara Ishii of Southwest L.A., and Betty Ann Kishi of West Los Angeles. —Pan Am Photo.

Pretty Sansei lass, deaf since 1½, is veteran cheer leader at high school

DENVER—A girl who became totally deaf at 18 months due to illness has been cheer leader of Colorado School for the Deaf and Blind in Colorado Springs and more recently elected to the school's student council. She is **Laura Mae Shimizu, 19**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tad Shimizu, 2421 Dexter St.

As with many high school seniors, **Laura Mae** has been thinking about college. Unlike most other college-bound students for whom choices and preferences may abound, deafness narrows her choice. She has been discussing the idea of enrolling at Gallaudet College for the Deaf and Blind, Washington, D.C.

The Colorado Springs school, created by the territorial legislature in 1874, teaches its students through the grades at paces adjusted to physical limitations of the pupils.

Laura Mae can speak with her attentive parents with reasonable ease—an accomplishment because without the ability to hear, she learned to talk. When her parents speak to her, she lip reads. She is also facile with finger speech.

Tax deduction asked for parents adopting child in Matsunaga bill

WASHINGTON — Rep. Spark M. Matsunaga has introduced legislation which would amend the Internal Revenue Code to allow a taxpayer who adopts a child to deduct from his gross income the medical, legal and other related expenses incurred in the adopting process.

The bill is called the Adoption Opportunity Act.

Matsunaga pointed out that natural parents are allowed a tax deduction on all medical expenses involved in having a baby that are not covered by medical insurance. Since the present medical cost of a birth ranges upward of \$500, most parents receive a sizable deduction.

However, **Matsunaga** said, adoptive parents receive no tax benefits though their expenses in adopting a baby may be considerable.

"In order to provide equitable treatment to adoptive parents, some tax deduction ought to be allowed. I know that a tax deduction for their adoption expenses would provide welcome assistance to such adoptive parents."

Adding that his bill would

Golfers' Dinner-Dance
SACRAMENTO — Reg Ren-fre, superintendent of Sacramento Recreation and Parks, heads the guest list of local golf pros attending the Kagero and Sacramento Nisei Golf Club dinner-dance at the Town & Country Inn tomorrow. William Matsumoto will be emcee.

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A total of 45,794 aliens are living in Hawaii, the U.S. Immigration Service's alien address report program survey shows. The Philippines had the largest representation with 19,678, followed by Japan with 17,190. Hilo has a population of 25,032, a special census indicates.

Actress **Hideko Takamine** and her husband, director **Zenzo Matsuyama**, spent an eight-day vacation this month in Honolulu. They stayed at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel.

Assistant Chief of Police **Conrad Barrus** died at home March 4. He was 55.

The Univ. of Hawaii board of regents has accepted the resignation of **Dr. Fujio Matsuda**, former chairman of the civil engineering department. **Matsuda**, on leave from the university for three years, now is director of the State Dept. of Transportation.

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