

# San Diego Post-Convention Issue

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## BILL MARUTANI 1964-66 JACLER OF BIENNIUM

Philadelphia Lawyer  
Chosen Over Ten  
Other Candidates

SAN DIEGO—A very popular speaker on the JACL circuit recounting his experiences last summer in Bogalusa, La., to become personally identified with the Negro struggle, William M. Marutani of Philadelphia, JACL's national legal counsel, was heartily applauded as JACLER of the Biennium. Selected from among 11 candidates, Marutani won the acclaim of his fellow JACLers at the 19th biennial national convention delegates luncheon July 27.

Honored at the same time was Mrs. Haruyo Masaoka, donor of the Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka Memorial Scholarship, on the 21st anniversary of the award made to Jon R. Ochi of Idaho Falls, who was present to accept the \$400 award.

Marutani served three weeks of his own vacation in July and August, 1965, to work with the Lawyer's Constitutional Defense Committee in one of the major KKK strongholds. During his stay, he was able to have the public school in Bogalusa desegregated in time for the fall semester through the courts.

### Reports in PC

JACLers became aware of his courage and dedication last year for the first time when he reported his impressions and activities in the Deep South at the EDC-MDC joint convention at Philadelphia. The Pacific Citizen then published a series of his reports. Then came the rush of requests for personal appearances from JACL groups across the country. He addressed groups at New York, Chicago, Pacific Southwest and Central California district councils, Detroit, Midwest District convention in St. Louis and finally before his own members of the Philadelphia JACL only last month.

The judges comprised of elected National JACL officers, also acknowledged the nominations of 10 other highly deserving members:

Marie Kurihara of San Francisco, Northern California-Western Nevada district youth commissioner; Tats Misaka of Salt Lake Intermountain District chairman and promoter of organized sports among Utah youth; Edwin Mitoma of Washington, D.C. (since moved to

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## Miss Jr. JACL

One of the highlights Tuesday was the crowning of Miss Jr. JACL. Though all the contestants fared well, in the final polling of the judges lovely Tertia Toyota, 19, of Portland, Oregon was selected to reign as Miss Jr. JACL for the biennium 1966-1968.

In close balloting, Reiko Yamashita, 20, of Albany, Calif. was chosen as the first runner-up, and Sharon Mizuta, 17, of Ontario, Oregon second runner-up.

The other lovely JACL candidates were Patti Ito, 17, of Pasadena, Calif., Jeannie Murakami, 18, of Parma, Ohio and Joyce Suko, 19, of Lindsay, Calif.

Crowning Miss Jr. JACL was JACL Convention Queen Miss Kay Ochi and Allan Kumamoto, National Youth Director.

## Civil Rights Resolution

WHEREAS we Americans of Japanese ancestry feel a deep concern for and common kinship with other American minorities in the struggle against discrimination, oppression and injustices based upon race, color, creed and national origin; and,

WHEREAS, we recognize that these intolerable conditions, like cancerous growths on our national ideals and principles must be rooted out and replaced with new realizations of human dignity and the guarantees of freedom and equality under our Federal Constitution for all persons regardless of their race, creed, color or national origin; and,

WHEREAS, we believe that true progress and efforts to strive for the guarantees under our American democracy can only be accomplished by men of good will along with responsible Negro and other leadership within the framework of just processes of law and order and for constructive programs of construction and rehabilitation of people through education, elimination of ghetto housing and accelerated programs of job training and that violence, senseless assaults and wanton destruction of property whether by the oppressor or the oppressed are not to be condoned;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the civil rights statement of the Japanese American Citizens League of July 21, 1963 formulated in Omaha, Nebraska be re-affirmed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that informational programs pertaining to all aspects of the present civil rights struggle be intensified throughout our chapters members; as outlined by the Civil Rights and the Legal-Legislative Committee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED officers and members further express their concern by actively supporting, assisting and participating in positive programs and projects such as Head Start, War on Poverty, Economic Opportunity programs, Human Relations Commissions, re-construction of churches and schools destroyed by vandals and in other ways in which talents, abilities, knowledge and skills of our officers and members can be more fully and effectively utilized.

## Jr. JACL Recognition

WHEREAS in Seattle, Wash., in 1962 the first youth assembly mandated the formation of a National Jr. JACL, such mandate being reaffirmed by youth and adult delegates at a special Youth Commission meeting in 1963 at Salt Lake City, Utah;

WHEREAS in Detroit, Mich., in 1964 the youth assembly, to further the above mandate, created a National Interim Youth Council to function until formation of a National Jr. JACL in San Diego in 1966. This Interim Council was instrumental in the formation of two additional district youth councils during the 1964-66 biennium;

WHEREAS in San Diego at this 19th Biennial National Convention, the youth assembly has ratified the establishment of a National Jr. JACL Constitution and has been formally recognized by the National Council.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the national membership of the Japanese American Citizens League recognize and commend the Interim Youth Council officers, the National JACL Youth Commissioners and the office of the National Youth Director for significant and meritorious service to the JACL youth program.

## National Junior JACL formally organized

### San Diego

SAN DIEGO—Formal recognition by the parent body of a National Jr. JACL was extended the youths assembled for its first biennial convention this past week at El Cortez Hotel. The youths, some 300 from as many as 38 chapters, have been meeting concurrently since Tuesday to finalize its constitution, elect officers and establish programs and directions.

### 8-Member Board

Heading an eight-member board is Russell Obana of San Francisco as chairman. A successor to the post of NC-WNDY chairman which he held will be made in the coming weeks.

Other board members elected were Paul Tamura of Oregon City, Ore. (PNW), resource; David Misaki of Omaha (MPDC), credentials; Brian Morishita of Idaho Falls (IDYC), budget-finance; Misako Hasebe of Yettem (CDDC), Jr. JACL activities.

## MISCEGENATION RULING ASKED OF U.S. SUPREME COURT

WASHINGTON—The U.S. Supreme Court was asked July 29 to face squarely an issue it has avoided for generations—the constitutionality of state laws banning interracial marriage.

(JACL at its national convention last week in San Diego decided to submit a separate amicus brief to the Supreme Court on this issue.)

An excellent test of the issue would be the ruling that Richard L. Loving and his wife, Mildred, may not live as man and wife in Virginia. Loving (who is white) and his Negro wife stand convicted of violating Virginia's miscegenation

newsletters; Norman Ishimoto of Wheaton, Md. (EDC), project; Martin Koba of Chula Vista (PSWDYC), constitution; and Elaine Uchiyama of St. Louis (MDYC), rec. sec.

Tamura and Koba are also relinquishing their DYC chairmanships to serve on the Jr. National Board and successors are to be selected.

The National Jr. JACL will have district councils and its grass-roots organizations will be called chapters. It had been recommended that terms distinct from the parent organization be adopted—federated youth clubs for the national body, interclub council for the district level, and clubs at the local level.

## Booklet

Souvenir booklets of the 1966 San Diego Convention are available at \$1.50 postpaid, first come-first served, by writing to Tom Yanagihara, 6050 Schuyler, San Diego, Calif. 92114. The thickest convention booklet in JACL history at 158 pages, one-third is devoted to JACL activities.

Their appeal, filed by ACLU lawyers, is broad enough to attack the racial marriage laws of 15 other states.

In 1964, the Supreme Court stopped short of striking down a miscegenation law in Florida. Instead, the justices ruled out a law that punished an unmarried interracial couple, but not unmarried couples of the same race, for living together in the same room at night time.

In 1955, the court avoided the issue, dismissing an appeal by a Chinese sailor married to a Caucasian from Virginia.

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TEN CENTS



JR. JACL QUEENS—The JACL gifts to American culture include (from left) Reiko Yamashita, 20, Berkeley; Joyce

Suko, 19, Lindsay, Calif.; Patti Ito, 17, Pasadena; Sharon Mizuta, 17, Ontario, Ore.; and Tertia Toyota, 19, Portland,

Ore. Miss Toyota was crowned Miss Jr. JACL at the youth banquet. —San Diego Union Photo.

## Rep. Mink honored Nisei of Biennium, Justice Mosk lauds Warren-Gibson courts

SAN DIEGO—The 10th biennial national convention of the Japanese American Citizens League became history last Saturday after Rep. Patsy T. Mink was named 1965-66 Nisei of the Biennium and Associate Justice Stanley Mosk of the California Supreme Court delivered the principal address to some 600 delegates.

Because of the airline strike, an estimated 15 pct. of delegates outside of California were unable to attend, according to convention chairman Mas Hironaka. However, 1,200 were registered.

All National JACL board members managed to report, some coming by circuitous arrangements. It was even worse for some on their return jaunt.

### Nisei of Biennium

Rep. Mink (D-Hawaii), the JACL citation read, "has brought great credit to all Americans of Japanese ancestry" as a distinguished member of the House of Representatives, earning admiration and respect from her colleagues for her legislative record in education, social welfare and civil rights.

Four other finalists, Dr. Kazumi Kasuga of Washington, D.C.; Harry T. Ushijima of Chicago; Yoshihiro Uchida of San Jose and Kenji Fujii of Hayward were honored with the JACL silver medallion for distinguished achievement.

Dr. Kasuga and Rep. Mink were unable to be present to accept the award from K. Patrick Okura, recognitions chairman. However, Rep. Mink was able to respond by telephone, the call routed through the

hall's sound system.

Happy to be a part of the history of Japanese Americans as the first Nisei woman elected to the Congress, Mrs. Mink praised JACL for defending the rights of many, a fact well recognized by many in the Nation's Capital.

### Justice Mosk

Speaking on the state supreme court and civil rights, Justice Mosk declared "the courts of our land have been leading the way toward recognition of individual human dignity." While some needs have not been met during the first two-thirds of the 20th century,

eventually they take the form of legal issues and reach the U.S. Supreme Court.

Of the so-called Warren court since 1953, that body has decided a number of important problems, Mosk related:

1—Desegregation, 2—Reapportionment, 3—School Prayer, 4—Fairness in Criminal Trials, 5—Free Enterprise System, and 6—Freedom of Speech, Press and Association.

Justice Mosk went into detail to demonstrate the fallacy that crime is running rampant because of court decisions. Crime statistics are based on the number of arrests and ar-

rests depend upon effectiveness of police work. "Figures go up—that means more crimes, but it also means better law enforcement," Mosk explained.

At the same time, convictions are increasing in California which Mosk regarded as a crime deterrent.

### Of Chief Justice Gibson

Since JACL was honoring in absentia Chief Justice Phil S. Gibson for his decision invalidating the alien land law and his 25 years on the state supreme court, 24 of which as chief justice, Mosk declared that under Gibson's direction,

it "became universally recognized as one of the most distinguished courts in America."

Always alert to the need of eliminating racial discrimination, the California court under Gibson held unions with closed shop agreements could not deprive persons of membership because of their race in 1944, Mosk reminded.

It declared invalid the state's anti-miscegenation law in 1948. It held the old alien land law unconstitutional in 1952.

Chief Justice Gibson also wrote opinions prohibiting discrimination in the selling of tract homes under the Unruh

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## Atty. Gen. Lynch pays tribute to Sab Kido

SAN DIEGO — Attorney General Thomas C. Lynch pledged to seek final restitution for outstanding government obligations to Japanese Americans who were interned during World War II.

The Attorney General's pledge came in remarks at a testimonial luncheon July 29 for Saburo Kido, former President of the Japanese American Citizens League, at El Cortez Hotel.

Lynch recently filed a brief in the United States Supreme Court to obtain bank accounts of thousands of Japanese Americans which are still held by the federal government.

Kido was praised by the Attorney General as "an outstanding representative of a group of Americans whose patriotism was tested in a most severe and bitter manner."

He continued, "The test to which Japanese Americans were put—and which they met with unique fortitude and courage—marks an unhappy but important chapter in American history. It reminds us most forcefully of the dire consequences which result when hysteria replaces reason."

Saburo Kido's efforts on behalf of the Japanese American community "have moved America much closer to the ideals set forth in our Constitution," Lynch stated.

"I pledge as Attorney General to continue to work for final restitution and resolution of the still unsettled wrongs which linger from the war years here in California," he concluded.

The testimonial program, chaired and emceed by George Inagaki, former national JACL president, had a surprise gift among the mementoes—a life-size Hotel made of papier-mache, gilt in gold, standing about 5 ft. and with a face bearing a resemblance to the honoree who has a yen for collecting these Oriental good

luck charms.

The Hotel, made by Tats Kishida's daughter Pamela, is now resting at Kido's home in Los Angeles.

An album containing over 150 letters and telegrams from friends was presented to Kido along with Harry Osaki created silver service set and an all-expense paid trip to the Orient for Mr. and Mrs. Kido.

Mike Masaoka introduced the honoree. Other program participants were Kido's colleagues in JACL: Hito Okada of Salt Lake and Sim Togasaki of San Francisco.

PSWDC chaplain Father Clement, after reciting the invocation, said Catholics attending the convention were dispensed from observing the no meat on Friday rule. There was ham on the luncheon plate, roast beef and tamales for the outing supper.

Fukuto asked the jurors why the convict was not found guilty of kidnapping for robbery with bodily harm as charged that could have led to the death penalty. The jurors replied they were under the impression they had done so.

There is no legal remedy for such an error.

DIES IN EXPLOSION

OXNARD—Honor student John Tokuyama was fatally burned at his home July 29 when a can of gasoline he was handling ignited accidentally. The 18-year-old son of Dr. Sam Tokuyama was an all-A June graduate. He died at St. John's hospital.

SIGHTSEERS—Harry Fukuda and daughter Carolyn of Chicago inspect camera outside El Cortez Hotel before seeing sunny San Diego. Carolyn was Midwest District's oratorical contestant.

—San Diego Union Photo.

—San Diego Union Photo.



Washington Newsletter: Mike Masaoka

# Convention Chat

Despite the airlines strike involving five major companies that added to the troubles of the 19th Biennial National JACL Convention in San Diego last week, our heads are crammed with memorable events that highlighted one of the friendliest and most pleasant conclaves to take place in the 36 years of our national history.

Considering the obvious handicaps under which they operated, such as the lack of certain facilities and cooperation from the hotel, convention co-chairmen Mas Hironaka and George Kodama and chapter president Abe Mukai and their San Diego JACLers ran an amazingly smooth program. Practically all of the official public functions ended approximately on time, without dragging on and on as have so many in the past. And, every National Council session recessed or adjourned on time, another practically unprecedented achievement.

Organizationally, the most important advance was made when the National Junior JACL was organized, with Russell Obana of San Francisco as the first chairman of the National Junior JACL Youth Council. The single most challenging internal problem for our new National JACL President Jerry Enomoto of Sacramento in the 1966-68 biennium may be to integrate the Junior JACL activities and programs with the National JACL organization that together we may move forward into the future as dedicated and as successful as the JACL movement itself in the past has been.

Nationally, JACL's major commitments to our country were reaffirmed—to not only continue and intensify efforts in the legislative and litigious areas of civil rights but also to try to personally involve more of our individual members and chapters in the great social, economic, and political revolution of our time, and to assume a position of leadership in the new Pacific era that President Johnson has announced, when our Government will for the first time give equal consideration to Asia and to Europe in our foreign policy.

Jerry Enomoto is uniquely qualified by training and experience to lead JACL into this new chapter in JACL activities, for he is a professional in the field of human relations and has been the JACL Youth Commissioner in the past four years when plans were forged to bring about the establishment of a Junior JACL. As a native Californian and a visionary, he has a special sensitivity to the growing importance of the Pacific era, especially insofar as Japan, the land of our ancestry and the principal American partner in the Far East, is concerned.

To us, the inspirational climax of this Convention was the highly deserved and long overdue testimonial to wartime National President Saburo Kido. The capable chairmanship of George Inagaki also demonstrated what an "old pro" can do as toastmaster.

The emotional peak was when Mrs. Haruye Masaoka was honored for providing the Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka Scholarship for 21 years, thereby sparking the most successful JACL scholarship program that has become the coveted goal of every Japanese American high school scholar. Ronald Inouye of American Fork, Utah, a previous scholarship winner, spoke so eloquently in both English and Japanese that we "oldsters" were completely captivated and charmed.

As usual, the National Oratorical Contest proved that our Sansei speakers are as challenging, perceptive, and articulate as ever. Miss Diane Suda of Fresno, representing the Central California District Council, emphasized some dangers of JACL's present trends.

Though Justice Stanley Mosk of the California Supreme Court was most informative regarding the legal aspects of civil rights, especially in California, probably the most anticipation at the Convention Banquet centered around whether the specially-arranged two-way telephone connection between the banquet hall and Washington would work out successfully.

A minute-by-minute banquet timetable was painstakingly detailed in advance. But because a number of Congressmen were unable to attend due to failure of the House of Representatives to act upon the civil rights bill by last weekend and because all of the participants more than adhered to their allotted time, the Nisei of the Biennium awards, except for the top honoree, were finished with almost 30 minutes to spare before the pre-arranged telephone call was to be made.

Congresswoman Patsy Takemoto Mink, the Nisei of the 1965-66 Biennium, was able to address the banquet guests on schedule, and she did so eloquently and effectively.

The Eastern District Council won more than its share of honors. National Legal Counsel William Marutani of Philadelphia was the popular choice as the JACLer of the Biennium, over probably the largest and most qualified field of nominees.

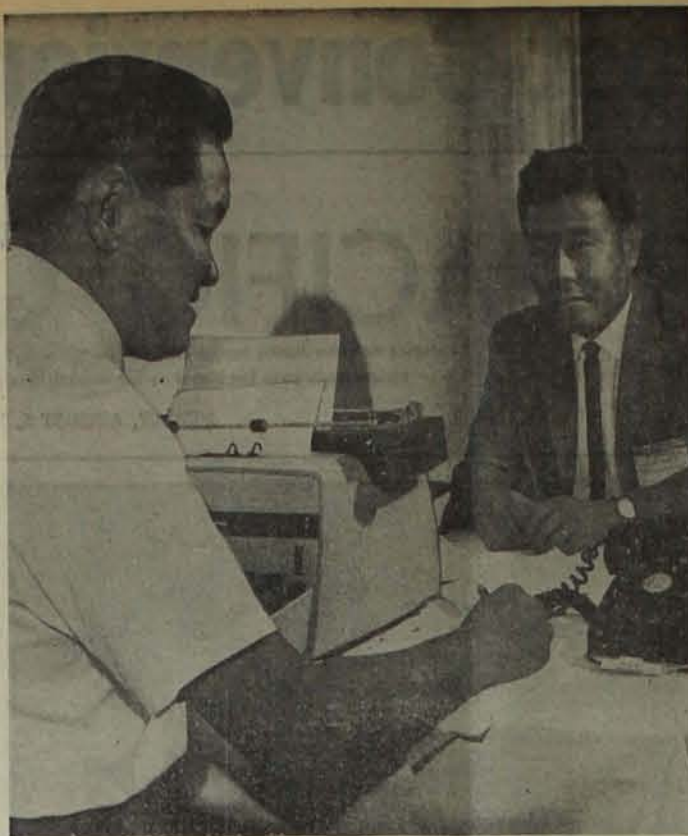
Also, as mentioned above, the Nisei of the Biennium was Congresswoman Mink, nominated by and a member of the Washington, D.C. Chapter.

The 1972 National Convention bid was awarded to Washington, D.C., over Portland, after the most spirited contest of many during the week-long affair, and the \$4,000 Fiesta en San Diego prize was won by Miss Mary Toda of Washington.

One of the more heroic moments occurred when Tak Kubota of Seattle, the Pacific Northwest District Council candidate for National First Vice-President, withdrew his name in order that he might devote his considerable energies to the forthcoming campaign to repeal the Washington State "anti-alien land law" this November.

And, the new National Board, recognizing that unique circumstances resulted in almost an all-California slate of nationally elected officers, carefully attempted to suggest to the National President qualified JACLers throughout the country for chairmanships of the various national committees.

Tom Shimasaki, the new National JACL 1st vice-president, of Lindsay, brings a record of more than 30 years of JACL service to the Board as the first nominee of the Central California District Council in many years. Dr. Dave Miura, the new 2nd vice-president, of Long Beach, represents the post-war JACLer who places high priorities on chapter and membership services. Henry Kanegae, the new 3rd vice-president, of Orange County, restores the rural point of view that once was so much more prevalent in National JACL circles. Dr. Tom Taketa, new Secretary to the Board, of San Jose, is representative also of the new "generation" of JACLers, as is re-elected National Treasurer Yone Satoda, of San Francisco, who would not only increase membership and chapter services but also improve the national image. Dr. Frank Sakamoto, newly designated 1000 Club Chairman, of Chicago, reflects the midwest-eastern concern for national public service as a citizens organization.



PREXY INTERVIEWED—Pacific Citizen editor Harry Honda of Los Angeles interviews Jerry Enomoto of Sacramento, new National JACL

president. Quotes for acceptance speech are being taken.

—San Diego Union Photo.

## Jerry Enomoto assumes helm

SAN DIEGO—Jerry Enomoto, 40, of Sacramento was elected national president of the Japanese American Citizens League for the coming biennium during the closing session of the 19th biennial National Convention here at El Cortez Hotel.

A state civil service employee as chief, classifications services in the central office of the Dept. of Corrections, the San Francisco-born JACLer represents the "new breed" in leadership—having been a postwar JACLer who came up the ranks.

Enomoto served two terms as San Francisco JACL president in 1954-55, was the 1956 national convention chairman at San Francisco, Northern California-Western Nevada district council chairman in 1957, secretary to the National JACL Board 1960-62, and two-term national 1st vice-president 1962-66.

### JACLer of Biennium

His willingness to work for the common good and his ability to inspire others to responsibility were recognized in 1956 by naming him the JACLer of the Biennium—the year this award was instituted. The late Abe Hagiwara of Chicago was a co-holder of this honor that year.

Among the major JACL projects he has chaired, his role as national JACL youth commissioner during his six years on the national board has culminated in the formalization of the National Jr. JACL at this convention.

In his acceptance speech before the 600 delegates assembled at the Convention Recognition Banquet last Saturday, Enomoto said "the creation of a National Jr. JACL represents a step toward clarifying their group identity, especially in the areas of cultural background and good citizenship." The convention theme was "Youth and His Identity."

### Grateful to Juniors

"As JACLers, we are all grateful that these young people feel a kinship with the Japanese American Citizens League. With this gratification, however, I hope that we will share a responsibility to help guide their development as an organization," Enomoto continued.

"Many challenges were eloquently presented by the youth during the oratorical contest . . . the fact that 'people need people' and the fact that this concept applies to all people . . . the need for a flexible organization to meet the changing needs of the times."

"I felt most keenly the concept that when one is privileged to be entrusted with leadership, one must have the strength of responsible recognition. I see this office (of national president) as recognition of a high order and hope to have that strength."

Because San Diego has been characterized as a city of mo-

tion, Enomoto said, "I am accepting this office with the knowledge that we in JACL in partnership with our Jr. JACL colleagues, secure in our identity as Americans, proud of heritage, will move together toward a greater American for all Americans."

Jerry, married to Joyce, has also served as JACL state chairman of the No on Prop. 13 campaign committee, president of the Community Action Council of San Joaquin County, a past director of the Tracy Lions Club, and is a holder of the JACL sapphire pin.

Bill Matsumoto of Sacramento placed Enomoto's name for nomination, seconded by Tom Miyagawa of Salinas.

### Other National Officers

Tom Shimasaki of Tulare County was elected national 1st v.p. by acclamation after his opponent Takeshi Kubota of Seattle voluntarily withdrew his candidacy.

Dr. David Miura of Long Beach-Harbor District was elected 2nd v.p.; Henry Kanegae of Orange County, 3rd v.p.; Yone Satoda of San Francisco, re-elected national treasurer; Dr. Tom Taketa of San Jose, secretary to the national board; and Dr. Frank Sakamoto of Chicago, national 1000 Club chairman.

Harris Ozawa of Pasadena had earlier withdrawn from the race for the 1000 Club chairmanship.

Steve Doi, nominations chairman, presided at the convention elections. The affair was one of the most breeziest sessions of the 19th biennial. Feeling for regional vice-presidents, as proposed by Mrs. Lily Okura of Omaha (see May 20 PC), was also noted during the campaign with four vying for three offices of vice-presidents.

### Installation

The new national officers, district council chairmen now to be called district governors, and national Jr. JACL board members were all present to

be sworn into office at the Recognition Banquet last Saturday.

Justice Stephen Tamura of Santa Ana swore in the officers. Tamura is the ranking Nisei judiciary officer on the mainland U.S. as a member of the California appellate court.

## Women's Aux'y

A national survey of JACL women auxiliaries was authorized by Jerry Enomoto, JACL president, at the initial board meeting of new officers Saturday.

Mrs. Lily Okura, Mountain Plains district governor, in charge of the survey, said the role of women at national JACL conventions can be expanded to encourage greater attendance and participation.

The San Diego JACL Women's Auxiliary hosted the convention fashion show-luncheon Thursday.

West Los Angeles JACL Women's Auxiliary manned a table selling out their supply of East-West Flavors cookbook the group had published.

## Membership

Automated membership processing was approved in principle by the 1966 National Council to start not earlier than 1968.

Further study was encouraged on the young adult (21-30) membership within JACL. The attitude will not be one to organize another separate entity within JACL but to promote special programs meeting the needs of the so-called young adult groups now active in such urban centers as Chicago, Seattle and southwest Los Angeles.

A proposal for uniform national dues drew an interesting discussion but was not found acceptable at this convention. Amounts suggested went as high as \$10 single and \$15 couple.

## Aloha from Hawaii: Richard Gima

## Fire Ruins City's Farmers Market

The early morning fire of July 27 leveled half of Ala Moana Market Center, burning out 18 firms in the city's farmer's market. Damages were expected to run between \$300,000 and \$500,000 to the buildings and an additional \$500,000 to the individual business. The center is not to be confused with Ala Moana Center, where tourists do much of their shopping . . . St. Louis High School and Chaminade College of Honolulu may move to the Pearl City area in the next few years, according to Rev. Robert Mackey, Chaminade president.

Dr. Raymond H. Hiroshige, 51, is the new City-County physician. He succeeds Dr. David I. Katsuki, who retired in June from the \$20,500 a year post . . . Walter P.S. Chun is the new head of the Hawaii Office of Economic Opportunity. He succeeds former U.S. Rep. Thomas P. Gill, who plans to seek the lieutenant governorship in the fall elections . . . Tad Fukumoto is the newly elected president of the Kaimuki Business and Professional Assn. He succeeds Herbert A.B. Chang . . . State Rep. Sakae Amano, Democrat, will seek re-election from the 13th District, the Palama-Downtown area . . . Harold K. Kometsani has been reappointed to the Honolulu Board of Zoning Appeals.

Toho star Yuzo Kayama was a two-day visitor here this week. He arrived Wednesday from Papeete, Tahiti, from a movie location and was to leave today for Tokyo . . . Another Toho star, Akira Takarada, and his wife, Akiko Kojima, the former Miss Universe, arrived last Friday for a visit.

Tsuneki Higashi, 83-year-old Kaimuki man who was rescued from his burning home July 19, died five days later at Queen's Hospital . . . Judge Allen Hawkins has sentenced Edward T. Hirao, 44-year-old house painter, to 30 years in the Hawaii State Prison for the fatal shooting of his former girl friend, Mrs. Marjorie Yamasaki, 40, a year ago in a Kaimuki St. garage . . . Dennis M. Irie and Francis Kagawa, son of the David Kagawa, graduated in June from Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago.

## 'Man of the Year'

George Fukumoto, an accountant for Honolulu Star-Bulletin, has been named Honolulu Japanese Jaycees' "Man of the Year." He was selected from among the chamber's 200 members for his contributions to the chapter . . . Tetsuo Hasegawa, vice-president of Hawaii Hearing Aids, Ltd., has been elected president of the Business League for Sound Government . . . A total of 12,784 students are enrolled at the University of Hawaii's summer session. This is 1,500 more than last year, according to university officials . . . Katherine I. Kudo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kudo of 3088 Numana Rd., has been named a recipient of a four-year General Motors

Honolulu college scholarship. She is a recent graduate of Farrington High School. The scholarship is valued at from \$200 to \$2,000 a year, depending on the need of the student . . . Masashi Kawane, 54, of Hanapepe Heights, Kauai Island, was killed July 25 at Nawiliwili when he was caught in a conveyor belt used to move raw sugar into ships at Nawiliwili. He is survived by his wife and four children, two of them sons on the Mainland . . . Health officials report that some 100 new cases of lung cancer are found in Hawaii each year.

Sharon Akama, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Takumi Akama of Lihue, Kauai, has announced her engagement to Lt. Herbert I. Nakasone, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Nakasone of Kapaa, Kauai. She is a teacher at Andrews School in Redondo Beach, Calif., and he is in the Air Force in Montana. A Dec. wedding on Kauai is planned . . . Forty-six members of Kauai High School's class of 1941 met for a reunion July 16 at Wailua Country Club. Kensho Hamabata of Los Angeles was among those who attended . . . State Rep. Maoru Yamasaki, a Democrat of Maui, will seek re-election, he has announced. He was first elected in 1959 . . . Former Vice President Richard M. Nixon will visit Maui August 16 . . . Richard Nishihara of Makawao, Maui, is bound for Vietnam for two years as a member of an International Voluntary Services Inc. agriculture team. He already has served a two-year tour of duty with the Peace Corps in Nepal . . . Father Markus, a Roman Catholic priest, has been missing since June 22. He was last seen at Lahaina, Maui.

**Democratic Exec**  
Norman T. Taira, 36, is the new full-time executive secretary of the Democratic Party of Hawaii . . . Mitsuo Uechi, executive secretary of the American Fed. of Teachers, AFL-CIO, will seek a State House seat on the Democratic ticket . . . State Sen. Noboru Miyake, a Republican, has filed his nomination papers for re-election. He is a Kauai Island resident . . . Mrs. Celestine Yuhara, of Wailuku, Maui Island, was in Salina, Kansas, in June when her daughter, Judy, graduated with psychology major from Marymount College . . . Tsunetaro Nishikawa, who joined Bishop Estate as a clerk in 1919, has retired from active service . . . Paul H. Kaya of Hilo on Big Island has been awarded the Hilo Lions Club's outstanding achievement award for 1966 . . . Jane Yasukawa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Akira Yasukawa of Hilo, had a research paper published in the Journal of Reproduction at the Univ. of Wisconsin, from which she has BS and MS degrees . . . Hilo High School class of '56 will hold a reunion Aug. 6 at Club Hukilau in Hilo.

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## NEWS CAPSULES

Because of the volume of San Diego convention reports that must be published this week and next, we are setting aside News Capsules to make room.—Editor.





By Bill Hosokawa

## From the Frying Pan

Cheyenne, Wyo.

**POLITICS IN THE EQUALITY STATE**—One need but cross the border from Colorado into Wyoming to realize that political fever is running high in the Equality State. Some mighty close races are in the offing, and they are likely to be bitterly contested by November. Oddly enough, some of these contests are of direct concern to the Nisei although there is but a meager handful of Nisei voters in the state. (The 1960 census shows 514 "Japanese" in Wyoming compared to 157,317 in California and 203,455 in Hawaii.)

Of particular interest is the battle for the U.S. Senate seat being vacated by Milward Simpson, a Republican, who decided not to run because of ill health. Simpson was an attorney in Cody, Wyo., during the war years, visited Heart Mountain WRA Center occasionally. Compared to some members of his party, Simpson was downright friendly toward the evacuees.

Gov. Cliff Hansen is the Republican candidate for the Senate. He is opposed by Teno Roncalio, an attorney and now a first-term Congressman. Hansen has proved to be an enlightened, progressive, courageous governor. Roncalio, a Kennedy-wing Democrat and staunch advocate of liberal causes, is the eighth of nine children born to Italian immigrant parents in Rock Springs, a coal-mining town. He likes to point out that he took up shoeshining at the age of 6 to help support the family, and has been working ever since.

**RONCALIO'S CREDO**—Not long ago, when a constituent criticized Roncalio's stand on civil rights legislation, the Congressman replied in a four-page letter which he described as "somewhat of a 'Credo' of my life's work." Some of it is worth noting in a Nisei publication. Regarding fair housing provisions, he wrote:

"I would like to reduce the intricacy of this conflict to the basic consideration and that basic consideration is whether or not Negroes should be allowed to live in various parts of town where they are able to afford the homes available."

"In the immediate neighborhood where I was born and raised were three homes—a Negro lived in one, across the creek was the Roncalio family, and next door was the Chinese family of the Lion Hand Laundry. If ever people lived more in harmony and in friendship and in the true fulfillment of the American dream of 'melting pot of the world,' I don't know where it might have been."

"I cannot forget that in World War II, I saw black men get shot and die in Aachen, Germany, in platoons of the American First Division; just as did yellow men in Italy; just as Spanish, Irish, English and Swedes died in American uniforms fighting the Hitlerian concepts of Aryan superiority, of racial grading of human beings. I cannot for the life of me see where restricting people of color to certain areas of certain Wyoming towns is either moral or decent."

"I believe America can no longer afford 'gentlemen's agreements,' nor should Wyoming, the Equality State, encourage by its inactivity inequalities in other states so glaring as we observe today."

**SEEKING THE SEAT**—The two leading candidates for the House seat being vacated by Roncalio are William Henry Harrison III, a conservative Republican who was defeated by Roncalio two years ago, and Democrat Wayne Miller, an attorney and banker whose origins are in Tennessee. From the Nisei angle, Miller is of particular interest because his wife is Mariko Terasaki Miller, daughter of the late Hidenori Terasaki, the anti-militarist Japanese diplomat and his wife Gwen, the American woman who told the story of their inter-racial marriage in the book, "Bridge to the Sun."

Mariko Miller, a strikingly attractive woman who speaks flawless Japanese, has been making numerous—and effective—public appearances in behalf of her husband's campaign. Recent polls show Harrison and Miller running two to one ahead of their primary opponents, indicating a head-on collision in November between candidates of conservative and liberal persuasions.

## History Project Display Attracts

**SAN DIEGO**—Nisei and Sansei viewing the centennial photographs provided by the Japanese Foreign Ministry through courtesy of Consul General To-shiro Shimanouchi seemed surprised that the 1860 Japanese embassy party to the U.S. came garbed in feudal robes and wearing both long and short samurai swords.

The Tokugawa Shogunate sent this party of 77 members to Washington to ratify the Treaty of Amity and Commerce negotiated by Consul General Townsend Harris in 1858. Pictorial record of this first official group to leave a heretofore 300-year-isolated Japan attracted interested JACL convention visitors here.

Visitors seemed impressed that these first Issei came just before the Civil War and carefully examined the enlarged photographs covering some 40 subjects.

The contrast of the primitive bodyguards seemed startling when translated portions of Ambassador Muragaki's diary carries accounts of their aides as "the First and Second Ambassadors and the censor each took with them three footmen, one spear-bearer, and three retainers, while Morita and Naruse were each accompanied by two retainers, one spear-bearer, and one sandal-carrier."

### Early Documents

The Japanese American Research Project, initiated four years ago by the JACL with UCLA, had examples also of war hysteria signs and placards displayed during anti-Japanese campaigns. They read: "Japs Not Wanted" and "Banish Japs Forever From The Coast".

The king-size business card of an Issei labor contractor who also sold Japanese provi-



**CULTURAL EXHIBIT**—Puzzling over Japanese script on exhibit are (from left) Cathy, 18, Peggy, 12, and Ann Sonoda, 15, sisters from West Los Angeles. As Cathy examines the script, her sisters try to decipher

it with the help of a translating dictionary. The daughters of Dr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Sonoda read English better.

—San Diego Union Proto.

## Keep with the times: Diane Suda

By RUPERT HACHIYA

**SAN DIEGO**—Seventeen-year-old Diane Suda, a junior in high school and the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. George Suda of Fresno, was declared the winner of the National JACL Convention Oratorical contest held July 25 at El Cortez Hotel.

Speaking on the topic "JACL Youth and His Identity," Miss Suda stressed the need of the Japanese American Citizens League to re-evaluate its goals in keeping with the changing times. She declared, "It is this mood of analysis and re-evaluation which shapes the major goal of the JACL—a goal of breaking away from the outdated and stifling ideas of a past generation and giving way to a liberal and futuristic standpoint."

"The present policymakers must recognize that the upcoming generations cannot find their identity in the rice bowl world of the old country nor in the protection of an ethnic organization. They must therefore be willing to replace traditional thought with progressive thought."

"This change of attitude, then, is the major goal which the JACL must strive for in order to accommodate the changes of today."

### CCDC Representative

As first-place winner, Diane, who was the representative of the Central California District Council, will have her name engraved on the Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa Perpetual Trophy as well as receive a \$200 U.S. Savings bond.

Jerry Enomoto, National Youth Commissioner, also announced Martin Koba, 19, of San Diego and representing Pacific Southwest District Council as the second-place winner. Koba received a \$100 U.S. savings bond. Ted Hirokawa, 19, Philadelphia, Pa., representing the Eastern District Council, was declared third place winner and received a \$50 U.S. savings bond.

Other contestants were Carolyn Fukuda of Chicago, Midwest District Council; Mary Shimoguchi of San Jose, Northern California-Western Nevada District Council; Wayne Horuchi of Salt Lake City, Intermountain District Council; and Sharyn Endow of Hood River,

Ore., Pacific District Council.

The judges were Dr. Fredrick A. Bunge, professor, Communications Arts Dept., California Western University, San Diego; Dr. Jack Mills, Department of Speech Arts, San Diego State College; Igen Anderson, contest chairman, Toastmasters International, San Diego; Frank Chuman, past National JACL President, and William Marutani, National JACL Legal Counsel.

Hiomi Nakamura was Oratorical Contest Chairman.

Complete Text to Be Printed Next Week

## History project

Five publications in the foreseeable future within four years were announced by the Japanese American Research Project before delegates.

A sociological monograph dealing with descriptive aspects of the Issei is expected by next spring, based upon the 1,000 interviews conducted nationwide by the project's principal investigator, Dr. Gene Levine of UCLA. Issei interviews were completed as of July 31, according to sociologist Levine.

Dr. Harry H. L. Kitano, social psychologist who has done in-depth studies on Sansei delinquency, revealed Prentice-Hall will publish his latest book on the Issei-Nisei-Sansei sometime next spring. A mem-

ber of the UCLA School of Social Welfare, Dr. Kitano is adviser to the JACL-UCLA Research Project delving into the history and sociology of the Japanese in America.

Dr. Masakazu Iwata, history professor at Biola College, who has been assisting the Project with his survey of the Issei in agriculture, said the research should be concluded by the end of next summer with a possible publication of his studies in 1968.

### Early 1968 Target Date

Dr. Robert A. Wilson, project director and historian, will commence the writing of the political and economic history of the Japanese in America during his sabbatical leave from UCLA commencing in September. The manuscript completion has been targeted for early 1968 with subsequent publication.

While no publication date was mentioned, implications of legal decisions on Japanese being reported by Frank F. Chuman, a Los Angeles attorney, will be another volume of the opening series of publications expected earlier in coming two years.

Shig Wakamatsu, JACL History Project executive committee chairman, added that doctoral dissertations, a push for Nisei-Sansei studies through 1967 and 1968, commencing of the definitive social history of

the Japanese in America are to be accomplished in 1969 and 1970.

At the same time, Wakamatsu noted that Professor Wilson, granted a special research fund by UCLA, will conduct his field trip in the western half of the United States this fall after harvest time. Wilson will tour many chapter areas and ask for chapter assistance in arranging interviews with Issei and Nisei, knowledgeable in their local history to be recorded by professional Nisei stenographers.

## Fiesta en S.D.

Convention Queen Kay Ochi selected winners of "Fiesta en San Diego" with Mary Toda, Mike Masaoka's office secretary, of Bethesda, Md., topping the selection. (There were rumors she had been hospitalized but such is not the case.—Editor).

Others selected: 2—Hiro Honda, No. San Diego; 3—George Sakashita, Salt Lake City; 4—Art Katayama, Los Angeles.

Others were Clark Kimura of San Jose, Yosh Nishimura of Guadalupe, Pat Akita of Seattle, Yuk Miya of Clearfield, Utah, Leo Armar of El Cerrito, Calif.



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By Alan Kumamoto

## Accent on Youth



**WHAT A WONDERFUL WEEK**—To most of those who attended the 19th biennial San Diego national convention, it was a wonderful week, hectic, tiring, yet fruitful. Our only pastime now is to recover from the lack of sleep and the running around that we did.

For myself, the week was a long one. My agenda started with a National Planning Commission meeting on Sunday and a National Board meeting Monday. . . . And the convention is still not over, since many conventioners, young and old, were rerouted home via Disneyland. One can almost hold a post-convention rally at Disneyland, since half of the total number of people who were at the Convention were there.

Tuesday after convention, remnants of Midwesterners, Portlanders, Seattleites and general leftover strays from the convention attended a cloud-covered pool party to wish one of the National Jr. JACL Queen candidates, Patti Ito, a happy birthday.

**FINALLY**—Would you believe that after four whole years and three National conventions, that finally a National Jr. JACL has become a reality with the formal establishment of the organization? Well, this is what happened at San Diego.

It took many arduous months of preparation by youth and seniors alike to make the National Jr. JACL a reality. The goal has been attained with ratification of the National Jr. JACL Constitution. True, this constitution has minor errors in semantics and construction, but it retains in its basic intent the consensus of National youth organization members who have fostered the program to date. It contains rare ingredients, comments and opinions of the Jr. JACL totality.

Question now remaining before the National Jr. JACL Council is how to make the machinery function as ordained by the new constitution.

**IT'S ONLY A MEMORY**—One of the other fine accomplishments of the Convention is the establishment of the National Youth Council, composed of eight district youth representatives, one being its chairman. Members are Russell Obana, (NC-WNDYC) chairman; Paul Tamura, (PNWDYC) resource; Martin Koba, (PSWDYC) constitution; Misako Hasebe, (CCDC) newsletter; Bryon Morishita, (IDYC) budget and financial; David Misaki, (MPDC) credentials; Elaine Uchiyama, (MDYC) rec. sec. and Norman Ishimoto, (EDC) project.

For these young, energetic councilors, the next two years of National Jr. JACL development rest in their ability and hands. We have to salute and commend National Interim Youth Council members, who have persevered and overcome many hardships of a program which has been groping for a future. We hope that all the lack of cohesion and lack of inability to comprehend concisely what was desired with the program will only be a memory.

**THE LOUDEST CRY**—There were approximately 40 to 50 young people who fell into the "twilight" age range from 21-30. It is quite a happy note to report that many seniors and juniors are thinking how these "twilighters" can fit into JACL's total membership plan. In fact, some of the energetic 21-30 year oldsters met with me from 11:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. after the convention outing to discuss the various regional differences, as well as ideological differences, which existed among them in their attitudes and opinions concerning the increasing and encouraging the number of 21-30 year oldsters into the JACL picture.

The only consensus which was actually reached was that nationally, nothing could be immediately done, but should be anticipated for the 1968 Convention in San Jose. By then an even larger number of exhausted Jr. JACLers will swell a total number of 21-30 year olds. It was felt that if many of the people just over 21 left the Jr. program, that much of the stability would be lost, consequently, the older juniors should filter into the senior organization, yet assure stability within youth groups.

One of the conclusions reached was to have the 21-30 group integrate within a chapter by taking out senior JACL membership and participating in the senior activities while yet maintaining their own separate young adults committee within a chapter structure to conduct activities of a social and recreational nature, more commensurate in meeting their own needs.

Further thoughts will have to be expanded on this 21-30 age group.

But now, at least, the eyes of the nation are conscious of the fact that the young people are coming of age. They are interested in JACL enough to know to ask where do we belong, and how do we fit in?

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**JR. JACL CAUCUS**—Jay Nukaya, 18, standing, of Idaho Falls discusses the slate of officers of the National Jr. JACL with (from left) Shauna Mori, 16, of

## Extol Japanese American identity

BY JOHN ASAKAWA

**SAN DIEGO**—An interested gathering of 250 youths and adults attended the Youth Delegates Luncheon, the first official event of the National Jr. JACL Convention last week in San Diego.

Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL Representative, was the guest speaker. He was asked to be the first person to address the youths gathered in San Diego for the creation of National Junior JACL.

Masaoka, in his usual impressive form, stressed upon the Jr. JACL delegates the importance of maintaining their identity as Japanese Americans.

He felt that it is important for juniors to use the term Japanese American to describe themselves "for Japanese is the descriptive adjective that modifies the important noun, American. This term describes one of the most important groups of citizens in America."

### Pacific Era

"Japanese Americans are especially important now that we are in the 'Pacific Era' (as opposed to the European Era of the Marshall Plan). The importance of the role of people of Japanese ancestry was vividly brought to the fore in Omaha, Nebraska when the Japanese ambassador stated that the relationship between the United States and Japan is so good now, largely because of the efforts of Japanese Americans and the JACL in the past," Masaoka declared.

Masaoka spoke of his experiences as a young JACLer, going to JACL Council sessions and being "ushered out" because of his "wild ideas." He said the juniors may wonder now, as he did then, "just why the adults are so backward." He said that we usually change our minds as we grow older.

Concerning the theme of the convention "Youth and My Identity," Mike asked, "why should I, because I am an American of Japanese ancestry and look as I do, be expected to do more than other Americans?" To this he related the story of the cost to their parents and relatives and especially to the Japanese American

regimental combat team. Specifically, he told of the famed 442nd who suffered 600 dead and over 2,500 casualties to save 285 men of the lost Texas Battalion. Masaoka said, "The slant of our eyes didn't show the slant of our hearts."

In closing he said that every American of Japanese ancestry should always use the important descriptive adjective, Japanese before the noun American and be proud of it.

### Youth Banquet

A capacity crowd of over 300 filled the Caribbean Room at El Cortez Hotel for the Jr. JACL Youth Banquet. Guest speaker Dr. William C. Rust, president, California Western University, delivered an impressive speech in which he encouraged the Jr. JACLers to think and aim high. " . . . for as you think, so will you become," Dr. Rust drew parallels to this theme, which will be long remembered.

Russell Obana, NC-WNDYC chairman gave an award to Marie Kurihara for the "unfailing dedication." Virginia Owashi, an active leader of the San Diego Jr. JACL, presented a plaque to Akira Takeshita, advisor to the local Jr. JACL, since its initial meeting two years ago. Takeshita also has been the co-ordinator for the First Biennial Jr. JACL Convention.

### Essay Contest

Ernest T. Takeda of Portland, Ore., was announced as winner of the National JACL essay contest. He predicted that if youth show interest in identifying themselves with a national body such as JACL, "there would be more meaning and less misunderstanding."

### Festival parade marshal appointed

**LOS ANGELES**—Mrs. Dorothy Chandler, community leader in the field of art, music and cultural endeavors, was confirmed as 1966 Nisei Week Festival parade grand marshal.

Wife of Times-Mirror Co. chairman Norman Chandler, she has been a long-time supporter of L.A. City Beautiful. Katsuma Makeda, active Downtown L.A. JACLer, will act as personal host to Mrs. Chandler during her visit of Festival activities.

Coronation Ball on Aug. 13 at the Statler-Hilton will be preceded by judging of seven candidates:

Arlee Morishita (San Fernando Valley), Barbara Endo (Hollywood), Karen Yokoyama (Westside), Christine Sanada (Gardena Valley), Georgianna Yamaguchi (East Los Angeles), Ruby Komai (Long Beach-Harbor), and Marilyn Wada (Orange County).

Jack Soo, stage, screen and TV star, and screen actress Irene Tsu were announced as two of the seven judges this past week by contest chairman George Fujita. Actor George Takei will be emcee of the judging, starting at 8:30 p.m. Progressive Westside JACL are coronation ball sponsors with Ed Kakita in charge.

Art show will exhibit both adult and children entries during Nisei Week at Civic National Bank Bldg., 321 E. 2nd St. Entries must be received by Aug. 7 at the site between 3-8 p.m.

Salt Lake City; Gene Ochi, 16, of Idaho Falls; and June Morishita, 18, of Salt Lake City. —San Diego Union Photo.

ing between the youth and the adult."

Stan Fukui of Hood River, Ore., was second; Kathie Yamada of Boise Valley JACL, third.

### Hootenanny

About 100 swingers attended the Thursday hootenanny held at the San Diego Hilton Inn around the pool. These young persons were transported by bus from El Cortez Hotel.

Operating at this event was the computer dating system. The applicants filled out the forms the day before and their "matches" were introduced at the hootenanny site.

The hootenanny ended with a short record hop. Visitors were riding bicycle around the spacious Hilton grounds, provided through courtesy of the Hilton Hotel chain, which is having the 1974 JACL convention at its Portland site.

### Carnival-Mixer

The Convention social which began with a carnival mixer Tuesday night (July 26).

An estimated 500 local youth and convention visitors from every part of the nation filled the Century Room of El Cortez Hotel to create an authentic big-time carnival atmosphere.

A dozen booths ranging from the favorite to a beer stein game kept the interest of each and all.

With a large area set aside for dancing and the juke-box playing all the favorite songs at full volume, it was almost impossible to stop the dancers when the hour of closing arrived.

Only after a judicious unplugging of the juke-box did the reluctant youths begin to leave and head for the Convention youth dorms set up in El Cortez.

David Hara, NC-WNDYC representative to the Interim Youth Council, was one of the many who commented that it was fun, but there were so many people, that waiting in line created a problem.

Paul Tamura, National Youth Interim Board Chairman, felt it was well planned and different from any previous conventions. "It was profitable and enjoyable," Paul said.

### Volleyball

Six teams composed of 50 delegates and boosters battled it out in the Volleyball tournament July 28.

The tournament, held in the Federal Building in Balboa Park, featured competition for the most points. Games lasted fifteen minutes each.

Team No. 5, with Don Takeshita as captain, captured first place. Star player on the team was Mrs. Akira Takeshita, mother of five.

### Fiesta de la Reina

The Century Room of El Cortez Hotel was filled with an estimated crowd of 300 youth at the Fiesta de la Reina, Queen's Fiesta dance in honor of Miss National Jr. JACL who was crowned at the preceding banquet.

Miss Tritia Toyota, 19, from Portland, is the first reigning Miss National Jr. JACL. She represented the Pacific Northwest district, competing against five other candidates.

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## A Word About Hayward

BY MASAKO MINAMI

San Lorenzo  
Hayward, California, located in Alameda County is one of the 10 cities composing Eden Township. This will be the site of the third quarterly meeting of the No. Calif. Western Nevada District Council Aug. 14.

Hayward was first used by the California Indians for grazing land. With the coming of the Spanish padres and the founding of the Mission San Jose, all of the Hayward area was set aside as grazing land for the cattle and sheep of the Mission.

The Mexican rancheros from San Francisco and San Jose settled here in 1834, among whom was Don Guillermo Castro who was given full legal title to the 26,000 acres of land. The American occupation started in 1840, when Don Castro

### Chapter Call Board

#### Sonoma County JACL

Scholarship Dinner: Sonoma County JACL will honor Byron Y. Okamoto, winner of the Mr. and Mrs. James Michener Nat'l JACL scholarship award at a dinner Aug. 13, 6:30 p.m. at the Green Mill Inn.

A \$250 check will be presented to the Analy High school director, Mr. and Mrs. George Okamoto, parents of the honoree, will be special guests. Reservations are being handled by:

Mrs. Pat Shimizu, Sebastopol; Bill Shimizu, Petaluma; Bill Shimizu, Cotati, or Ed Oniki, Santa Rosa.

#### East Los Angeles JACL

Family Outing: East Los Angeles JACL's annual family outing and weiner bake, this Sunday at Newport Dunes, Sec. B, is under chairmanship of Ken Kato.

#### PSWDC 3rd quarterly at Santa Barbara Inn

**SANTA BARBARA**—The Pacific Southwest District Council will review convention reports at its third quarterly session Aug. 14, 9 a.m., at the Santa Barbara Inn (not the Biltmore as previously reported), according to host chapter president Richard Tokumaru.

The 1965 chapter of the year award will be made at the luncheon. Nominations of candidates for the PSWDC board for the coming year will also be accepted.

The PSW district youth will meet concurrently. A tour of Dos Pueblos orchid farm in the afternoon is also scheduled.

divided up his rancho into tracts and started to sell off town lots around his adobe and plaza to such pioneers as William Hayward, after whom the town was named.

The first railroad reached Hayward from Alameda via San Leandro in 1865 which subsequently opened up the area for settlement and the population of the town increased rapidly by the Danes, Germans, Irish and Portuguese immigrants.

Hayward was incorporated as a city in 1876 with a population of 1,100. According to the census taken January 1966, the population was 93,000 and 282,500 in the Eden Township.

Hayward Air Terminal is one of the major civil airports in the San Francisco Bay area and although Hayward has grown in metropolitan stature, it remains the hub of a diversified farming activity.

Among the elementary and high schools located in Hayward, we boast of "California State College at Hayward" and the Chabot (Junior) College.

The meeting will be held at the recently built addition to Holiday Bowl. Holiday House is located at 29827 Mission Blvd., Hayward, Tel: 538-0300. May be reached —

From San Francisco: Take Nimitz Freeway, turn off at Tennyson Rd. East to Mission Blvd. and right on Mission about 3/4 mi.

From San Jose: Nimitz Freeway, turn off at Whipple Rd., then East on Industrial Parkway to Mission Blvd.

From Tracy: Highway 50 to Hayward and about 2 miles south on Mission Blvd.

From San Mateo: Turn right at Hesperian Blvd. to Tennyson Rd. (about 3 blocks) and left on Tennyson to Mission Blvd.

President Aki Hasegawa extends a cordial invitation to all delegates and boosters to attend.

Ken Fujii, our chapter nominee for Nisei of the Biennial and one of the five finalists, will also be on hand along with his wife, Allyce.

Chairman for the day, our vice-president Harry Tanabe has taken care of all the details to insure an enjoyable meeting.

Tom Kitayama, Union City Councilman, will probably pass out flowers to the ladies. Be sure to look for him, he'll be wearing a carnation in his button hole.

Third quarterly meeting of the NCWN-DC meeting hosted by the Eden Township JACL on Sunday, Aug. 14. See you then!

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### CCDC to hear confab reports Aug. 9

**SELMA**—The Central California District Council will hear convention reports at its Aug. 9 meeting at Freeway Lanes starting at 7:45 p.m.

### Drum-Bugle unit to place wreath

**CHICAGO**—Highlight of the Aug. 19-31 tour of the Chicago Nisei Ambassador Drum and Bugle Corps will be the placing of a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery Aug. 28—a ceremony usually reserved for heads of state, foreign dignitaries and top American officials.

Permission was received from the Pentagon through the kindness of JACL Washington Representative Mike Masaoka.

Before returning home, the 80-member corps will play on the steps of the U.S. Capitol Aug. 30, 10 a.m., and be presented an American Flag that has flown over the Capitol from Rep. Sidney R. Yates (D-Ill.), in whose district many corps members reside.

Parents of the drum & bugle corpsmen have served either in the 442nd RCT or military intelligence in the Pacific during WW 2.

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### Kay Kurimoto



# JACL major medical plan effective July 1 for Mountain-Plains District

DENVER—After a successful enrollment period, the Capitol Life Insurance JACL major medical plan adopted by the Mountain-Plains District Council became effective as of July 1, according to Paul Chinn of Los Angeles, who initiated a similar plan now enjoyed by JACLers in the Pacific Southwest and Central California district councils.

Certificates will be issued to Galt L. McClurg of Denver, the Mountain-Plains Capitol Life administrator.

The plan is essentially the same as that instituted two years ago. But one important change, common to all three district councils, is in the maximum age.

As of July 1, 1986, all new insured coverage will cease as of their 65th birthday. Those insured in the PSWDC and CCDC prior to July 1, 1986, will have coverage remain in effect to age 70 as originally scheduled, if desired by the insured.

In view of the ever rising cost of medical treatment, both hospital and surgical, now more than ever before, everyone should be covered by a good broad medical health plan that pays most all of the bills, not just a token amount.

By belonging to JACL, any member in the three districts named, can apply for just such a plan at a cost that is admitted to be the lowest in the entire country for such broad coverage.

Now that the plan is in ef-

## Biennium —

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and Hawkins acts, stipulating the Pasadena school board must alleviate racial imbalance, and most recently declaring Prop. 13 unconstitutional. Justice Mosk was introduced by Frank F. Chuman.

Bert Tanaka was emcee. Paul Tamura led in the Pledge of Allegiance. James Kasahara, Hollywood JACL president, sang the National Anthem, and the JACL Hymn, accompanied by Ritsuko Kawakami of East Los Angeles JACL.

The Rev. Arthur Tsuneishi gave the invocation and the Rev. Benjamin Hiraga the benediction. Both are local Protestant ministers. Mrs. Lily Okura read the JACL Creed.

Mayor Frank Curran of San Diego, chapter president Abe Mukai and national president Kumeo Yoshinari addressed the assemblage.

Curran was instrumental in securing last-minute permission to have conventioners visit the aircraft carrier Kittyhawk, just back from Vietnamese waters.

Justice Stephen Tamura of the state appellate court installed the new JACL and Jr. JACL officers.

Pauline Nakamura and Mary Umekubo were dinner co-chairmen. Dorothy Asakawa and Vivian Kodama co-chaired the Savonara Ball that followed with Buster Carlson's orchestra. Mas Asakawa was dance emcee.

The youths frolicked down stairs in their own Savonara Ball.



**PINEAPPLE TREAT**—Donna Kowase (left) of San Diego, and Georgina Chida of Orange hand a pineapple to Glenn Hara of San Diego. Pineapples flown from Hawaii before the airline strike were given to the first 200 out-of-towners to register. Glenn is a medical student at San Francisco. —San Diego Union Photo.

## Obon Dance season here ... gaiety of memorial service is mark of gratitude

LOS ANGELES — Non-Japanese looking at the laughing faces of dancing children and the smiling drummers find it hard to believe the Buddhist Obon Dance is a memorial service.

But the colorful festivals, lantern parades and dances of the summer months are a few ways the Buddhists honor the dead.

The gaiety of the popular Obon dance expresses to Buddha the gratitude of the dancers, singers and drummers for the salvation of their friends and ancestors.

The first dance took place more than 2,500 years ago in India, the birth place of Buddhism. Obon reached Japan soon after the introduction of the religion in the 7th Century.

Immigrants from Japan introduced the Obon festival to America and it has become a part of the local culture where there is a Buddhist temple.

The stylized dances have lost most of their religious significance as they were transformed from temple ceremonies to folk dance festivals.

Each Buddhist temple sponsors obon dances usually lasting two days from early evening to about midnight.

Kimono-clad dancers circle a centrally situated yagura (tower) on which the musicians chant, blow flutes and beat drums.

## ZEN SCHOLAR AIDED BY NISEI SECRETARY

BY TAMOTSU MURAYAMA (Special to the Pacific Citizen)

TOKYO—The death last July 12 of Dr. Daisetsu Suzuki, 96, internationally-known philosopher and authority on Zen Buddhism, recalls the ongoing role of his Nisei secretary for the past 13 years, Miss Mihoko Okamura, of New York.

Without the care of Miss Okamura, who also served as a perfect nurse, the many books and articles by Dr. Suzuki could not have been published during the past decade.

She met Dr. Suzuki in New York, determined to study Buddhism under the well-known scholar.

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## Ye Editor's Desk

### THANK YOU, SAN DIEGO

An Englishman has said: "Success is a rare paint; (it) hides all the ugliness." And a French proverb holds: "Nothing succeeds like success."

Those who have staged conventions will understand these quotations well. Previous JACL convention planners have passed on their successors plans and details of theirs. San Diego JACL will have an operating manual to pass on to San Jose, Chicago, Washington and Portland chapters, which are staging the biennial gatherings through 1974.

So smooth was the operation of the 19th biennial that events finished on schedule. Action on the council floor was equally calm except for the hi-jinks the last day to nominate and elect officers and select future convention sites. All of the fury over issues was spent in committees and caucuses that thundered into the wee hours of the morning.

Financially, the convention pulled through—and this aspect was keenly hoped by the jolly-sell of Portland JACL seeking the 1972 bid, only to have it snatched away at the last moment by Washington, D.C. But so weighty was Portland's bid that the delegation approved their second bid for 1974.

For a while, we had visions of the Jr. JACL holding its own national convention at Portland in 1972 and the parent JACL the same year in Washington. A separate convention is inevitable, as we see it—and perhaps the Juniors can by hosting theirs in the odd-numbered years. There was even some discussion (unofficial) that JACL ought to consider annual conventions to better meet the issues of the day.

Because JACL conventions are successful financially, chapters are now bidding well in advance. And with convention week lasting at least five days and with over 1,000 delegates expected—assuming each spends \$100 or \$20 a day—it's a \$100,000 business.

### JR. JACL'S FIRST MILESTONE

Presence of youth in JACL's plans for tomorrow was formally recognized at the 19th Biennial just concluded by the San Diego chapter.

With formation of what will now be officially known as the "National Jr. JACL", the task of shaping the structure of the youth organization has past its first milestone. Somewhere ahead is the second milestone and the current leadership under Russ Obama of San Francisco, the new Jr. JACL national chairman, has its job cut out to establish direction in search of it.

Its progress will be marked at the next national convention at San Jose in 1968.

### 1966 JACL CIVIL RIGHTS STATEMENT

A realistic assertion of JACL thinking on the explosive civil rights issue that was unanimously supported by delegates from all eight district councils literally saturated all the waking hours of the committee men drafting the resolution.

First posed at the Planning Commission hearing on Sunday prior to the Convention, discussed in detail on Monday by the National Board, then reported and digested by convention delegates on Tuesday and Wednesday, it was not until late Friday night that a final draft was agreed upon—only to have further amendments inserted to clarify the language Saturday morning.

It does not call for Nisei to demonstrate as many understand that word to mean but to work for guarantees under the just processes of law and order, education, elimination of ghetto housing, and condoning at the same time the senseless and wanton destruction of property. In reaffirming JACL's 1963 civil rights statement that endorses intensified participation in responsible and constructive activities to obtain civil equality, social justice and full economic and educational opportunities as a matter of fundamental right for all Americans, JACL will push an informational program throughout its chapters and urge members to assist in such projects as Head Start, War on Poverty, "and in other ways in which talents, abilities, knowledge and skills of our officers and members can be more fully and effectively utilized."

How the last 23 words of the 1966 JACL civil rights resolution are being implemented by the Nisei shall be a subject the Pacific Citizen will cover in depth when the facts come to our attention.

Some of the most meaningful and creative assistance to assure all minority rights may be born as a result of this resolution.

### EDITORIAL POLICY AFFIRMED

The Pacific Citizen, with a two-fold purpose of representing JACL as a public relations media and reporting the achievements, problems and issues affecting persons of Japanese ancestry, had its editorial-business policies affirmed by the National Council. In brief, both JACL-oriented and general Nisei news will be carried; national news shall prevail over purely local news; contents shall determine publication of letters to the editors be they from members or non-members or whether favorable or unfavorable.

Diverse opinions expressed by columnists represent the variety of our readership and not necessarily JACL policy, but columns by JACL paid staff shall be consistent with JACL policy.

Divergent views to help guide public opinion may not be JACL's or PC's, but PC accepts responsibility for providing such space.

And PC reserves the right to decline any adverse business copy not within requirements of the paper, but such refusal is not a reflection against any particular advertiser.

More Convention comments will appear in our column next week.



'Well—we're still counting our blessings and now we're counting grandchildren.'

## Letters from Our Readers

### Do you open doors?

Editor:

Why is that Nisei belittle anything done by Nisei and glorify similar deeds by others? Why is it that Nisei leaders not only dutifully acknowledge criticisms of Nisei by others and join in the criticism without trying to understand the Nisei themselves? Nisei are the most misunderstood minority in America, and most misunderstood by those who often speak for them.

Why was Jackie Robinson's turning of the other cheek any more meaningful than the Issei and Nisei doing the same thing over a period of two generations? Jackie Robinson's success helped open the door for others to follow. The 100th Battalion in training at Camp McCoy, the 442nd at Shelby, the flood of evacuees relocating in the Midwest and East which had not known any one of Japanese race before—by their demonstration of honest, hard work and good citizenship, they all opened the door for other minorities to follow.

The Issei and Nisei helped improve the image of "minority."

### CALENDAR

Aug. 6 (Saturday)  
Mt. Olympus—Summer Outing, Orange County—Potluck supper, Buddhist Church, Anaheim, 7 p.m.

SELANO Counties—SE Gakuen carnival, Norwalk.

Berkeley—Jr. JACL game time doubles, ASUC Bowl.

Aug. 7 (Sunday)  
East Los Angeles—Family picnic, Newport Dunes.

Pasadena—Community Center bazaar.

Aug. 9 (Tuesday)  
CCDC—Convention report, Free-way Lines, Selma, 8 p.m.

Aug. 11 (Thursday)  
East Los Angeles—Bd Mtg.

Aug. 12-14  
Chicago—Jr. JACL carnival, JACL SC Bldg.

Aug. 12 (Friday)  
PNWDC—Jr. Bd Mtg. Seattle JACL Office, 8 p.m.

San Francisco—Dance class, Park Presidio Y.M.C.A., 8 p.m.

San Francisco—Jr. JACL Mtg. Okada's res., 431-32nd Ave., 7:30 p.m.

San Jose—Giants vs. Astros, Candlestick Park.

Aug. 13 (Saturday)  
Prog. Westside—Nisei Week Convention ball, Statter-Hilton Hotel.

Sonoma County—Scholarship dinner, Green Mill Inn, 6:30 p.m.

Aug. 14 (Sunday)  
NC-WNDC—3rd Quarterly: Eden Township JACL hosts, Holiday House, 2827 Mission Rd., Hayward.

PSWDC—3rd Quarterly: Santa Barbara JACL hosts, Biltmore, 9:30 a.m.

Cincinnati—Picnic, St. Edmund's, San Francisco—Chapter picnic.

Venice-Culver—Community picnic, Cheviot Hills, 11 a.m.

Aug. 15 (Monday)  
Pasadena—Bd Mtg. JACL Office, 8 p.m.

Seattle—Jr. Bd Mtg. JACL Office, 8 p.m.

Aug. 16 (Tuesday)  
Seattle—Young Adult Mtg. JSCC Office, 8 p.m.

Aug. 17 (Wednesday)  
Seattle—Bd Mtg. JACL Office, 8 p.m.

Aug. 19 (Friday)  
Hollywood—Ikubana class, Flower View Gardens, 7 p.m.

San Francisco—Bridge club, Christ Episcopal Church, 8 p.m.

San Francisco—Dance class, Park Presidio Y.M.C.A., 8 p.m.

Sonoma County—Ice skating.

Aug. 20 (Saturday)  
Orange County—JAYS installation banquet, Revere House, Santa Ana, 7:30 p.m.; Justice Stephen Tamura, 4:00 p.m.

Venice-Culver—Splash party, Scarborough's, 6-10 p.m.

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### Personal Experiences

Many have interpreted Nisei reluctance to participate in the violence of the present social upheaval as arrogance. Nothing could be further from the truth.

If the Nisei have not embraced threats and violence as methods of seeking justice and equality there are reasons—their personal experiences in rising from ghetto existence to a place in the sun.

Intimate personal examples have taught the Nisei that in the U.S. equality and justice can be achieved by dedication to education and good citizenship. It is a long and tedious task. There is no glamour of TV coverage nor splash on the front pages of magazines and newspapers. The pace is agonizingly slow at times; but it is a sure road to equality.

Nisei had not lost their faith in America that changes can be achieved without resorting to violence.

### The Nisei Message

If there is a message we can give to other minorities it is that in the U.S. both economic and social equalities are achievable without the violent overthrowing of all those above us. Many Nisei spokesmen have forsaken this philosophy which they themselves once

embraced, and which is responsible for their own successes. These dedications toward self-improvement and education are easier said than done, and herein its fault as an advice to others. It is easier to point the fingers at others; and in the solemn warnings of violence issued the implied sanction of violence which has not been overlooked. Some of the so-called peaceful demonstrations are direct invitations to violence. Many Nisei leaders have sanctioned this philosophy of violence in the name of equality.

It is ironic that at the time when responsible Negro leaders are trying to instill race pride and increased personal efforts through good citizenship to better their own status that Nisei leaders should be sniping at this very same efforts which were their own salvation.

It is doubtful whether we would be where we are today if we had in the past resorted to violence to express our frustrations.

### Responsible Citizenship

There is an accepted method of conduct in a civilized world, no matter what group or social status one may be in. The Nisei have gained acceptance by doing what was expected of good citizens, citizens who are responsible not only to themselves but to their neighbors.

Our acceptance as responsible citizens and neighbors is the only secure kind of acceptance.

Among Caucasians themselves, moving up in status by acceptance is practiced.

It is practiced universally, and not only by Orientals and Negroes. Probably our leaders are not aware that their acts are also in conformity with the accepted response to the turmoil of the time—that of accepting any social revolt in the name of civil rights, however far fetched and antisocial it may have become.

There is nothing wrong in always wanting to be the best as a citizen. This is the mark of good citizenship.

Like in sport you can't always win, but we like to feel that we did our very best in a civilized way, that we didn't lose our temper and injured at random the innocent as well as the guilty, that if full achievement was not realized in our own time that we had laid a firm foundation upon which further responsible framework can be laid to achieve the ultimate goals.

One resorts to violence when he has given up all hopes, and in America this is a foreign concept.

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## Local press coverage of JACL national convention cited: 'best ever yet'

SAN DIEGO—The 70,000 residents of balm-y San Diego were fully aware of the presence of adult and youth delegates to the 19th biennial National Convention of the Japanese American Citizens League which opened July 26 at El Cortez Hotel.

The local press and radio-TV coverage was described as "outstanding and best ever" by Kumee A. Yoshinari of Chicago, National JACL President, noting the full spread of pictures for the two days in the

embraced, and which is responsible for their own successes.

Those volunteers, put into a segregated unit, sent into the thick of the fighting in Italy and their unit became one of the most decorated of the war.

The Japanese American Citizens League is the group that won the right for the American citizens to be represented to volunteer to fight in World War II. Securing the right to volunteer was just one struggle the JACL has won to improve the lot of Americans of Japanese ancestry. This week the JACL is holding its 19th biennial national convention in San Diego.

The JACL says it is in business to sell a product—Americans of Japanese ancestry, which, it says, is essentially an American product.

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

JOB WELL DONE

The JACL has been doing its job well for Japanese American children have a higher median level of education than the national average. Also the percentage of Japanese American males in white collar jobs is higher than the overall average.

The FBI Uniform Crime Report for 1964 shows only three Japanese in the whole country were arrested for murder and three for manslaughter.

The Japanese American Creed contains a sentiment which all Americans should feel, regardless of their national origin.

The creed says, in part: "I am proud that I am an American citizen of Japanese ancestry, for my background makes me appreciate more fully the wonderful advantages of this nation."

"I believe in her institutions, ideal and traditions; I glory in her heritage; I boast of her history; I trust in her future. She has granted me liberties and opportunities such as no individual enjoys in this world today."

BELIEF IN AMERICA

"Because I believe in America, and I trust she believes in me, and because I have received innumerable benefits from her, I pledge myself to do honor to her at all times and in all places; to support her Constitution; to obey her laws; to respect her flag; to defend her against all enemies, foreign or domestic; to support her in all her duties and obligations as a citizen."

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