

# Yokohama Specie Bank yen deposit claimants get final chance to file

(Special to the Pacific Citizen)  
**WASHINGTON** — Every Issei and Nisei who ever filed a claim for the repayment of their pre-World War II yen certificate deposits in the Yokohama Specie Bank should write immediately to the Of-

fice of Alien Property, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League advised today.

All Yokohama Specie Bank depositors of yen certificates should write the Office of Alien Property about their claim including the name and address of the claimant and the claim number, if known.

According to Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL Representative, all Yokohama Specie Bank claimants should write to the Department of Justice even though—

(a) they may not have been a party to the successful law suit that resulted in the April 10 order of the United States Supreme Court that the Department of Justice reconsider and pay certain Yokohama Specie Bank depositors whose claims may have been withdrawn, abandoned and dismissed;

(b) they may not remember their original claim number;

(c) they may not now have in their possession or recall the registration or identification number of their yen certificates of deposit;

(d) they may have redeemed or converted their prewar certificates at the postwar yen exchange rate, or

(e) they may be the heirs or successors in interest to the claims of their parents or other owners of such yen certificates.

**If in Doubt Write**  
 "If in doubt, write in and leave the responsibility for determining eligibility to the government," Masaoka warned saying that "this is the only way in which to make sure that your rights are fully protected."

The only exception to the write-in advice applies to those Yokohama Specie Bank claimants who were involved in the successful court-ordered settlement of a few years ago and have been paid under the terms of that settlement, the JACL official said.

Following the successful law suit prosecuted by Washington attorneys Joe Rauh and John Silard and Los Angeles attorneys A.L. Wirin and Fred Okrand, Masaoka met with them and with the attorney in charge of the Dept. of Justice to discuss the most equitable settlement for the greatest possible number of prewar depositors.

At that time it was noted that the benefits of the Supreme Court decision should not be restricted to only those who were joined in the litigation but to all others who would qualify for repayment under the general understanding of the court order including those whose claims have been withdrawn, dismissed or abandoned.

**Most Have Moved**  
 At the meeting Masaoka noted that most, if not all, of the depositors were either Issei or Nisei, many, if not most of whom have moved several times since the filing deadline for these claims in the late '40s because of the West Coast Evacuation of 1942 and its subsequent relocation and resettlement movements. He judged that many of the Issei, perhaps most, had passed away or were now living with their children and hence could not be traced by their names as claimants alone.

In some cases he said that the children of the Issei and Nisei claimants may not even be aware that their parents had yen certificates of deposit in the prewar Yokohama Specie Bank on the West Coast and in Hawaii.

Masaoka also told the attorneys that many claimants cannot remember their original claim numbers while others have lost or misplaced their yen certificates of deposit.

Still others perhaps on trips to Japan had redeemed their certificates at the postwar exchange rate at the Bank of Tokyo, the successor institution, or converted it to current accounts, also at the postwar exchange rate.

**Changes Unreported**  
 In any event Masaoka made it clear that over the years many of the claimants have become discouraged and have failed to keep the Office of Alien Property informed of all changes in address. Often times too, their heirs or successors in interest did not report the death of their claimant parents and did not keep the government agency concerned informed of changes in their own address.

The JACL Representative reported that he found the Justice Department attorney to be most understanding and sympathetic and lawyers

Rauh and Silard most anxious to extend the benefits of the law case to as many depositors as possible.

One evidence of that interest and concern is the press release of the Justice Department last week inviting all possible claimants to write in to the Office of Alien Property about their claim.

**Final Opportunity**  
 In case of heirs or successors in interest, Masaoka said that they should write in and give the name and the last known address of the claimant and explain when and the circumstances of their survivorship.

"Because of the funds available, this may well be the final and last opportunity for Yokohama Specie Bank yen certificate holders to recover their money," Masaoka emphasized, "so every one who believes that he or she has a claim should write into the Office of Alien Property, Department of Justice in Washington, D.C., immediately in order that the final processing of all legitimate claims may be begun within a reasonably short period."

## WATSONVILLE JACL PROJECT TO BEAUTIFY JAPANESE CEMETERY

**WATSONVILLE** — Some 350 Japanese are buried in Pioneer Cemetery in nearby Freedom, now under jurisdiction of the Santa Cruz County Cemetery District formed several years ago to assure perpetual care.

In the northwest corner, the Japanese section has been sadly neglected. Big old cypress and willow trees, which abound in the entire area, have caused tombstones to tumble. Almost a third of the Japanese tombstones are now down. Caretakers are unable to straighten them up because of the roots and steep slopes.

Adding to the problem are 90 wooden markers which were erected some 40 or 50 years ago. Almost all the names of these wooden markers are worn out and can not be distinguished at all. The official cemetery map has no record of these old wooden markers. It seems that almost all these wooden graves have no families in this area as no

fresh flowers were offered on the recent Memorial Day.

The Watsonville JACL had requested the Cemetery District to appropriate sufficient funds to improve and beautify the Japanese section. The board of director of the Cemetery District accepted the JACL request and asked the JACL to submit a plan to improve and beautify the section and an estimate of the cost.

The JACL Cemetery Committee is now studying a definite plan. The first thing to be done is to have the big old trees to be cut down and to have all tumbled down tombstones to be erected again.

The next problem to solve is what to do with those old wooden markers which present a very ugly sight in the cemetery. The committee decided to have the families who have those wooden markers to consult Fred Nitta, committee chairman, about the disposition of these wooden markers.



**MISS HARBOR**—Aspirants for 1967 Miss Harbor are (from left) Fumiko Craner, Susan Narita, Patricia Kanetomo, Barbara Ono and Yumi Stuhr. They will be introduced at a chapter garden party this Sunday and winner selected at the coronation ball June 24 at Edgewater Inn. —Art Noda Photo

## Five Vie for Miss Harbor

**LONG BEACH** — Five candidates for Miss Harbor will be introduced at the annual Long Beach-Harbor JACL Oriental Garden party this Sunday, 1:30 p.m., at International Inn Hotel.

Chapter president Frank Hayashi has appointed Dr. Leo Nakayama and Mrs. Hideko Tanishita as co-chairmen of the party, which will be attended by civic dignitaries. Vying for the Miss Harbor title are:

Fumiko Craner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Craner; Susan Narita, daughter of Mrs. Nobu Narita of Long Beach and Mr. Mas Narita of Orange County; Patricia Kanetomo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kanetomo; Barbara Ono, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ono; and Yumi Stuhr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Stuhr. All with the exception of Miss Ono live in Long Beach; Miss Ono is from Dominguez.

judging for the aspirants, will also include exhibits of sumi-e, crafts and games indigenous to Japanese culture and an Aikido demonstration. On the committee are:

Dr. David Miura, Master of Ceremonies; Kazuko Matsumoto, guests and invitations; Mitsuye Hamada, programs; Hiroshi Morita, photography; Steve Kobata, Haruo Ichikawa and Meriko Tomura, refreshments; Mrs. Art Nakayama, judges; Mrs. Frank Sugiyama, hostesses; Frances Ishii, pub.; and Dr. Elinor Makino, exhibits.

Final Miss Harbor judging will take place June 24 at the coronation ball to be held at Edgewater Inn Hotel.

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# UCLA Symposium on Evacuation: Japanese tailor-made for Army order, says Kitano

BY JOE GRANT MASAOKA

**Los Angeles**  
 "Eugene V. Rostow, now presidential assistant, characterized Evacuation and incarceration as 'our worst wartime mistake' and Prof. A. Russell Buchanan of UC Santa Barbara argued it was 'the most widespread disregard of personal rights since... slavery' yet when you try to explain to students that it was one of the most popular wartime acts, many look at you with stunned disbelief," declared historian Roger Daniels, lead-off speaker at the day-long public symposium held at UCLA's Schoenberg Hall last Saturday, June 3, before an audience of 300.

"If American history is described as the 'literature of national self-congratulation' then we should discuss Evacuation that it will be included in history" continued Daniels, author of "Politics of Prejudice", as he related the events of a quarter century ago from his paper, "Why It Happened Here."

On Dec. 19, twelve days after Pearl Harbor, Gen. De Witt proposed that the 40,000 Issei be interned but a week later he opposed the internment of the 117,000 Japanese in the Western Defense Command.

However, then Major Karl R. Bendtsen and Provost Marshal General Allen W. Gullion, U. S. Army's top policeman, pushed for the mass evacuation of aliens and citizens.

**De Witt See-sawed**  
 Finally on Jan. 29 General De Witt, a supply specialist and no strong character, agreed to Evacuation.

Armed with De Witt's backing on Feb. 7 Bendtsen and Gullion recommended Evacuation to Secretary of War and Assistant Secretary McCloy who on Feb. 11 conferred with President Roosevelt and obtained the necessary authorization. On Feb. 19 Roosevelt issued Executive Order 9066 enabling De Witt to act.

"Serving under De Witt in December 1941 as a corps commander and in charge of the defense of Southern California was a real fighting man, the then Major General Joseph W. Stilwell, the famed 'Vinegar Joe' of the heart-breaking Burma campaigns. His diary of those hectic days gives an accurate and pungent picture of the hysteria and indecisiveness that prevailed at De Witt's headquarters."

Dec. 8—"Air raid" at San Francisco, 4th Army kind of jittery.  
 Dec. 9—Fleet of 34 Japanese ships on California coast. Not authentic.  
 Dec. 11—Main Japanese battle fleet 164 miles from San Francisco. I believed it like a damn fool.  
 Dec. 13—Los Angeles attack imminent. General alarm being considered. What jackass would sound a general alarm warning all civilians to leave? Ruler: the higher the headquarters, the more important is calm.  
 Dec. 18—Subordinate wanted to evacuate all Japanese from Terminal Island. We talked to midnight by which time he was pretty well calmed down.  
 Dec. 19—Sooted tears of an Air Corps Col. at the Mojave Desert bombing range who feared enemy parachute attack or L.A. Japanese coming to sabotage.  
 Just before Christmas Stilwell was transferred to Washington, D.C., where Gen. McNair told him that "De Witt has gone crazy and requires ten refusals before he realizes it is 'No'."

**Bendtsen-Gullion Instigators**  
 "Clearly Bendtsen and his chief Gullion shaped policy and set the stage for the betrayal that was executed by their superiors. Bendtsen, who received the Distinguished Service Medal from a grateful nation for efficiently incarcerating his fellow Americans, admitted (perhaps the right word is boasted) that the 'conceived method, formulated details and directed' the mass evacuation of the West Coast Japanese.

"The Evacuation did more than commit a legal atrocity against 110,000 innocent people; measured against the total human cost of WW2 that wasn't so very much. Perhaps even more important as the late Morton Grodzins put it, was that the Evacuation gave 'precedent and constitutional sanction for a policy of mass incarceration under military auspices... That betrayed all Americans,'" concluded Daniels.

Superior Judge Robert W. Kenny, who was a California state senator, 1939 - 1942, and the State Attorney General from 1943 to 1947, added the reminiscences:

"Anti-Japanese hysteria was deliberately whipped up after Pearl Harbor... The Evacuation was artificially manufactured... The hate marches were active. In January 1942 Sen. Jack Metzger's resolution to oust Nisei civil service workers was sent back to committee. In Congress Rep. Leland Ford proposed Evacuation. In February Attorney General Warren told the Tolan Committee the Japanese 'have not done a thing so they're dangerous. When a Japanese submarine lobbed a few shells at oil derricks in Goleta, William Randolph Hearst's exit from his San Simeon castle with Miss Marion Davies was the first evacuation.

When Kenney called on Gen. De Witt to intercede for opening up the race tracks, the General said if he revoked a single order, what would happen to him wouldn't compare with what happened to Gen. Short and Admiral Kimmel for the Pearl Harbor disaster. Later when Kenney met Gen. Delos Emmons, De Witt's successor, and talked about the Evacuation the General declared the "whole thing was nonsense."

In Petaluma the chicken raisers complained the evacuation of Nisei chick sexors was an economic disaster. In Central California the drugstore cowboys who shot into homes of returning evacuees got backing from a village banker who was custodian of evacuee holdings. Kenney's office prepared a case for the grand jury but a higher court intervened. The banker died of a heart attack.

**Evacuation Myth**  
 "I would like to correct one important myth about the Evacuation. This myth is one which goes something like this—Well if the Americans really knew about what was happen-

ing to the Japanese, it wouldn't have happened. This is simply untrue," asserted Prof. Harry H. L. Kitano, project director of Japanese American Crime and Delinquency, and Comparative Study and Mental Illness among the Japanese in Japan, Hawaii and the United States, at UCLA and author of "The Japanese American."

Kitano quoted a 1943 poll of 2,647 students in 47 colleges and universities who tested 63 pct. on the West Coast and 73 pct. in the Midwest as approving Evacuation. Only 6 pct. on the West Coast and 19 pct. in the Midwest felt that freedom, as in peacetime, should be allowed the Nisei. Attitudes towards the Issei were even more severe. Therefore, among college samples the overwhelming majority approved the wartime concentration camps.

Social psychologist Kitano propounded the question, "Why did the Japanese behave cooperatively, meek and humble during the Evacuation?" He

went on to state, "For there is no question in my mind that if the U.S. Government wanted to —un death ovens we would have marched quietly to our doom with only slight hesitation."

The ex-Topaz Relocation Center high school student cited as external reasons the racist pressures from anti-Japanese individuals and groups, the historical background of anti-Orientalism on the West Coast, the neutrality of liberal organizations, and the general ignorance about Japanese Americans.

**Tailor-Made for Evacuation**  
 Nisei professor Kitano set forth the factors which made for the high degree of compliance. Kitano offered the psychological background:

Lack of political power among Japanese—Issei were denied citizenship and the Nisei were just reaching voting age. There were no visible Japanese figures either on the

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## ORANGE COUNTY JACL RETAINS PSW JACL NISEI RELAYS CUP

**VENICE**—Orange County JACL's power-laden squad in the open division with enough help from the lower divisions insured retention of the Pacific Southwest JACL Nisei Relays championship last Sunday at the Venice High School oval.

The Nishimoto brothers, sprinter Mark and Hurdler Paul, paced Orange County with double wins to clinch the open class title in the 46th annual relays, co-chaired by Bob Miyamoto and Bob Moriguchi of Pasadena and San Fernando Valley JACL, respectively.

Because wet grounds forced cancellation of the San Francisco JACL Olympics, the Reedley JACL contingent participated in the PSW Nisei Relays.

Only triple winner of the day was Alan Hamane of Pasadena in the 12-13 year-old midget class.

Three lower division records were broken and one tied during the day. Progressive Westside JACL made its initial appearance in the relays, taking the junior championship. Long Beach and Venice-Culver won the midget and cub titles, respectively.

The Capitol Life Insurance perpetual trophy to the chapter with most points scored in all divisions was won again by Orange County, which will host the 1968 Nisei Relays with Long Beach.

Gayle Sasaki, Miss PSW-DYC, and her court presented the winners with trophies and ribbons.

**The summaries:**  
**OPEN CLASS**  
 100—Mark Nishimoto (OC), Don Kimura (R), Paul Nishimoto (OC), Glen Nagami (LB), 10.3s.  
 200—Mark Nishimoto (OC), Ted Yamamoto (OC), Steve Inagaki (WLA), Robert Narita (LB), 24.9s.  
 440—Stan Terasaki (LB), Wayne Akiyama (OC), Steve Kato (OC), 58.7s.  
 880—Wayne Akiyama (OC), Doug Tanabe (SD), Robert Narita (LB), 3m.15.4s.  
 70 Highs—Paul Nishimoto (OC), Bob Koyama (OC), Phillip Ikuta (SFV), Dean Baba (LB), 9.5s.  
 120 Lows—Paul Nishimoto (OC), Bob Koyama (OC), Phillip Ikuta (SFV), Dean Baba (LB), 14.5s.  
 BJ—Don Kimura (R), Ted Yamamoto (OC), Doug Tanabe (SD), Steve Inagaki (WLA), 22 ft. 2 in.  
 HJ—Thomas Nagano (U), Ted Yamamoto (OC), Bob Koyama (OC), 4th pl tie, Cliff Miyoshi (SD) and Hike Ito (SD), 5 ft. 8 in.  
 SJ—Koyama (OC), T. Yamamoto, P. Nishimoto, M. Nishimoto, San Diego, Long Beach, 48.8s.  
 Team Scores — Orange County 114, San Diego 26, Long Beach 25, Koyama (OC), San Fernando Valley 10, Pasadena 5, West Los Angeles 2, Unattached 20.

**JUNIOR CLASS**  
 50 — Keith Mayeshiro (PW), Mike Hamane (P), Shin Asami (G), Tom Okabe (PW), 5.7s. (Mayeshiro won prelim heat in 5.5s. being record).  
 100—Ed Kanemoto (LB), Mike Munemura (U), Paul Furukawa (G), Mike Hamane (P), 10.3s.  
 SJ—Gordon Asami (G), Marty Karatsu (G), Alan Yata (LB), Larry Uyechi (PW), 1m.32.1s.  
 120 Lows—Ed Kanemoto (LB), Mike Munemura (U), Bob Harada (G), Imatsumi (NSD), Mike Munemura (U), 13.2s. New Record. (Old record: 13.7s. Gary Harada, 1963, and Dick Fukubara, 1962).  
 SJ—Paul Furukawa (G), Mike Hamane (P), Jim Fukuzawa (SFV), Steve Iguchi (U), 19 ft. 8 in.  
 HJ—Shin Asami (G), Marty Karatsu (G), Alan Yata (LB), Larry Uyechi (PW), 5 ft. 8 in.  
 SJ—Mike Kato (OC), Richard Imada (WLA), Rod Emi (PW), Bob Harada (G), 10 ft. 8 in.  
 SP—James Iizumiya (PW), Dan Inouye (PW), Bob Harada (G), Bob Miyako (SFV), 48 ft. 13 in.  
 440 Relays — Gardens (Mike Tanoye, S. Asami, 34 Karatsu, P. Furukawa), Progressive Westside, Pasadena, 47.3s.  
 Team Scores — Progressive Westside 64, Gardens 50, Long Beach 26, Pasadena 18, Orange County 10, San Fernando Valley 10, West Los Angeles 5, North San Diego 4, unattached 10.

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**Jerry Enomoto**  
 Nat'l President

### IT DID HAPPEN HERE

The Evacuation of 110,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry and their alien parents from the West Coast in 1942 was thoroughly dissected in a well attended symposium on the UCLA campus last Saturday.

Assistant Professor of History Roger Daniels gave a hard hitting and engrossing account of "Why It Happened Here." Former state senator and attorney general, Superior Court Judge Robert W. Kenney added his own recollections and often amusing anecdotes from those days.

"Community Reactions and Life in the Relocation Centers" was the topic discussed by Leonard Arrington, Victor Goertzel, Joe Grant, Masaoka and Togo Tanaka in a panel moderated by Dr. Harry Kitano. Some of Mr. Goertzel's experiences brought home again the warm and unfortunately rare friendship and hospitality extended by the American Friends Service Committee to evacuees before, during and after those trying times.

During the luncheon break I had the unexpected pleasure of briefly getting acquainted with Consul General Toshiro Shimanouchi. This interlude also reminds of the number of Nisei and Sansei sprinkled through the audience as well as other ethnic minorities.

After lunch Dr. Kitano gave the group a very interesting and useful insight into the "Socio-Psychological Impact of the Evacuation." This was followed by a panel session in which Judge Kenney, Togo, Professor Daniels, Rev. William Shinto and I participated.

Personally I felt Reverend Shinto, a non-evacuee, made a good and appropriate impact upon all by his message about respect for the dignity of the individual and our responsibility to be committed to helping this come about. At least this was roughly the basic thing that came through to me.

To the question: How about a similar program in Berkeley? My reaction was that it would be well received and useful for several reasons — mainly educational. There is an understandable concern expressed that we not allow ourselves to use the Evacuation as a symbol to repeatedly bask in the "glory" of how good we are to have come so far after such a blow.

### POSTSCRIPT

I had the refreshing experience of having two young ladies express to me a serious interest in becoming involved in civil rights activity through JACL. I was able to get them together with Jeffrey and Alan and I am sure that PSW Human Rights Committee Chairman Charles Yata can well use new recruits.

Congratulations to UCLA Coordinator of Special Programs, Bob Chaim, for a successful affair and our thanks for the refreshment so hospitably provided afterwards.

Enroute to the airport Joe Grant, Alan, Jeffrey and I enjoyed some chinameshi mixed in with JACL type conversation.

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# Washington Newsletter: Mike Masaoka Supreme Court Rule

On May 29 the Supreme Court of the United States handed down two 5 to 4 decisions that have special significance to JACL and to persons of Japanese ancestry.

In *Afroyim v. Rusk*, the nation's highest tribunal declared that Congress lacks the constitutional power to enact laws depriving native-born and naturalized citizens of their citizenship without their assent.

In *Reitman v. Mulkey*, the court of last appeals ruled that the voters of California acted unconstitutionally when they voted to amend the State Constitution to repeal the State's fair housing laws.

Under the Nationality Act of 1940, most of whose provisions were codified into the Immigration and Nationality (Walter-McCarran) Act of 1952, it was provided that an American citizen should lose his citizenship by (1) obtaining naturalization in a foreign state, (2) formally declaring allegiance to a foreign state, (3) serving in the armed forces of a foreign state, (4) accepting or performing services in a foreign state or political subdivision thereof for which only nationals of such state are eligible, (5) voting in a foreign election, (6) renouncing American citizenship before a diplomatic or consular officer of the United States abroad, (7) deserting the military or naval forces in time of war, and (8) committing treason against the United States.

Because of the particular economic and social situations confronting Nisei in the pre-World War 2 era, several thousand Japanese Americans were stranded in Japan during and after the Pacific War. Following the end of hostilities, many of these stranded Nisei attempted to return to the United States, only to be told by the American consular officials that they had lost their United States citizenship because they had (a) voted in Japanese elections, (b) served in the Japanese army or navy, (c) accepted employment available only to Japanese nationals, or (d) been involved in a combination of these proscribed activities.

After much investigation of the plight of the stranded Nisei, JACL found that those who had lost their citizenship only because they had voted in the elections during the period of the American Occupation probably deserved special consideration. These Nisei, who somehow had managed to retain their United States citizenship through all the war years, voted in the elections held under the auspices of the Occupation authorities because they wanted to demonstrate the election process to the Japanese people, to help elect pro-American public officials, and to retain their right to food and other ration cards. In most cases too, American officials urged these Nisei to participate in the elections—local as well as national.

In any event, JACL was able to persuade former United States Senator Arthur Watkins of Utah, then the chairman of the Senate Judiciary Immigration Subcommittee, to sponsor and the Congress to enact special legislation to provide for the restoration of American citizenship to such Nisei through expeditious naturalization procedures. This was about in 1954.

Although not a party to the litigation, JACL was also very much interested in the test cases in which Nisei were forced to serve in the Japanese military because of their dual nationality status. In the late fifties, the Supreme Court in the *Nishikawa* case held that Americans who were forced to serve in enemy forces in World War II against their will and under duress (as being a dual national) did not thereby automatically lose their American citizenship.

The May 29 decision apparently now restores American citizenship to all the stranded Nisei still in Japan, except those who by voluntary action on their part renounced their United States nationality and accepted Japanese citizenship.

Perhaps it is coincidence that Edward J. Ennis of New York, who served as special counsel to the Washington JACL Office in the immediate post-war years when JACL was so involved in corrective and remedial national legislation and litigation, was the successful attorney for Beys Afroyim, a Polish-born 73-year-old painter who became a naturalized citizen in 1926 but, while a temporary resident of Israel, voted in an election for the Knesset or parliament.

JACL was officially a partner in the electoral effort to defeat so-called Proposition 14, which would, in effect, repeal California State's fair housing statutes and authorize individuals in their "absolute discretion" to sell or rent housing on a racially discriminatory basis, if they so choose. Perhaps coincidentally too, now National JACL President Jerry Enomoto of Sacramento was the State JACL Chairman for the coordinated efforts of the 50 chapters and three district councils in California in the unsuccessful November 1964 effort.

The California Supreme Court held that the voter-approved Proposition 14 was unconstitutional because it establishes "a purported constitutional right to privately discriminate on grounds which admittedly would be unavailable under the Fourteenth Amendment should State action be involved." The California Court found that Proposition 14 "unconstitutionally involves the State in racial discrimination and is therefore invalid under the Fourteenth Amendment."

The United States Supreme Court held that "There is no sound reason for rejecting this judgment" of the State's highest court.

Because of this May 29 decision, the Attorney General of Maryland is studying the efforts of three major groups to force a referendum on that State's recently enacted limited open occupancy law. JACL was among the supporters of this fair housing statute.

Under the Maryland Constitution, petitions bearing the signatures of three percent of the total number of voters in the last governorship race can suspend the effectiveness of new legislation enacted by the General Assembly (State Legislature), pending its approval or rejection in a referendum.

The required number is expected to be signed to petitions by the June 30 deadline, but the State's Attorney General is studying whether the United States Supreme Court's ruling in the California Proposition 14 matter would cause any referendum attempt in Maryland to be unconstitutional.

These two cases, among others, indicate JACL's continuing effort to overturn or reverse the Supreme Court's decision upholding the constitutionality of the 1942 Evacuation.

In both the citizenship and the housing opinions, the high tribunal reversed long-standing precedents regarding the constitutionality of these two governing principles.

In the light of the latest decisions and the seemingly established trend, it seems quite probable that if a proper case can be found and properly presented, the Supreme Court of the United States may well reverse its historic and "dangerous" *Korematsu* ruling that the mass military Evacuation of 110,000 Japanese, two-thirds of whom were native-born citizens, was a valid exercise of the presidential war powers.

## NEWS CAPSULES

### Music

**Yoshimi Takeda**, assistant conductor of the Honolulu Symphony Orchestra since Sept., 1964, has been rehired for the 1967-68 season. Takeda was signed for the new season before the symphony's board of directors named the orchestra's new musical director, **Robert La Marchina**. Takeda came to Honolulu after completing an apprentice conductor's fellowship with the Leveand Symphony Orchestra.

### Government

**Kaligo Saito** is an air-monitoring analyst for the Seattle-King County Health Dept., which is surveying the city's air pollution problem. . . . Defeat of the Los Angeles police bond issue in the May 31 elections may have delayed construction of a new central supply center and garage, now occupying the area adjacent to 12 property owners who hold land on the northside of East 1st St. This one-block parcel is the center of discussion between the City of Los Angeles and the Little Tokyo Redevelopment Assn. as to its future use. Passage of the police bond measure would have facilitated relocation of police facilities to another area at an early date.

### Flowers-Garden

Some Southern California flower growers are eyeing a possible move to Hawaii to raise blooms for the Mainland market. This word comes from **Kenneth Otogaki**, head of the State Agriculture Dept. During a recent Hawaii Fresh Vegetable Conference he told farmers and wholesalers that smog and general atmospheric conditions in Los Angeles and adjoining areas is hitting the flower industry hard. Otogaki said that jumbo cargo jets would make a Mainland flower operation here very feasible. He thinks the Big Island with its vast sections of unused lands coupled with the direct jets to Hilo would be ideal for them.

### Architects

Berkeley architect **Hachiro Yuasa**, recently elected to fellowship in the American Institute of Architects, designed the new Consumer Cooperative of Berkeley, Inc., addition at Cortie Madera, which opened last March. . . . **John Y. Sato & Associates**, Seattle, designed the new \$150,000 Unico Vista apartments recently completed.

### Medicine

**Dr. Jerry K. Aikawa** of Denver, associate professor at the Univ. of Colorado Medical School, was elected to membership in the American Society of Internal Medicine. . . . **Dr. Kelly K. Yamada**, graduate of Illinois College of Optometry, was elected president of King County Optometric Society, Seattle.

### School Front

**Dr. Seiichi Adachi**, acting director in charge of research for the New Careers Project at Seattle University funded by anti-poverty, was appointed director of counseling and testing center at Pacific Lutheran University. He will also be assistant professor in psychology. He is a graduate in counseling and guidance from Columbia Teachers College.

### Business

**Tooru Takahashi** of Los Angeles and Nogales, Ariz., was

elected president of the West Mexico Vegetable Distributors Assn. He is a pioneer in raising and shipping vegetables from the west coast of Mexico and a principal in the Kitty's Vegetable Distributors, Nogales.

The 14-story Miyako Hotel at the east end of San Francisco's Cultural and Trade Center is scheduled to open in December, according to **Charles McCaffree**, currently executive assistant manager of St. Francis Hotel. Building will be owned by **Kintetsu Enterprise** and managed by **Western International Hotels** of Seattle.

**Hutch Auld** of Salt Lake City, president of ARRCO Industries, outlined marketing plans for national snowmobile sales with **Polaris Industries** at Rousesau, Minn. Also with him were representatives of firms interested in the participation of Japanese manufacturers in the snowmobile industry. . . . **George K. Tsuchiya** of Oakland has opened Automated Management Systems office in Albany, Calif., latest of some 100 offices throughout the country using computer techniques to service accounts receivables. AMS was designed to assist the medical profession, **Tsuchiya** said.

### Press Row

A Honolulu newspaper editor said the Japanese are very confident their nation will become the leader in the business world within the next 10 to 15 years. **Larry Sakamoto** of the Hawaii Hochi said, "They are even confident that Japan's economy will surpass that of the U.S." He was one of five Americans of Japanese ancestry completing a U.S. Army friendship mission to Japan.

### Crime

**James H. Kamio**, 18, of Gardena was booked on a charge of driving under the influence of dangerous drugs by police last week. He had slammed his car during the noon hour into a telephone pole at 162nd and Western, shearing the pole at the base.

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political or national front, such as **Joe DiMaggio** among the Italians. Imagine the outcry and indignation to have a national baseball hero evacuated. . . . The Japanese were too poor for easy mobility—they did not avail themselves of the opportunity for voluntary evacuation.

The FBI roundup of Issei broke up ethnic family and community solidarity.

The traditional obedience to authority enabled U.S. Army to get cooperation.

Low expectations for any break in America which made the Japanese view the Evacuation as validation. ("What else can a poor Japanese expect in America?")

The "shikatagani" attitude decreed the fate of an individual as tied to forces beyond man's control.

The statement "I'll become an even better American—I'll cooperate more than 100 pct to prove it" showed the high need for love and acceptance among many Japanese according to their perception of expectations of those in authority.

There was the denial of reality—the attitude which says "it can't happen to me." This phenomenon is found among soldiers on the battle line, among the Buchenwald Jews and among the Japanese—a naive belief that nothing was really going to happen.

Finally, there were no models of resistance or rebellion—Caucasian friends counseled cooperation. The "enryo" syndrome was a part of this acquiescence.

### Kitano's Summation

**Kitano** summed up by observing, "With no one to turn

to, with their structures and institutions dismantled, with little political or economic power, with cultural norms and values emphasizing conformity and non-conflictual behavior, with a lack of feasible alternatives and facing the awesome power of the United States Government, the Japanese marched into camp. Could they have really done otherwise?"

Participating also on the panel were: **Jerry Enomoto** national JACL president; **Leonard Arrington**, visiting professor of history, author of "The Price of Prejudice;" **Victor Goertzel**, research psychologist and WRA guidance director; **Togo Tanaka**, publisher of School-Industrial Press, former English editor of *Rafu Shimpo*, WRA documentary historian; **Rev. William M. Shinto**, pastor of Evergreen Baptist Church; and **Joe Grant Masaoka**, administrator for the Japanese American Research Project.

### Personalities

**William C. Carr**, Pasadena realtor who put up his property in the Masaka alien land law test which together with **Sei Fujii** as companion cases brought the California Supreme Court's ruling voiding the 50 year old law. . . . **George Takeda**, TV actor, asking why didn't the Japanese resist evacuation. . . . **Mako** whose performance in "Sand Pebbles" won him an Oscar nomination taking in the symposium. . . . Noted Hollywood cameraman **James Wong Howe** commenting he was going to make a movie of a Nisei love story about the Evacuation. . . . **William E. Kent**, insurance broker who led his Hollywood American Legion Post into accepting WW II vet **Harley Oka** as a member and adopting a resolution for tolerance in 1945 thereby incurring the censure of the district commander and public reprimand of **Dr. John R. Lechner** of the Americanism Educational League. . . . **David Reynolds**, doctor, student on Japanese who commented the symposium was nicely balanced between the views of **Rev. Shinto** for complete integration and **Jerry Enomoto** of the JACL for the need of a spokesman organization for Japanese Americans.

## CALENDAR OF JACL EVENTS

- June 10 (Saturday) Mile-Hi — Scholarship banquet-dance, Cosmopolitan Hotel, 6:30 p.m.
- Berkeley — Benefit movies, Garfield Jr. High, 7 p.m.
- Puyallup Valley — Graduation banquet, Poodle Dog, 6:30 p.m.
- Twin Cities—Jr JACL School-out dance.
- June 11 (Sunday) Long Beach—Oriental garden party, International Inn.
- Stockton—International Day, Civic Auditorium, 11 a.m.
- Contra Costa—Scholarship award-Oratorical contest, Point Orient Restaurant, 5 p.m.
- Monterey Peninsula—Community picnic, County Fairgrounds, 11 a.m.; movies at JACL Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- Idaho Falls—Annual picnic.
- Portland—Jr JACL family potluck.
- June 13 (Tuesday) Prog Westside—Bd Mtg.
- June 14 (Wednesday) New York—Bd Mtg, Japan Society, 6:30 p.m. supper.
- June 15 (Thursday) Downtown L.A.—Luncheon Mtg, San Kwo Low, 12p, Tug Tamaru, spkr.
- June 16 (Friday) Hollywood — Ikebana, Flower View Gardens, 7 p.m.
- June 16-17 Edin Township — Benefit bazaar, Eden Community Center, San Lorenzo.
- June 17 (Saturday) North San Diego—Graduates dinner, Marty's Valley Inn; Dr. John MacDonald, pres, Mira Costa College, spkr.
- Seabrook—Installation dinner, LeFevre's Restaurant, Vineland; Rep. Charles Sandman, William Marutani, spkr.
- Berkeley — Graduates dance, Helmet Club, 9 p.m.
- Mt. Olympus — Graduates dinner, Chuck-a-Rama, 7 p.m.
- Milwaukee — Graduates dinner, Sequoia—Movie benefit.
- Senoma County—Graduates potluck, Memorial Hall, 8 p.m.
- June 18 (Sunday) Twin Cities—Picnic, Phin Park, Salinas—Graduates barbecue and picnic, Bolado Park, PA1 No. 8, Hollister.
- June 20 (Tuesday) Prog Westside—Gen Mtg, Pasadena—Bd Mtg.
- June 23 (Friday) Downtown L.A.—Dodger Night, ( Giants).
- San Diego—Bd Mtg.
- June 23-25 NC-WNDYC, Squaw Valley conference.
- June 24 (Saturday) North San Diego—Community picnic, Live Oak Park, Fairbrook, 11 a.m.
- Long Beach—Miss Harbor coronation ball, Edgewater Inn Hotel, Watsonville—Graduates dinner, Westview Presbyterian Church, 4:30 p.m.
- Stockton—Gen Mtg, Calvary Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m.; Mrs. Fatsy Noble, spkr.
- Prog Westside—Crazy Night, Statler-Hilton Hotel Embassy Room, 9 p.m.

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By Bill Hosokawa

## From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

**THE LONG ROAD** — A few hours ago we climbed into the sedan and drove up to Boulder to pick up our Susan. From where we live the most direct route to Boulder stretches northward along the foothills of the Rockies. Recent rains have greened the fields, and it is a pleasant 40-minute drive. We have driven the route many times, but it has not lost its charm. At sunset the peaks are a sawtooth silhouette against the sky. On the homeward leg, the lights of Denver stretch across the horizon, winking and twinkling in the distance.

This day is a special occasion, for Susan has completed her schooling at the Univ. of Colorado and we are bringing her home. It seems incredible that we took her there on a hot September Sunday nearly five years ago and delivered her to a dormitory bustling with other excited freshman girls and their somewhat bewildered parents. But now those five years are irrevocably gone, and to show for it Susan has a diploma testifying to the fact that she has earned a bachelor of arts degree, a certificate entitling her to teach school, and a few hours toward a master's degree for which she will continue to study as she teaches.

And so the second of our brood has become, as the Japanese say, "Ichi-nin mai," meaning literally "one person's portion," an oddly expressive phrase. It's been a long road.

**WORD FROM THE NORTHWEST** — Just yesterday we had a letter from Mike, the first of the fledglings to leave the nest. No fledgling now, he has a family, status of sorts, ambition. He has been granted a fellowship at the Univ. of Oregon, and so he will move down from Portland where he has been teaching at Lewis and Clark College and study for his doctorate. In his business, education, a doctorate is a journeyman's card, and so he will be wise to qualify for it as soon as he can. More power to him. He'll have to study, take care of his family, teach a few classes, and study some more. It will be a long grind, but he is halfway to his goal already so it won't be as tough as if he were starting afresh. Still, he writes:

"Among the courses I have to take is a three-sequence course in statistics. This should be a real challenge for an aspiring engineer who has done many problems with second year algebra. (He became a teacher instead.) I haven't had any math since I took second semester geometry as a high school junior, and then it was from the football coach."

Well, it won't be easy either.

**TWO TO GO** — Two out of college and two more to go. Pete is winding up his freshman year at the Univ. of Denver. He is the practical one, good at figures, working math problems that I can't even read. He's interested in business administration, a field where a graduate with top grades can just about write his own ticket. Pete is getting practical experience at the same time he learns theory, working afternoons in a bank after his classes are over. He'll do all right.

Christie, the last of the brood, is winding up her junior year in high school. She's not quite sure where she wants to go to college, or what she wants to study, but how many high school juniors do? She's busier in extracurricular activities than the others were, which is saying quite a bit because they were all deeply involved.

Two out of college and two more to go. They've done pretty darned well, and we're proud of them. We talked about that as we drove up to Boulder, watching the sun dropping beyond the peaks to the west.

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### Seafair Queen Candidate Call

An important "job opening" was announced last week by Arden Aegerter, managing director of Greater Seattle, Inc. The selection of Seattle's emissary of beauty and charm—the Seafair "Queen of the Seas," a fast approaching and candidates are urged to apply now.

Seafair queens are chosen without the carnival hoopla; cheesecake, bathing suits or other approaches. Not even the usual "measurements" are given. It is a position of social prestige and rank in this city.

One year a Sansei candidate just missed "by a whisker" in the final judging, but was made first lady in waiting. It could happen again, and Seattle's Japanese community has a lot of young ladies well qualified in every respect.

As in the past Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hattori are doing the bulk of the work in accepting applications, arranging "charm school" lessons with a professional instructor, and taking care of the multitude of details, not the least of which is coaxing promising candidates to join up, and to discard the sometimes too prevalent sense of false modesty.

#### Format Altered

The Seafair operating under a new format this year, will feature the coronation of the Seafair Queen the very first day of the jumping ten-day festival, instead of the middle of the week as in the past. The coronation will take place during the Lawrence Welk show at the Seattle Center Coliseum, Friday night, July 28.

Under sponsorship of the Community Queen committee and the Young Adult Group of the Seattle JACL chapter, interviews and the selection of local queen and court will be made at the Bush Garden, from 1 p.m. June 17. Call the Hattoris at EA 4-5050—it's a 24-hour line which rings both home and office. The Hattoris just do not have the time or energy to do the usual individual coaxing—it is up to the girls themselves to just step out—past candidates although they did not win were unanimous in saying that the experience was of great personal

### Rexburg JACLer main speaker at Boys State

BOISE—Tommy Miyasaki of Sugar City, Idaho, will be the main speaker at the graduation ceremonies of American Legion Boy State, June 10, at Boise College.

Boys State is one of the top Americanism programs of the American Legion.

Although Tommy lost his eye sight in the service, he is one of the most active JACLers, in great demand as a speaker and has been featured at several of the high school commencement exercises in the area.

Hero Shiosaki, active Pocatello JACLer, is president of Gem Boys State, Inc.

Seattle benefit. There are 10 to 15 candidates signed up as this is written on June 4. A good sign. The Japanese community made its best showings when the queen was selected from a large field of candidates. The year Nancy Ann Sawa made the high court, there were 28 in the local screening.

#### Eligibility Rules

Now as to the official poop on eligibility. The successor to the current "Queen of the Seas," Miss Erika Hokanson will be chosen from candidates nominated and sponsored by a recognized agency, business activity or community in the greater Seattle area. Each candidate is automatically designated a "Seafair Princess" and will take part in many activities during the Seafair festival July 28 through Aug. 6, the date of the Gold Cup unlimited hydroplane races.

The \$50 fee required which goes into scholarship funds for

### Snake River area Sansei grads shine

BY HIDEO HARADA

ONTARIO, Ore. — Japanese communities within the boundaries of the Snake River Valley JACL Chapter are mighty proud of their Sansei in their scholastic achievement.

From the eight high schools in the area, five Sansei have been named as either valedictorian or salutatorian. This is a remarkable record as the Japanese American percentage of students in these high schools ranges from one to five percent. The leading graduates are:

#### VALEDICTORIANS

Nyssa High—Bob Okano, son of the Hiroto Okanos, Nyssa, Ore.; Fruitland High—Mike Sasaki, son of the Roy Sasaki, Fruitland, Idaho (Also an all-around athlete); Adrian High—Barry Fujishin, state president, Future Farmers of America in Oregon, son of the Sam Fujishins, Home-dale, Idaho.

#### SALUTATORIANS

Payette High—Carl Inouye, son of the Tadao Inouyes, Payette, Idaho; Weiser High—Gary Saito, son of the Frank Saitos, Weiser, Idaho.

### Duffers' holiday draws 76 to Arizona golf meet

PHOENIX — An excellent turnout of 76 golfers participated in the annual Arizona JACL golf tournament at the Indian Bend Country Club with Fillmore Hirohata taking low gross at 77.

Bill Childers took low net with a 66 and Jackie Jagger won the ladies' low gross and low net with 98-63. Mits Tanita and Roy Moriuchi were event co-chairmen.

The recent Issei day picnic chaired by Mary Tanita was attended by some 230 people. Recognized by the chapter for his assistance to the Issei was Tom Kadomoto, past chapter president who has served as interpreter and translator.

Seafair royalty is provided by the local JA community fund, and in addition, up till now the Japanese Community has been the only local sponsoring group which provided a scholarship for its own local queen.

As we have said, the local

nusen contest will be held at Bush Garden June 17. The decision of the judges (from Greater Seattle and the JA Community) as to which will be queen and court, will not be announced until the Coronation Ball which is to be held

at the Snoqualmie room of the Seattle Center, Friday, June 23 from 8:30 p.m.

During the following season there will be other selections made for a "Miss Seattle" and a Miss Teen Age (Seattle) which culminates in a national

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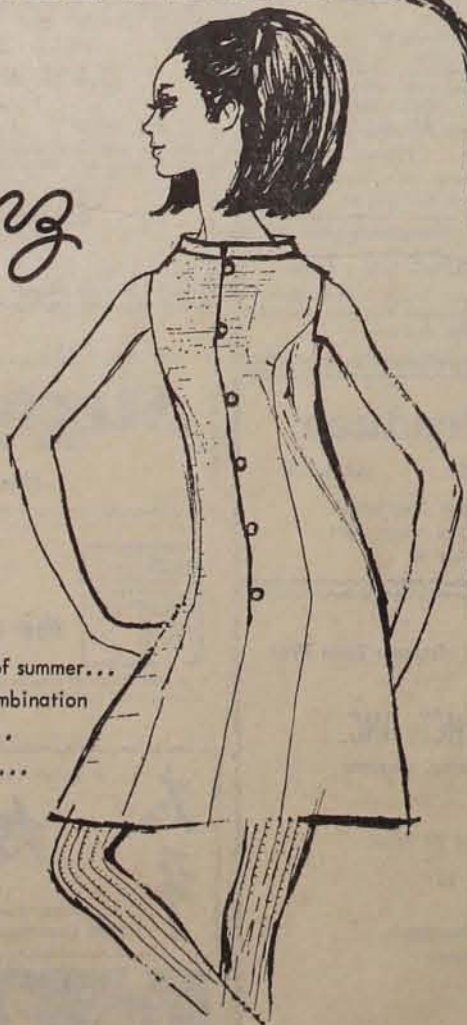
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Stepping Stones

For many people, groups and organizations are like pebbles and rocks on a beach...

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Are such clubs stepping stones to somewhere, an intermediary step, before a Nisei or Sansei totally integrates...

It would appear today the trend is away from all-Japanese American groups as such...

As for the Sansei, their attitudes are mirrored thusly: Why do the Nisei have to compete and be the best chapter or local?

Only time and the washing tides will reflect the outcome as to whether or not these pebbles and stones on the beach will remain...

Sounding Board Jeffrey Matsui



It Did Happen Here

Last Saturday I attended an enjoyable and extremely interesting all-day symposium at UCLA titled "It Did Happen Here: The Japanese Evacuation of 1942."

An interesting part of attending the symposium was to see the audience reaction to speakers and to newly acquired information.

Betty Yumori, past president of the Venice-Culver Chapter, found me resting peacefully during the afternoon break and immediately started telling me how "pushy" I was...

Rev. William Shinto of the Evergreen Baptist Church was a participant in the panel discussion and was by far the most popular of the panelists as evidenced by the frequent applause that interrupted him.

But when he cutely belittled the Issei-Nisei accomplishments and says the Bill of Rights and the U.S. Constitution are just pieces of paper and may not always be counted on in the future...

Why try to shatter the past when there appears to be such a crucial need for youths to accept and take pride in being Japanese Americans?

And if we cannot believe in the general fidelity of the law, then we can believe in nothing. Our only protection is the law — without it there is absolutely no hope for any group that's 1/4 of 1% of the total population.



K.I.S.S. Yosh Hotta

We Are People

We hear so much about Race, Color, Creed, National Origin, that sometimes we need to be reminded that we are people; we aren't an organization, but a group of people.

Attending the hearings on housing in Sacramento, we were impressed with Assemblyman McMillan, Chairman of the Governmental Efficiency and Economy Committee.

Perhaps that is the sign of maturity, listening to all sides and without haste, coming out with a solution that is workable.

The Pacific Citizen carried its first dissent article the other day. We gather that the author was saying that his way makes him more patriotic than others.

Being a parent, and people too, we sympathize with the Nisei tigers looking for a suitable mate for their cubs. We just have to remind them: two wongs never make a white.

Now that the JACL Tour is closed, all we can say is: have a nice fright!

Disasters nab San Diego JACL scholarships

SAN DIEGO—This year three talented girls hogged all the honors as the San Diego JACL scholarship awards committee made public their final selections.

Donna Hashiguchi of Crawford High, one of the recipients at the same time was named the chapter candidate for one of 12 National JACL scholarships.

Other two winners were Reiko Kubota of El Cajon Valley High and Vickie Takashima of Castle Park High.

The scholarships will be presented at the annual awards banquet to be held on Sunday, June 25, at Islandia Hotel.

Donna Hashiguchi graduates 9th in a large class of 1,107 seniors. She is ASB Commissioner of Student Affairs, section editor of yearbook, Inter Club Council, S. D. Associated Student Council representative.

Reiko Kubota, daughter of the Robert Kubotas, 580 W. Chase Ave., El Cajon, will attend UC Berkeley as an English major.

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Berkeley JACL offers two \$300 scholarships

BERKELEY—Two \$300 scholarships are being awarded by the Berkeley JACL, it was announced by Vernon Nishi, chapter president.

One of these is the second annual Issei memorial scholarship, won last year by Philip Omi, currently a student at the Univ. of California.

Judges for the Issei Memorial Scholarship are City Councilman William T. Brown; Felix Stumpf, Administrator of the U.C. Continuing Education of the Bar; and Paul Yamamoto, former president of both the Berkeley and Oakland chapters.

Application forms are available from chapter Board members. Deadline for filing is June 22, with Paul Yamamoto, Selection Committee, 1041 Norwood Ave., Oakland, or George Yasukochi, Scholarship Committee, 1656 Sacramento St., Berkeley.

The other award is the third annual Berkeley JACL scholarship presented to a graduating senior at Berkeley High School on the basis of scholarship, need and contribution to intergroup relations.

Rev. William Shinto of the Evergreen Baptist Church was a participant in the panel discussion and was by far the most popular of the panelists as evidenced by the frequent applause that interrupted him.

But when he cutely belittled the Issei-Nisei accomplishments and says the Bill of Rights and the U.S. Constitution are just pieces of paper and may not always be counted on in the future, then there was need for further thought.

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Contra Costa scholarship winners announced

RICHMOND — The eighth annual Contra Costa JACL scholarship was presented to Luana Morimoto of Harry Ellis High and Lesley Ann Kawaguchi of Richmond this Sunday, 5 p.m. at Pt. Oriente Restaurant.

Miss Morimoto by winning the first place \$100 cash award is the chapter candidate for the National JACL scholarships. Of the 61 Sansei graduates in the county 12 were contenders for the chapter scholarships, according to Sam Kitabayashi and Sumio Yoshii, committee co-chairmen.

Candidate is the daughter of the Eddie Morimotos, an accomplished pianist and plans to enter UC Berkeley. The runner-up is the daughter of the Thomas Kawaguchis, recently named Student of the Week by the Richmond Independent.

Karen Iijchi will be cited with the Jr. JACL recognition award for her leadership the past two years. Seven are competing in the chapter oratorical contest. They are: Karen Noma, Lesley Kawaguchi, Sharon Gin, Leonard Kam, Irene Takahashi, Wilma Sakai and Rodney Tanaka.

On the judging panel: F. Harrison Hall, director of counseling at Contra Costa College; Joe Yasaki, attorney; and Richard Komatsu, architect.

Record Turnout PENRYN—A record turnout of 6,000 appeared for the 19th annual Placer County JACL community picnic and homecoming on Mother's Day.

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Chapter Call Board

Progressive Westside

Crazy Night: Fun and frolic — strictly crazy — have been ordered for the Progressive Westside JACL stag-stagette affair July 24 9 p.m. at the Statler-Hilton Embassy Room to introduce Darlene Hiroto chapter candidate in the 1967 Nisei Week queen contest and to honor Ed Kakita, JACL-JAL summer fellowship winner.

The queen candidate is the daughter of the Fred Hiroto of Long Beach, employed by Merit Savings and Loan in L'I Tokyo and the pretty model in Japan Air Line ads appearing in national magazines and newspapers.

Pancake Breakfast: As the main fund-raiser Progressive Westside JACL's pancake breakfast on Sunday, July 30 at the Food Giant market lot on Crenshaw has combined the breakfast with free prizes for \$1. Top prize is a trip to Hawaii for two.

Watsonville JACL

Graduate Dinner: The Watsonville JACL will honor the 1967 high school graduates from the local area with a potluck supper at Westview Presbyterian Church on Saturday, June 24, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Graduates from Watsonville, North Salinas, Soquel and Santa Cruz high schools have been invited. Tak Higuchi and Shig Hirano are co-chairmen for this event.

Stockton JACL

International Day: Stockton JACL Women's Auxiliary and Jr. JACL are joining the community International Day program this Sunday at the Civic Auditorium to raise funds for the Volunteer Bureau of Stockton. Mrs. Yone Nakafuma and Aeko Yoshikawa are co-chairing the JACL unit, which is manning a food booth and entering a group in the folk dance program.

Dr. Kengo Terashita, active JACLer, and James Darrah are co-chairmen of the civic event.

On Narcotics: Policewoman Patsy Noble will address the joint Stockton JACL, Women's Auxiliary and Jr. JACL general meeting June 24, 8 p.m., at the Calvary Presbyterian Church. She is an expert on juvenile problems and narcotics.

"The Living Arts of Japan" and "Nisei: the Pride and the Shame" will be shown. Assistant National Director Yosh Hotta will be guest for the evening. Mmes. George Matsumoto and James Tanji are chairing the refreshment committee.

Chapter Bowling

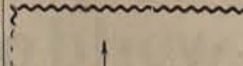
ALAMEDA—Mits Ikeda, Rose Imazumi and the pairings of Meri Ikeda-Sosh Baba and June Kadota-Mas Kadota won the men's singles, women's singles and ragtime, respectively, of the Alameda JACL bowling tournament held recently at Mel's Southshore. Jug Takeshita, tournament chairman, announced. The winners are: Men's Singles: Mits Ikeda 379-529, Hi Akagi 548-74-622, Ernie Tasaki 369-48-617, Mas Kadota 563-44-607, Shig Imazumi 534-72-606, Jug Takeshita 551-46-597, Ken Okamoto 539-52-591.

Women's Singles: Rose Imazumi 537-102-639, Cookie Takeshita 528-96-624, Betty Akagi 507-114-621, Nobu Asami 583-36-419. Ragtime Doubles: (tie for first) June Kadota-Mas Kadota 1073-152, and Meri Ikeda-Sos Baba 1051-174-1225, Mits Ikeda-George Matsumura 1123-95-1219, Helen Momo-Hi Akagi 1022-161-1183, Cookie Takeshita-Nobu Asami 1048-132-1180.

Sakura debutante ball to introduce 16 Sansei

LOS ANGELES — Sixteen young ladies will make their debut at the 1967 Sakura Debutante Ball of the Japan America Society June 10 at the Beverly Hilton Grand Ballroom.

John Gavin, TV-film star, will emcee Lloyd Hand, former chief of protocol during the Kennedy administration, is honorary ball chairman. Mmes. William S. Tsuchiya and Yo Takagaki are dinner-dance and presentee chairmen, respectively.



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New York JACL

Board Meeting: New York JACL has changed its monthly board meeting date this month to Wednesday, June 14, at Japan Society, 250 Park Ave., Rm. 1621, to prepare for the EDC meeting and the Jerry Enomoto visit in July.

Senoma County JACL

Giants Day: Senoma County JACLers will go by chartered bus to Candlestick Park on Sunday, July 30, to watch the Giant-Pirate game. The \$5.50 charge covers reserved tickets and bus fare from Santa Rosa or Petaluma.

Community Picnic: Enmanji Temple and Senoma County JACL are co-sponsoring the June 25 community picnic at Doyle Park, Santa Rosa, with festivities starting at 10:30 a.m. Free drawing, games for lots and ice cream will be provided by the two groups.

Jr. JACL Rummage: Senoma County Jr. JACL's major fund-raiser is the July 1 rummage sale at Santa Rosa. The youth asked they be called by June 17 for pickup of items for the sale. Committeemen include: Petaluma: Bob Shimizu 763-1852, Gerry Shimizu 795-4271, Steve Miyano 762-4219; Santa Rosa: Shirley Sugawara 545-6923, Kathy Oda 546-4729, Ron Morikawa 833-3921, Sebastopol: Randy Okamoto 823-3792, Donna Furuzawa 833-4300, Lynn Fujii 823-7981.

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Marulani, New Jersey congressman to address Seabrook installation fete

SEABROOK — National JACL Legal Counsel William M. Marulani of Philadelphia and Rep. Charles W. Sandman (R-N.J.) will share the podium as speakers at the annual installation dinner of the Seabrook JACL on Saturday, June 17, at Le Fevre's Restaurant in Vineland where both new officers and current graduates will be feted simultaneously.

Marulani recently won national attention when he was invited by the United States Supreme Court upon the merit of his outstanding brief to present oral arguments on behalf of the JACL on the historic Loving case, thereby becoming the first Nisei attorney to argue a civil rights case before the nation's highest tribunal.

For Congressman Sandman it will be his first attendance at a JACL function since his successful election last November to the House of Representatives.

Another significant feature of the dinner will be the community-wide recognition for senior citizen, Masuichi Kamikawa, 78, who as an outstanding Issei pioneer, has been awarded Fifth Class Order of the Sacred Treasure by the Japanese government on the occasion of the Emperor's birthday.

Represented by Mrs. Kamikawa and his son, Juichi Kamikawa of Washington, D.C., the elderly recipient was presented the award at special ceremonies held at the Japanese Consulate in New York on June 5. At the installation a special tribute will be paid by Dr. Shoyu Hanayama of the Seabrook Buddhist Church who will also represent the clergy in the invocation. Eastern District Council Governor Kaz Horita will officiate during the ceremonies.

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Alvin Pinnas of Club 100 was installed as president of the AJA Veterans Council...

U.H. radicals U.S. Attorney Herman Lum planned May 31 to forward to the Dept. of Justice a news release...

Deaths LOS ANGELES Nishio, Kiyoshi, 58; Culver City, May 11-w. Mitsue, s. Alan T.

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Gentlemen's List

- Konjun-Sha, publishers of the Japanese Who's Who, must be informed of Issei and Nisei from the United States who deserve to be listed in the next edition of its Shinshiroku.
The latest volume contains about 60 names of well-known Issei and Nisei.
The Shinshiroku (literally means "Gentlemen's List") contains the following mainland Issei and Nisei:
Los Angeles—Toraichi Abo, Kensuke Akimoto, Kenji Ito, Kunisaku Iino, Chuichi Ishii, Nozomu Otera, Saburo Kido, Takejiro Kusayana, Yasuji Kota, Choyei Kondo, Katsuma Mukaeda, Gongo Nakamura, Teizo Hashida, Yasuo Hamano, Hatsuji Hara, Isamu Wada.
Pasadena—Masashichi Ogasawa.
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Portland—Kazan Kyono.
Seattle—Yutaka Kinomoto, Takemitsu Kubota.
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El Paso—Sadaichi Furugochi.
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Hammond, Ind.—Yasuo Sato.
New York—Bunshichi Okuno.
The list, if submitted, must be prepared in Japanese showing occupation, education, publications and hobbies.

PRESS COMMENTS:

Nisei - Fine Americans

(The Sacramento Union, a Cooley editorial in the lead position of its May 31 issue.)
"Though the mills of God grind slowly, yet they grind exceedingly small..."
When Von Lagau wrote those words some 300 years ago the concentration camps into which the United States was to herd its citizens of Japanese extraction during the World War II panic certainly were not in his mind, however, prescient that mind may have been. But the words apply today to those concentration camps with peculiar significance.
To wit, the recent ruling of the U.S. Supreme Court that all monies seized by the United States from these Japanese American citizens—some \$11.7 million of it—is to be returned to these citizens, if they can be found. It is money that these citizens had in various American branches of the Yokohama Specie Bank Ltd., impounded at the time these Americans were taken from their homes and placed behind barbed-wire enclosures, their businesses sold, their farms pre-empted, their homes and household goods auctioned.
The money will be returned in the full amount of the seizure—sharp contrast to the disastrous losses that these people took on their physical

SANSEI WORLD BOXING CHAMP TO FIGHT ON

TOKYO — Asahi Shimbun, commenting on the strong punches on Paul Takeshi Fuji that made him the first Japanese American world boxing champion in the junior welterweight division, recalled Karl von Clausewitz's "On War", who put great stress on spiritual strength.
"And one of the factors that make Fuji's punches seem like hammers in his strong fighting spirit," the Asahi said and quoted Fuji who said that he would keep on fighting "even if I die! Yamatodamashi!"
Continued the Asahi: "These are nostalgic words we are hearing for the first time in a long time. They have disappeared in Japan, but they remain fiercely alive in the heart of a Sansei in Hawaii."
Fuji floored Sandro Lopopolo of Italy in the 2nd round of the scheduled 15-round Tokyo April 30.
Nisei, we're sorry about yesterday but you're a wholly integrated an indissolubly part of us today. Banzai!

By the Board: Tats Misaka

Introspection

Salt Lake City
Proper programming and meaningful planning have definite requisites. In any worthwhile organization these should be and are carefully done and adhered to without deviations of human failings of rationalizations, improper justifications, and individual selfishness. Other areas too have definite requisites, without which, there can be no success.
In the youth of today lies the leadership and future of whatever organizations there may be. How can they have faith in the principles and purposes of JACL when we adults do not have the ingredients necessary in which they can put their faith.
I have said before and I still say that the late and slow start of the youth program of the JACL is the fault of the adults—not the youth. The contact and exposure I have had in working with various leaders and the youth in general shows to me that they have the ability if not the proper attitude to be better than we adults in many respects. Whatever may be lacking in their character and make-up is and has been our responsibility and our doing.

Of the JACL, many past works and accomplishments have indeed been worthy if not tremendous. But were it not for the great leaders with foresight and plain guts, without fear and reprisal, these would not have been done. The large balance of us cannot take much, if any credit here. My fear is that we may not be fortunate enough to

Letters from Our Readers

A fine evening
Dear Sir:
The other evening I attended a symphony concert in Gardena sponsored by the Long Beach JACL, an enchanting evening and at the same time a program that I would consider one of the most meaningful activities any JACL chapter has undertaken.

The "Concert Japanese" exemplified in one evening's program many of the goals, indeed the very reason for the existence of such an organization as the JACL.
The public relations engendered by such an evening are obvious. The educational values of the program were twofold. To many of the Issei in the audience, it was perhaps their first and I'm sure very pleasurable introduction to the music of Puccini and Gilbert and Sullivan. For the Nisei, Saneji, and non-Nisei attending, it afforded a delightful savoring of the richness of Japanese music and the vitality of some highly talented artists.

An intangible, but in the long run perhaps the most significant result of such an evening is the encouragement it gives to the performing artists and the inspiration it may spark in a budding talent in the audience. And of course, it was a "fun" way of spending two hours of a Sunday evening.
I would like to extend my congratulations and thanks to the artists and the sponsoring chapter and hope that Long Beach's example would be emulated by other JACL chapters.

GEORGE TAKEI
Los Angeles
(Mr. Takei is a performing artist himself in the realm of film and television.)

Kuroki's stand

Since Ben Kuroki criticized Nisei intermarriage at the Pacific Southwest District Council on Lincoln's Birthday, various rebuttals have appeared in PC's "Letters From Our Readers."
Victoria Takashima, daughter of the Noboru Takashimas, 5484 Olav Valley Rd., Chula Vista, has much experience as a part-time employee of a veterinarian, will enter UCLA as a pre-veterinary medicine and continue studies at UC Davis. A life CSFR, she was active in the Trojans Drill Team, newspaper staff, tribune of election, Jr. Achievement, Sororist, and a senator.
Capsule highlights of the recipients:
Mrs. Shir Maruyama, Mrs. Mari Kowase, Taro Matsui and James Yamate.

25 Years Ago
in the Pacific Citizen, June 11, 1942

WRA prepares 8 relocation camps; Rohwer and Granada latest to be built. JACL confers with WRA officials in Washington on conditions of evacuee centers.
Nisei servicemen in Western Defense Command all transferred to inland posts (Arkansas, Missouri, Louisiana, Illinois, Minnesota, Kansas and Texas.) Only three Nisei remain on special duty at Ft. Ord, says Gen. DeWitt in cautioning citizens to be on look-out for Japanese in U.S. Army uniform.
Swedish steamer Gripsholm docks in New York June 9 to return 1,500 Japanese diplomats and nationals to portuguese East Africa where transfer with a Japanese ship loaded with American diplomats and nationals in Japan was made 26 days later.
First phase of Evacuation completed within time and without mishap, says Gen. DeWitt.
Two San Francisco publicists, Frederick W. Williams and David Ryder, convicted as Japanese propagandists.
Nisei USA; Dec. 7 in New York.
Editorials: A Slap in the Face (about Nisei being reclassified 4-C); The Tide Turns (about Battle of Midway); A Word of Thanks (about manner in which Evacuation was handled by U.S. officials); Why America Fights (about Henry Wallace's speech on freeing peoples from oppression).
WRA camps open schools; first marriages in camps being reported; camp newspapers flourish; Sallinas Assembly Center opens sumo ring; camp residents elect section leaders; high school graduates hold commencement ceremonies within assembly centers.

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As young magazines go, the quality emerging from each issue of The East, an English-language periodical published in Japan, will no doubt rank the bi-monthly as among the best on the international scene. The informative articles, brilliant pictures in color and skillful layout have a timely gloss in the best magazine tradition but the spell of timelessness and the Oriental mystique also pervade.

The current issue (March-April, 1967), spotlights the classical theatre of Japan, the Noh. A director explains what he imagines the connection between Noh and religious rituals to be. A leading critic relates some of the problem and pleasures on Noh. An Illinois graduate teaching as a Fulbright teacher in Japan presents her impressions of Noh, confessing that the focal point was not the actors but the "orchestra" or musicians, the man beating the big hand drum in particular.

The editors astutely followed the articles on Noh with a rich spread on the new theaters of Japan, the Imperial Theater and the National Theater, completed last year in Tokyo.

A recently initiated feature, "Chinese Characters" or "Kanji", introduces the history of some of the interesting ideographs. The character for "man" is composed of two characters: "rice field" and "strength"—which may define the role of man in ancient Japan, using his strength in the rice fields. And commenting on curious combinations of Kanji, a man between two women and a woman between two men (both mean "to tease"), the East says "there is a slight difference in nuance as our readers might well suspect."

A popular feature since the East first came to our attention is the classical Japanese cuisine department, the dishes appearing in glorious color to set the salivary glands in motion.

Rounding out the magazine fare are short stories (the current series, "Wadatsumi", concerns a Nisei born at the turn of the century in Japan), graphic presentations of what to see in Japan, book reviews, historical episodes, interviews with the political, industrial and social luminaries of the Far East, and translations from literature.

Stamp collectors, artisans of Japanese craft, devotees of fine arts and Japanese detective stories will find the East catering to their tastes as well.

Thus, this magazine which has secured the services of an American magazine distributor this past month will receive the national exposure it deserves to help popularize the life and culture of Japan. As a reference series for JACL chapter cultural heritage committees, the East has our recommendation.

Director's Report

By Masao Satow, National JACL Director

FAIR HOUSING HEARING — Thanks to the good group of JACLers, enough to be visibly noticed were on hand for the fair housing hearing in Sacramento. Our pitch on this stems out of our own Evacuation experience. Elected representatives of the people have a responsibility to abide by our democratic principles even though the majority of the people they represent may think otherwise as a result of misinformation or deliberate misrepresentation of the facts.

A FRIEND IS HONORED — It was our pleasure to attend the annual meeting of the San Francisco Catholic Interracial Council where Edward Howden was cited with the third annual James Mitchell Award for consistent efforts toward realizing the American dream of full participation of all its people. Ed became the first executive of the San Francisco Council for Civic Unity, organized by those who had assisted Japanese Americans returning to the Bay Area and who were sensitive to the many problems of all minorities. He figured prominently in the campaign to establish the San Francisco Fair Employment Practice Commission, forerunner to the state FEPC. We were happy to join in recommending to the Governor that he become the first chief of the State FEPC, and its effectiveness since its establishment has been largely due to Ed's efforts. Deservedly, his wife, the former Ann Saito, was included in this recognition.

CHAPTER BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to two Chapters celebrating their 20th Birthdays.
Along with marking its founding in 1947, Cortez will be meeting on June 23 to dedicate its JACL Building to the Issei. The first group of Issei went there in 1919 under the leadership of Kyutaro Abiko and pioneered the then wilderness into fertile farms. The Cortez Growers Association they established in 1924 for cooperative marketing added non-Japanese growers postwar, and today is a show piece of cooperative community effort. Jerry Enomoto will help dedicate the building.
Jerry will also participate in the Omaha Chapter 20th Anniversary on July 7 enroute to the east. Among the charter members of this Chapter were a number of non-Japanese, and this pattern has consistently been held in its membership ever since. The Chapter's well-known continuous Project Sukiyaki has been wonderful public relations for Japanese Americans in the heart of America as well as financially successful.

JACL JAPAN TOUR — To the surprise of most, especially Japan Air Lines officials who found it hard to believe, the JACL Tour has been oversubscribed five months before departure with the minimum of promotion. There will be 110 JACLers making the trip this fall with a strong nucleus of those who have been very active in the Chapter, District and National levels.