

COURAGE BY THE INCH
STRENUOUS EFFORTS OF DETROIT
NISEI TO BECOME POLICEMAN CITED

SANTA ANA, Calif. — The Santa Ana Register surmised editorially that Sanhiro Miyamoto of Detroit is "fortunate he isn't seeking a job with the Orange County sheriff's department. Here he has to be at least five feet eight inches tall."

Planning Committee

Instituted PC with membership, established the Japanese American History Project, and promoted activities in the area of civil liberties, human rights, and community services, to mention a few.

On Sunday, Aug. 13, there was held in Chicago what is hoped to be the first of many dialogue groups throughout the country to talk about the future direction of JACL. Called together by Lillian Kimura, newly appointed chairperson of the National Planning Commission, it was a beginning attempt to have a greater number of people involved in the discussions related to long range plans of JACL. Hopefully, by duplicating these groups in every chapter, when the members of the Planning Commission do meet, they will bring a true assessment of the needs of the Asian community and what can JACL do to address itself to meeting these needs.

Diversified Nucleus

The Chicago group representing the diversity in the Japanese community (age, sex, political ideology, economic background, place of residence, membership in JACL) met with Henry Tanaka, National President, Dave Ushio, Executive Director, and Ross Harano, MDC Governor. The group found that to discuss the future, it had to talk about the past and present.

Under discussion were Asian American vs. Japanese American, Japanese Americans are the "Uncle Toms" of this society, oppressed Asians now are the elderly and new immigrants, existence of "sweet shops". Some expressed no feeling of racism or prejudice against them, and questioned the need for the continued existence of JACL. Also touched were the limitations of volunteer efforts, need for staff, membership apathy and lack of involvement, the need to redefine our goals and clarify our purpose, JACL in the advocacy role, Asian Affirmative Action, multi-issue organizing, act rather than react, change agency, coalition efforts, education.

Consensus

There was general consensus on the need to overhaul the communications system, to help develop Asian awareness and consciousness, and to change the JACL image from an assimilationist organization to one subscribing to pluralism and egalitarianism. There was much discussion and interest of the notion of identification with the Third World movement. The group has just begun to dialogue. The National Planning Commission needs the input of all JACLers who are committed to a viable organization working with Asian Americans and others toward a more equitable society.

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Quo Vadis: Whither JACL

By ED M. KITAZUMI
NC-WNDC Reporter

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif.—Sunday, Aug. 13, was just another day except for the NC-WNDC meeting that was scheduled at Sakura Garden. I made it a point to show on time since I wasn't able to attend our 22nd Biennial National JACL Convention in Washington, D.C. Registration was comfortably scheduled at 11 a.m.

Luncheon Companion

I had the good fortune to sit opposite a very poised, well-mannered, charming young lady who turned out to be a daughter of my old hometown pharmacist, Harold Ouyé. Sandy Ouyé, who is a dietitian in San Francisco, was there as a booster delegate.

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set who find it worthwhile to attend a meeting of the kind that a JACL District Council signifies. We were later joined by Seichi Otow, a well traveled NC-WNDC 1000 Club Chairman who was renominated for the position. Something about him gave me the impression that he is most suitable for this office. He is a dedicated fruit orchardist from Roseville, an amateur radio station operator and a member of the Loomis United Methodist Church. Delegates appreciated the delicious farm fresh plums brought to the gathering by the Placer County Chapter. "Sage," as he is known to his friends, turned out to be Sandy's uncle.

Silent Tribute

Last May, our Monterey Chapter President passed away. The delegates paid one minute of silent tribute to him. Thereafter, our Governor expertly guided the group through the old and new business expenditures but fairly with adequate airing where matters were controversial. One can't help but feel that two years hence we will have a very capable and well qualified man at our National helm who will add strength and breadth to our new National President, Henry T. Tanaka, in the meanwhile. Sugiyama, a retired Colonel, has impressive credentials.

Personal Comment

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Glimpses of 'Beginnings 72' Confab



Youth delegates Clara Mori (left) and Jane Takeuchi from Sacramento Jr. JACL report to JAY Convention quarters on the Univ. of Utah campus.



Prepared for nearly 150 youth delegates registering at the fifth national JACL youth convention are (from left) Tyrus Ogawa of Boise Valley, Susan Yoshimura, IDYC co-chairman, and Mike Nishiki of Sequoia manning the housing-registration desk.



District Youth Council officers, comprising the National Youth Coordinating Council, preside at the youth convention business sessions.



Sitting around or kibitzing at a Monte Carlo Night table are youth delegates from around the nation for the first night of relaxation of the five-day JAY national convention. —Photos by Frank Yoshimura.

Jr. JACL convention changes name: JAY

By HARRY K. HONDA

Salt Lake City — Nearly 150 JACL youth members asserted themselves here this past week (Aug. 15-18) in a convivial but stately style, streaming to a new plateau of accomplishment by doing justice to their first national and separate convention.

New Name Picked

Not only were the purposes of Jr. JACL clarified, but a new name was adopted — shedding the "Junior" tag for a more comprehensive title, "Japanese American Youth" (JAY). By a close vote of 13-12, JAY prevailed over Jr. JACL in the final session of the business meetings held in the new Graduate School of Social Work auditorium.

Delegates from each DYC had caucused in the wee hours of the day to submit a new name for adoption. Victor Shibata, Jr. JACL administrator, also urged the JACL affiliation not be eliminated. Other proposed names were Japanese American Youth League and Young Japanese American Citizens League, which were rejected in the preliminary tally.

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Youth Coordinating Council, comprised of District Youth Council representatives, is expected to remain.

Purposes Restated

To be incorporated in the new JAY constitution, the purposes as restated direct the organization, basically comprised of members between the ages of 16 and 25, to "meet the needs of individual Asian American youth survive in contemporary society" by promoting cultural heritage awareness programs, helping to resolve questions of Asian American identity and providing the tools of leadership to aid them in changing their environment.

At the same time, NYCC was instructed to seek Na-

tional JACL board support and funding for their upcoming biennial project, "Japanese American History", to implement JAY purposes.

External Concerns

Two other planks in the clarified purposes dealt with addressing the needs of Asian American youth as a whole and reminding them of their obligation to sustain the society now threatened by destructive forces.

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HAWAII SUMMIT WITH PRES. NIXON
LATEST OF CHALLENGES FOR TANAKA

By ALLAN BEEKMAN

(Special to The Pacific Citizen)

HONOLULU — The meeting between Pres. Richard M. Nixon and Premier Kakuei Tanaka, scheduled for Aug. 31 - Sept. 1, will be the first such in Hawaii between an American president and a Japanese head of government. The two will have knotty problems of trade and international diplomacy to solve, and will bring to them points of personal similarity and difference.

Nixon was born in a small farming community in southwestern United States; Tanaka was born to a dealer in cattle and horses in a farm village in northeastern Japan. Like Nixon, Tanaka was a good student in the elementary schools he attended, leading his classes; unlike Nixon, he suffered the handicap of a stutter.

Nixon is largely a self-made man, but with the advantage of advanced formal education; in a nation where upward mobility is harder to

achieve, Tanaka is also self-made, without the advantage of formal education.

'F10 in Hand

After graduating from higher elementary school, Tanaka went to work as a construction laborer. At 15, he arrived in Tokyo to seek his fortune with only ten yen in his belt to finance him. In one of the few instances in which Tanaka was outwitted, a dishonest tax driver relieved him of half his hoard by taking the long way to the designated destination.

Despite this inauspicious beginning, Tanaka put his foot on a low rung of the ladder and began a steady climb upwards. Working at such jobs as shopboy and cub reporter, he attended night school, founded a building company, was conscripted and sent to China.

He contracted pneumonia in Dairen, his condition becoming critical. Sent back to Japan, he recovered. He was in business in Korea when the war ended.

Elected to the lower house of the Diet in 1947, he began his political rise. In 1957, Premier Nobusuke Kishi appointed him Minister of Post and Service.

Handicap Overcome

To overcome his stutter, from childhood he had practiced naniwabushi, a rustic art in which ancient tales are rendered in a falsetto to the rhythmic plucking of a samisen. As a Cabinet member, he now performed over station NHK, arousing criticism.

His career, in any event, is untraditional. The dominant party to which he belongs, and from which the premier is chosen, is the Liberal Democrat, which is neither liberal nor democratic, but conservative. Leaders of the party tend to be graduates of the University of Tokyo.

Far from being a graduate of Japan's most prestigious university, Tanaka has never attended college. In a country where age is revered, his selection is also a departure from tradition; at 54, he is the youngest man to become premier in postwar Japan.

Because he is not only a mathematician but a man of action, he has been nicknamed "the computerized bulldozer." He has need of these attributes in the coming summit conference.

Major Problems

Chief among the problems to which the conference must address itself is correction of the trade imbalance that has given Japan a \$3.8 billion surplus. America wants this surplus reduced by \$1 billion a year.

America also wants a liberalization of Japan's internal distribution system, which now requires exclusive Japanese distributors with big markups given to imported goods.

Presumably Tanaka will also choose to brief Nixon on Japan's proposed rapprochement with China.

Pasadena to host
PSWDC Sept. 10

PASADENA, Calif. — The third quarterly session of the Pacific Southwest District Council will be hosted by Pasadena JACL. It was announced by District Gov. Helen Kawagoe. It will be held on Sunday, Sept. 10, 9 a.m., at the Pasadena Buddhist Temple, 1993 Glen Ave. National Director Mas Satow is expected to be present for this first post-convention session.

Translation project hit
by rising printing cost

SEATTLE, Wash. — The Hyakunin Zakura, a 100-year history of the Japanese in the Pacific Northwest originally published in the Japanese language, has been translated into English but the immediate concern of the committee in charge is the increase in cost of printing in Japan because of the yen-dollar revaluation. The project is expected to be completed in 1973. An appropriate title for the English version and the number of copies to be printed are still to be determined, according to the committee.

JAVITS CALLS FOR
MASSIVE ASIAN AID

WASHINGTON — When President Nixon and Prime Minister Tanaka meet in Honolulu next week, they should agree on a massive post-Vietnam war economic aid for Asia including Indochina, Sen. Jacob Javits (R-N.Y.) declared. "Clearly the hour is at hand for the formulation of a grand design for the development of Asia," the senator declared in a speech delivered Aug. 9 in the Senate.

NC-WNDC wants
HQ site in S.F.

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. — The NC-WNDC wants to keep JACL's national headquarters in San Francisco. This stand was emphatically stated at the Aug. 13 third quarterly session held here and hosted by Sequoia JACL.

San Francisco JACL president George Yamasaki Jr. requested the vote after he reported Henry Tanaka, national JACL president, asked all eight district councils to indicate their choice of a city for headquarters.

Yamasaki led the move at the recent National JACL convention to gain approval for a new headquarters building on property offered in San Francisco by the city redevelopment agency and Nihonmachi Development Corp.

Ushio Appointment

Shigeki Sugiyama, district governor, presented the report leading to selection of David Ushio to be executive director starting in 1973. With reference to the reported "secession" of the district youth council from JACL, James Murakami of Santa Rosa said the Sonoma Jr. JACL is not seceding and he understood that a recent session of youth, five of the six Jr. JACL units represented

Other Anti-Nisei Films

Other anti-Nisei films, which JACL has protested in a nation-wide campaign in 1957 and again in 1970 as being discriminatory, derogatory and impugning the loyalty of Japanese in America, are: "Betrayal from the East" (RKO), "3-Air Force" (Warner Bros.), "3-Across the Pacific" (Warner Bros.), "4-Little Tokyo, A 20th Century-Fox", "5-Black Dragon" (Sam Katzman Production), "6-Behind the Rising Sun, and 7-Purple Heart.

These seven films were produced during the WW2 years. "Jungle Heat" (United Artists release) made in 1956 and a Canadian production, "The Sweet and the Bitter", made in 1962 have since been added to the JACL list. "Black Dragon of Manzanar" was produced in 1966.

Recent Additions

"Jungle Heat" is a story of alleged Japanese fifth column activities on the Island of Kauai on the eve of the bombing of Pearl Harbor. The Canadian film has a sequence calling for a Canadian Nisei to admit committing treason against Canada at the outbreak of WW2, though Prime Minister Mackenzie King is on record stating not a single act of treason has been recorded by those of Japanese ancestry in Canada. In "Betrayal from the East", a Stanford cheerleader

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Specifically, JAY seeks to secure the lines of communication with other Asian American groups and individuals and to offer its organizational and financial support to channel the concerns of all Asian Americans. JAY has pledged to work with other progressive organizations in areas of common social and political concern as well as take public stands on issues of national and international importance.

Text of new JAY constitution will be distributed to current youth chapters and a two-third concurrence is needed, convention parliamentarian Alan Oyama of Boise Valley explained. Oyama, incidentally, will be the new IDYC co-chairman with Diane Aramaki of Mt. Olympus who was co-chairman of the convention with Allen Oshita of Salt Lake.

Youth Director

Acknowledging the predicament of current JACL youth staff resigning at the end of August, special pains were taken with reference to establishing guidelines for the next youth director.

As the well-being of the national youth program becomes a prime responsibility of the new youth director to administer, it was agreed the NYCC have a vital role in the hiring of personnel and provide input. Dave Hirai of Boise Valley, who chaired the convention business sessions as IDYC co-chairman, was selected as JAY representative to the National JACL personnel committee.

During the open forum climaxing the youth convention, National JACL President Henry T. Tanaka assured he was personally in favor of their request. "It is very possible now since the personnel committee is being expanded to include district governors where regional offices are being contemplated," he said.

The national JACL executive committee, when it meets next month, will consider the personnel question and all other JAY convention actions, he added.

Other Resolutions

Related to the resignation of current youth staff, the JAY convention urged unexpended funds for youth staff this year be reserved for youth programs and resources at the chapter and district levels scheduled this year.

The convention reaffirmed its "sister chapter" program, whereby youth chapters east and west or north and south develop affiliation and joint efforts akin to the Sister Cities or People-to-People compacts.

Also reaffirmed was the "foster child" program as a total national JAY commitment. This past biennial each youth district was to engage in research to support a foster child or an organization working with foster children.

To help defray travel expenses of delegates to future JAY conventions, a national travel pool was established with support from both JACL and JAY chapters. Annual assessments are being planned.

The youth director will be expected to publicize an annual NYCC financial statement, indicating income from the youth chapters and an itemized account of expenditures.

John Tokeshi of San Gabriel Valley and Jim Shimomura of Detroit were designated JAY members of the National JACL Planning Commission now chaired by Lillian Kimura of Chicago.

1974 Convention

The bid from Northern California—Western Nevada JAY to host the 1974 national JAY convention was accepted. A suggestion that it be held prior to the 1974 national JACL convention at Portland was also voiced.

Another suggestion that the youth meet annually in convention after 1974 was unaccepted. It had been made in the belief that because of the high turnover of youth representatives biennial conventions were inadequate. Delegates appearing for the first time become deeply involved in procedural matters as was witnessed at this session, eroding valuable time to consider substantive issues in depth. Seasoning of one convention would enable the delegate the following year to heighten the tempo of convention business, it was reasoned.

Opponents pointed out that it would spell the death of joint district youth conventions in the old years, such as the successful meetings of Eastern and Midwest districts in the past, the Tri-District Youth Council convention initiated this past year among the California chapters and the proposed Intermountain and Pacific Northwest district get-together.

Acknowledgments

A standing ovation was given by the youth in appreciation of the services of both Ron Wakabayashi, field director for youth services, and Victor Shibata, who were present.

Warren Furutani, CIP coordinator, was unable to attend but was represented by Ron Kobata, CIP director at San Francisco.

Delegates also acknowledged the planning of the host youth chapters, Salt Lake and Mt. Olympus, with efforts akin to the Sister Cities or People-to-People compacts.

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By the Board

Midwest District Governor
Ross Harano

Chicago

'CONGRESSIONAL RECORD'—During my two years as National Legislative Chairman, one of the "fun" duties that I had was the daily reading of the Congressional Record. Over the years, one learns how to speed read the massive volumes of the daily speeches made in our nation's capital. A good reader can, from what I understand, read the Record in 15 minutes.

Not all of the Record is speeches. In fact, recently many interesting items have appeared such as the Pentagon Papers. In April, the Record contained a list of every military involvement that the United States has engaged in since 1798. It is interesting to note that the United States has been involved in 192 military hostilities abroad without a formal declaration of war. Included in the 192 figure are Korea and Vietnam.

Between 1883 and 1888 there were 4 recorded incidents of U.S. military intervention in Japan. In efforts to keep foreign influence and trade out of Japan in 1883, Japanese shore batteries at Shimoda fired on a U.S. merchant ship. The U.S.S. Wyoming retaliated by firing on 3 Japanese vessels lying at anchor. The shots were returned, and by the time the action was over there were casualties on both sides.

During the summer of 1884, U.S. forces, designed to impress the Japanese with American power landed in Japan to protect the U.S. minister to Japan when he visited Edo concerning some American claims against Japan. In September of the same year, naval forces of the U.S. forced open the Straits of Shimonoseki, which had been closed in violation of commercial agreements. Later the shore batteries were destroyed and 70 cannon were seized.

Finally, in 1888, 3 landings were made by U.S. Marines on Japanese soil to "protect American lives and properties" during local hostilities. It appears that most of the landings by the U.S. military on foreign soil was in the interest of protecting American lives and properties. I guess the secret of American military intervention was to first

put American lives in jeopardy on foreign soil and then land the Marines to protect them. Isn't this the same logic that is being used today to rationalize our forces remaining in Southeast Asia?

The Agricultural Act of 1970 provides for Federal subsidies on certain crops up to a maximum of \$55,000 each. On July 27, 1972, the U.S. Senate debated a motion by Senator Birch Bayh of Indiana which would reduce the maximum subsidy from \$55,000 to \$20,000 per crop. According to Sen. Bayh a \$20,000 limit would affect only 10,142 out of the 2.4 million recipients. In terms of percentages, only one-half of 1 percent—who are now receiving some 14 percent of the total subsidy—would be affected by a decrease in subsidies.

Included in the Record was some 68 pages containing the names of farmers or corporations that received over \$20,000 in 1971. An interesting fact is that there were 1708 farmers in California receiving some \$73,305,073 in Federal subsidies. Of this number, there were only 9 subsidies given to farms listed under Nisei names. The highest subsidy received by Nisei on the list was \$34,956 and the lowest was \$21,822.

In contrast to these figures, Vista Del Llano Farms in Fresno County received \$273,518 and Robert's Farm in Tulare County received \$109,408. I guess what these figures show is that most Nisei own small farms.

Senator Bayh's amendment to the Agricultural Act of 1970 to reduce the maximum subsidy to \$20,000 per crop was defeated. Would be interested to learn if Nisei farmers have any opinions—pro or con—in regard to Senator Bayh's amendment.

WASHINGTON, D.C.

"WHERE THE ACTION WAS"

By FRANK IWAMA
Sacramento JACL

After extensive interview sessions with the two candidates for the position, the committee selected Mr. Ushio by a 5 to 3 vote.

Next the National Board, composed of district governors, district youth chairmen and members of the executive committee, voted to adopt the recommendation of the Personnel Committee. The 13 to 5 vote was reached after many hours of study and debate by the members of the board.

DELEGATE AT D.C.

What single experience impressed you most at the convention? This seemingly difficult question is rather easy to answer. Without a doubt, the single experience which left an indelible imprint on me was the realization that JACL is composed of some of the most brilliant and dedicated individuals that can be found anywhere. Rarely will you find as many individuals with such a wide array of knowledge and experience in so many varied fields and disciplines in a single gathering of people.

What an awesome and comforting feeling to know that such people can be called upon to help solve the problems which face all of us. With such a nucleus of human resources, there is no doubt in my mind that JACL can accomplish any goal it wishes to pursue.

'Direction'

Now a word about "direction." This word has been used frequently after the convention, usually in the negative context insofar as JACL is concerned. It is my personal opinion that the "direction" JACL, like any other organization, takes is solely attributable to the dictates of its membership.

In this respect, it behooves every member to express his or her view and to make every effort to mold JACL into the type of organization which is responsible to the needs of the people.

In the final analysis JACL is only a reflection of the desires of the people who make up our organization. I am confident that the people will give JACL the proper guidance so that its "direction" will be responsible to the needs of the community.

Hottest Issue

The most controversial issue discussed at the convention was the confirmation of David Ushio as the Executive Director-Designate. In my opinion, the procedure followed in this matter can only be characterized by one word—democratic.

As background information, it should be noted that Mr. Ushio was first selected as the best qualified candidate by the Personnel Committee.

Finally at the convention, both the proponents and opponents of the Personnel Committee recommendation to hire Mr. Ushio were given equal time to present their positions. The delegates were also given an opportunity to ask questions and express their views on this controversial issue.

After hours of lively debate, the matter was submitted for vote to the National Council, composed of one official delegate from each chapter. The council voted to confirm Mr. Ushio as the JACL Executive Director-Designate by a vote of 56 1/2 to 26 1/2.

My personal feeling is that Mr. Ushio was selected according to a democratic procedure which afforded all parties an equal opportunity to state their views. Although I voted against him at the convention, I think that Mr. Ushio should now be given the same equal opportunity to take on the difficult challenges that will face the executive director.

Pan-Asianism

The most encouraging official action taken at the convention was the passage of the resolution to establish a commission on Pan-Asianism. I believe that this is a clear mandate from the membership that JACL does care about the common problems which confront all Asians. This is part of the "direction" which was mentioned earlier.

Hopefully, this is only the first step in what is definitely in the right direction. In closing, I want to thank the Sacramento Chapter for giving me the opportunity to attend the convention. It was a learning experience that I will not forget.

QUESTION BOX

Issei Population

Q—Is there a list of the number of Issei in each state? —E.G., New York.

A—The Pacific Citizen has not seen a complete report published by the Japanese Embassy in Washington, D.C., and the Japanese consulates throughout the U.S. undertook its own census of Japanese nationals (which includes Issei) last year.



'Say, Dad—how do you give a rebel yell?'

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

Kenzo's trademark

I have thus set forth the record as it should read so that in the future it will be known that the person who spent his time and money for the good of all Japanese Americans will be credited with his achievement. Others who rendered incidental services should also be recognized.

Apparently, reader Kojima had not received his Aug. 4 PC where we do credit Shosuke Sasaki's campaign. JACL has always credited him in this regard.—Ed.

Thought on Food

Editor, When I was at Military Language School years ago, I used to hear the Nisei lads from Hawaii speak glowingly of a dish called "Saimin". James Michener shares this fondness in a recent magazine article, in which he describes saimin as being an ideal after-theatre snack.

During my first visit to the Sandwich Islands a few years ago, I made it a point to eat saimin. It was disappointing. It reminded me of "somen", a thin-strand noodle mama used to put on the table occasionally.

The best snack of them all, in my opinion, is "cop dai juk", a Chinese hot-and-meat porridge. There are several juk, cop dai is the best. Cop dai juk (sometimes spelled "jook") is not obtainable at most Chinese restaurants. Sam Wo off Grant Ave. in San Francisco serves it. NAOMI KASHIWABARA, San Diego, Calif.

Kilazumi—

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The question is not really who won the fight. Anything that will create any amount of fairly deep emotional cleavage should be ameliorated. How about Ushio for Washington as originally intended and Nishio for San Francisco? Won't that make everyone happy? Nishio, too, can gain valuable tutelage under Mas Satow's watchful guidance.

Who really knows the many compartmentalized workings of the JACL inside out? Nishio won't be alone, either. He will have his staff and the backing of the chapters. The communication channels will be open, I'm sure. If so, what's important is the man, and there seems to be no complaints there.

Quo Vadis

Quo Vadis, or whither JACL? Continued service to the nation and the broader community, membership service or service to our ethnic community? I believe the answer is not found in choice but in successful blending and shifting emphasis.

Isn't it possible that the time has come to stress community involvement along with other aspects of JACL activities? Isn't it fortunate that we now have a group of young people who are enthusiastically seeking involvement? Do we have any valid reason to squelch such a movement? This decision may very well set the direction and the future of the JACL.

I believe the mission of the older JACLers is that of guidance and support. We are not engaged in a contest with them. Should we win completely, we've really lost. Just a thought for whatever it's worth, and the same argument applies to the Samsel as well.

In our frustration let us not fight each other. Security Through Unity, I believe, has today than heretofore.

Let us not engage in a course that will make us all a loser. The basic responsibility is with the Nisei simply because we're older.

To quote from a message in a Japanese fortune cookie some 40 years ago, "Be to our virtues a little blind. Be to our faults a little blind." As mortals and humans, don't you think we could use a bit of this wisdom? Have we thought about the meaning of "makete katsu"? Commonplace though the saying may be, they may very well be particularly valid in our transitional period.

To the Point

Shig Sugiyama
Nat'l JACL President-Elect



'TSURUSHIAGE'—I frequently have difficulty remembering the names of expert authorities who make those profound statements which are expected to be accepted as the gospel on a particular matter. But bits and pieces of those pearls of wisdom often stick to my mind like the corn hull caught between the teeth and which you worry with your tongue until you can swallow it or spit it out. One such truism which keeps coming to mind as I read and hear of the comments and polemics concerning the happenings at our recent National convention is "The truth (reality) is in the eye of the beholder". Reality is what one wants to or chooses to believe.

Another expression which one of my profs at UC Berkeley related as having originated in early China states, "It is the nail which sticks out which is struck." When I first heard that one, I recalled a conversation with a high school classmate back in those days at Manzanar. My friend was concerned because his father had been elected Block Manager by fellow "evacuees" in his block, but no matter what he tried to do or actually did, he was always criticized by the same people who elected him. My friend said, "You know, one of the problems with Nisei is that when someone tries to get up to do something, they (other Nisei) try to pull him down", or words to that effect. That was back in 1942 and it seems that times haven't changed much, except that it's more the accepted thing, the thing to do to demonstrate your concern, these days.

I guess it was also in Manzanar that I first learned, in the same context, the Japanese term "tsurushiage". If you don't know what the term means, consider what was done to Dave Ushio at the Convention. The next time that I heard the term "tsurushiage" used most frequently was at Maizuru, Japan, (1948-50) when Japanese PWs being returned from Soviet prison camps related how their fellow prisoners were subjected to "tsurushiage" by other "akuchibu" prisoners because they resisted the ideological indoctrination imposed by their Russian captors and they persistently refused to go along with the party line. Some of the "tsurushiage" sessions were even continued on board the ships which brought the Japanese troops back to Japan and as the ships steamed into Maizuru harbor with red banners waving on deck.

In a conversation with an elderly Issei a few years ago in which I happened to comment on the "strike the nail" syndrome, he added the consoling thought that the "Tatakareta kugi ga hikaru". (It is the nail which has been struck which shines.) If the recent as well as past happenings within JACL are any indication, there will be many bald and/or gray heads around. But so be it.

NO. 1 PRIORITY—In the meanwhile, let's go on with the work which needs to be done. Among the "Number 1" priority items of course is the selection of staff for our Washington Office and the new Regional Offices. Although we'll have until January 1973 to establish the new offices, and the District Governors concerned are participating in establishing the duties and responsibilities of the new Regional Directors, we'll need a qualified and competent person to carry on JACL's operations in Washington, D.C. as soon as possible. Applications are being accepted now for that job. Chapter Presidents and District Governors have been provided more detailed information concerning the job and qualification requirements. But we're looking to all JACLers to help in encouraging qualified persons to apply.

MEMBERSHIP—Another area which will require maximum support at the chapter level is our membership drive, which we'll be kicking off in October. We're going to have to close the gap between the approved budget and our presently projected dues income by increasing overall membership and our various categories of 1000 Club membership. Tad Hirota, our National 1000 Club Chairman, will be getting information out soon on our 1000 Club membership drive as well as in regard to other 1000 Club programs now planned. In the interim, we welcome any suggestions or ideas on how we might go about putting vigor into our general membership campaign.

The Juniors are meeting in Salt Lake City as this is written and President Tanaka and Director Designate Ushio will be attending part of the convention doings. I'm sure that they will be getting input directly for our Youth and Young Adult program at that meeting so we can expect new emphasis and possibly new directions in that program very soon.

AREA CODE 206: Joe Hamanaka

Is There a Difference?

Seattle Those kids will continue to use "bad" offensive words—without really knowing why, or how damaging.

This "Kenzo for Jap" thing in New York and Paris and Los Angeles and elsewhere makes us wonder why we "permit" our own Nisei and Sansei to call ourselves "Japs" though not used in the derogatory wartime sense.

It doesn't "hurt" when we "pinch" ourselves? So long as we're publicly sensitive about the usage of "Jap," we ought not give the public the idea that we don't mind on some occasions—by taking "permissive liberties" with ourselves, and among ourselves.

Come, now—surely, you've heard say in Nisei and Sansei gatherings. Loud mouths addressing each other as "Japs." Referring to our group as "Japs." Particularly where liquor is served.

Shouldn't it "hurt" equally whether a Kenzo Takada says it publicly, or whether a Nisei Joe says it privately among friends, or a Sansei George says it in a group, for laughs?

Down with Kenzo. But down, too, with the loose talkers in our midst—the "cute" guys with the bad mouths. Especially at mixed gatherings.

Some Sansei kids, we've heard, use "bad" words (including "Japs") to get attention. The initial shock. Then the hoped-for laughter.

The new breed, like they say, the "live" ones now seem to thrive on: (a) attention, (b) shock and (c) laughter.

And so long as attention can be had from his crowd, split at home.

25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, Aug. 23, 1947

WRA Final Report declares public acceptance of Nisei group better than prewar, note 60 per cent of evacuees have returned to West Coast. Two-thirds of 7,000 evacuees return to Pacific Northwest, percentage higher than general west coast average. JACL assists Intermountain Japanese Assn. retrieve records confiscated by FBI. War experience of Nisei teaches value of organization, says newspaper woman on west coast.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

VISITORS AT OUR HOME—For the past few days Ashlyn and Mike, our two oldest grandchildren, and their folks have been visiting us. It is difficult to believe that Ashlyn is going on 8 years of age and her brother is 6. Ashlyn was a tiny bundle of humanity when we first saw her. Now she is a proper young lady most of the time and like her, Mike is full of curiosity and wonder about the world. They find it exciting to convey their enthusiasm to the adults about them, and that results in lively conversations, mostly one-sided, for adults often cannot share that enthusiasm without appearing phoney and condescending.

Yet, the youngsters still have not reached the age of reason. They can be spoken to, but they forget admonitions quickly. This is the reason that they leave a trail of smeared glass and smudged walls behind them. All children seem to have sticky hands, even in the driest weather, and Ashlyn and Mike are no exceptions. But if we, having become slightly crochety with the years, experience moments of despair that the well-ordered peace of our home is made to shambles within moments by the energy of the young ones, it is necessary only to ponder the alternative. What if they had not come? It is much more delightful that they chose to visit us instead of spending their vacation doing something else.

Little Mike is at the stage where he is fascinated by anything Western, particularly cowboys and Indians. So, of course, he had to go ride a horse. One morning we drove out to a riding stable in the foothills. Perhaps 50 or maybe even 75 horses lazed in a corral, twitching off the flies and waiting patiently for their call to duty. Mike and Ashlyn were properly awed by this wealth of horseflesh. Dozens of other parents and grandparents also were on hand, in the tow of eager young cowboys and cowgirls.

In time our turn came, and a hardbitten wrangler appeared with some huge but placid horses in tow. Ashlyn drew a gentle nag named Midnight. Mike's was named Nellie, but he was so thrilled by the prospect of mounting her that he didn't mind the absence of romance in her name. The wrangler, accustomed to his chores, deftly lifted the youngsters and deposited them in their saddles. Then he adjusted the stirrups to fit the length of their legs, which wasn't much. A girl type wrangler showed them how to hold the reins, how to give the horses slack and nudge their ribs to get them moving, and how to pull back gently to apply the brakes.

Aunt Susan, who used to be a pretty fair rider in her younger days, led the way up the trail. Uncle Warren, who was as much a stranger to a horse's back as the youngsters, brought up the rear. And thus the caravan embarked at a gentle, plodding pace. I waited until the horsemen were lost from sight beyond the grove of cottonwoods, then went back to the car to catch up on some reading.

Within an hour they were back, the youngsters confident now that they were skilled horsemen. Their mounts had never been permitted to exceed a gentle walk, but who is to say what exciting visions raced through the children's minds during this first outing on horseback. Had they galloped across the open prairie in pursuit of stampeding longhorns or a herd of buffalo? Had they lathered their faithful horses in a desperate effort to rescue the frontier fort from marauding savages?

Ashlyn and Mike didn't say, and it would have been impudent to question them about their most private daydreams. But I can imagine that in school this fall, when asked to write a composition or get up before class and tell about summer experiences, the story of that first horseback ride will be told and retold. For the moment, it was enough that they asked when they could return to the stable for another ride up the trail under the cottonwoods. Soon, I assured them.



By Jim Henry

Sakura Script

Protecting Girls from Aliens

Yokohama Police have launched an operation in Kanagawa Prefecture to protect teen-age girls from foreign girl-hunters.

Policewomen of the Juvenile Section in plain clothes are patrolling the gay quarters of Yokohama and Yokosuka, Kanagawa Prefecture. When they see a foreigner and a teen-age Japanese girl together, they hand the man a card which reads: "We are police. Your date is a minor. We must protect her."

Then they call the girl away from the man and warn her not to be deceived. If they find that the foreigner is on the blacklist they send him to the prosecutor's office under a pre-fectural ordinance for the protection of minors.

Recent Increase Kanagawa Prefectural police are worried by a recent increase of teen-age girls led astray by a foreigners, only to be cast off later. Such girls often go from bad to worse.

Young girls are prone to become infatuated with foreigners on the lookout for one-night adventures in Yokohama, police said.

Police recently arrested a ring procuring women for crew-men of foreign ships calling at Yokohama. Among the women supplied by the ring were five-teenage girls who had turned professional.

Several years ago, a high school girl who went to the house of an American civilian in Yokosuka to study English conversation was raped and made to model in the nude.

Police said that the wrong use of "yes" and "no" often caused misunderstandings — refusal taken as consent.

They said that promotion of international friendship was all to the good. But they added: "Don't forget that you may be deceived."

Oh, those heathen Americans!

Yen claim bill gains editorial, popular support

WASHINGTON—The Washington, D.C. Evening Star and Daily News has editorially endorsed legislation introduced by Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) which would enable some 2,000 elderly Japanese Americans to recover their pre-World War II deposits in the American branches of the Yokohama Specie Bank of Japan.

In its editorial, the Evening Star and Daily News said: "Representative Spark Matsunaga, has now won committee approval of a bill to return \$4.5 million to one or two thousand Japanese Americans whose savings were seized in branches of the Yokohama Specie Bank. They're not asking for the 30 years of interest this money would have earned or to get it back at today's conversion rate. Just the money that was . . . unconscionably taken from them."

"Anything less than speedy action (on the Matsunaga bill) would be sleazy indeed," the editorial concluded.

"I am amazed and gratified at the outpouring of public sympathy and support generated by my bill," Matsunaga said. "I have received letters and calls from concerned citizens all over the country who want to see justice done in this matter."

Sewage services

OAKLAND, Calif.—The newly-created Bay Area Sewage Services Agency, serving a nine-county area to dispose \$500 million in federal, state and local funds during the next few years, has elected Mayor Norman Mineta of San Jose as its president. He ruled executive committee meetings be open to the press and public as their functions are similar to the full 21-member board.

MANHATTAN ECHOES: Joe Oyama

To Manhattan with Love

New York His friends kiddingly call 442nd veteran Dick Itanaga, "Mr. Madison Avenue" because he comes from Fresno, Calif., but knows Madison Avenue like a veteran.

Dick works in a highly specialized area within advertising agencies called Media promotion. His job is selling advertising people and agency people who use newspapers, magazines, radio, and outdoor advertising. A highly specialized field, he is writing service manager for Foster, Kleiser, a division of Metro Media Corp.

In New York Metro Media owns Channel 5 TV (WNEW) and radio stations throughout the country—in Washington, D.C.; Minneapolis, Los Angeles and Kansas City. It also publishes the famed theatergoers' magazine, "Playbill," and "Bravo" for concertgoers.

Dick said, "We have a language of our own. Trade language. No one knows what we're talking about except ourselves."

Stereotype Snapped "When I first broke in a lot of people had difficulty believing that an Oriental would make a living writing. This is the feeling I got. If you were an artist, they would have taken it for granted that you were artistic. There's nothing like that today. There is no question on the basis of race. It's a highly competitive field—not as bad as actors or actresses."

He continued, "There's a real challenge here. In a small town you think you're a 'hot shot' but here brains and ability count. New York has the greatest concentration of talent and also the greatest concentration of mediocrity, too."

"I was a 'hot shot' too. It's very humbling here. There is great talent here. Lot of them brighter than I am."

Here Itanaga's wife, the former Chiyo Suzuki from Pasadena, Calif., interjected, "Dick was a Magna Cum Laude graduate" of Woodbury College, Los Angeles with a BBA in advertising, and later when his family moved to Cleveland, Ohio, he took a graduate course at Western Reserve on a scholarship.

Lost in Plethora

"New York is a unique place," he continued, "New York is so big. If a Nisei or Sansei does something in California we hear about it, but in New York if a Nisei or Sansei does something we don't because it's such a large place. It's buried in the newspapers."

"I'm here by choice. In my type of work—this is where it is. There are two things I like about New York: Privacy. A small town has the least privacy. In New York you can choose friends on the basis of interest, not proximity."

I asked Dick if there were any other Nisei in his field. He replied, "Bill Yamaguchi used to be with Life. He went to Japan. There were others. There was a Nisei with Business Week in advertising who died in the early years. You only accidentally hear about things going on in New York."

A Blank Piece of Paper

Dick picked up a copy of "New York" magazine, flipped over the pages and pointed to one of its full page advertisements, and said, "Very interesting field—take for in-

J-A FRIENDSHIP ACT BILL IN HOUSE ALSO

WASHINGTON—A bill promoting closer cultural ties between U.S. and Japan was introduced Aug. 10 in the House of Representatives. The measure, similar to one introduced a week earlier (see Aug. 18 PC) in the Senate by Sen. Jacob Javits (R-N.Y.), was co-sponsored by Rep. William S. Mailliard (R-Calif.) and Rep. George E. Danielson (D-Calif.) of Los Angeles.

Okamoto sorry for role in Israeli airport massacre

TEL AVIV—Convicted Lod Airport assassin Kozo Okamoto told his Japanese family lawyer this past week he was sorry for the massacre and that he wanted to learn Hebrew.

In a statement read to newsmen, Tokyo lawyer Taisuke Matsuo said Okamoto expressed "profound sorrow to the Israeli and Puerto Rican people and to the deceased, wounded and innocent victims" of the Lod airport massacre.

Until now, Okamoto has refused to express remorse for his actions.

Praying for Recovery

Matsuo said Okamoto hoped the wounded would recover as soon as possible. "Indeed, he prays for it," the lawyer said. "He also has abandoned his obsession with suicide and promised the warden he would not try to kill himself," Matsuo said.

Okamoto requested a death sentence at his trial. "However, I did not succeed in convincing him to ask for appeal," Matsuo said. Last Aug. 8 was the deadline for Okamoto's appeal.

Matsuo was sent to visit Okamoto on behalf of the assassin's parents. But Mat-



MISS NISEI WEEK—Carol Lynn Matsunaga, representing Hollywood JACL, was crowned 1972 Nisei Week queen before some 500 persons attending the Coronation Ball Aug. 12 at Biltmore Bowl. The 19-year-old lass who was a Nisei Relays queen stands with her parents, Hide and Yuriko Matsunaga. An honor graduate of Marshall High, Carol Lynn is attending Pitzer College in Claremont. —Kashu Mainichi Photo.

ED MATSUDA

Reunion with Old Scoutmaster

LOS ANGELES—"Once a Boy Scout, always a Boy Scout" was attested to this past week (Aug. 9) when a contingent of 61 Boy Scouts from Aichi Renmei, Nagoya, arrived here on a goodwill tour of the United States.

Eddie Masao Matsuda, general chairman of the 1972 Nisei Week Festival, met with Kenzo Masuda, 81-year-old scout among the visitors. Matsuda, 70, and a former Downtown L.A. JACL president, was the first to join the Osaka Boy Scout troop which Masuda started in 1915 after he returned from the United States where he studied the Boy Scout organization for three years.

Starts Troops in L.A.

Although Matsuda spent only two years with the Osaka troop before he had to give up scouting for school work, he never forgot what he learned there and the good times he had with the troop.

Soon after he was graduated from high school, Matsuda came to Los Angeles to enroll at the American Institute of Banking. After his graduation in 1926, he organized the first Japanese American Boy Scout troop (Troop 33) at St. Mary's Episcopal Mission with the support from his pastor, Dr. Misao Yamazaki, and the late J. K. Sano, scoutmaster.

The movement spread to the Koyasan Buddhist Church in 1930, as well as Centenary Methodist Church two years earlier. In the ensuing years, Matsuda helped organize many a Boy Scout troop.

During World War II when he was interned at Heart Mountain Wyo., he was among the group of leaders who organized several troops there, including a drum and bugle corps. Matsuda served as chairman of the board of directors of the scouts there.

Visiting Contingent

The 61 scouts from Aichi visited New York, New Jersey, Buffalo, Chicago and Detroit to renew friendship with American Boy Scouts who participated in the world jamboree in Japan last year. Akiyoshi Goto leader of the current tour, was director of the sub-camp to which Koyasan Troop 379 was attached.

The visiting scouts were

After the resume, I surmised, "The Nisei should do good in this field, because of their general competence in English," but he corrected me, "Nisei have a poor grasp of the language due to their environment. I'm speaking of the California Nisei before the war. The Sansei do better. Although the Nisei did well academically . . ."

Although Dick works on Madison Avenue, he had not isolated himself from the JA community of New York. For four years he was publicity chairman for the local Nisei 442nd Veterans Association and editor of their publication.

He said, "I stay away from National Veterans Reunions. Nice talk once in a while—rehash the whole thing."

He grew candid, "War is a miserable thing. When Vets get together they talk like it was a football game. They forget how miserable it was . . . just like we forget how it was in Camp. How cold, the dust. It's a good thing that it's that way. The mind filters out the unpleasant."

Incidentally, I first met Dick in the Jerome Relocation Center where we worked on the Denison Tribune, the Camp publication. From

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Resthaven community mental health council criticizes county director

LOS ANGELES—Ethnic community leaders have criticized Los Angeles County Mental Health Department chief Dr. Harry Brickman for what they say are "divisive statements and an apparent attempt to set L.A. ethnic groups against one another."

Dr. Brickman has repeatedly drawn fire for his interpretations of California mental health laws and an alleged lack of response to the mental health needs of the ethnic communities.

In the second of a series of meetings with Resthaven Community Mental Health Center council members, Dr. Brickman stated that additional county funds could be siphoned off one ethnic group and given to another.

More Funding Sought

Mori Nishida of the Japanese American community said Dr. Brickman's statement is apparently based "on which ethnic group shouts the loudest and the loudest."

Resthaven council chairman Dr. Jenny Batongmalique, who arranged the Brickman meetings to discuss the possibility of increasing county mental health service contracts to the mental health center, said the following:

"Tactics such as this to set the various ethnic communities fighting among themselves will not be tolerated. The whites, blacks, Chicanos, and Asians of the downtown area are united and deeply concerned about the inadequacy of the present mental health funds being made available to Resthaven, the only community mental health center in the area."

Service Contract

Resthaven has attempted to have its mental health service contract increased under the Short-Doyle Act, which provides free services to poverty-level residents, for the last three years to help meet the growing ethnic community needs.

Last spring, Resthaven was

feted at a reunion at the Koyasan Hall and left for San Francisco via Yosemite on buses. They boarded a JAL jet for Hawaii before returning home Aug. 16.

recognized by the County Mental Health Dept. for its programs of treating ethnic mental, health problems, but no additional funds were allocated.

The department recognition statement commended Resthaven for developing a multilingual program capable of serving Spanish, Japanese and Chinese speaking patients. The commendation further stated that the department intends to refer patients from other areas to the Resthaven facility, yet made no mention of additional funds to meet this larger caseload.

However, the Resthaven community council rejected Dr. Brickman's offer to utilize existing funds exclusively for Asians and Chicanos, excluding whites and blacks from Resthaven's treatment contract.

Further meetings with the County Board of Supervisors and Dr. Brickman were scheduled this month.

Detroit—

Continued from Front Page

I have to take it standing up. I've found that in the first minute after standing up, I do shrink a little. About 1/2 inch."

A pool in a Detroit newspaper asked the question: "Should the Detroit police department stretch their height requirements to let 5' 6 1/2" Sanjiro Miyamoto join the force?"

Yes answers came from 64.4 per cent of the people who telephoned in response.

Nisei heads bomb disposal unit

HONOLULU — Capt. Melvin Taira, head of the 6th Ordnance Unit in Hawaii, M/Sgt. Robert Kleira and a handful of experts at the Aliamanu Military Reservation are the only men on the Islands with technical training to render a bomb harmless.

In some American cities, police have a special bomb demolition squad but in Honolulu, the police clear the building or area and call on Capt. Taira, a 1965 Univ. of Hawaii ROTC graduate.

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CHAPTER PULSE

August Events

Seattle JACL sponsors
bus tour for Issei

A chartered bus trip to Deception Pass for Issei was sponsored Aug. 23 by Seattle JACL. The \$3.75 fee included a light lunch at the state park, Connie Asaka, Issei Concerns chairman, was in charge.

The chapter board also revealed Don Kazama resigned his post as president-elect. Kazama, who served as chapter president in 1970, said his own activities in other areas have been increasing and felt he could not devote the time and energy necessary. He urged those who have gained experience at the chapter level should broaden their scope and contribute to the larger community.

September Events

San Jose sponsors
candidates' night

A Candidates' Night will be sponsored by San Jose JACL on Friday, Sept. 1, 7:30 p.m. at the Buddhist Church auditorium, it was announced by President Richard Tanaka.

The local Japanese American community will have the opportunity of meeting and hearing the candidates or its representatives for various districts as follows:
9th Cong. Dist.—Don Edwards (D), Herb Smith (R);
10th Cong. Dist.—Charles Gubser (R), Frank Gillette (D);
17th Cong. Dist.—Pete McCloskey (R), James Stewart (D).

1000 Club Report

Aug. 15 Report

First half of August saw 62 new and renewing memberships in the 1000 Club as follows:

1st Year: Philadelphia—Dr. Ka-
zo K. Kimura; Chicago—William
T. Miyake, Eddie Sasaki; Sacra-
mento—Dr. Ernest K. Takahashi.
2nd Year: Cincinnati—Mrs. Glo-
ria Farkson; Berkeley—Lewis C.
Jackson; San Mateo—Gary Ota;
Portland—Robert Soga.
3rd Year: Gardena Valley—
Richard Arias, Steve Okuma;
Orange County—Assemblyman
Kenneth C. Cory; Philadelphia—
George F. Harter; French Camp—
Hideo Morinaka; San Jose—Dr.
Saylo Munemitsu; Taro Yama-
gami; Downtown L.A.—Dr. Thom-
as Noguchi; Contra Costa—
BEN TAKESHITA (30 Club).
4th Year: Chicago—Fred Y. Fu-
jii; Berkeley—Peter N. Kawaka-
mi; East Los Angeles—Mrs. Mi-
chi Oh.
5th Year: San Francisco—Gus
Giron; Santa Maria—Isamu Mi-
namori; Mt. Olympus—Mrs. Akio
Okada; Gardena Valley—Dr. Paul
T. Tsukubara.
6th Year: Downtown L.A.—Mrs.
Margaret E. B. Fleming; Chicago—
Isamu Zaiman.
7th Year: San Francisco—Kojiro
M. Iwasaki; Oakland—Ted T. Ma-
yada; West Los Angeles—Dr. Ro-
bert Watanabe.
8th Year: Riverside—Edwin Y.
Mitoma; Detroit—James N. Shi-
mura.
9th Year: East Los Angeles—
Hideo Katayama; Downtown L.A.—
Mrs. Hisano Morishita; Portland—
William Y. Sakai; Sacramento—
Mike M. Suzuki (Silver Spring, Md.).
10th Year: Venice—Culver—Mrs.
Yaeko Inagaki; Boise Valley—
George Koyama; Orange County—
Harry H. Nakamura; Chicago—
Earl K. Nakamura; New York—
Hickie K. Noma.
11th Year: Salinas Valley—Paul
T. Ichijiri; Spokane—Harry Ka-
doya.
12th Year: Salt Lake City—Alice
F. Kasai; Gardena Valley—David
S. Miyamoto; Downtown L.A.—
Masami Sasaki; San Francisco—
Henri H. Takahashi.
13th Year: Washington, D.C.—
Frank A. Endo; West Los Angeles—
Karl S. Iwasaki; Fresno—Dr.
Sumio Kubo.
14th Year: Portland—Robert Su-
namoto; Stockton—Lou Teuneka-
wa.
15th Year: Alameda—H. Haruo
Imura; Livingston—Merced—Kazuo
Masuda; Long Beach—Harbor—
George Mio; St. Louis—Dr. Ma-
sao Ohmori; Stockton—Tom T.
Okamoto; San Fernando Valley—
Isamu Uyehara.
16th Year: San Francisco—Jack
Hirose; Berkeley—Tokuya Kako;
Puyallup Valley—H. James Kiro-
shita; Sequoia—Richard S. Kira-
son; Spokane—Tetsuo Nobuki;
Washington, D.C.—John Y. Yo-
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CALENDAR

Aug. 25 (Friday)
West Los Angeles—Issei Trip to
Laguna Hills Art Festival, Iv. Rick's
Restaurant, 4:30 p.m.
Aug. 29 (Tuesday)
Orange County—Japanese movies,
Brookhurst Theater, Anaheim,
7 p.m.
Sept. 1 (Friday)
San Jose—Candidates' Night,
Buddhist Church Annex, 7:30
p.m.
West Los Angeles—Earth Sci Mtg.,
Westside YMCA.
Sept. 2 (Saturday)
Contra Costa—Annual steak bake,
Alvarado Park, Richmond, 6:30
p.m.
Sept. 3 (Sunday)
Delano—Fifth Delano Reunion,
Stardust Restaurant.
Alameda—Golf tournament,
Galbraith Muni Course, 9 a.m.
Sept. 5 (Tuesday)
Sequoia—Bd Mtg., Palo Alto.
Buddhist Church, 7:30 p.m.
Sept. 10 (Sunday)
PSWDC—55 Quiz, Pasadena.
Buddhist Church, 9 a.m.
Pasadena JACL hosts.
Dayton—Laua, Crother's Farm,
3 p.m.
Sept. 11 (Monday)
Alameda—Bd Mtg., Buena Vista
United Methodist Church,
7:30 p.m.
West Los Angeles—Bd Mtg.,
Puyallup Valley—Gen Mtg.,
Sept. 12 (Tuesday)
San Mateo—Bd Mtg., Sturge
Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m.
Sept. 13 (Wednesday)
Orange County—Bd Mtg.
Sept. 16 (Saturday)
Sequoia—Issei Night, Cabana
Hyatt House, Palo Alto, 7 p.m.
Sept. 17 (Sunday)
San Mateo—Community picnic,
Bereford Park, 11 a.m.
Sept. 22 (Friday)
Belmont—Sept. 22-24
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An artist's search for personality, identity

By JO MURRAY
Oakland Tribune

OAKLAND, Calif.—One nor-
mally doesn't interview a
famous artist about her child-
hood pets.
But it's a little easier to
understand Mine Okubo after
she talks about cats, a fre-
quent subject in her show at
the Oakland museum which
closed Aug. 20.

"They're the only animals
that know how to live," she
maintained. "They size up
their owners and then do as
they please. They keep their
own personalities."

Unlike cats, however, hu-
mans sometimes have to
search for their personalities
and Mine's study of herself is
the theme of the first major
showing of her works on the
West Coast.

Love of Cats

It goes from the dark, de-
pressing portrayals of Japa-
nese Americans sent to re-
location camps during World
War II, through abstraction-
ism and impressionism, to the
bold, happy animals she
paints today.
Her love of cats is a source
of amusement for Mine, since
the polite form of her name,
Mineko, contains the Japanese
word for cat.

Born to Japanese parents

who had immigrated to Riv-
erside, she received all of her
formal art training in a
West and barely speaks Japa-
nese. There is virtually no
Oriental influence in her early
works, including the portrait
of her mother with a cat that
was chosen for the cover of
the show's catalog.

Various Styles

She said her progression
through the various styles of
painting is an outgrowth of
the fact that "my work is all
self-research. Whatever is in

NC-WNDC -

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intended to stay in the present
DYC organization.

The announcement made by
Wendy Sakai of Sacramento,
NC-WNDC chairman, that
her group was cutting JACL
ties over the Ushio appoint-
ment was apparently unautho-
rized by the member units.

Visual Communications

The district approved the
\$500 allocation to the visual
communication program be-
ing undertaken by Bob Naka-
mura of Los Angeles. A com-
mitment for this amount had
been made in mid-June when
the project was initiated under
JACL.

The visual communications
committee, no longer associ-
ated with JACL, is still going
through with the project to
collect 10,000 photographs and
documents on the Asian ex-
perience in America. The re-
quest for matching funds was
approved by the federal gov-
ernment through National
JACL.

The district also voted \$100
to assist the UC Santa Cruz
Japanese class this fall. The
request was made through the
Sequoia chapter.

Nominations for district
council officers will be accept-
ed until Sept. 20 with the fi-
nal election scheduled Nov. 5
at Sunol Country Club. Fre-
mont JACL will host the final
quarterly session.

me is coming out. Now I'm
going more and more into the
flat use of color which is an
Eastern tradition.
"I see life from the happy
side now rather than from the
gruesome side," explained the
artist, who herself spent two
years in relocation camps. "I
have seen so much horror
from birth that I decided to
contribute something else."

She has devoted her life
almost exclusively to art and
writing, and combined these
talents in "Citizen 13660," a
book published in 1946 about
her experiences in the camps.

Views of Matrimony

She found time to paint
there by putting a quarantine
sign on her door. This elimi-
nated searches by police as
well as nosy neighbors.

Mine never married be-
cause "it is a man's world.
When you marry, you become
second class. If you make a
decision to contribute and
you marry, you're splitting
yourself."

The woman whose name
means "top of the highest
mountain" speaks with seren-
ity of her decision to "follow
the universe rather than the
crowd."

The theme of the universal
comes up in almost every
other sentence in a conversa-
tion with her.

\$1,830 raised for

'Months of Waiting'

LOS ANGELES — The Japa-
nese Chamber of Commerce
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sented \$1,830 less \$67 for ex-
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Self-Research

A graduate of and former
lecturer at the Univ. of Cali-
fornia at Berkeley, Mine now
lives in Greenwich Village
where she continues her self-
research. She recently wrote
about her present feelings.
"I don't care where I am.
I'm still the same. I adjust
and adapt. I guess most Ori-
entals are trained that way.
Most of American life consists
of people caught up in enter-
taining themselves.

"In a way, I wish I were
like that, because if I
choose my course, then it's all
work, work. But in painting,
if everything goes right, it's
like conducting. You never hit
it right in the same way
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Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gims

Political Scene

Walter Kupa, president of the AFL-CIO State Federation of Labor, says Sen. Thomas F. Eagleton's withdrawal as the Democratic vice presidential nominee is "the biggest blunder in the whole campaign." He added: "From what I can learn of psychiatric care such as Sen. Eagleton underwent, you come out a stronger person. I think Eagleton's withdrawal will prove to be the biggest mistake the Democrats could make."

Congressional candidate John W. Goemans said in Hilo recently incumbent Patsy T. Mink is part of the forces "pulling us apart." He said Mrs. Mink has given Hawaii eight years of contention and divisiveness and shown she thinks she "has access to special knowledge." Goemans, a Republican, has charged the state administration with keeping more than 50,000 eligible military personnel off the local voting lists to maintain Hawaii's "Democratic status quo."

State Rep. Diana Hansen, who is campaigning to unseat Patsy Mink, said a Supreme Court ruling in March removed all residency requirements and allows military personnel to vote in Hawaii.

State Capitol

Workmen once again are making repairs to Tadashi Sato's giant mosaic on the floor of the capitol courtyard. Several of the 600,000 pieces of tile in the mosaic are missing, some taken by vandals and some dislodged by janitors. It's the second time in two years that repairs have been needed on the \$40,000 work.

Education

William G. Ouchi, an instructor at the Univ. of Chicago business school, has received his doctorate from the university's graduate school of business. He will join the Stanford Univ. school of business faculty in Sept.

Business Ticker

Masato Kamisato, a former executive vice president of the Honolulu Japanese Chamber of Commerce, has been appointed assistant vice president in charge of marketing at City Bank of Honolulu.

Robert S. Kakuchi, formerly a loan assistant at Bank of Hawaii's Keeaumoku branch, has been named loan assistant at the bank's Kaneohe branch.

The State Public Utilities Commission on Aug. 15 granted the Hawaiian Electric Co. a 4.9 percent increase in electricity rates. The figure was \$2 million less than HECO said it needed, but \$2.3 million more than the amount recommended by the commission staff. Alexander A. Baldwin has reported a better than doubling in its first half earnings from operations, continuing a trend of recovery among Hawaii corporations.

Dr. Walter E. Batchelder, 60, Hawaii County district health officer, died Aug. 3. Memorial services over the ashes were held at Dodo Mortuary chapel. He came to the Big Island in Nov. 1968, as district health officer.

Honolulu Scene

Five hundred residents of Chinatown were evacuated in the early hours of July 3 after four underground explosions rocked the area and sent manhole covers flying. Only one man suffered superficial burns. The fire, it is believed, was caused by termites. A Hawaiian Electric official explained that termites excrete an acid on the underground cables that decays the rubber insulation. Then a low grade fire breaks out. As a rubber insulation burns, gasses are formed underground and build in pressure—sometimes to explosive proportions.

Sports Scene

Japan plans to stay out of the World Baseball Classic scheduled in Honolulu in Sept. It has been announced by the steering committee of the Japanese Central and Pacific professional leagues. The tournament was to involve the Pacific Coast League, International League and the American Assn. along with champions of Mexico and Japan. The committee voted in principle to take part in the classic next year and will make a formal acceptance in Feb. The reason given for Japan's pullout was the length of its schedules. The season there does not end until early Oct.

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The Spartan Beat

Mas Manbo

Dog Days of Summer

Tokyo

The dog days are with us again, the uncomfortable hot season in July and August with its turkish bath weather. It is during this period that Bon, or the Festival of the Dead, is observed — in mid-July in Tokyo and in mid-August for their home towns.

Hordes of people leave the capital around the middle of August for their home towns. Plane and train tickets are a scarce commodity at this time with 2,500,000 reported to be intending to go home for the Bon season.

Along with the hot weather, every summer without fail there is a rash of horror shows on stage, screen and television.

Ghost Time

The belief in Japan is that watching spine-tingling presentations makes a person cool in hot weather. Whether this works or not, one can't say. But anyway, summer-time is ghost time in this country.

Shown on television in recent weeks besides home-made thriller-dillers have been such films as The House on Haunted Hill; Dracula, Prince of Darkness; The Hypnotic Eye; The Blob, and The Curse of the Swamp Creature, to name a few. In addition, there have been horror pictures from France and Italy on TV.

In past summers, the horror show addict here has been treated to many other Dracula pictures as well as a full range of Frankenstein flicks and similar fare concocted abroad. Even a Russian picture with monsters made its way here a year or two ago.

'Yotsuya Kaidan'

While the thriller menu may vary from year to year, no summer goes by in Japan without several versions being shown of the ghost story fixture, the famous Yotsuya Kaidan.

Yotsuya Kaidan, as every Japanese knows, is an eerie tale of jealousy, murder and revenge. It features the undisputed queen of all ghosts in Japan, Oiwa.

First presented on the stage in 1825, it is the work of Tsuruya Namboku (1755-1829), a playwright-novelist. He is considered the father

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Fred Kuhaula, 16-year-old southpaw from Wainane, has left for the Mainland after signing a contract with the San Francisco Giants. He is a cousin of Jesse Kuhaula of Japanese sumo fame. Fred will report to the Giants' Great Falls farm club of the Pioneer League in Ogden, Utah.

Kuhaula is the third pitcher from Oahu to sign with the pros this summer. Mike Gipaya (Pittsburgh) and Len Castillo (Cincinnati) currently are playing for the Bradenton Pirates and Reds, respectively, in the Gulf League.

John Notch, 23, of Ewa Beach, ran around Oahu, 140 miles, in 28 hours over a recent week end. He left Honolulu Zoo at 6 p.m. on a Friday and went around the island by way of Koko Head, Waimanalo, the Windward Coast, the North Shore and Kaena Point, arriving back at the zoo at 10 p.m. the following night.

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BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman

Maiden Effort of Famed Novelist

I AM A CAT, by Soseki Natsume, Jr. by Aiko Ito and Graeme Wilson. Tuttle Co., 218 pp., \$5.

When Kinoshige Natsume returned to Japan in January 1903, after two years of study in England, a rumor had preceded him that he had gone mad. In going abroad, he had left wife and child behind. The scholarship the government had awarded him had been insufficient to maintain him decently abroad. He had spent most of his time in his poor lodgings, alone, and reading furiously.

Irritable and prone to sudden bursts of temper he picked up the threads of his life in Japan. He disliked teaching, but he had accepted the scholarship with the understanding he would teach for four years upon his return. He accepted a post at the First National College in Tokyo; at the Imperial University, he accepted a lectureship in English, succeeding Lafcadio Hearn.

His unhappy life abroad had turned him away from the uncritical acceptance of all things Western that characterized many of his Japanese contemporaries. He had returned with the conviction that he must find the reason of his career in his own country.

Here a situation had developed favorable to the promotion of Japanese letters. The high regard in which the West held novels and novellas formed a beacon leading into which Japanese fiction had fallen. The literary language had been changing from the Chinese style of the preceding century. Though the translators say he "always preferred the hard plangency of bunpots, the traditional literary language derived from Chinese models, to the smoother, almost feminine characteristics of ordinary Japanese," he would be able to write in language close to everyday speech.

Possibly because an editor of the influential literary magazine Hototogisu (Cuckoo) invited a submission, the returned scholar began to write, under the pen name Soseki.

Soseki wrote his first short story, "I Am a Cat" (Wagahai wa Neko de aru). The editor offered criticism. Soseki rewrote the story; it appeared in the January 1905 issue.

To tell a story from the point of view of a minor character is to use a common literary device; for example, Conrad Richter uses this technique in his novel, The Sea of Grass. It is unusual to make this minor character an animal—highly intelligent and highly literate, even by human standards.

The perspicacious feline, women in television shows. Such foreign pictures as The Hypnotist and French and Italian thrillers were about girls whose faces were horribly mangled.

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BILL YAMASHIRO STORY

Cal-Western agent qualifies for 15th straight year in \$-Million round table

LOS ANGELES—The California-Western State Life Insurance Co. recently celebrated a "Bill Yamashiro Week" in recognition of his 15 consecutive years in the Million Dollar Round Table—a record not only within the firm but the only Nisei in the mainland U.S. to qualify that many times.

As the top producer in the history of the company, Cal-Western revealed he has approximately \$20 million in individual life insurance in force on more than 1,500 policy owners.

In a cover story in the company's magazine, El Capitan, the Yamashiro Story related the honoree was born in Fresno in 1923. His father was an orchard camp foreman, lived in Stockton for a while before returning in 1937 to Hiroshima to retire and taking his family of five children with him.



Bill Yamashiro

Despite the enviable record, Yamashiro is still mindful of his father's influence. "If you become a success," his father told him long ago, "never think that you did it all on your own. Remember that many others have helped you along the way. Be thankful to them, and be humble."

Of Bill's humility and true generosity, Tate Kusuhida, CLU, manager of the Wilshire Agency where Yamashiro is now based, says:

"We have regular Monday morning meetings in the agency and they're held primarily for the benefit of the new men. There's really not much in these meetings for a million-dollar producer like Bill, but he attends every one of them and contributes so much more than he receives. He makes himself available to anyone who needs help or ideas. He'll gladly stand up at the blackboard to illustrate his approach—in two languages if necessary. He's just happy to be helpful."

The Yamashiros live in Gardena with their two sons Alan and Roger.

Black WW2 unit holds reunion

Return to U.S.

By 1951, his two brothers and two sisters had returned to the U.S. but Bill because of his military service couldn't. Time and again he applied for permission to return. Meanwhile, he married his wife Kay, and when they came home from their honeymoon, there waiting for him, thanks to the intervention of a U.S. brigadier general, was permission to return.

So leaving his bride with her parents (she joined him two years later), Bill landed in San Francisco in December, 1951, with \$150 in his pocket. The first job was picking grapes, then washing dishes for dollar an hour in a Los Angeles restaurant. He tried gardening and hurt his back.

Reunited with his wife in 1953, Bill found steady employment with a wholesale hardware firm as a warehouseman. One day Bud Fujimoto of Cal-Western's agency in Pasadena called to sell him some life insurance. One thing led to another and Yamashiro went into the life insurance business.

Insurance History

"The rest is glittering history," El Capitan went on. The first year (1956), he made 907 contacts turning in \$507,000 and from then on, an unbroken string of 1,000,000-plus years for a cumulative total of 4,845 contacts and \$22,457,162 in volume. El Capitan revealed it means a seven-day work week (cut down to five lately) and a 16-hour work day (which he hasn't cut), long hours of study and many four-interview nights.

Local Scene

Los Angeles

Asian Americans for McGovern will meet Aug. 27, 2-6 p.m., at the home of silent film star Antonio Moreno, 1923 Micheltorena St., to hear Mary Miyashita, Paula Essex, Kaz Umemoto and George Takei, members of the California delegation to the Democratic Convention, relate their experiences at Miami Beach.

San Francisco

UC Berkeley Nisei alumni will hold its fifth annual reunion golf tournament on Sept. 30-Oct. 1 at Carmel's Rancho Canada golf club, according to Mo Noguchi, 8 Drakes Cove, San Rafael, Calif. Previous get-togethers have been held at San Rafael, San Luis Obispo, Carmel and South Shore Lake Tahoe. Application deadline was Aug. 18.

Hamilton Senior Center, where Issei in San Francisco have been meeting every Wednesday for the past 16 years, was closed during the month of August, enabling director Edith Nance and volunteer helper Kay Okamoto a vacation. For Mrs. Okamoto it was her first since the center opened in 1956. During the interim, Kinoshita Inc. staged bingo night for the Issei at the space adjoining the Issei Lounge on the Japan Center bridge over Webster St.

Renew JACL Membership

Asian Studies

UC Extension Center in San Francisco, 55 Laguna St., will offer conversational Japanese on Wednesday evenings from Sept. 27 with Howard Imazeki, Kokubei Minichi English editor, as instructor. Another class on Saturdays from Sept. 23 is also scheduled. Details on these and other classes of interest may be secured by writing to Extension Center, 2223 Fulton St., Berkeley 94720.

NEWS CAPSULES

Government

Yasushi "Chewy" Ito, immediate past vice-president of the Sacramento JACL, was recently appointed to the Sacramento City Human Relations Commission. Ito is active in numerous community organizations in the Sacramento area and is familiar with the problems which are presented before the Commission. Ito is the owner and operator of Ito's Shell located on Riverside Blvd. in Sacramento.

Akira Nishiyama, onetime Japanese consul general at San Francisco, heads for Ottawa Aug. 25 to assume his new post as Japanese ambassador to Canada. He and his wife departed from Tokyo Aug. 23. San Jose Mayor Norman Mineta was unanimously elected president of the Peninsula Division of the League of California Cities.

Business

George Nakata is deputy director of trade development for the Port of Portland, Ore. He was formerly marketing manager of Pacific Supply Co. operative. In his new post, Nakata will be in charge of development programs to increase international trade. Native Californian George S. Ishiyama, 58, of Palo Alto and San Francisco exporter, was elected director of the Wells Fargo Bank and its parent firm, Wells Fargo & Co. He also heads a Brisbane-based firm exporting Australian beef to Japan and is a director of Alexander & Baldwin, diversified Hawaiian company engaged in sugar production, shipping and land development activities. He is

Tokyo—

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catering business in 1967, many of the customers were its own coeds and alumnae. The school was founded by missionaries and still receives some American support.

"The girls invited their non-Christian friends who liked what they saw," Watanabe explains.

High-Priced

Aoyama Gakuin Kaikan's wedding costs \$250,000 (about \$830 U.S.)—high priced by Japanese standards. For that sum the hall provides the wedding dress for the bride, morning clothes for the groom, the ceremony, a banquet for 50 guests, a band of whom receive commemorative presents.

The bride rents her wedding gown from a huge collection maintained at Aoyama Gakuin. Most brides change to a red-and-white traditional Japanese marriage kimono for the banquet. The catering service provides the kimono too, along with wig dressed in traditional Japanese hair style.

"The only things they have to bring to the wedding are the suitcases they will take on their honeymoon," Watanabe says. During the peak months of May about 300 couples are married at Aoyama Gakuin, whose handsome profits go directly into the University treasury.

The ceremonies are performed in a state-of-the-art chapel, decorated with dark and light wood. An enormous stained glass window dominates the room.

Vows Amended

Two ordained Protestant clergymen are kept on hand to read the services in Japanese, with the word "obey" left out of the girl's vows. Both the ministers are retired members of the Aoyama Gakuin University faculty.

Progress through Aoyama Gakuin Kaikan's matrimonial assembly line takes the girl about four hours; the groom first to a dressing room where she gets a hair set and has her face made up by the catering firm's cosmeticians.

After she has been dressed, she is escorted to a waiting room where she spends the last few minutes with her parents and relatives before marching down the aisle to the stately tones of "Here Comes the Bride."

The hall does not rent rooms for honeymoons. However, it runs a travel service which can make all arrangements if the couple wishes.

In the Japanese context, most Japanese marry in the Shinto or Buddhist religions, but they usually have the ceremony in a wedding catering house or a hotel. Few are married at the shrines or temples of the religions to which they belong.

Legally, Aoyama Gakuin's customers are married even before they go to the altar. Couples become man and wife in the eyes of the Japanese government the moment both sign the marriage application. Weddings, Christian or non-Christian, are a social event, not a legal one as in the United States.



YOUTH CONVENTION—Posing for the official youth convention photographs are some 150 delegates on the campus on the steps adjacent to the library fountain. —Photo by Frank Yoshimura

president of Ishiyama Corp., San Francisco, which ships basic raw materials to Japanese industries.

Akira Kawasaki succeeds Jutaro Yamashita as manager of the Bank of Tokyo of California main office at Los Angeles while Yasuo Yoshizawa was named agent of the parent bank's Los Angeles agency, bank president Masao Tsuyama announced. Hiroyuki Shigemasa succeeds Yoshizawa, Gardena branch manager. Kawasaki joined the firm in 1948 and was Los Angeles agent. Yamashita is being reassigned to Japan.

Theater

A lecture-demonstration on the Japanese theater forms of Noh and Kyogen will be presented Aug. 25, 7:30 p.m., at Union Oil Auditorium, 461 S. Boylston, Los Angeles, by two members of Japan's great acting families, Mansaku and Shiro Nomura. They are the second and fourth sons of Manzo Nomura, designated a "cultural treasure" by the Japanese government. Prof. Richard N. McKinnon, associate director of the Center for Asian Arts, Univ. of Washington, and a leading specialist on the Japanese theater, is coordinator and commentator. The Nomura appearance in the U.S. was made possible by a cultural division grant of the Japanese Foreign Ministry.

Courtroom

Orange County (Calif.) Grand Jury is investigating charges of a shakedown in connection with an agricultural lease on part of Mile Square Regional Park in Fountain Valley. Rancher George Mural, who leases 213 acres of the park for farming, triggered the investigation when he complained to Supervisor David L. Baker of Garden Grove that he had been approached for a campaign contribution, reportedly \$10,000, if he wanted to be considered for renewal of his year lease which expired June 30. Baker notified District Attorney Cecil Hicks, who opened the investigation.

Allen T. Mizuno, 32, was scheduled for arraignment Aug. 23 in the L.A. superior court on an extortion charge in connection with threats to bomb Hollywood Park race track at Inglewood. Evidence was judged sufficient to warrant a trial during the preliminary hearing held Aug. 9 at Inglewood municipal court. According to Inglewood police, a call was made July 8 to the general manager of Hollywood Park demanding \$50,000 or three bombs would be set off at the track. An undercover policeman left a package, following the caller's instructions, in a trash can in the Silverlake district. Mizuno, of Hacienda Heights, was arrested by detectives when he allegedly retrieved the package, police said. Mizuno is free on \$5,000 bail.

Mrs. L. Chiyoko Hiroaka is asking \$50,000 damages in a Fresno county superior court for injuries sustained when a mortorboard type graduation ball tossed into the air at Bulard High School commencement exercises held June 13 struck her face. She alleges suffering cerebral concussion, loss of vision from a dislocated lens in her left eye and laceration on the bridge of her nose leaving a scar. Defendants are being charged with negligence.

Sports

Ann Kiyomura of San Mateo, Calif., upset top-seeded Marita Redondo of National City, Calif., 6-3, 8-2, to win the 35th annual U.S. Girls 18 and Under grass courts tennis championships Aug. 12 at Philadelphia. Miss Redondo is the U.S. Women's amateur grass court champion. In the doubles championship, Miss Redondo teamed with Laurie Tenny of Los Angeles to win 6-4, 2-6, 6-2 over Miss Kiyomura and Susan Boyle of Los Angeles. At Indianapolis, Japan Davis Cupper Tashiro Sakai bowed in the semifinals of the National Clay Courts tennis championship on Aug. 13 to Jim Connors of Belleville, Ill., 8-6, 6-0.

Membership—

Continued from Front Page in 12 years. For Gardens Valley, it was their first time though in the PSWOC, the old Southwest L.A. chapter availed with over 1,000 in the late 1950s.

Two chapters—Sacramento with 929 and West Los Angeles with 933—may enter this elite ground this year or next.

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Crime

Los Angeles police arrested Isamu Koyama, 49, on suspicion of attempted murder Aug. 16, following the shooting of Haruko Konishi, 41, proprietress of Okesa Restaurant, 331 E. 1st St., as she sat in her car parked at 150 S. San Pedro. Police described the incident as a "boy and girl friend falling out."

Nisei Week

Nearly 100 competed in the first Nisei Week Soroban Contest held Aug. 15 at Union Church. They were primarily students of Koji Suzuki and Masao Yamasaki who teach in and around L.A. Competition was divided in three categories: elementary, junior-senior high, and adult.

Politics

Ellen J. Kurihara, 24, daughter of the Don Kurihara of Orosi (Yulare County), was among Young Voters attending the Republican National Convention at Miami Beach. She is currently teaching at Atwater, Calif.

Education

Seattle public school teacher for 16 years, Frank S. Fujii, was named chairman of the visual and applied communications division at Seattle Central Community College. The Univ. of Washington graduate in commercial art and arts education previously headed the graphic arts department at Franklin High, has held a number of one-man shows at several galleries and designed for a number of organizations and businesses. Marilyn Yuriko Akita of Seattle was among 10 young women enrolled in a special program at Univ. of Puget Sound preparing them for top-level administrative positions in education. Over 200 had applied for the program which offers a master's degree, \$2,400 stipend, tuition and books.

Music

Each year, an opera singer is invited to perform a selection from "Madame Butterfly" in a Tokyo cemetery. The annual graveyard ceremony is held on May 25 to commemorate the death in 1945 of Tamaki Miura, the first Japanese to become a prominent soprano in European opera.

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Camp. Dick volunteered for the war and joined the 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

War Experience

"The war experience changed my sense of values. Before I was a nervous cat, I couldn't sleep, but now nothing bothers me, I sleep. If you see someone you know well get killed before your eyes, small things don't bother you. You're glad to be alive!"

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"It's true that those who feared got killed or badly wounded. I felt I would come through without being killed. When the squad of 12 went down to 3... men, I thought, 'I wasn't going to get hit' just before I got hit."

"I got hit in the leg. I have thirty percent disability in my leg. If I got hit, I got hit at as good a place as you can get hit."

I had known Dick Itanaga for almost thirty years but this is the first time he told me about his wound and dis-

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