

BY THE BOARD:

Closer knit organization through Pacific Citizen

I noted with surprise the other day, in checking with our Editor Harry Honda, that only approximately 37% of our total membership are subscribers to the Pacific Citizen. This means that about two-thirds of our total membership are not informed about the activities, program, policies and accomplishments of the JACL, unless the members attend chapter or district meetings or hear fragments of information from friends or members of JACL. Yet, the common complaint from members is that they do not know what the purpose and the objectives of the JACL are. It is appalling to me that information concerning the work in the field of public relations, of passage of beneficial legislation for the Japanese in the United States, and the unselfish devotion of duty and service by our members and leaders, are not as well known to the general membership as it should be.

Unless the general membership becomes more enlightened, there can be no sound foundation for future leadership, growth or strength in the organization.

Except for brief period of time, when a general report was mailed monthly to all members under the name of "JACL Reporter," the Pacific Citizen remained on an optional, individual subscription basis even though the Pacific Citizen has been the official organ of the National JACL. Almost all national organizations, and even organizations which are strictly local, have some sort of a house organ which is mailed to members as a general policy of the organization. In this way, the members of such organizations have a clear and constant picture of all activities, policies, programs, achievements and problems which confront the particular organization. At the present time, with the JACL being truly a national organization of some 88 chapters scattered throughout 34 states including the District of Columbia and particularly with

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400 DELEGATES ATTEND EDC-MDC CHICAGO CONFAB

BY HARRY HONDA

CHICAGO.—From the standpoint of effort, the second joint Eastern and Midwest District Council convention at the Hotel Sheraton last weekend deserved to be a national affair.

The convention board, headed by Kumeo Yoshinari, who was installed as new MDC chairman with Charles Nagao of Seabrook, new EDC chairman, culminated a year's preparation in a fashion that left little to be desired other than attendance of delegates from other district council areas.

Yet, the registration desk headed by Fumi Iwatsuki reported over 400 delegates had reported for the three-day holiday, not to mention the hundreds who attended the social events which required no registration. And had a fourth day of events been scheduled, it would have been a full-dress convention of national stature.

'New Perspectives'

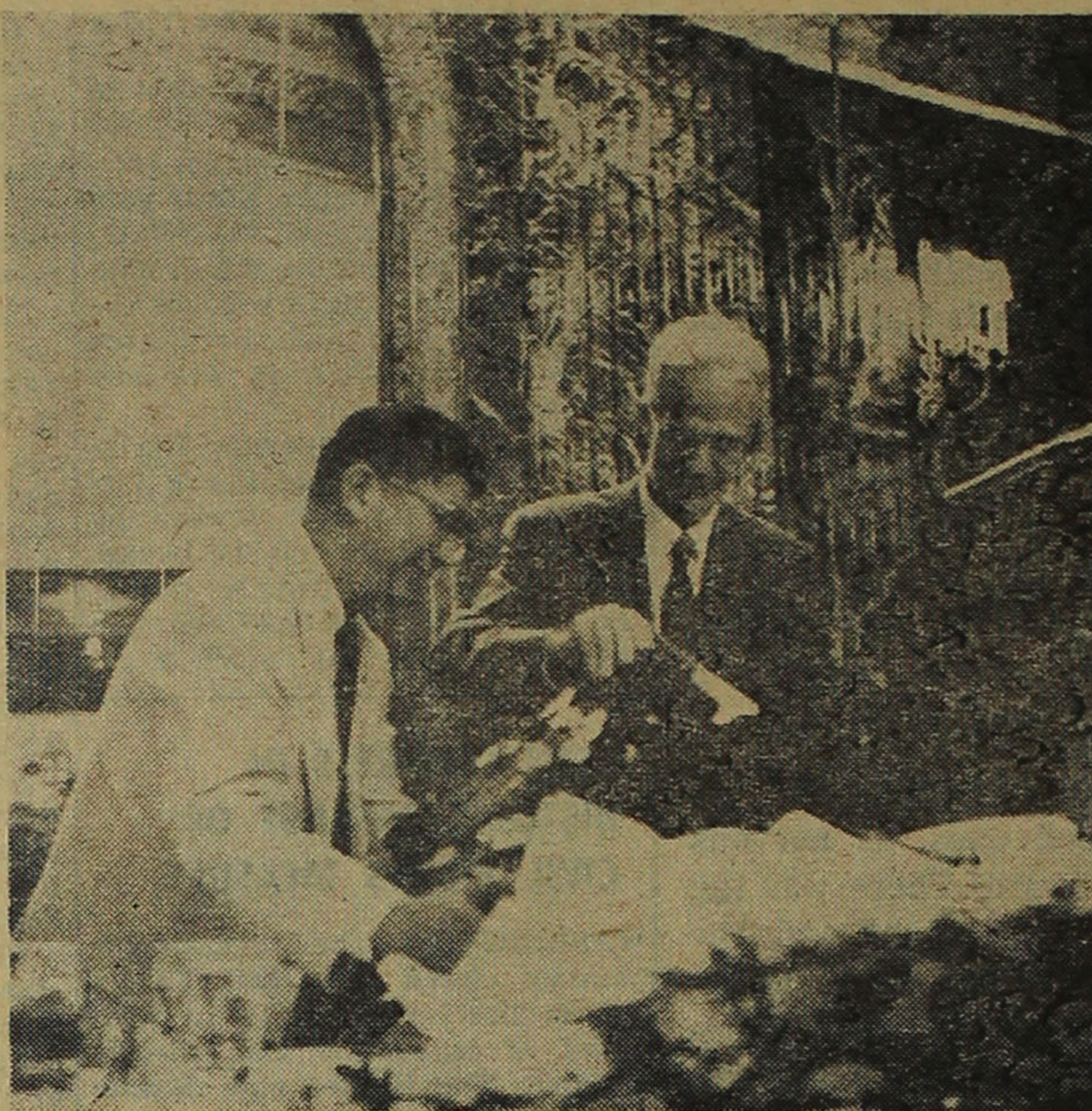
Dr. Clarence E. Pickett, Nobel Peace Prize winner and main convention speaker, in his Sunday night address before 400 regarded the theme of "New Perspectives" in a bold light when he declared:

"You are today a binding force between America and Japan. You have a mission of very great significance to the peace of the world. I have great confidence that you will live up to the highest hope of that mission."

Dr. Pickett, who is best known among the Nisei for his wartime

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'Family hardship' immigration bill OK



Dr. Clarence Pickett, main speaker at the joint EDC-MDC convention hosted by Chicago JACL, receives a Japanese lacquered letter box from the private collection of Prince Takamatsu as a gift from JACL in recognition of Dr. Pickett's spearheading the national student relocation program during the war years. Helping to open the box is Mike Masaoka of Washington, D.C., who introduced the speaker.

WASHINGTON. — The Congress gave final approval by voice vote Aug. 29 to the so-called "family hardship" Kennedy immigration bill, S. 2792. It is now awaiting Presidential signature.

Commenting on this action, Sen. John F. Kennedy (D., Mass.) said: "I am extremely gratified that this legislation has won the approval of Congress since it is the first major immigration bill to pass since 1952. This measure, which is fundamentally designed to reunite families and permit orphans adopted by U.S. citizens to enter the United States, is truly in the best tradition of our country."

Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative, praised the "family hardship" features of the bill as the most significant for persons of Japanese ancestry since it would eliminate a backlog of quotas oversubscribed by 15 to 20 years.

The provisions intend to reunite separated families. Many American citizen families have been forced to remain apart because of Japan's annual quota of 185.

The humanitarian aspects of these provisions have been long advocated by JACL. Masaoka recalled.

Up to 10,000 Japanese are expected to qualify under these provisions.

There was also assurance that a full hearing of the total immigration law would be scheduled in the next session.

An analysis of the bill, as reported by Sen. Kennedy's office, is as follows:

Analysis by Sections

Section 1—Under existing law some children are unable to accompany their parents because it is not clear that the term "step-child" includes illegitimate children. This section clarifies existing law.

Section 2—Amplifies the definition of "child" as contained in the basic statute so as to include illegitimate children and children adopted while under the age of 14.

Section 3—Makes clear that spouses and children of aliens admitted to the U.S. under the skilled workmen provisions of the law shall be entitled to first preference, thereby allowing families to be reunited.

Section 4—Allows an unlimited number of orphans adopted by U.S. citizen to enter the U.S. during next two years. It is estimated that approximately 5,000 orphans will be ready to come to the U.S. within the two-year period.

Section 5—Vests the Attorney General with discretionary authority to admit the spouse, child or parent of a citizen or an alien already in the U.S., notwithstanding the fact that the relative may have committed some offense which is a bar to entry into the U.S.

Tuberculars Admissible

Section 6—This section would authorize a visa for, and to admit to the United States, under such controls as he deemed necessary, the spouses, parents, and children of U.S. citizens or of lawfully resident aliens, notwithstanding the fact that such relative is afflicted with tuberculosis. This is another measure primarily designed to alleviate hardship and to prevent the unnecessary separation of families.

Section 9—This section grants the Attorney General discretionary authority to adjust the status of certain skilled specialists who are

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JACL's role still lies ahead, Dr. Nishikawa tells EDC-MDC confab; Olivet Institute cited for service by Chicago JACL

CHICAGO.—"The greatest of JACL is not behind but still lies ahead," Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa, national JACL president, declared at the EDC-MDC convention before a luncheon gathering of close to 350 at the Hotel Sheraton last Saturday.

On the convention theme of "New Perspectives", Dr. Nishikawa pointed out that the future of the Japanese American Citizens League is only limited by the imagination and talent of its members.

Yet, he felt that "new" was not the lone criterion of JACL's future as he emphasized the continuing role of public relations by persons of Japanese descent since the Nisei are identifiable as such in the broad American community.

Toastmaster Big Hit

After the introductions of guests and national JACL board and staff members present at the "fantabulous" convention (to quote toastmaster Aki Hayashi of New York, the national JACL treasurer who seemed too well fortified with adjectives), the gallery surrounding the Grand Ballroom where the luncheon was held was slowly being filled by spectators who were anticipating one of the loveliest fashion shows ever staged in JACL history.

By the time Dr. Nishikawa was introduced as the main luncheon speaker, close to 500 were in the audience to hear him warn that "good times are not conducive to great accomplishments". He was calling attention to the improved status of Japanese acceptance in America in so short a time since the war years when Nisei were subjected to the hysteria of mistaken loyalty.

"Rather, the struggle and not the goal stands as the accomplishment," Dr. Nishikawa explained. He openly answered the question

put to him on previous occasions: is JACL all through? isn't the strength of individual accomplishment enough for the Nisei today, now that we are accepted? He disagreed as JACL has still a job to do, that Nisei as individuals cannot accomplish what is being done by an organized group as JACL.

Taking a primary lesson from advertising that the good name of a product should be brought to the front at all times, Dr. Nishikawa saw in JACL a continuous role of public relations—even if for the sake of the Sansei, the coming generation.

In this respect, he paused to quote Dr. T. T. Yatabe, first national JACL president, who wrote in the Pacific Citizen recently that justified today if only to develop citizenship and leadership of the youth.

Olivet Institute

Among the special citations presented at the luncheon, Shig. Wakamatsu of Chicago, 1st national vice-president, cited the role of Olivet Institute for its long assistance to Japanese Americans who first came in 1943 after evacuation. One of the first community agencies to help resettle Japanese Americans, the Olivet Institute was given a plaque from the Chicago JACL with James Flett, chairman of its board of trustees, accepting.

Flett in response regarded Abe Hagiwara, associate director at the Institute, as the best "associate director" of any organization of this kind in Chicago.

The community organizations with which the Chicago JACL has been associated in improving human relations over the past decade were also announced by Hagiwara, who as chairman of the Midwest District Council, paid individual recognition to the representatives of these human relations, educational

and community service associations.

Kumeo Yoshinari, convention chairman; Dr. Frank Sakamoto, chapter president; and K. William Sasagawa of Philadelphia, Eastern District chairman, extended greetings.

Hails Civil Rights Bill

Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative, in his brief "Words from Washington" saw in the passage of the civil rights bill as the most significant instant in 80 years with the Negro Americans getting its right to vote protected by law.

"While not as much as was sought for, the JACL regards the civil rights bill as a definite step forward," Masaoka declared.

Kay Yamashita was the luncheon chairman.

Pocatello Cler to teach pharmacy at Stockton's College of Pacific

STOCKTON.—Mrs. Shizuko Kihara will become an administrative assistant to the dean of the School of Pharmacy at the College of Pacific when the fall term opens this month.

While working on her doctorate degree, Mrs. Kihara will teach pharmacy at the college.

She comes from Idaho State College where she has been associated with its pharmacy department, foreign language department and physics department since 1930.

Reports from Blackfoot, Idaho, said that Mrs. Kihara will be leaving for Stockton on Sept. 28. A community sendoff party was held in honor of Mrs. Kihara by the Japanese American residents of Blackfoot, these reports said.

(She was cited as the Pocatello JACL "personality of the month" for July in last week's PC.)

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From the Frying Pan

by Bill Hosokawa

Denver

REFLECTIONS FROM A SICKBED — It probably wasn't the Asian flu, but this Asiatic was sure sick from the flu last week. The time that had to be spent in bed gave me a chance to do some reflecting on such matters as how wonderful and unappreciated health is, and how much noise one small cricket can make in the middle of the night.

Lying in bed with nothing to do but think and listen one is impressed by vast variety of sounds that fill the air of a suburban neighborhood, day and night. Take that cricket. One would never imagine that so tiny a creature could sing so loudly for so long. Dawn was graying the sky when at last he decided to end his night-long serenade and let someone else get some sleep, too.

Then, on the less musical side, there were the yips and yaps of assorted neighborhood dogs, as nervous and irritable a pack as I've ever heard. There was the milkman coming in the dark of the night and the garbage collectors crashing cans only a short while later. And worst of all, there was the complaining, whining voice of a neighborhood housewife who made me happy I don't have to listen to her all the time.

I relearned, too, the pleasure of listening to disembodied voices on the radio. After five years of television it was a delight, for a while, to hear gags without having to look at toothpaste grins. There's lots of good solid entertainment on radio but the industry has one shortcoming — it's fear of silence. A moment of silence can be the most restful part of a program, but radio insists on an endless dinning. One can take only so much of it.

VETOED — One of the few compensations for being bedridden temporarily is that the boring daily rite of shaving can be skipped. As the stubble grew, I toyed with the idea of raising a mustache. (This idea is not new. It pops up once every five years, which is about the frequency with which I fall ill.)

Since no member of the family seemed to be raising much of an objection to having a mustachioed husband and father, the idea seemed to improve as the bristles grew longer. Then I looked into the mirror. What a scraggly, demoralizing mess. I lathered up, got a new blade out of the injector, and trimmed the upper lip growth to more esthetic proportions.

It looked better but it was still ridiculous. Let's face it. I can't raise a mustache.

POWERFUL CRAVING — The human animal's craving for food is a powerful thing, and under stress it can take odd turns. I wanted peaches. Their flavor was like nectar. They were cool and soothing and satisfying as nothing else could be. Peaches, in my sickbed reflections, reminded me of my mother-in-law's last illness. She wanted watermelon. It was late winter. The war was on. Gasoline as rationed. We'd just recently moved to Des Moines, Ia. Where should we start looking for watermelon?

Our new neighbors took care of the problem for us. Not only did they locate a watermelon, but they drove downtown to pick it up. My mother-in-law was beyond the point of enjoying food with relish, but the watermelon must have given her great satisfaction. And we've never forgotten our neighbors for this and many, many other kindnesses. Their names are Ronald and Pauline Lynam who'd never seen "Japanese" before evacuation. We still keep in touch with them.

Such were the things I thought about in the dark, quiet hours when sleep was reluctant to come.

Dr. Pickett in bold bid for 'New Perspectives' theme —

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 student relocation program, is the world renown executive director of the American Friends Service Committee, who recently retired and made a tour of the world.

For his services to the Japanese American community, Mas Satow of National JACL Headquarters presented a scroll of appreciation on behalf of the organization, while Dr. Roy Nishikawa, national president, bestowed the distinguished American a Japanese lacquered letter box from the private collection of Prince Takamatsu.

The 1942 Order

The Philadelphian, in his address, recalled the 1942 order of Lt. Gen. DeWitt to remove all persons of Japanese ancestry from the West Coast and constantly fell to the temptation to reminisce while painting his background for "New Perspectives".

"But I am sure that we want to do more than reminisce... for our real interest is to look not back but ahead," he thought. But to gain a good perspective of the future, Dr. Pickett touched on the dramatic events which have brought the people of Japan and the United States together—first in war and then in peace.

From the 1924 Japanese Exclusion Act to the time of Pearl Harbor, the early tensions between the two countries were felt, he began. There were vivid struggles during the war years that followed and then peace while the "spirit of re-

crimination" was fortunately lacking among many Americans.

Recent Japan Visit

He told of the memories of Japanese occupation which still rankle in a number of countries which Japan controlled during the war years on his recent tour of the world. But during his visit of Japan, he noted the genuine concern for Japan's welfare during occupation has been concluded in such a way as to heal some of the wounds of war. "It indicates a remarkable return to normal relations between the two countries."

"But there is still unfinished business for Japan and the U. S. And because of our common heritage here, coming from the late war years, it is appropriate that we should be reminded of what yet needs to be done," he declared.

The noted Quaker touched on the rebuilding of Japan's security force to defend herself and America against Soviet Russia and quick to raise his voice in opposition to the "doctrine of force", which he colored as the "poisoning sentiment" of U.S.-Japan relations.

On the subject of Japan's economic struggle, Dr. Pickett said \$400,000,000 had been spent by the U. S. for upkeep of military forces there and which enabled Japan to balance her budget. "As Japan struggles with this problem, thus far we have said no to the full restoration of trade with China," he continued. "I want here to question either the right or the wisdom of such exercise of veto by this country."

Another area concerned the continued testing of U.S. nuclear weapons. He read Japanese as well as some Anglo-Saxon sentiment with "let's stop this testing now!"

"This is understandable," he declared, "since by both the use and testing of bombs Japanese people have suffered death and poisoning of their food. It is of just such stuff that, in other times, disastrous war developed between us."

Okinawa Question

Pickett remembered the scene of 30 Okinawa families, which had given up hope of being restored their homes (because of U.S. displacement for military purposes), being emigrated to Brazil. The disregard for feelings of weaker peoples was scored by the speaker, even though he recognized the policy of preparing against possible invasion.

The story of growing U.S.-Japan relations, however, is not all governmental as Dr. Pickett recalled the influences of Elizabeth Vining and Esther Rhoads, who taught English to the Crown Prince of Japan and formed a good tie of friendship between Americans of goodwill and a recognized leader of Japan.

He placed in the same field the emotion binding the people who were assisting the Hiroshima Maidens. He found reassuring to the peace of the world the newly established International Christian University with its eastern and western staff and student body.

Also important were the voluntary gifts of food and clothing and the role of U. N. agencies.

Staggering Problems

Some of the staggering problems that defy solution, according to

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Dr. Pickett, include the population growth, the unwillingness of Japan's youth to carry on the great handicrafts of Japan and the effort of the youth to find inward peace.

Dr. Pickett's faith in the Americans of Japanese descent was expressed in the results of relocation—the vegetable growers of southern New Jersey whose skills worked a new land and the Nisei across America whose ingenuity has been most welcome by industry.

"Wherever you have gone in this country," he said, "so far as I know, you have been representatives of industry, integrity and loyalty. You are today a binding force between America and Japan."

Introduced were administrative staff members of the two Illinois senators who were invited to the banquet, Harold Rainville of Sen. Dirksen's office and Edward T. Kelly of Sen. Douglas's office. Joseph Bonnan extended greetings on behalf of Chicago Mayor Richard Daley, who was unable to be present.

Noboru Honda was toastmaster. Lincoln Shimidzu was banquet chairman. The Rev. Michael Yasutake of St. Raphael's Episcopal Church and the Rev. Dr. Homer Jack, Unitarian Church of Evanston, recited the invocation and benediction prayers respectively.

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VAGARIES

By Larry S. Tajiri

Film on Evacuation

Denver

Producer Sam Engel, over at 20th Century Fox, is still mulling the possibility of making a motion picture inspired by the mass evacuation of Japanese Americans from the Pacific coast in 1942.

Engel mentioned the project while visiting Denver some weeks back where he attended the world premier of his latest film, "Bernardine". He affirmed his interest the other day in a letter to a California woman who had sent him documentary material on the mass evacuation.

The producer, one of Hollywood's best ("A Man Called Peter", "My Darling Clementine", etc.), is interested in the human drama about evacuation, rather than taking a documentary approach. Engel, in his movies, has focused most deeply on the human element, rather than on the issues as such.

In considering the evacuation project, Engel has said he has been drawn to a story of the type of James Edmiston's novel, "Home Again". The latter book was optioned for the films by Agent Sam Jaffe and Writer Michael Blankfort who started preliminary work on it last year under the Allied Artists label. The project was shelved for a number of factors, the primary reason being that the producers felt it would not be commercial at the time. Public tastes being what they are currently in entertainment—and with horror pictures coining important money—perhaps the only film with an evacuation angle which might be considered a commercial possibility would have to be titled "I Was a Teenage Nisei Monster in a Relocation Camp".

DEFINITELY INTERESTED

Seriously, though, Producer Engel is definitely interested, and the big question-mark at present would be the attitude of 20th Century Fox. If 20th felt a Nisei film at present could pay its own way, Engel undoubtedly would get the green light. There's no reason to expect opposition from Fox to the picture—the studio has approved projects with race relations themes like the recent Harry Belafonte picture, "Island in the Sun". The only yardstick Fox probably would use would be whether the project was commercially feasible—in other words, if it would make money. "Island in the Sun", of course, is making a mint of money, but then there's only one Harry Belafonte.

Movies made with the best of intentions often are notoriously weak at the boxoffice. Engel, one of Hollywood's smartest and most successful producers, considers his evacuation picture something of an obligation to history and society. He wants to make a film which would mirror the actual conditions which spawned a historical outrage, but his will be primarily a story of human beings, rather than a polemical message picture.

In this regard, MGM made money, though not an awful lot of it, with "Go for Broke!" which was presented by Dore Schary as the human story of the GIs of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. Human values, and the leavening of comedy, were stressed in the picture. Consequently, it is still pleasing audiences outside the United States who have never heard of a Nisei problem.

Producer Engel is definitely interested in "Home Again," which is one family's odyssey from their home in California to an assembly center and a relocation camp in Wyoming, and back home again. It is also a love story with interracial aspects. "Home Again" is the record of an unprecedented American experience, of which many Americans still are aware.

The major role in "Home Again" is that of the girl and Engel's consideration of the film comes at a time when Hollywood has its first Nisei star since Toshia Mori. She is, of course, Miiko Taka who has the lead opposite Marlon Brando in "Sayonara". Miss Taka faces the fate of becoming just another one-picture star unless her studio, Warners, or some other producer can come up with another role for her.

Those who have seen the previews of "Sayonara", the picture was applauded loud and long at a sneak showing in San Francisco recently, say that the film establishes Miiko Taka as a star. Producer Engel undoubtedly has her in mind, along with other possibilities, of course, for the girl in "Home Again".

Engel has indicated that he is discussing the possibility of an evacuation story with Fox. Meanwhile, he's involved in at least two other projects, one being "Glorietta Pass", the story of a nun who came to the frontier town of Trinidad, Colo., in the 1890s and tamed the badmen.

TALE OF BUCKS COUNTY, PA.

Mari Michener—who's been in such places as India, Australia, Italy, the Netherlands and England since we saw her last in Chicago two years ago—told a story on herself at last week's Eastern-Midwest JACL convention at the Sheraton in Chicago.

It happened last year when Mari went to the election board in her Bucks County, Pa., town to register for the presidential election. The clerk took down the vital statistics calmly—name, birthplace, race, etc. Then she asked: "Party?"

"I hesitated for a moment," Mari recalled. "I'd always considered myself an independent, but I wanted to vote for Stevenson. Then I said 'Democratic'."

The clerk was considerate. "Are you sure Mrs. Michener?" she asked. "Are you sure you want me to put that down?"

"My husband finds it amusing that the home folks in bed-rock Republican Bucks County weren't at all upset when he

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FUTURE COURSE OF JACL MOOTED AT EDC-MDC FORUM, URGE NISEI FACE REALITY OF INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS

CHICAGO.—Three distinguished speakers discussed the future course of the Japanese American Citizens League during the EDC-MDC Convention Forum last Saturday with Abe Hagiwara of Chicago as moderator.

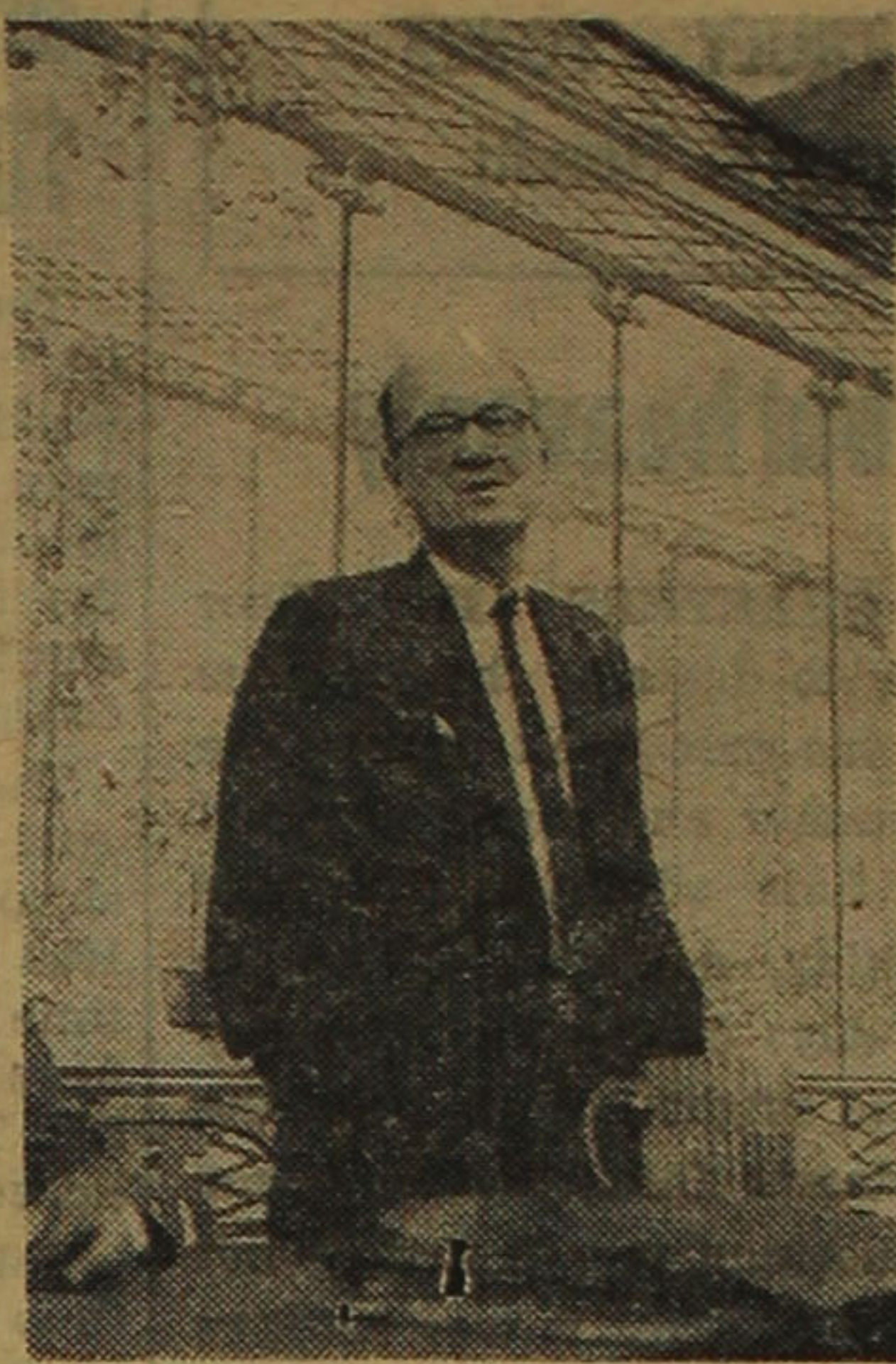
In preparing the background, Dr. T. T. Yatabe, first national JACL president, was hard put to squeeze a 25-year history of the organization inside 15 minutes. He recalled the early 1920s when the seed was planted in the American Loyalty League of Fresno, which still retains its name today, and the first convention of 1930 in Seattle.

He wound up his vigorous review with the war years when JACL found its organization at the lowest ebb and then capping it with the glorious decade that followed when through its legislative arm, the Anti-Discrimination Committee, it was able to secure citizenship for Issei, evacuation claims, restoration of Japanese immigration and other beneficial legislation.

Present Concerns

Quoting Rep. Walter Judd of Minnesota, who first espoused the right of naturalization for Issei, Mike Masaoka, the second forum speaker, said that JACL did more for one group than any other minority group for its members in so short a time.

But with the changing of times in the world, Masaoka saw new



Dr. Kermit Eby, teaching social sciences at the Univ. of Chicago, addresses EDC-MDC Convention Forum on the future role of JACL.

problems confronting the Nisei today, such as the textile question, the Girard case, temporary agricultural workers and international relations.

Masaoka pointed out that the textile question involved the discrimination against Japan-made clothing being sold in South Carolina, whose legislature recently passed a law that such items should be so advertised in what is an apparent reprisal against Japanese imports. Other southern states like Alabama, Georgia and Mississippi have considered similar laws; while boycott against Japanese goods are reported in Minnesota, Connecticut, New York and Massachusetts.

Masaoka simply asked, "Why aren't other foreign textiles similarly identified?"

On the Girard case, he immediately declared that similar cases involving American soldiers in other foreign countries were many, although there have been no outcry from them.

Because of the popular conception by the many uninformed that Nisei are still identified with Japan, the problem is real today for Americans of Japanese ancestry.

"Some say JACL has no business in U.S.-Japan affairs," he went on to say, "since the primary objective is for Nisei welfare." But it was his personal opinion that the Nisei have come of age to see that Nisei welfare is not affected adversely by international problems. He posed the question: "Suppose Japan goes into the Soviet sphere of influence, where will the Nisei position be?"

JACL, because of its accepted status as spokesman for the Japanese in America so far as government is concerned, faces the problem of Nisei thought on international affairs, Masaoka cited.

JACL's New Role

There were two main points in the third speaker at the forum. Dr. Kermit Eby, who is familiar with Japan and the Nisei in America, began with the premise that "we can't escape problems as a group, that we have to live with reality or problems". This process is a part of maturation, he continued. And point No. 2, Dr. Eby declared that human problems are inter-related and solved only as the world solves its own.

On the first point, Dr. Eby described himself as a minority American, being of Pennsylvania Dutch ancestry and a Mennonite by creed (though now a member of the Brethren Church), and proud of his heritage because he believed American culture is enriched by being pluralistic.

The Nisei should first resolve whether he wants to maintain its uniqueness or become amalgamated and lost, he said. "How much of the Japanese heritage does a Nisei want to keep?"

The Univ. of Chicago professor added that amalgamation would mean extinction of cultures but biologically the world has not come to that, "so what do we want to preserve?" By deciding to live with these differences and contributing the best of Japanese heri-

tage to the American way of life, it was Dr. Eby's contention that it would remove some of the tensions the Nisei face in life and promote peace of mind.

Taking his own religious and ethnic background, Dr. Eby felt that the problems from it were wrapped in the problems of the world. He also repeated what Masaoka had to say with respect to Nisei problems of economic life in the international field. "The Nisei are being involved, are being called in, whether they like it or not. Nisei can't lose its own self," he declared.

"So long as Japan stayed conquered and occupied, it was easier for Americans to love the Japanese. But as Japan gets less-conquered and more independent, it will be less-easier to love the Japanese," Dr. Eby added.

Hopefully, the answer lies in the two points with which he began the interesting 20-minute discourse. He believed that cultural pluralism was important for man cannot escape his personal heritage and that he should live in tension. The solution of a part (or the minority) would only come when the solution of the whole is reached, he concluded.

Question Raised

One of the first questions raised during the convention forum was asked by Dr. Roy Nishikawa, who pointed out that it would be difficult to sell this school of thought to the rank and file of JACLers.

The solution, according to Dr. Eby, lies in trying to get the Nisei involved toward solving the problem. It appears the Nisei are penalizing themselves by their own security of today, he said.

The problem, admittedly complex, tends to make the Nisei apathetic, unable to decide. As a result, the few interested take hold and a form of bureaucratization or oligarchy follows and they become apologists for the status quo.

Moderator Hagiwara, in summation, urged that the rank and file be made more close, to inject new blood to prevent a hardening of the arteries of JACL thought and to ask more people to help solve the problems of today.—H.H.

Fresno passes state architectural exam

FRESNO.—Harry Masao Nakata, formerly of Hawaii and presently of Fresno, has passed the state examination in architecture.

The Nisei veteran is a graduate of the Univ. of California. His wife is the Japanese dance instructor Hanayagi Kanshi of Fresno.

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VERY TRULY YOURS
By Harry K. Honda

Humid but heavenly

EDC-MDC CONVENTION PRESS QUARTERS (36th Floor Suite, Hotel Sheraton), Chicago.—Only to describe the elegance the host JACL chapter had provided this past week charms me into date-lining the column in this manner and regretfully add that I wasn't able to spend more time admiring Chicago's lakefront and skyline. . . For one thing, a smoky blue haze (reminded me of home on a smoggy day) during the three-day convention swallowed what beauty one might absorb from the 36th floor of what used to be the Shriner's Temple. And it was far too humid (90 per cent, the weatherman noted) though not too hot (only around 90) for me to test whether it was smoggy by riding around the Loop "el". Besides our smog-ridden orbs are callous by now. . . This humid hubbub, however, succumbed to the heavenly hospitality of the Chicago convention board headed by the new MDC Chairman Kumeo Yoshinari. . . Expressions of congratulations and thanks have already been tendered to the hard-working staff, but getting this into the record here shall mark a pleasure we will recall for a long time to come.

WHAT IT MEANS—If nothing else, our presence at the EDC-MDC convention last week gave an invaluable insight of JACLers living east of the Mississippi River and how important the Pacific Citizen is to them. . . Our proximity with Californians, which constitute the majority of the readership as well as JACL membership, sometime overlooks the aspect that makes JACL and the PC what it is today—national institutions. . . Quantitatively speaking, there is no question that there are fewer Nisei east of the Rockies but, on the other hand their communities as represented by the 20 chapters give JACL its truly national status that has been recognized as no other Japanese American group. . . Qualitatively speaking, the CLers east of the Mississippi River give evidence to the kind of organizational spirit and active support that CLers west of "O" Miss" can readily recognize and well remember.

PUBLIC RELATIONS—The anticipation of PC (often the sole media of communication concerning Japanese Americans each week) among Nisei we chanced to meet in Chicago only confirmed the public relations value inherent in such a publication. . . There have been instances where Dr. T. T. Yatabe, first national JACL president, missed seeing the PC; someone was taking Doc's copy home before he had chance to read it. . . And Abe Hagiwara, immediate past MDC chairman, says the copy he gets is read by his co-workers first before he has a chance to thumb the pages. . . Delegate after delegate cornered us during free time or meal time as to how we might circulate the PC to the entire membership, even if only on an optional basis by chapters. They were quite concerned over the very thing Frank Chuman discusses in "By the Board" this week. . . Several chapters are dicker with the prospect of ordering copies out of their own chapter funds to see that its membership is better informed. They are convinced that after 10 years of membership campaigns that had the Pacific Citizen been in the hands of its members each week, a more cohesive and more vigilant chapter would have resulted. They would not have been asked the question: what's JACL doing these days? . . . To this end, something concrete may evolve in the coming year for action by the national council at the 1958 Salt Lake convention. In the meantime, the PC board, headed by George Inagaki, past national president, will be happy to hear of suggestions from the chapters.

SIDELIGHTS—The young lady most responsible for my becoming a JACLer back in '46 is quite anxious to hear from the other party in Denver. George, you know who she is. . . Dr. Gladys Ishida of Chicago is going to Wisconsin State to teach. . . Robert Dewa (Frank Chuman's brother-in-law) of Madison, Wis., can tell you the story of how he treated an opposing lawyer in court when he called the Milwaukee JACLer a "dirty Jap". . . Hank Makino of Twin Cities utters the kind of remarks I once made as a "confirmed bachelor" and many a benedict would probably wish they could with sincerity. . . Now that Mike M. has two young ones at home, he's out matchmaking with old convention friends who have sons and daughters of pre-school age. Two conventions ago, you'd never suspect Mike would so worry. . . First time we've seen Aki Hayashi of New York perform as toastmaster. His flair for adjectives is already a subject of 1000 Club comedy. He was nearly going to the Mountain-Plains District convention at Omaha, Nov. 29-30. . . Kenji Tashiro, who got a V.O. shampoo at the 1000 Club Whing Ding, swears his hair was the softest it has ever been. Cosmetologists might check on this. What's V.O.? Instead of luxury tax, it has a government alcohol surtax charge on the bottle.

Confab Whing-ding enrolls 2,000th 1000 Club member

The EDC-MDC Whing Ding did it! "Operation Breakthrough," devised by the then 1000 Club Chairman Shig Wakamatsu of Chicago to sign its 2,000th member after the first thousand members were enrolled three years ago, was accomplished.

The onslaught surged passed the goal into the end-zone as Kenji Tashiro of Tulare County, national 1000 Club chairman, couldn't find time enough to fill out receipt forms at the Como Inn, where over 300 Thousanders and guests frolicked last Saturday night.

Tokuza Gordon, former 1000 Club maestro and Whing Ding toastmaster, had revealed that 1,993 had signed (this is to explain that 1,993 JACLers had at one time or another joined the 1000 Club since its founding in 1947—the current membership is little over 1,100) and only seven more remain. He also explained during the EDC-MDC convention, which expected to see "Operation Breakthrough" succeed, the names of new 1000ers would be placed in Callahan's Topper and picked.

Sign-Up Rush

In the flurry of "palanquin" excitement that followed, 12 CLers joined. Some of them were wives. A prize to the 2,000th member included an embrace from Jean Kimura, one of the Fashion Show models and unofficial Miss 1000 Club for the Whing Ding, who would draw the name. So there was real concern if one of the girl's name were drawn.

All during the four-hour spree in the whing-dingest of whing-dings, chapter skits were presented. "Sashin Kekkon", "Hilo Hattie and Princess Pupuli", "This Is Your Knife", "Haki Ayashi", "Tanke Bushi" were among the stellar productions, not to mention choral parodies and solos. The usual fines were extracted, Tokuza had to sing "Shina no Yoru"—now a whing ding tradition, and mirth was king.

V.O. Shampoos

An EDC-MDC specialty for notables—the V.O. Shampoo by "Barber Bill" Sasagawa of Philadelphia—was sloshed on Roy Nishikawa and Kenji Tashiro. (Kenji later admitted that his hair felt the softest it has for a long time, although the odor might have been misunderstood.)

As the finale, pert-looking Jean drew the lucky name as the latest sign-ups stood around the topper with Tokuza holding it. Seabrook's Robert Fuyume, who had accompanied his brother John, one-time chapter president and other Seabrook delegates, won the heartwarming acclaim. Robert was born in Pasadena, Calif., graduated from Iowa State College, and is working as a technical specialist at Seabrook Farms.

In view of the accomplishment

Five receive JACL sapphire pin awards

CHICAGO.—The sapphire JACL pin, in recognition of loyalty to the national organization for a long period, was presented to five Midwest District JACLers during the EDC-MDC convention luncheon with Dr. T.T. Yatabe pinning the award.

Recipients are Harold Gordon of Chicago, affably known as "Tokuza," who is currently national chairman of the legal-legislative committee and served as national 1000 Club chairman; Abe Hagiwara of Chicago, MDC chairman and currently national chairman of the public relations committee; Tom Masuda of Chicago, whose JACL work began before the war in Seattle; Sumi Shimizu of Chicago, whose secretarial duties with JACL were over and above the call of duty; and to Peter Fujioka of Detroit, who first organized the Detroit chapter 10 years ago and kept live interest.

The recipients were called by Masao Satow, national director.



That smile on Kenji Tashiro, national 1000 Club chairman, of Tulare County comes after he signs in the 2,000th member in the 1000 Club at the EDC-MDC Whing Ding in Chicago last week.

celebrated last week, Tashiro in closing reminded 1000ers of their 10th Anniversary celebration to be held at Idaho Falls, Nov. 29-30, in conjunction with the IDC convention.

Within the remaining three months, Tashiro hopes that ex-1000ers who have signed within the past decade would be able to bolster the "current active" ranks. He also indicated that by the 1958 national convention in Salt Lake City, the "current active" ranks will catch up with the "sign-up" file of over 2,000.

(Some delegates laughed so hard at the EDC-MDC Whing Ding that their voice was hoarse at the meeting Sunday morning. So help us—ask Mas Satow about this.—Editor.

Glamorous touch of EDC-MDC convention draws feminine (male, too) attention

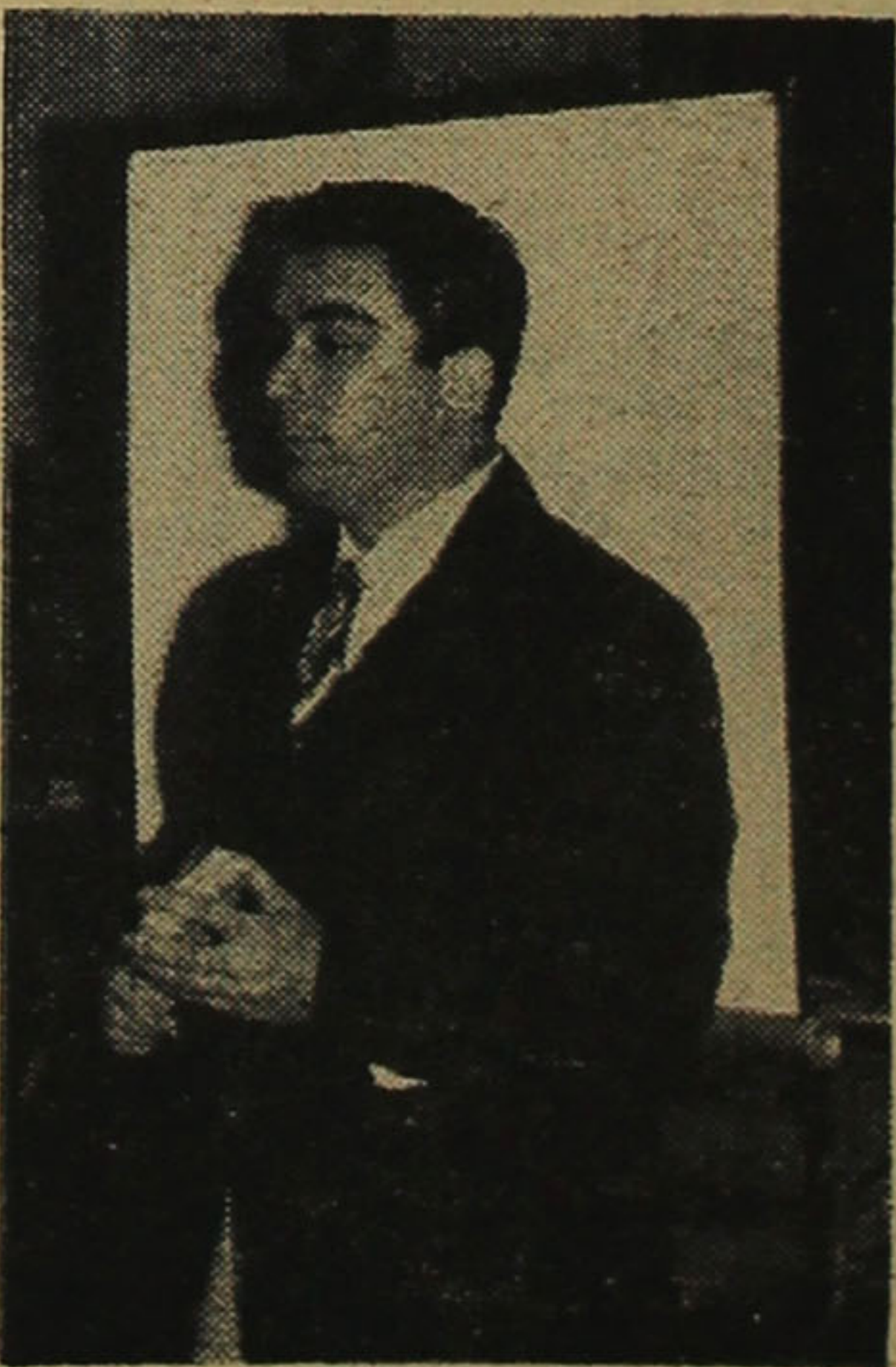
CHICAGO.—The subtle lines and color of "Fashion in New Perspectives" added a glamorous touch to the second joint EDC-MDC convention last weekend at the Hotel Sheraton.

Featured were designs by Reiko Kutsuki of Japan, now with Mr. Gee of New York, whose creations were featured in a recent Look magazine.

There was a pronounced accent of "reds" in Reiko's designs and in her intermission interview with Mrs. Sachi Izumi, chairman of the fashion committee, it was brought out that she liked the Japanese tone of "red" in American fashion.

Models, mostly Sansei, participating in a refreshing moment for convention delegates and boosters were:

Pat Amino, Georgine Chida, Juliet Enta, Debby Hagio, Thelma Hagio, Brenda Hayano, Elaine Hayano, Betty Hiura, Lillian Hiura, Jane Hori, Vicky Imamura, Candy Isoda, Pauline Itano, Mary An Itashiki, Tomi Kakita, Elaine Kan-zaki, Jean Karuma, Gladys Ka-



Ezra Weintraub, administrative officer for the Los Angeles City Schools, addressed South west L.A. JACLers recently on the goals of Friendship Day camps that were held in Griffith Park. Camps are held annually for promotion of inter-cultural understanding among youth.

—Mayeno Photo.



'1000' CLUB NOTES

SAN FRANCISCO.—Only 24 new and renewal 1000 Club memberships were received at National Headquarters during the second half of August. With 43 received during the first half, the August total stands at 67 for a current good member standing of 1,131 as of Aug. 30.

Prior to the EDC-MDC Whing Ding Aug. 31 at Chicago, the 1000 Club rolls show 1,987 have signed since the group was founded 10 years ago. By the end of the Whing Ding, national 1000 Club chairman Kenji Tashiro had issued membership number 2,005.

NINTH YEAR

Sequoia — Masao Oku.
Downtown L.A. — John Ty Saito.
San Jose — Karl Taku
Marysville — Akiji Yoshimura.

SEVENTH YEAR

San Francisco — Dr. Shigeru R. Horio, (Honolulu).
Orange County — Harry H. Matsukane, Kane.

SIXTH YEAR

Southwest L.A. — Al S. Tanouye.

FIFTH YEAR

Mt. Olympus — Yukus Inouye.

FOURTH YEAR

San Francisco — Kei Hori.
East Los Angeles — Dr. Robert T. Ohi.
Downtown L.A. — Kei Uchima.

THIRD YEAR

Delano — Paul Kawasaki.
Downtown L.A. — S.K. Uyeda.

SECOND YEAR

Chicago — Mrs. Mary F. Yoshinari.

FIRST YEAR

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Chicago — Frank Y. Doi.
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Twin Cities — Mrs. Kay Kushino.

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Chicago — Buhei Nakasone.

wanaga.

Joe Kawanaga, Jean Kimura, Carol Kushino, Jeanne Kushino, Cathy Nakashima, Miwako Nakau-chi, Joan Nakayama, Elizabeth Oda, Frances Ozoe, Ruth Sasaki, Vivian Starkoff, Judy Takao (of Cincinnati), Jane Taylor, Hide Te-kawa, Addye Thornton, Yuki Ura-saki, June Yamada, Evelyn Yamaguchi and Sandra Yoshinari.

Effective show commentator was Desoree Pyburn.

Nisei Designers

Other designers adding their contribution to the pleasant afternoon were:

Sue Isoda, Doris Kishimoto, Sachi Izumi, Mary Enta, Florence Kaneshiro, Judy Takao of Cincinnati, Doris Endo, Noby Imamura, Yoshino Nakayama, Lillian Hayano, Tomoe Tada, Lillian Oda, Etsuko Fujioka, Toney Teramoto.

Emi Hayano, Rae Yamamoto, Roma Tutlys, Jane Taylor, Shigeno Fujioka, Marshall Klugman, Martha Tanaka, Richard Lee and Nobuyuki Ida.

PARLIER:

CCDC FASHION SHOW GROUP SETS THEME

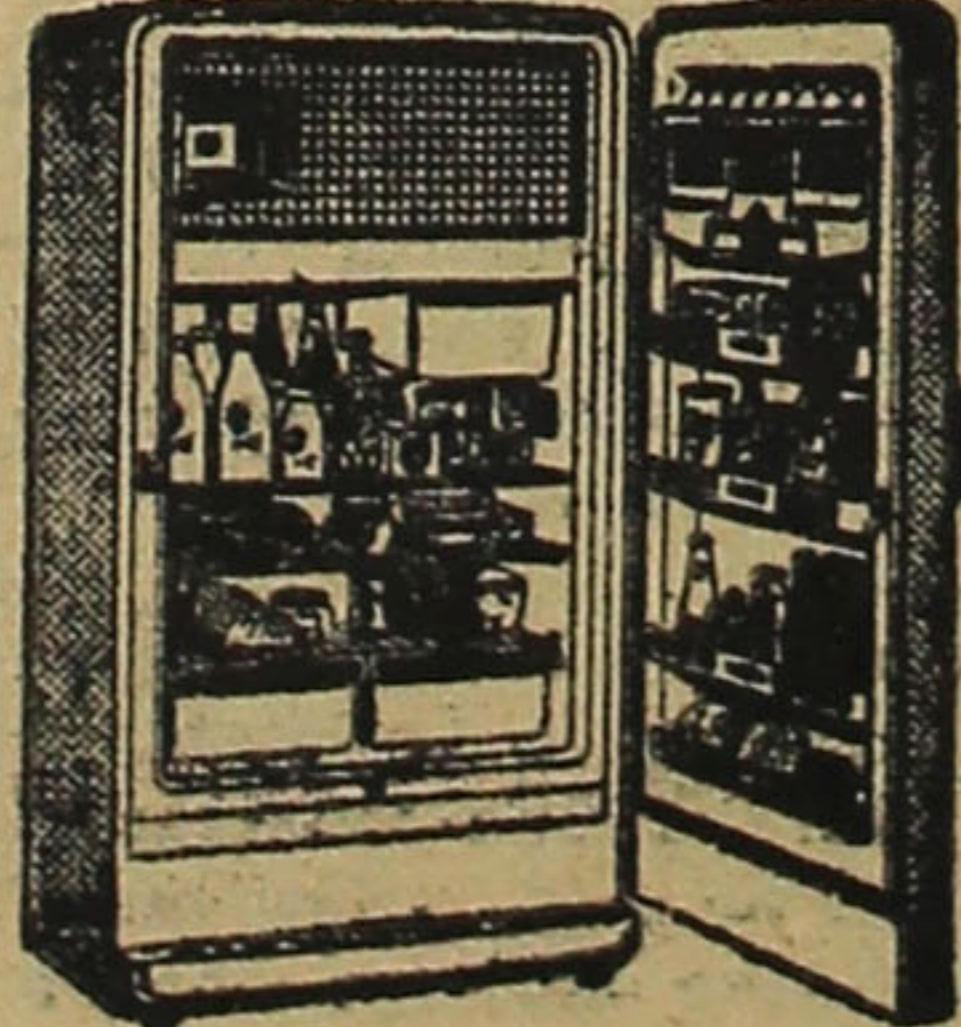
Representatives of the Central California JACL Auxiliaries mapped out intriguing plans for the "Oriental Interlude" fashion show, an innovation of the CCDC JACL Convention Dec. 8 at the Hacienda in Fresno, here last Aug. 25. Parlier JACL Auxiliary hosted the initial committee meeting.

Originals by area Nisei designers will be interspersed with holiday fashions, it was revealed. Formal Japanese flower arrangements, ko-to selections and hostesses garbed in kimono will enhance the oriental mood.

Co-chairing the festive fashion show are Chiko Taira and Tomiko Ishikawa of Fresno with the following committeemen:

Dorothy Hirose (Fowler), gen. arr.; Mrs. Kobashi (Selma), fin.; Koko Sakohira (Fowler), sec.; Hanayo Watari, Shiz Kunishige (Reedley), music; Claire Nagamatsu (Sanger), hosp.; May Yoshida, Toyo Shimizu (Clovis), dec.; May-belle Nakamura (Sanger), Fusa Mikami (Fresno); Chiz Kubo (Parlier), models; June Toshiyuki (Fresno), prog.; Betty Nagatani, Lily Misono (Delano), tickets; Sue Miyakawa (Parlier), Masako Misaki (Selma), flower arr.

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BY THE BOARD:

From Front Page chapters throughout the United States in almost all the large cities strategically located for contacts with local political leaders and community organizations, it appears timely to me that the Pacific Citizen should be mailed to all members even though it may result in a slight increase in the operating expenses of our organization.

As I recall the discussions, both at district council meetings and national conventions for the past ten years, the only important reason why the Pacific Citizen has not been mailed to all members has been the cost factor. It is true that in the years after the end of World War II, there was great pressure upon the national organization treasury and the members for funds to fight the immediate problems confronting the Japanese in the way of lawsuits and legislative activities in the states and in the halls of Congress. However, under leadership of the Pacific Citizen board and its editor, PC is now operating "in the black," and there appears no financial problem now which would prohibit the JACL from increasing the cost of operating the Pacific Citizen so that each edition could be distributed to all the members.

There are many advantages why JACL activities should be known by all its members through the medium of the Pacific Citizen.

Many outstanding writers, such as Larry Tajiri and Bill Hosokawa, with their brilliant writings and observations make it possible for the readers to obtain an interpretation of news and events as they are happening. Reports from Congress by Mike Masaoka and his staff and the special reports by our National Director Mas Satow and our regional directors bring the problems of our national and local organization into focus. Local chapter activities are read by other chapter officers for possible adaptations by other chapters. Problems concerning the civil rights of Japanese and other minority groups and cooperation of local community organizations with the JACL on a common front for the preservation of civil rights for all persons are reported to our members.

In this way, through the medium of the Pacific Citizen, the members by

Active Cler a step forward

BY HARRY HAYASHI
Past MDC Publicity Chairman
St. Louis

During this transitional phase of JACL activity, after major legislative obstacles have been cleared and thoughts are veered to the future course of JACL, interest in

the national organization has been somewhat waning. Such a trend, if permitted to progress unchecked, could jeopardize all the achievements gained thus far.

However, the St. Louis JACL has attained a new record high in its membership (132 members). The

committee under the apt guidance of George Hasegawa is certainly to be congratulated, especially in view of the fact that St. Louis, unlike a great majority of communities, has no so-called reservoir of potential members.

It should be borne in mind, too, that of only becoming a member but participation in the organizational functions gives one a feeling of belonging rather than mere attachment to the organization.

Throughout the years, much groundwork has been laid in the that not only becoming a member is desirable to perpetuate this status, the Nisei should endeavor to identify themselves more so with community projects.

"In comparison with our total Japanese population, the representation of at least 15 St. Louis JACLers to the Chicago convention is a very good record," noted Dan Sakahara, chapter president.

St. Louis JACL is celebrating its tenth year of organization with Kiichi Hiramoto, program chair-

man and vice-president, still planning activities for the remainder of the year.

Upcoming are the Men's Night in September, a movie in October, Fall Festival in November and the inaugural dinner in December. Summer activities included the Fourth of July picnic at Eden Seminary grounds attended by 200 and an August swimfest.

Other special interest groups organized locally are the floral arts guild, bowling league, cooking classes, camera club and the Jr. JACL.

"All this accomplishment, of course, is due to the effort of the leaders of the past and the spirit and support of the community," commented Sakahara.

"However, I believe there is another factor that cannot be overlooked; that is the realization of the importance of our JACL as a national organization and our local chapter as the only group looking after the interests of Americans of Japanese ancestry in this area."

(Past president Harry Hayashi is a native Coloradan, now employed as clinical laboratory supervisor at Incarnate Word Hospital, St. Louis, after seeing overseas military duty in Europe and graduating in chemistry from Univ. of Colorado. He is presently serving as publicity chairman of the Midwest District Council. —Editor.)

SOUTHWEST LOS ANGELES:

'What is typical Nisei like?' — survey started in Intermountain area nears end

What is the typical Nisei like?

To help provide a Nisei psychologist with the answer to this question, Southwest Los Angeles JACL will hold a mass questionnaire meeting on Sept. 11, Wednesday, at the Centenary Methodist Church, 35th and Normandie Ave.

The meeting will start at 8 p.m. sharp to allow enough time for those participating in the survey. The questionnaire survey is being conducted by Steve Abe, now on the staff of the Metropolitan State Hospital in Norwalk, to complete his research for a doctoral thesis on the Nisei personality.

Earlier this year, Abe took a leave of absence from the Norwalk hospital to attend the Univ. of Utah on a U.S. public health fellowship in preparation for his doctorate.

Needs 50 More

The basis on his Ph.D. thesis will be questionnaire filled out by 200 Nisei, from which Abe hopes to glean some indication as to what a collective Nisei personality is like. He has taken some 150 samplings already in Salt Lake City and in Idaho and needs at least 50 more to complete his survey.

Pointing out that discussions on the Nisei personality up to now have been based mainly on guesses put the subject on firmer scientific grounds through the use of tried and tested psychological questionnaires.

"Are Nisei the same or different

from a similar Caucasian group? We can guess that the Nisei may have different attitudes and traits because of his contacts with two different cultures; however, we cannot draw any definite conclusions from guesswork. Any reliable conclusions must be based on studies conducted under well controlled scientific conditions," he explains.

May Refute Stereotype

Such a scientific investigation is important, Abe also points out, because it may help to refute racial stereotypes and prejudices as well as to help the Nisei understand himself better.

And when a Nisei is confronted with emotional problems which need psychological help, the study will help psychologists decide whether the patient should be diagnosed and treated with the same norm as the Caucasian's in mind or not, Abe says.

Abe emphasizes that no individual will be identified in any manner whatsoever from the questionnaires. He is only interested in the Nisei as a whole.

Multiple Choice Type

The questions will be of the multiple choice or simple "yes" or "no" type. For the purposes of his study, Abe is confining his study to mainland Nisei; however, Hawaiian Nisei and Kibei who are interested in answering the questionnaires may do so, although theirs will not be included when the results are tabulated.

Champion of Nisei during war years at Salt Lake City honored at farewell party

SALT LAKE CITY.—Local YWCA members and friends honored Florence Pierce for her 12 years of devoted service as executive secretary at a buffet supper-reception here last week. She retired last month and departed Sept. 1 to make her home in Madison, Wis.

A wartime booster of Nisei and champion of Nisei rights despite hysteria, she will be long remembered by the local Japanese American community. She was adviser of the local JACL chapter and worked many years with the Nisei Victory Committee (USO), which hosted thousands of GIs from Fort Douglas and Kearns Air Base.

The committee in charge of the reception has asked the chapter to assist in the decorations at the YWCA Activities Bldg., which was transformed into an Oriental garden. Japanese lanterns were strung overhead. YWCA board members who had brought flowers from their own gardens were used to decorate the rooms.

Assisting in the floral arrangements were Ogyoku Sayuki, Senke School master, and Mrs. Ken Takeno. Assisting in the decorations were Ichiro Doi, chapter president, Rupert Hachiya, Henry Kasai, Keiko Nakahara, Kimi Ju, Ted Nagata, Kayo and Madge Niwa, Kazu Niwa and Alice Kasai, a former Y board member.

Miss Pierce was honored by the local JACL last May when cherry trees were dedicated on the newly landscaped grounds after the YW-

CA was remodeled. Her acquaintanceship with things Oriental stems from her "Y" work in China in the 1920s.

"Those having the good fortune of knowing this grand lady of the YWCA can never forget the lessons of intercultural, interracial and inter-religious aspects for they are relationships that are vital to the world," commented a chapter spokesman.

MIDWEST, EASTERN DISTRICT COUNCILS ELECT NEW CABINET MEMBERS

CHICAGO.—New officers elected at the separate Eastern and Midwest District Council sessions during the joint convention here Aug. 30-Sept. 1 were installed at the main banquet by Dr. Roy Nishikawa, national JACL president.

The new EDC officers are:

Charles Nagao (Seabrook), chmn.; Jack Ozawa (Phila.), 1st v.p.; Sam Kai (N.Y.), 2nd v.p.; George Furukawa (D.C.), 3rd v.p.; Ruth Kuroishi (D.C.), rec. sec.; Irene Aoki (Seabrook), cor. sec.; Ellen Nakamura (Seabrook), pub.; Dr. Tom Tamaki (Phila.), 1000 Club chmn.

The new MDC officers are:

Kumeo Yoshinari (Chicago), chmn.; George Ono (Clev.), 1st v.p.; Richard Henmi (St. Louis), 2nd v.p.; Kenneth Miyoshi (De-

Henry Makino, attired in his makeshift "happy coat", performs at the EDC-MDC Whing Ding at Chicago for the Twin Cities UCL.

When the J.A. Journal published its July issue, Twin Cities UCL president Henry K. Makino was absent at the staff meeting, which then decided to feature him as the back-page personality, thus "teaching him from being absent".

Makino is described as a "man of many parts"—active in JACL since 1951, official delegate to the San Francisco convention in 1956, editor of the J.A. Journal for two years and since continuing to lend his talent to the production of the gazette, 1954 chairman of the Japanese American Community Center board of management as well as JACC bazaar chairman one year.

Makino, still single, was born in Portland; enrolled at Oregon State College in 1940 and graduating in chemistry from Macalester College, St. Paul, in 1946. His studies were interrupted by being evacuated to Minidoka, joining the Army at MISLS and when his instructor informed him he spoke Japanese with an "OCS accent" to be transferred to the Ft. Snelling I&E Division, where he became editor of

troit), treas.; Helen Inai (Milw.), rec. sec.; Kay Yamashita (Chi.), cor. sec.; Dr. Ruby Hirose (Dayton), hist.; Kay Watanabe (Cincinnati), pub.; Tomo Kosobayashi (Twin Cities), 1000 Club chmn.

EDEN TOWNSHIP:

Family barbecue outing

The annual Eden Township JACL Fall Bar-b-que will be held tonight at the Hayward Memorial Park as a family attraction. In charge were Mmes. Rose Kurotori, Maya Yoshida, Alyce Fujii and Kazue Sakai. A game period for both young and old follows.

TWIN CITIES:

Chapter president misses bulletin staff meeting, can't kill own personal sketch



the post newspaper.

Starting as an analytical chemist at Minneapolis Honeywell upon graduation, Makino has worked his way up to his present job as senior chemist.

Ham that he is, he played the role of "Honorable Mayor of Nooka" in a recent Aquatennial Show. His dramatic interests go back to early childhood days. He has taken roles in college theater productions and threw his weight around in the role of a Japanese chauffeur in an Edyth Bush Theater attraction.

Skiing, good food and good drinks are among his passions. He likes a good game of bridge, though his friends (?) say it's abominable. And his mother's excellent cuisine defeats every diet he attempts.

OMAHA CHAPTER TO HOST MOUNTAIN-PLAINS DISTRICT CONVENTION

OMAHA.—All roads lead to Omaha for the Mountain-Plains District Council convention Nov. 29-30 as plans are being completed by the host Omaha JACL.

Convention headquarters will be at the Sheraton Fontenelle Hotel in Omaha. Among the highlights will be a tour and luncheon at world famous Boys Town, visiting the nation's largest stockyard and tasting of Omaha's famous steaks.

Interest is also being shown by Midwest District Council JACLers with a contingent expected to attend from Chicago in particular.

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being more enlightened will themselves reaffirm their support to the JACL which cannot help but result in a closer knit organization.

— Frank Chuman
Nat'l Legal Counsel



THE NORTHWEST PICTURE By Elmer Ogawa

Summer Fiesta Ends

Seattle

THE LABOP DAY weekend atmosphere that pervades this attic workshop is not conducive to best efforts on the old rattle-trap. Thoughts drift back to all the summer activities that have slipped by without participation, and the idle thoughts contemplate making the activity more complete "maybe next year".

Today, kids make a last full tilt whirl at the activities that are so vividly identified with the all too short vacation period and yield to contemplation of the morrow only briefly—the new teacher, greeting schoolmates, chalked blackboard instructions, the mechanics of starting a new school year.

On this day set aside for Labor, downtown activity is at a minimum, even less than on a blue law Sunday. At boiler-makers, machinists, and teamster outings, orators eloquently circumscribe the past history, present achievements, and future role of the man who turns the wheels of industry by the brawny arm, sweaty brow and ingenious mind. A vital force, borne of organization, faces huge responsibilities.

The radio interrupts with a box score of the accident toll and reminds the America that rolls on wheels to be unceasingly vigilant to the interests of safety.

THREE EVENTS headlined the community activities over the weekend. First was the Northwest Invitational Golf Tournament hosted by the Puget Sound Golf Association, at West Seattle and Jefferson Park. It seemed befitting that low gross honors should go to one time Seattleite Erv Furukawa who came up especially to play with the old gang in this event. Next honors went to Kuni Nakamura and to Sab Ogishima; three solid runners in win place and show as if from the books.

JAPANESE AMERICAN DAY was observed on Sunday at Playland Amusement Park, and mention is made because this event originated 25 or more years ago and now two generations can share the old and new perspectives on a day of Coney Island picnicking, thrills and hilarity. Cameramen with a flare for catching the picture story sequences could arrange an exciting competition on this event and very likely turn up something that would interest the roto editors.

Then on Monday the Interational Sportsmen's Club held its annual salmon derby on Elliot Bay. Compared to other years, the fishing might be called a little off because some years the 30 to 35 pounders are more plentiful in the bay. Anyhow, more than fifty prizes went out to fishermen who boated a fish. Hank McGibney came in with a 22 lb.-14 oz. fish just seven minutes before the deadline to get first prize, an 18-horse outboard motor. Y. Kitayama won a hi-fi set with his 21 lb. salmon and Bob Kono took home \$150 worth of camping equipment for his 20 lb.-13 oz. catch. Special women's prize of a 16-piece set of stainless steel kitchenware went to Mrs. H. Kenny.

VAGARIES: by Larry S. Tajiri

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married a woman of Japanese ancestry, but they were shocked that he's married a Democrat!" Mari said.

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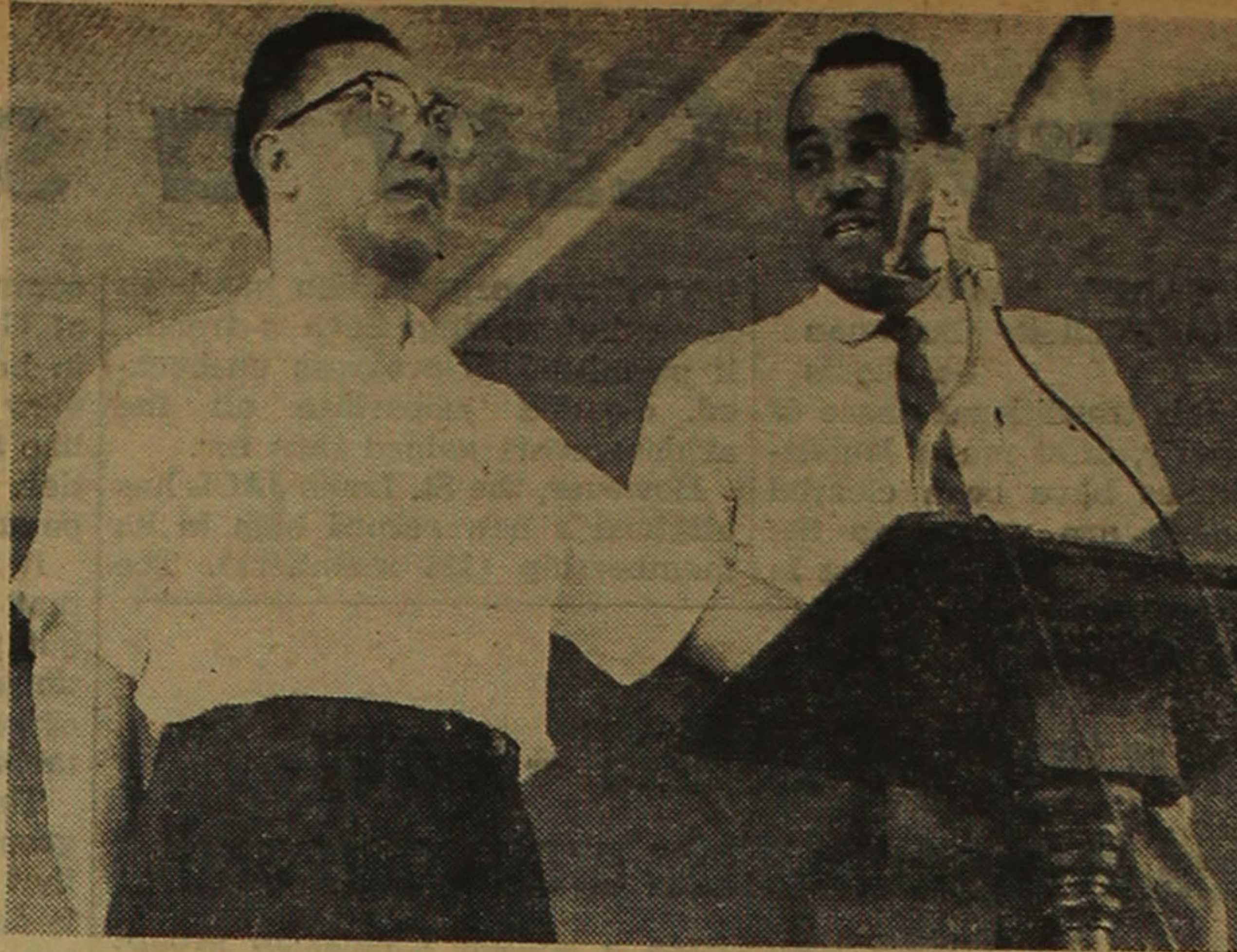
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John Y. Yoshino (left), liaison officer of President's Committee on Government Contracts, and Dr. Herman H. Long, director of Fisk Institute on Race Relations, Nashville, Tenn., are in their question & answer period after Yoshino's morning address on "Integration of Minorities into the Total American Economy" July 10 session. Besides Yoshino, Mrs. Shelly Ota Wells of the Milwaukee Commission on Human Relations were the only Nisei attending this year. In previous years, Saburo Kido and Mike Masaka have participated in this Institute.

Formal complaint alleging 200 L.A. firms discriminate in employment lodged by ADL

A formal complaint alleging 200 Los Angeles firms discriminate in employment of clerical workers was filed recently with the President's Committee on Government Contract by the Pacific Southwest office of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

The complaint was filed with the President's Committee because 21 of the companies are known to hold government contracts, and many of the others are believed to be doing business with the Federal government, Jack Y. Berman, of the League, said.

Berman noted that each of the firms named in the complaint had placed discriminatory job orders with at least one or three local private employment agencies during the past 17 months.

Oriental Not Wanted

"In each instance," Berman said, "the employer specifically stated that either Jews, Negroes, Orientals, Mexicans or Catholics were not to be referred by the employment agency with which the job order had been placed."

The information came to ADL from three different and independent sources, Berman said, "and the remarkable similarity among the data supplied by each source was startling. In several instances the findings were mutually substantiating in revealing that the same firm had placed identical discriminatory orders with more than one of the employment agencies involved."

Berman said ADL "is shocked" to discover such widespread discrimination against minority clerical job seekers "particularly at a time when our daily papers report the shortage of efficient qual-

ified office workers." He also observed that at least 27 of the firms are "major national corporations", and that many of these were found in a recent Chicago survey to have placed similar discriminatory job orders with private employment agencies in that city.

Berman described the firms as manufacturing, insurance, banking, research, food processing, oil, real estate, public utilities and transportation, a "real cross-section of American industry."

Job Agencies Hit

Concerning the role of the private employment agencies, Berman said his agency "is disturbed

by their nefarious coding systems whereby people become numbers and letters," and added that ADL's objective is to eliminate such "mutual assistance pacts" insofar as they prevent qualified workers from being judged on their merits rather than by race or religion.

The President's Committee on Government Contracts, established by Executive Orders, requires all government contracts to carry a non-discrimination clause with which contractors agree to comply.

The Committee, chaired by Vice-President Richard M. Nixon, is charged with the responsibility of insuring compliance with this clause. John Y. Yoshino is on the staff as liaison officer.

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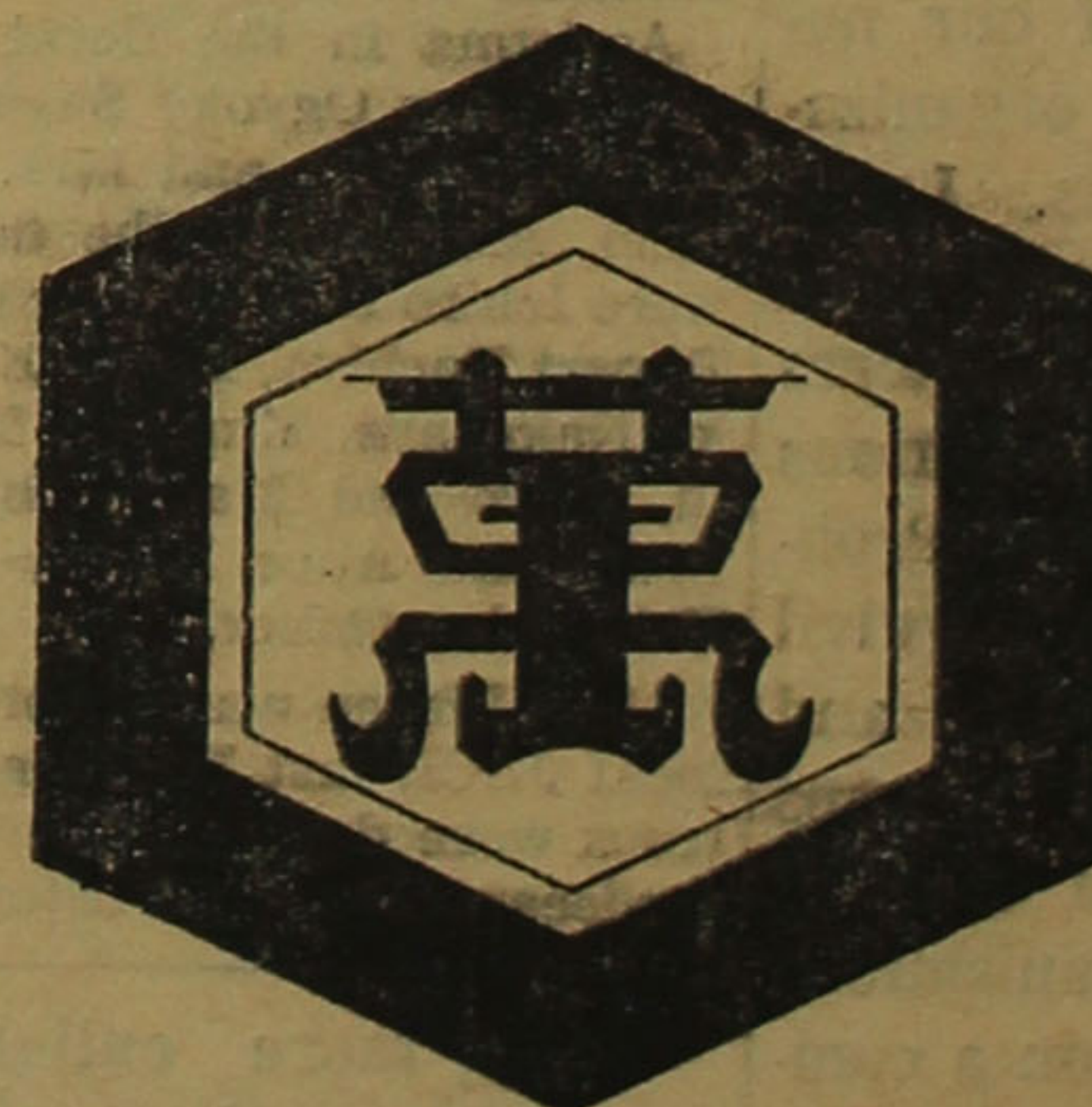
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LOS ANGELES NEWSLETTER

By Henry Mori

Li'l Tokio Work Standards

The luxury of staying away from work two days in a row—thanks to the Labor Day weekend—causes us to reflect how far behind employment standards and working conditions are in Li'l Tokio.

It seems that the drawback comes from the traditional idea of Issei pioneers who believed that "work, work, work made a man a successful figure."

Ask any old man who came through the mills of hard labor and he will tell you it was "shimbo, shimbo." A short translation of that is endurance. However, he could never explain that "shimbo" without a definite aim never gets a man anywhere.

An example of one enduring old man who operates a bookstore seven days out of the week had this to say on the matter: "I rather watch store. . . I don't have anything to do at home anyway." He must lead a very dull life.

Surprisingly now though some all-Nisei owned shops in Li'l Tokio do close on a Sunday. They say there aren't enough customers to make their operation worthwhile.

IN RECENT YEARS, Nisei employment in Li'l Tokio has dwindled and the more capable ones have gone to work for those who can pay adequate wages to meet today's high cost of living.

It may also mean that in the postwar years opportunities for better jobs have opened to persons of Japanese ancestry than in the past where a majority of them was forced to labor behind produce market counters.

Not only have the Nisei gone out of the Li'l Tokio ghetto and the markets to make their daily livelihood but so have the many spry Issei men and women, the latter engaged in working in garment factories.

Many of the Issei who were in sedentary work before the war have picked up a truck and became gardeners purely on its lucrative returns.

Li'l Tokio may not have its five-day office schedule as far as employees are concerned but one segment is enjoying a normal two-day off a week slate. They're the barbers.

THE BARBERS, numbering a little better than a dozen shops, take respite on Sunday and Monday. Furthermore, they expect to raise their clipping fees to \$2 per head in the near future. When the Master Barbers Association of Los Angeles upped the \$1.75 price the other day it meant eventual pressure would automatically hike local tonsorial rates.

The two-buck shearing can be a harrasing thing to anyone making less than \$2 a hour. Imagine more than 60 minutes of labor just to sit in a barber's chair for 10 minutes.

Our rather eccentric barber confessed it was slightly out of line with local wage standards but "wha can we do if they keep hiking prices on other things." He has to make a living too, too.

Of course, not everyone has the skill to become a barber no more than one without talent going after an engineer's career.

At least we haven't as yet come to an economic crisis whereby we have to resort to home barbering but if something doesn't give pretty soon, we'll be using our shearing set grandpa gave mom for use on Bennett and Dana.

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BIRTHS

LOS ANGELES
ANEYA, Takeo (Setsuko Takahashi) — girl, May 4.
AOKI, Yoshinori (Hatsuko Hasegawa) — girl, May 7.
ENDO, John (Hanako Wakayama) — boy, June 6.
ENG, Szie (Sue Kinoshita) — girl, May 18.
FUJIHARA, Michio (Yoshie Kushida) — girl, May 11.
FUJINO, Frank (Yuriko Taket) — girl, May 15.
FUJISATO, Kenji (Elsie Fujigami) — boy, May 11.
GOTO, Shigeru (Nellie Nishimura) — boy, May 26, Inglewood.
GOYA, Kiyoshi (Tomoko Suzuki) — boy, May 18.
HAMAGUCHI, Yoshiaki (Aris Nakashima) — girl, May 21, Pasadena.
HAMAMOTO, Joeli (Joan Kokazu) — girl, June 1.
HASHIMOTO, Joe (Shizuko Yamada) — girl, May 11.
HIGASHI, Tadao (Meriko Uyematsu) — girl, May 31.
HIRAHARA, Akira (Kikuno Hamachi) — boy, May 10.
HIROTO, Edwin (Teruko Hirota) — girl, June 6.
ICHINAGA, Kaneko (Bertha Misaki) — boy, May 15.
IGE, George (Ruth Kurose) — boy, May 12.
IGURASHI, Isamu (Mildred Nakamoto) — girl, May 19.
IMAZU, Roy (Miyoko Ueyeda) — boy, May 13, Sun Valley.
INABU, Thomas (Chizuko Yamamoto) — boy, May 30.
INOUE, Nobuyasu (Yoko Yamaga) — girl, June 4.
KAGAWA, George (Fumi Okino) — boy, May 24.
KAGENO, Clifford (Satoko Murata) — boy, June 3.
KAM, Luther (Molly Sakaue) — girl, May 30.
KANESHIRO, Wayne (Tsuruko Kameya) — boy, June 2.
KARASAWA, Richard (Mary Nakahiro) — boy, June 2, Pasadena.
KASUYA, Richard (Maude Ota) — girl, May 26.
KATO, Hiroshi (Kimi Tomoyasu) — boy, May 16, Pasadena.
KATO, Katsuo (Eiko Fujinaka) — boy, June 8.
KAWA, Alfred (Keiko Yoshikura) — girl, May 12.
KIMOTO, David (Mary Kimura) — girl, May 26.
KIMURA, Masumi (Miyoko Kajioka) — boy, May 11.
KITAMURA, Osamu (Toyoko Nakamura) — boy, May 25.
LEW, Norman (Reiko Yoshida) — boy, May 20.
MATSUDA, Toshikatsu (Shizumi Sakakane) — boy, May 25.
MATSUMOTO, Masami (Rose K. Ohashi) — boy, June 1.
MATSUMOTO, Minoru (Michiko Takasako) — girl, May 7.
MATSUOKA, Shak (Kimiko Tatsumi) — girl, May 15.
McGRATH, Herbert (Kyoko Horiuchi) — boy, May 20.
MIYAMOTO, Toshio (Kuniko Kanamori) — boy, May 10.
MIYAMOTO, Walter (Alice Tamura) — girl, June 1.
MOORE, Eddie (Majorie Koseki) — girl, May 18.
MORIMOTO, Nobuyuki (Hisako Nishihara) — boy, May 27.
MOTOWAKI (Fusa Kumakura) — girl, May 22.
MOY, Phillip (Christine Ito) — boy, May 15.
NAITO, Alvin (Chiyo Shigenaga) — girl, Apr. 30.
NAKAMURA, George K. (Jean Kanayama) — girl, June 1.
NAKAMURA, Isamu (Teruko Sakamoto) — girl, May 12.
NIIZAWA, Clarence (Masako Kuniyoshi) — girl, May 2.
NISHI, Tetsuo (Makoto Miyahara) — girl, May 22.
NOBUMOTO, Michio (Toshiko Kurisu) — girl, May 9.
NOJI, Yoshimitsu (Fumiko Nishi) — boy, May 26.
OHANA, Jensho (Lillian Nishimoto) — boy, June 6.
OKAMURA, Noboru (Yoko Fukuyama) — boy, May 15.
OKIYAMA, Teruo (Shizuka Takagi) — boy, May 26.
ONO, Katsumi (Kimie Nishihata) — boy, May 8.
ORAGO, Isao (Shizuko Sakabe) — girl, May 14.
ORIBA, Manzo (Kiyoko Ota) — boy, May 13.
OSAKA, Masaru (Mariko Sato) — girl, May 25.
OZAWA, Tsuneo (Harriet Tamichi) — boy, May 5.
QUINTANA, William (Fumiko Yamamoto) — girl, May 31, Sun Valley.
ROSS, Donald (Ida Takasugi) — boy, May 19.
SAIJO, Gompers (Midori Dequeiroz) — girl, June 2.
SAKAI, Minoru (Betsy Arakaki) — boy, May 20.
SAKUMA, Shinichi (Sumiye Wataru) — boy, May 31.
SATO, Charles (May Yoshida) — boy, May 10.
SIU, Jacob (Katsuko Mizuno) — girl, May 22.
SUGANO, Leo (Aiko Kawaguchi) — girl, May 15.
SUGINO, Paul (Haruko Iwanaga) — boy, May 31.
SHIBA, Joseph (Misayo Sakurada) — girl, June 3.
SHINGU, Fred (Masako Kohn) — boy, June 2.
SHINTANI, Tado (Yoshiko Tashiro) — boy, May 26.
SUZUKI, Joseph (Yoshiko Miura) — boy, May 2.
SUZUKI, Norman (Thelma Nitahara) — boy, May 1.
SUZUKI, Takeo (Marian Sugiyama) — boy, Apr. 28.
TADA, David (Sumiko Iwata) — girl, June 3, Lomita.
TAKAHASHI, Henry N. (Kazumi Shonohara) — boy, May 5.
TAKAMINE, Kiyonori (Nancy Nakashima) — girl, May 17.
TAKASUGI, Hitsu (Kimiko Omotani) — girl, May 24.
TAKEMOTO, Tom (Sachiko Sunago) — boy, May 20.
TAKEMURA, Shigeru (Kyoko Ogura) — girl, May 14.
TAKENAKA, Frank (Mabel Kinshita) — boy, May 28.
TANAKA, Fukashi (Satsuyo Watanabe) — boy, May 16, La Puente.
TASHIMA, Shigeo (Yoshiko Yoshida) — boy, May 20, Norwalk.
TSUJI, Hirotsugu (Haruko Tachibana) — girl, May 9, Sun Valley.
UYEMORI, Kazuhide (Chiyeo Tanaka) — girl, May 12, Rivera.

WADA, Jack M. (Akiko Nakano) — boy, May 20, Norwalk.
WAKIMOTO, George (Yuki Goryo) — boy, May 18.
WATANABE, Kenji (Ruby Kakuta) — boy, June 5, Harbor City.
WATANABE, Masahiro (Hiroko Kawahara) — girl, May 6, Reseda.
WHITEHEAD, Frank (Janet Tabata) — girl, June 4.
YAMAGUCHI, Jim (Taye Okumoto) — girl, May 10, Gardena.
YEE, Clement (Yuri Nakamoto) — boy, May 31.
YOSHINAGA, Robert (Eiko Hiyake) — boy, May 12.
ZUMWALT, Harry (Motoko Sawada) — boy, May 25.

DEATHS

ISHIKAWA, Yasuharu: Chicago, July 2
MATSUI, Chosaburo: Selma, July 12 — (w) Nobuko (s) George.
MINE, Infant: Watsonville, June 23 — (p) Mr. & Mrs. William, (b) Robert W. Gary.
MISUMI, Genjiro: 81: Watsonville, June 22 — (w) Yoshino, (s) Shinichi, Saburo, Naoto, Kinya, Esamu, George Mitsuo, (d) Chizuru, Yoshiya.
MORISHITA, Yujiro, 75: San Francisco, July 15 — (d) Mary.
NOGUCHI, Sanpei, 73: Sacramento May 15 — (w) Yasume, (s) Raihiko Miki, Kinya, Haruki, (d) Karumo Matsumoto, Fujiko Fukuda, Mutsu Sato.
SAKO, Eitaro, 83: Lindsay, July 23 — (s) Shizuyo, (d) Chiyeo Chikaraichi, Asako Oda, Harumi Nakamura.
SASAKI, Sae, 70: San Leandro, June 16.
SUMIDA, Hidejiro, 91: Sacramento July 17 — (w) Tsuguye, (s) Tatsumi George, Bob, (d) Tsuruko Okubo Ayako Ito, Shizue Hayashi.
TAJITSU, Ronald, 15: New York, July 16 — (p) Mr. & Mrs. Misao, (s) Kazu Kawamoto, Yone Nash, Terry Morimoto, Utako.
TAKADA, Kajioka, 85: Campbell, June 21 — (s) Masakichi Takada, (d) Yae Yoshimoto, Misao Fukumoto.
TAKAHASHI, Hana: San Francisco, July 18 — (s) Shigeji, Noboru, (d) Kiyoko, Tomiko Sasaki.
TAKATORI, Gisaburo, 78: Parma, Idaho, July 21 — (s) Fred, five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.
TANAKA, Kiyoshi, 71: San Francisco, June 15.
TANASE, Yasuburo, 76: Chicago, July 8 — (w) Kei, (s) Elmer, and four daughters.
TANI, Sotokichi, 79: Mountain View, June 6 — (s) Eiichi Yoshio, Harry (d) Chiyo Ota, Kimi Miyoshi.
TAZAWA, Chojiro: Brighton, Colo., Aug. 4 — (w) Shimai, four sons and three daughters.
UYEMURA, Yochi, 57: Del Rey, July 23 — (h) Zentro, (s) Jimmy, Yoshito (d) Yoshino Omo.
YAMADA, Sentaro, 87: Ft. Lupton, June 17 — w) Kayo, (s) George, Frank.
YAMAKUCHI, Mrs. Ichi, 65: Chicago, May 24 — (s) Muneyoshi, Ryoichi.
YAMAMOTO, Yoshimori, 53: Guadalupe, June 15 — (s) Michiko, (s) Yoshito, Mamoru, Takeshi, Tadashi, (d) Sachiko Nishioaka, Tomiko Miyamoto, Miyoko Abe, Yoshiko.

Orange County Elites

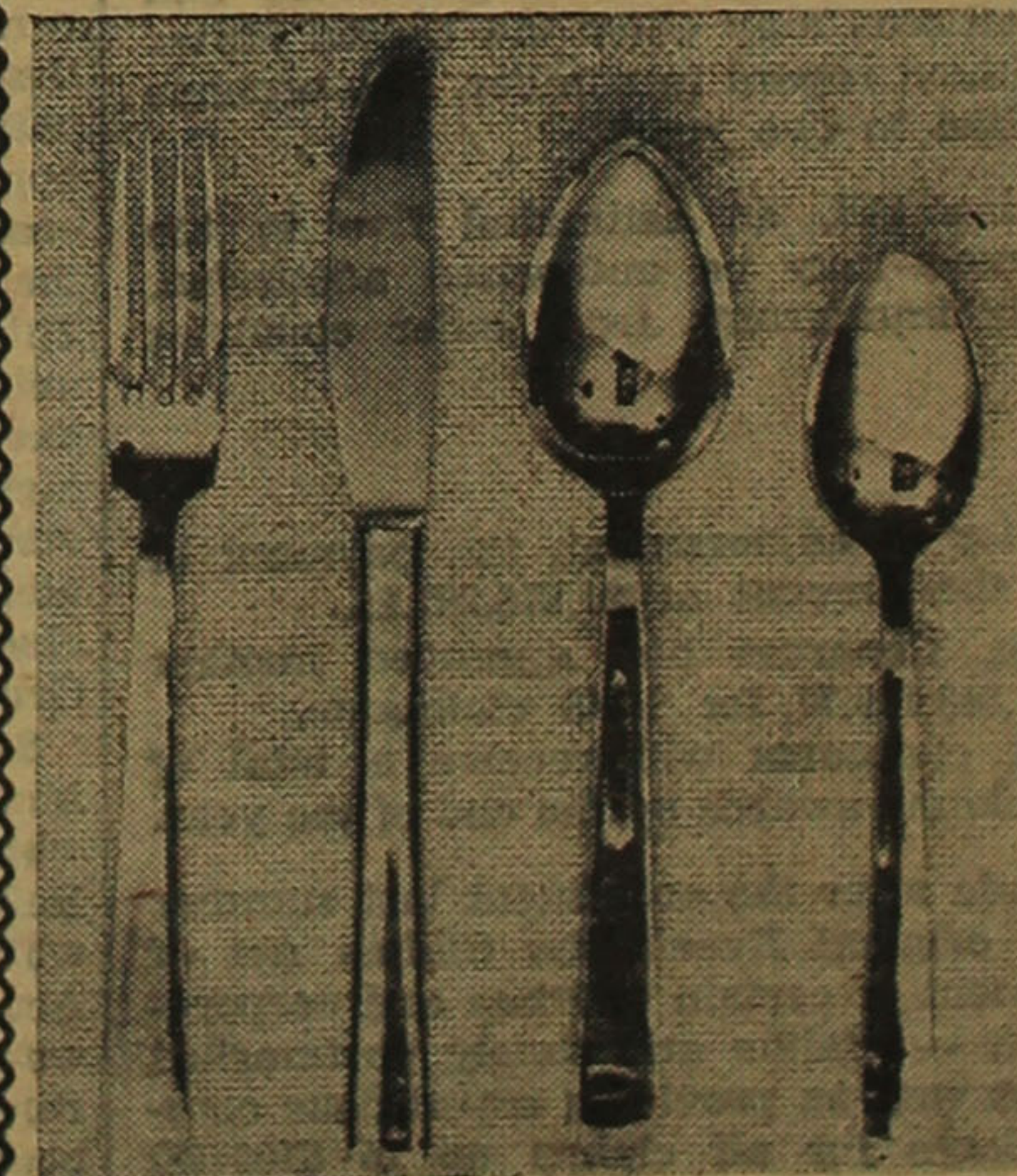
ANAHEIM.—Joan Ota is succeeding June Wada as president of the Elites, local girls groups advised by Mrs. Marian Imamura and Mrs. May Wada. On the new cabinet are Eleanor Yukihiko, Evelyn Nagamatsu, Reiko Tamura, Margaret Hara, Jeanne Enomoto and Janice Honda.

SANSEI ENTERTAINER COMPETES IN STATE FAIR
SPRINGFIELD, Ill.—Marsha Momoi, 9, of Chicago was probably the first Japanese American to compete in the Illinois state fair contest for fretted instruments recently. The steel guitarist won three second-place medals.

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More claimants add
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An additional \$2,074.58 has been received this past week for the National JACL Endowment Fund, it was announced by Dr. Roy Nishikawa, national JACL president.

In acknowledging these contributions, Dr. Nishikawa revealed that 42 persons and organizations listed below are recipients of evacuation claims checks, indicating their confidence in JACL's program to protect the security of persons of Japanese ancestry in this country. Most recent donors are:

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HAWAII

Honolulu — Jiro Okada \$10; Kahului — James S. Hasegawa \$10.

Minister resigns

SANTA MARIA.—The Rev. Yasuo Oshita, whose sight has been impaired by diabetes, has resigned from active ministry at the Christ Methodist Church here as of Nov. 1. A testimonial dinner is being planned Sept. 21, 6:30 p.m., at the Veterans Memorial Bldg. He plans to return to Japan.

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WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER
By Mike Masaoka

House Civil Rights

Washington, D.C.

The long-drawn-out First Session of this 85th Congress adjourned last Friday (August 30) until the Second Session convenes next January 7.

In between sessions, and probably long afterwards, there will be controversy as to whether this past session was a productive one or not.

As far as JACL is concerned, however, with reference to those bills in which it had a special interest, the last session was a most constructive one.

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CIVIL RIGHTS LAW

If this last session is remembered for anything, it will be for its enactment of a civil rights bill, the first in 82 years.

The bill that was sent to the White House for the President's signature was a far-cry from the one that was originally sent up to the Congress early in the session by the Administration.

Stripped of most of its meaningful provisions by the Senate, it nevertheless represented a significant first step; and so, most of the national organizations historically concerned with civil rights legislation, including the JACL, endorsed its final passage and are urging the President to sign it into law.

Although major emphasis has been placed on its authority to enforce the voting rights of particularly our Negro citizens, and we agree this to be a particularly significant gain, the bill includes provisions that can be helpful in preserving and promoting the civil rights of Nisei Americans too.

The bipartisan commission, limited to two years of activity, is empowered to look into all civil rights violations. And an Assistant Attorney General, to head up a new full-fledged Civil Rights Division in the Department of Justice, is authorized to take action to protect the civil rights of all citizens, regardless of the action taken by the Senate in eliminating specific power to use the federal injunctive procedure to prosecute violators.

Thus, if the civil rights of our nationality group are threatened, we have an appeal to the commission and also to the Department of Justice.

Had these "safeguards" to our civil rights been available after December 7, 1941, evacuation and its aftermath, with all that this experience implies, might have been averted.

This civil rights bill of 1957 represents just the first step in the objective to secure equal rights and equal opportunities for all Americans, without regard to race, color, creed, or nationality. JACL remains committed to the struggle for the remaining objectives that will bring dignity and opportunities to all Americans.

IMMIGRATION AMENDMENTS

The past session also enacted a "family hardship" immigration bill, which includes many features long advocated by the JACL.

Though dismissed by many newspapers as "minor changes", the bill is the first general immigration measure to be enacted by Congress since the enactment of the Walter-McCarran Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, which extended to all resident aliens, and particularly our Issei parents, the privilege of naturalization and repealed the Japanese Exclusion Act of 1924 by granting token immigration quotas to Japan and all other Asian nations.

The bill is historic too in its significance, for it marks the first time that nonquota status is extended to those in the first, second, and third preference categories, although a cut-off date of July 1, 1957 is provided for these special features.

The first preference relates to aliens and their families with skills that are needed in this country; the second to the alien parents of United States citizens; and the third to the spouses and the unmarried minor children of resident aliens.

JACL was particularly interested in the second and third preferences, because Japan's quota is now oversubscribed for perhaps fifteen to twenty years because there are so many in these categories who are stranded over there because of Japan's small annual quota.

This immigration legislation, if signed by the President, will allow all those in these categories whose petitions for assignment to these preferences were approved by the Attorney General up to July 1, 1957 to come into the United States in the immediate future, thereby practically clearing all of Japan's quota for what amounts to a new beginning.

In addition, qualified adopted orphans, stepchildren, and "legitimated" children of citizens may enter the United States as nonquota immigrants without regard to number. The orphans provision, however, is limited to two years.

Under this humanitarian bill, an estimated five to ten thousand immigrant Japanese may be authorized admission. But, the numbers of other immigrants from other countries will be even higher.

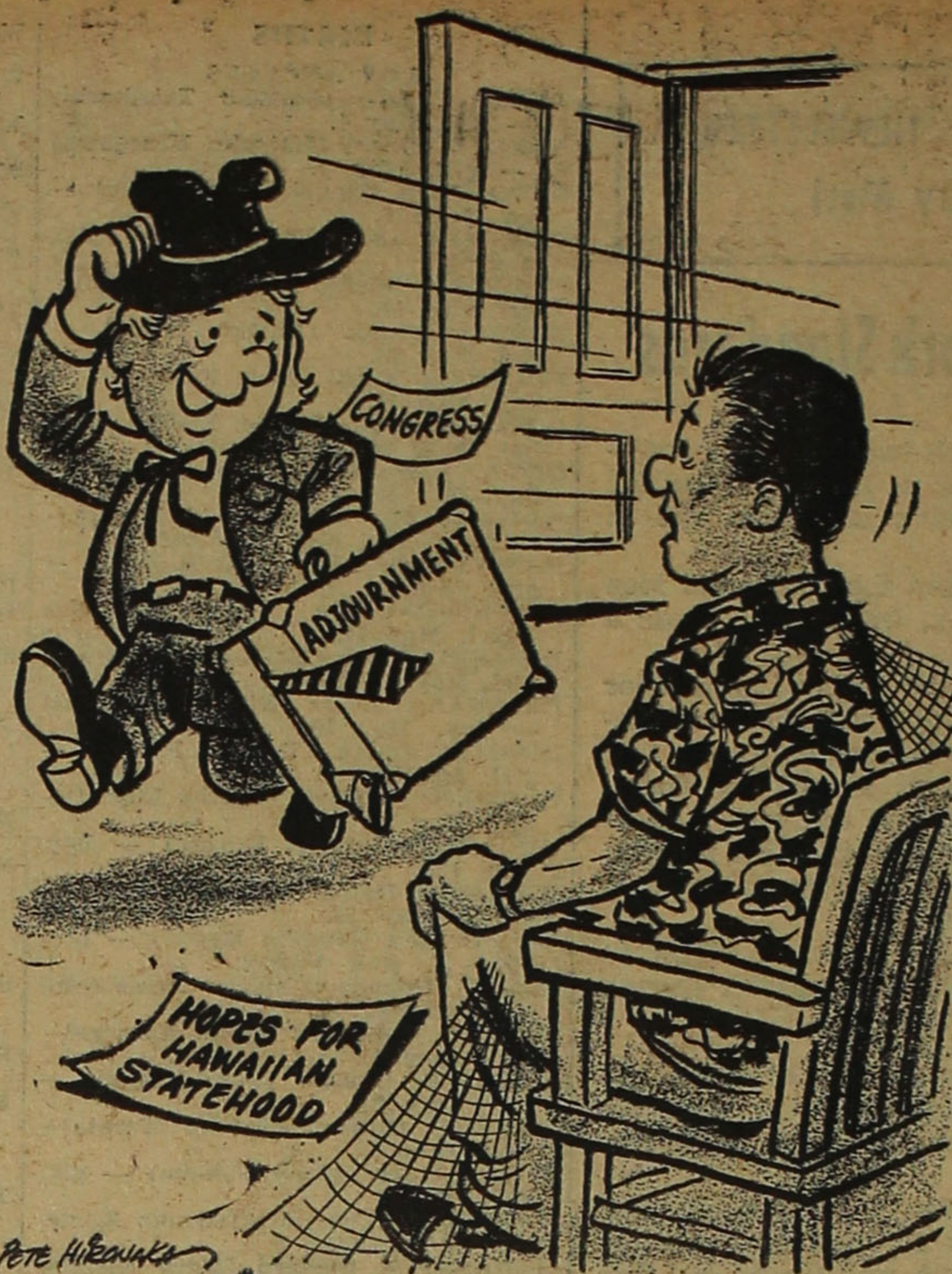
EVACUATION CLAIMS

Congress approved, prior to adjournment, the payment of 403 evacuation claims in the amount of \$1,376,287.25.

Earlier in the session, Congress had approved another appropriations totalling \$2,242,119.77 for 1,648 claimants.

This means that 2,051 claimants will receive a total of \$3,618,507.02 in evacuation claims awards by the end of the year.

These awards were made after the enactment last summer of the amendment to the original Evacuation Claims Act of 1948 which authorized payment of certain internee and corporation — profit and nonprofit — claims and timely postmarked but late received claims, as well as providing expeditious compromise settlement procedures for all claims up to \$100,000 and a Court of Claims alternative to those with larger claims and those dissatisfied with the government offer of compromise.



'Patience, Young Man, Patience'

EX-OREGON GOVERNOR SCORES EVACUATION AS 'UNCONSTITUTIONAL'

SALEM, Ore.—Regardless of the Supreme Court decision, the evacuation of Japanese Americans was unconstitutional because that act was contrary to the concepts of American democracy, ex-Gov. Charles Sprague told the Portland and Gresham-Troutdale JACL chapters at a dinner in his honor last Aug. 25.

However, the Salem publisher felt that some good had come of evacuation and noted that the returnees were becoming more and

more a part of the American scene.

George Azumano, Portland chapter vice-president, presented a scroll of appreciation on behalf of National JACL to the ex-Governor.

Sprague also recalled the work he and other persons interested in the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in western Oregon by which the return of evacuees was made easier.

Recalls Gresham Meeting

In particular, he mentioned a meeting in Gresham by persons who were organizing an anti-Japanese league to which he, E. B. MacNaughton (previously cited by National JACL with a scroll of appreciation), and Clyde Linville attended to speak on behalf of the evacuees. He hoped that their appearance in a way helped to erase some of the anti-Japanese feelings in that area.

He was appreciative of the JACL recognition but throughout his talk he minimized his part in the relocation and resettlement of evacuees and kept emphasizing that "it was the duty of all right-thinking Americans" to help in the program of resettling a segment of the American population which had been unjustly wronged.

Nobi Sumida was master of ceremonies. Seiji Nishioka of Salem arranged the dinner.

CONGRESSMAN WALTER SUFFERS HIP INJURY

CHICAGO. — At one point during the final week of Congress, it was feared that the so-called "family hardship" immigration bill might not pass, although both Houses had passed similar measures.

Mike Masaoka, Washington D.C. JACL representative, revealed during the EDC-MDC JACL Convention that Rep. Francis E. Walter (D., Pa.), whose bill had passed the House, was hospitalized for a hip injury when he fell on the Capitol floor.

be available for refugees throughout the world, including refugees from Egypt and North Africa, those located in Spain, the NATO countries, Austria and the Far East. Under this provision Egyptian refugees from Egypt and Hungarian refugees who are in Western Europe could enter the United States.

Section 16—Provides that a short period of overseas residence by a child admitted for permanent residence shall not constitute a break in U.S. residence for purposes of naturalization.

White House official Max Rabb to address Tokyo Nisei parley

Maxwell M. Rabb, secretary to the Cabinet of the United States and adviser to the President on minority problems, has accepted the invitation to be main speaker at the first Nisei Businessmen's International Convention in Tokyo Oct. 24-27, it was jointly announced by Tamotsu Murayama of Tokyo and Taul Watanabe of Gardena, co-chairmen.

Murayama, on his way home from the London international Boy Scouts jamboree, was visiting in Los Angeles earlier this week. He is visiting in San Francisco and leaves for Japan today to make final preparations for the convention.

Gen. William F. Marquat, now of Washington, D.C., who headed the economic rehabilitation program of Japan during the occupation, is also listed as a main convention speaker.

Rabb, who made his initial appearance before a Nisei group as speaker at the 1956 National JACL Convention in San Francisco, will be introduced by Mike Masaoka, it was added.

A Bostonian, Rabb received his A.B. degree from Harvard in 1932, his LL.B. from Harvard Law School in 1935 and has been a member of the Massachusetts and federal bar since.

He has been secretary to Sen. Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., now U.S. representative to the United Nations, and Sen. Sinclair Weeks, now secretary of commerce.

A naval lieutenant in World War 2, he later organized the Eisenhower movement and was delegate-at-large from Massachusetts at the Republican national convention.

GEN. MARQUAT TO ADDRESS NISEI BUSINESSMEN MEET

Gen. William F. Marquat of Washington, D.C., who served as chief of the economic division during the U.S. Occupation of Japan, will be the main speaker on the Oct. 25 session of the International Businessmen's Convention in Tokyo, according to co-chairman Taul Watanabe of Los Angeles.

Over a 100 persons in the U.S. are understood to have reserved airline space for the Oct. 23-27 meeting.

SAN JOSE NISEI NAMED WEST POINT APPOINTEE

SAN JOSE.—George Iwanaga of San Jose has been named alternate appointee to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point by Rep. Charles S. Gubser, Gilroy Republican congressman.

Regular appointees and alternates will undergo physical and academic tests and one of the latter will receive the West Point bid if the regular appointee is rejected.

CALENDAR

- Sept. 6 (Friday)
Salt Lake City — Auxiliary Husbands & Wives steak fry, home of the James Kenishis, 5389 Avalon, Murray.
Orange County — JAYs installation banquet, Royal Hawaiian, Anaheim.
- Sept. 7 (Saturday)
Sonoma County — 1000 Club swim party, Ives Memorial Pool, 8 p.m.
- Sept. 8 (Sunday)
Pasadena — 1000 Club luau.
- Sept. 13 (Friday)
Chicago — Meeting: "Our Vanishing Japanese Heritage."
- Philadelphia — Board meeting, Dr. Koizumi's home.
- Sept. 14-15
East Los Angeles — Big Bear Lodge overnight outing.
- Sept. 17 (Tuesday)
Portland — General meeting.
- Sept. 19 (Thursday)
Pasadena — General meeting, Presbyterian-Union Church, 7:30 p.m.; Jack Fritz, spkr.
- Sept. 20 (Friday)
Venice-Culver — General meeting-talent show, "This Is Your Life—Mike Masaoka," Japanese Community Center.
- Sept. 22 (Sunday)
East Los Angeles — Splash party, Baldwin Park C.C.
- Sept. 25 (Wednesday)
CCDC — Autumn quarterly session, Kingsburg.
- Sept. 27 (Friday)
Twin Cities — General meeting, "This Is Your Life—Mike Masaoka."
- Sept. 28 (Saturday)
D.C. — EDC-MDC Convention report.
- East Los Angeles — General meeting, "This Is Your Life — Mike Masaoka."