

BY THE BOARD:

Decade of sweat and toil for equality

The month of February brings to mind Abraham Lincoln, the great emancipator. It can now be stated that through the sweat and toil of JACL leaders on the eastern seaboard, the past decade has "emancipated" the Nisei with the gaining of legislative objectives in Washington, D.C. and achieving the understanding and acceptance of physically distinguishable Americans of Japanese ancestry from the west coast.

The celebration of 10th anniversaries this past year for New York, Philadelphia, Seabrook and Washington, D.C. is now history. Among the significant accomplishments as we weigh the fruition of our objectives made 10 years ago include (1) the ever-watchful outlook of the D.C. Chapter in keeping abreast with important legislative matters affecting Japanese Americans; (2) true to its name—the City of Brotherly Love, the Philadelphia Chapter's undertaking these past years to foster brotherhood by their close association with the activities of International Institute, Y M C A and other religious groups; (3) the outstanding record of the New York Chapter to eliminate the use of the word "Jap" from most of the New York City papers; and (4) the notable accomplishment of the Seabrook Chapter's success in maintaining good public relations in the communities, industries and schools of southern New Jersey.

As we live today in an atmosphere of acceptance and tolerance, let us avoid the dangers of smugness and apathy by keeping in mind JACL's twin slogans: "Security through Unity" and "Better Americans in a Greater America."

It will be our responsibility as we convene at the National Convention in Salt Lake City Aug. 22-25 to deal with the problems at hand and to resolve them in cementing the gains made for the preservation of equality for all mankind.

— Charles Nagao,
EDC Chairman.

Wider perspectives for JACL outlined

SAN FRANCISCO.—A young attorney, then 26-years-old, who had the vision 30 years ago to help establish the Japanese American Citizens League here and then launch a national organization, returned last Sunday to indicate there were even wider perspectives for JACLers to pursue.

"In the pre-war days, we used to discuss the ultimate goal of JACL as being its eventual dissolution by fulfilling its mission," declared Saburo Kido, main speaker at the 30th anniversary celebration of San Francisco JACL. "This may come about one of these days. However, the same end may be achieved by pursuing the present policy and bringing in the non-Nisei into the organization so that it would become a group of citizens interested in the same program."

A firm believer in JACL and what it stands for, Kido said it was "an organization which every Nisei can support today, but it must steer a course which is free from entanglements or danger" as a commentary on the question of JACL and international relations.

Some 200 persons attended the banquet, which was held in conjunction with the first 1953 quarterly session of the No. Calif. Western Nevada District Council meeting at the House of Lawton

here.

7-Point Recommendation

The wartime national JACL president, after reviewing the first 25 years of the national organization, spelled a seven-point program, which could be undertaken in the future.

1. National JACL needs a permanent headquarters. This project should be pushed more vigorously.

2. In order to be self-supporting, the JACL Endowment Fund needs to be increased more rapidly, specifying at least \$500,000 should be accumulated. "When the income of Nisei is at its highest level, contributions from the membership besides donations from evacuation claim recipients ought to be considered," Kido suggested.

3. Greater interest in the youth program must be fostered. "We still spend more time for personal recreation than in sponsoring youth activities," he commented.

4. More time should be spent in training young leaders through Jr. JACL, Boys Scouts, Girl Scouts, Hi-Y, etc. "There is justification for all Nisei organizations so long as the long-range objective will be to prepare them to become leaders in the wider community."

5. More scholarships should be established to aid those needy students with promising prospects.

6. Civic participation can be

accentuated. "If individuals are backward, the JACL should pull them into the activities."

7. Public relations for Nisei must be pushed at a greater tempo. "Now is the time to firmly entrench ourselves. When people are friendly and want to know us, we should meet them more than half-way. This is a golden opportunity to strive for the integration we have been talking about," Kido explained.

International Relations

On the vital issue of JACL's future in the international field, he showed both sides of the coin—

(1) Having been successful in helping to improve the welfare of Japanese persons in America, JACL can serve to foster better relations between the countries of Japan and the United States; (2) or continuing to confine JACL's problems to those relating to the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in this country.

However, Kido raised several questions in discussing this subject, which has been given contrasting thought from various quarters.

"Has JACL a duty and an obligation to dabble in international relations, especially of those between Japan and the U.S.?"

"Is the dream (for Nisei to be the bridge of understanding between the two countries) to be

realized through JACL?"

"Isn't there confusion in our thinking by mixing the roles of the Nisei as individuals and the JACL, which is a united group of Nisei from all walks of life?"

Domestic Problems

He recalled the 1946 Denver convention and subsequent meetings, which reaffirmed JACL's primary concern was domestic rather than international in outlook. The matter of strandeas and immigration on the face might be international, but it was his opinion that these were in the "field of human relations involving our own members".

While JACL kept its hands free of the renunciant question in 1946, Kido felt the time was here to reconsider and "possibly clean the

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NEARLY 100 KEG TEAMS EXPECTED FOR SEATTLE GO

BY ELMER OGAWA

SEATTLE. — With entry deadline but 24 hours away, bowling impresario Fred Takagi announced that everything is set for the greatest keg classic of all—the 12th JACL National Championships.

Takagi actually has an army of 50 helpers, including non-bowling JACLers, who are helping out on the souvenir program which goes to press this week. A corps of tabulators, statistical typists, committee heads and planners for two social events are set to go at the sound of the gong.

First is a pre-tournament mixer to be held on Monday night, Mar. 3. Then, nearly 100 teams, including 12 from Hawaii, will be competing on the lanes.

It is estimated that 600 to 700 will show up at the awards dinner dance on March 8 at the Olympic Hotel's newly constructed super ballroom, and Fred allows it'll be the biggest Nisei dance of all time; everything is being done to afford out-of-towners a good time.

Guest of honor and main speaker will be Royal Brougham, sports editor of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer who attracted nationwide attention with his militant editorials in behalf of Nisei bowlers in the fall of 1949.

FOUR CO-EDS VIE FOR NISEI COLLEGIATE 'SWEETHEART' CROWN

DENVER.—Four Nisei co-eds have been selected for the 1953 Queen of Hearts crown to be bestowed at the annual Nisei Intermountain Collegiate Conference dance Feb. 8, 8 p.m., at AAUW Hall.

Carol Mizoue, committee chairman, announced the candidates are Toshiko Kumagai (Colo. U.), Evelyn Kodama (Colo. State at Greeley), Bernice Koshio (Colo. State at Ft. Collins), and Mako Iwahashi (Colo. Women's).

Judges are Cesare Morganti, Larry Tajiri, Kurt Jafay and George Ohashi. Don Tokunaga of Brighton will be ceremonies emcee.

NICC is headed by Ted Saito of Colorado University.

Mrs. Sakada's mother dies

CHICAGO. — Mrs. Kazuko Bando, mother of Mrs. Shizu Sakada, died here last Sunday. Funeral was held Wednesday. Mrs. Sakada is the widow of the late Dr. Randolph Sakada, 1950-52 national JACL president.

Evacuation regarded as blessing in disguise for Nisei, Hosokawa tells guests at San Luis Valley JACL installation

ALAMOSA, Colo.—Some 125 members and friends of San Luis Valley chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League heard Bill Hosokawa, assistant managing editor of the Denver Post, discuss "Backgrounds of Your Japanese-American Neighbors" at the annual installation dinner and dance Jan. 25, held at the Alamosa American Legion hall.

Hosokawa, himself a member of the JACL, directed his remarks more toward the guests at the banquet, explaining the history of the Japanese immigrant, and how when the Japanese first came to the United States in the late 19th century they were not eligible for citizenship.

When these people came to the United States, said the speaker, they were seeking opportunity and freedom and other things they

couldn't get in their home country, much in the same way other immigrants did who came to this country.

War Years Recalled

He then followed the Nisei through to the beginning of World War II, their evacuation from the Pacific coast and the later period of readjustment. He pointed out that the experiences of World War II helped to show others what the Japanese American people were like, and helped to integrate these people with other Americans.

Then Hosokawa told of the work of the JACL in relation to these events, pointing out that he feels that the evacuation in 1942, previously thought of as a tragedy to these people, was actually a blessing in disguise in that it spread the Nisei all over the United States and gave them the opportunity to lift themselves from a second-class status in this country to that of first-class citizens.

Hosokawa concluded his talk with a tribute to the people of the San Luis Valley who have shown how well democracy can be worked by their acceptance of our own citizens of Japanese ancestry.

Officers Installed

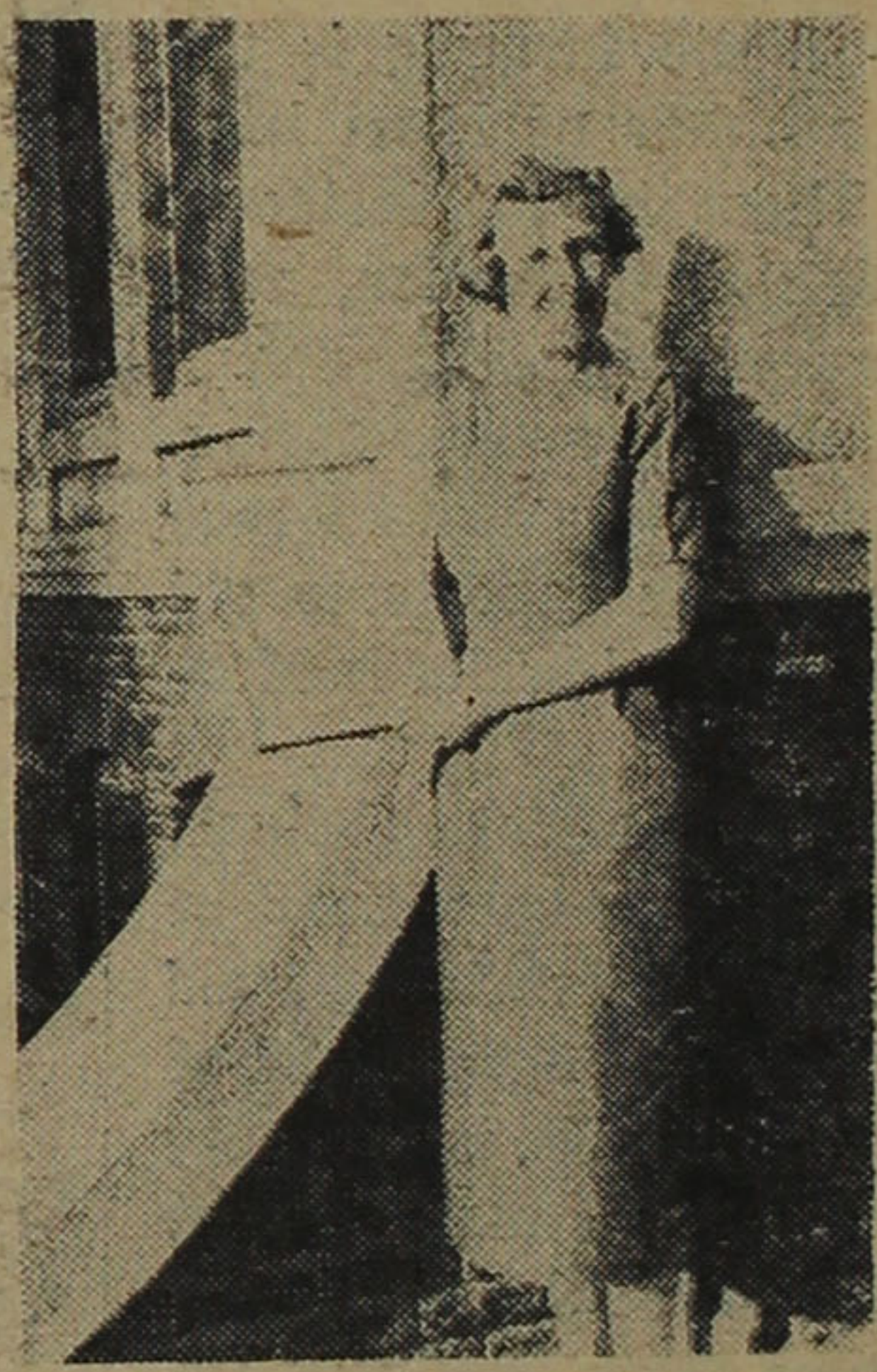
After introduction of guests, Mrs. Roy Inouye read the Japanese American Creed. Then District Court Judge Robert Tarbell swore in the incoming officers.

They are Charles Hayashida, pres.; Shirow Enomoto, v.p.; Ruth Katsumoto, rec. sec.; Deko Shiohita, cor. sec.; George Hishinuma, treas.; and S. Yoritomo, Frank Yoshida, Francis Wakasugi, Clarence Yoshida, Frank Uyemura, Mike Mizokami, Nobe Ashida and Roy Inouye, members-at-large.

Following the swearing-in of officers, Charles Hayashida presented out-going president Roy Fujii with the past president's pin.

Elsewhere on the program, Master of Ceremonies Roy Inouye introduced Jean Nishimura, student at Adams State College from Hawaii, who entertained the assembly with a Hawaiian dance, and

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MRS. GEORGE BUSSINGER
Tulare County Honoree

Posthumous award to civic leader made

BY JIM HATAKEDA

FRESNO.—The late George P. Bussinger was presented the Japanese American Creed Award by Tulare County JACL at the recent Central California District Council convention here. It was accepted by his wife, Marjorie.

After World War II, he was credited for leading the local movement to welcome back Japanese residents in this area. He made a special effort to integrate Japanese Americans with the community and their activities.

Bussinger was also credited for inviting Nisei veterans during the local showing of "Go For Broke". He was also a WW2 veteran.

An active JACLer here, he was president of two prominent local groups, the Dinuba Chamber of Commerce and Dinuba Lions. He was a member of the local First Christian Church.

G-2 veterans plan own organization

Formation of groups composed of veterans of World War II military intelligence service units, not only in Los Angeles, but in San Francisco, Sacramento, Fresno, Seattle and Chicago, has been suggested by MIS Nisei veterans here.

A Los Angeles MIS group is now being organized with George Kanegai as president pro-tem and Sho Nomura as secretary pro-tem.

They are planning a meeting here on March 15 and said that MIS veterans in other cities are being urged to form similar units.

It was hoped a big MIS reunion could be held here next summer in conjunction with the 1953 Nisei Veterans Reunion, July 28-Aug. 1.

Islanders Organize

In Honolulu there is already an MIS group and many of them are expected to be in Los Angeles. Recently, Jack Nagano of the local reunion committee who went to the Islands with Paul Bannai, reunion general chairman, reported that he attended an annual MIS banquet in Honolulu.

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From the Frying Pan

By Bill Hosokawa

Alamosa, Colo.

LANDOWNERS — As recently as 15 years ago, most of the Issei and Nisei farming in Colorado's San Luis valley were share-croppers. Today nearly all own their own land — from several hundred acres up to a thousand. Water makes the West bloom, and there is plenty of it here. The Nisei are prospering.

Climate and Issei-Nisei skill and industry have helped to make the San Luis valley a vast garden basket. The growing season here is relatively brief, the valley being a mile and a half above sea level. But for this same reason, this area produces row crops of exceptional quality — lettuce, spinach, cabbage, cauliflower, carrots, turnips, peas. During harvest season, carload on carload of produce leaves the valley for markets in the south, midwest and east.

It's generally acknowledged that the three brothers Mizokami — Mike, Sam and Tom — are the largest Nisei shippers. They farmed a thousand acres last season, plan to expand this spring. Imagine if you can a railroad carload of radishes. That's what the Mizokamis ship out each day, in addition to other produce, during the peak of the season. Among shippers—and the list is by no means complete — are the Sumida brothers, Harry and Kanji; Yoshida Farms run by father and son, Frank and Clarence; Oba brothers; Charles Hayashida; Roy Inouye, and others.

OTHER OCCUPATIONS — While farming is the Valley's economic backbone, a number of Nisei have found other occupations here. There is, for instance, Shiro Enomoto, of Alamosa, dental technician, who makes dentures for most of the dentists in the area.

Dr. Ben Konishi, also of Alamosa, is a veterinarian. His sister, Ruby, is a nurse at nearby Monte Vista. Grace Uyeda, also of Monte Vista, reportedly expects to get her nursing license soon. Jim Kunugi is a jeweler in Monte Vista.

Alamosa is also the site of Adams State College, a state-supported four-year school with an enrollment of approximately 700. One of the stars on President Fred Plachy's faculty is Nisei Dr. William Oba, acting head of the history division. Dr. Oba, as we heard it, is a mighty busy man. In the summer he helps with management of the Oba Brothers farm and produce shipping house. Still another member of the Adams State faculty is Dr. Tom R. Thomson whose father was a teacher in Japan for many years and whose mother was a Japanese. Dr. Thomson is extremely well thought of as a teacher of chemistry and other sciences.

WHY THE JACL? — In view of the ideal Nisei-Caucasian relations in the San Luis Valley, I was curious as to why the JACL movement is so strong. Roy Inouye, the Mr. JACL of these parts, had the answer.

Roy, it turns out, had spent a good many years in the Valley but had moved out to California shortly before the beginning of World War II. Rather than evacuate to a WRA camp, he hurried back to the Valley. Roy found that many of his old friends were glad to see him back, but he didn't have quite as many friends as he had thought.

Since he couldn't get his old farm back, he had to rent one in another section of the valley where he wasn't known. Here, until he established himself, he encountered open hostility, threats and general uneasiness simply because of his race.

He remembers those days when anyone remarks about how well the Nisei are accepted today. And he credits the JACL program, nationally and locally, for the change in public opinion. That's why he had his neighbors believe in the JACL movement.

New York state law banning race bias in FHA-insured housing wins 1st test

NEW YORK.—New York legislation forbidding racial segregation or discrimination in housing constructed under FHA loan insurance is valid and enforceable, a state supreme court judge ruled this past week. This was the first test of such legislation and apartment-house owners promised an appeal.

The case arose when a Negro advertising man applied for an apartment in a New Rochelle apartment house. Owners refused him on the ground that they had the right to rent to whom they chose. They branded the New York law as unconstitutional.

Disposing of this claim, Justice Samuel W. Eager, who had heard argument on the case here on Nov. 26, wrote:

"The ownership of private property, free of unreasonable restriction upon the control thereof, is truly a part of our way of life.

but, on the other hand, we, as a people do hold firmly to the philosophy that all men are created equal.

Rights Compared

"Involved here, it is said, is an apparent collision of rights, namely a clash between the right on one hand of a private owner of property to enjoy and use it in the manner most desirable and/or profitable to him and the right on the other hand of all individuals here to be treated equally and free of all discrimination on account of race, color or religion.

"In the final analysis, however, what is here involved is a conflict between the rights of the private property owner and the inherent power of the State to regulate the use and enjoyment of private property in the interest of the public; and the power of the State, when reasonably exercised is supreme."

Tombstones of Japanese students who came to U.S. in 1870s to be restored

NEW YORK.—With the city of New Brunswick, N.J., threatening to overrun the final resting places of some of the first Japanese students ever to study in the United States some 90 years ago, the Japanese American Association of New York recently sent three of its members to investigate.

In a small corner of Willow Grove Cemetery there, behind the Free Public Library on Livingston Avenue, small gravestones mark the places where the bodies of seven students and the daughter of one of them were interred. Some of them had registered at Rutgers University in New Brunswick as early as 1866. They had died in the 1870s and 1880s in various parts of the United States and were buried there.

Reports had reached the Association office here that the New Brunswick City Commission was considering proposals to remove the cemetery to provide more parking space near the center of the city.

Future Gravesite

The three Association members conferred with Mayor Chester Paulus as to the future of the eight Japanese graves which had been preserved for almost 90 years by the citizens of New Brunswick.

The visiting delegation was composed of Tokichi Matsuoka, president of the Association; Sokichi Sugimoto and Bunshichi Okuno.

Two of the shafts are standing almost intact. Six have toppled, two of which have broken. The Association is seeking a contractor to repair and restore the gravestones.

Names of Students

The names of two of the students were eroded from their stones. One of the students died in Brooklyn in August 1872 at the age of 22, and the other died Nov. 18, 1871, in Troy, N.Y., at the age of 28.

Names of the other six were: Tatsuzo Sakatani, the elder brother of an ex-mayor of Tokyo, who died in Brooklyn on April 14, 1886. His stone was erected by a Mr.

Matsuo, president of the First Japanese Manufacturing & Trading Co. of Tokyo.

An infant daughter of Saburo and Suma Takaki who died in September 1887 and who may have been born in the United States.

Sobun Matsukata, member of an old and prominent family in Japan.

Taro Kusakabe, who died just before his graduation but whose scholastic record was such that he was posthumously admitted to Phi Beta Kappa.

Jinsaburo Obata, who died at the age of 29 in June 20, 1873.

Takaharu Mitsuzui, son of one of Japan's richest merchants who died in January 1873 from a cold contracted during the 1872 Christmas vacation from Rutgers.

Used Assumed Names

Because they feared punishment from the Japanese Government, two of the first students from Japan enrolled at Rutgers University under the assumed names of Ise and Numagawa.

A Rutgers graduate, Robert H. Pruyn, was appointed by President Lincoln in 1861 as the first United States diplomat to Tokyo.

During the hysteria of the war years when vandals were damaging graveyards of Japanese elsewhere, those in Rutgers remained untouched.

NISEI ATTORNEY ELECTED TO DIRECTOR'S BOARD OF S.F. CIVIC UNITY GROUP

SAN FRANCISCO.—Victor Abe, local Nisei attorney and a past president of the San Francisco JACL, was elected one of the 10 new directors of the Council for Civic Unity of San Francisco.

The active local group which works for fair play, especially toward minorities, held its 13th annual meeting Jan. 27.

Edgar D. Osgood, who led the successful campaign for the city's new fair employment ordinance last year, was elected president of the CCU. He is a former president of the California Young Republicans.

Annie Clo Watson, former director of the local International Institute who served as adviser to the National JACL and its Northern California office for many years, was elected secretary.

Among those retiring from the board after several years membership was Haruo Ishimaru, local insurance man and former N. C. JACL regional director.

Hosokawa —

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Mrs. Shirley Gallagher, a member of the local JACL chapter, who presented several vocal and accordion selections.

After the banquet and program the remainder of the evening was spent in watching "This is Your Life—Mike Masaoka" and several short movies and dancing in the American Legion ballroom.

PC Letter Box

GRAY HAIRS SPROUTED

Editor:—Now that my duties as historian and publicity chairman are officially over, may I take this opportunity to thank you for the excellent cooperation you gave to the Twin Cities UCL this past year.

When Henry Makino asked me to take care of publicity for the organization, I was full of apprehension since I had no previous experience along this line. I'll have to admit that I worried over this assignment and—hence sprouted a few more gray hairs!!

However, thanks to you and members of your staff, I was well taken care of. It was a privilege to work in this capacity for I certainly learned many, new things.

MRS. EMI NOMURA
St. Paul, Minn.

(One of the joys of working at this desk is to develop our "stringers"—the term newsmen apply to their string of correspondents. Our hope is that after a person serves in this capacity, he or she continues to keep an eye for stories of interest to PC readers and sends them to us. —Editor.)

'HONOLULU ROSE'

Editor:—Congratulations on your annual edition (PC—Dec. 20, 1957), which was sent to me by Mrs. Seiko Oshita of Chicago. I was particularly taken by the cover with its adaptation of Japanese writing characters into faces.

Seiko worked for us in the circulation department and was a very quiet and modest person. So when she suddenly up and took off for the city of the cold winds we were quite amazed. And then this story of "Honolulu Rose", it is being passed from hand to hand with amazement.

I was interested also to see the work some of your groups are doing with juveniles. I have clipped these to pass on to our Japanese Jr. Chamber of Commerce. Thanks for an enjoyable hour.

GERALD B. BURTLETT,
Director, Comm. Services
Honolulu Advertiser
Honolulu, T.H.

'MUST' FOR JACLERS

Editor:—May I take this opportunity to say that I believe the PC is a must for every JACLer and is a wonderful paper. I'm very sorry that hardly a dozen of our members subscribe to it at the present time.

A few years ago, as you may recall, you concentrated articles almost exclusively to the west coast and neglected printing anything that would be of interest to us here—that is, articles not of national scope. At that time I was on publicity and mentioned it to you and, of course, you had good reasons but it has been exceedingly difficult to sell it to the membership. We attempted to solicit ads but always faced the same resistance.

However, I notice lately that you are publishing a great deal more about the Intermountain district, which we appreciate, and with the big splash (on Idaho) in the Holiday Issue, the job of selling it to the 1958 membership will be much easier...

NOVO KATO
Chapter President
Pocatello JACL.

(The suggestions made to us are always given the utmost consideration here. Unable to feel the pulse of our readers, who are scattered across the country, except at national conventions, we must rely on letters from our chapters such as this.—Ed.)

(The Pacific Citizen welcomes letters. All letters must be signed and addressed, though names may be withheld upon request or pen-names used instead. Briefer they are, the better. All are subject to condensation. We assume no responsibility for statements in letters.)

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Vagaries

By Larry S. Tajiri

THE GEISHA FOR TOWNSEND HARRIS

Hollywood is still in the midst of a Japanese cycle, and its newest star of Japanese ancestry was to arrive in the movie capital last week from Japan. She is Eiko Ando, 23, and she is playing the role of the legendary geisha, Okichi, in John Huston's drama about Townsend Harris, "The Barbarian." Harris, the first American consul in Japan (he landed at Shimoda in 1856), is being portrayed by John Wayne.

When Buddy Adler, head of production at 20th Century Fox, decided to make the Townsend Harris story, he originally had Marlon Brando in mind for the Harris role. Brando, however, had just made "Teahouse of the August Moon" and "Sayonara," and didn't want to be typed into a Japanese background and withdrew. Adler then got the movies' top male boxoffice draw, John Wayne, an actor better used to rough-and-tumble brawling than in the finesse of diplomatic relations. Wayne, similarly typed as a cowboy and a soldier-of-fortune, wanted the part as a breakaway from his usual parts, and he was especially interested because one of the motion pictures' greatest talents, John Huston ("African Queen," "Moby Dick") had agreed to direct the picture.

Adler then ordered an intensive hunt for the girl who would become Okichi, whom legend says was the beautiful geisha of Shimoda who was given to Harris by the twon's officials. Their love affair is now celebrated in song and story throughout Japan, although there are now some who contend the Okichi legend is false. On the other hand Kikou Yamata in "Three Geishas" (John Day, 1956) retells the Okichi story and notes that the Japanese writer, Sunshi Muramatsu, who researched the Okichi legend a generation ago, is said to have found an urn labeled "Okichi" and ostensibly containing the geisha's ashes.

Whatever the truth of the matter, the Okichi legend is a very real thing and is generally accepted throughout Japan, outdating even another legend, that of the young Cho-Cho-San and her American naval lieutenant which has been immortalized in "Madame Butterfly."

Twentieth Century-Fox scouts scoured the world for an Okichi, just as Warner Brothers agents looked the globe over for the Hana-Ogi of "Sayonara," until they located a Los Angeles housewife named Miiko Taka who proceeded to turn in an acting chore which may win her an Oscar nomination this month.

The 20th scouts had several essentials in mind. The actress must be tall, because she would be playing opposite John Wayne who is 6 feet 4. She must also be able to speak English. These requirements ruled out most of Japan's established actresses, though the 20th people did try to approach a number of Japanese stars. They did it directly—in a country devoted to ceremony and formalism—and created an uproar when they didn't go to the companies which held the actresses' contracts but approached the young women individually.

Of the 184 girls tested by the 20th people, one stood out. Her name was Eiko Ando. She was tall, 5 feet 7, and she could speak English because she had been born in Manchuria of Japanese parents. She could also speak Russian and Chinese, as well as Japanese. Her figure was regarded as un-Japanese (36-23-38) and she was a former burlesque queen of Tokyo's Nichigeki follies.

"I'm not a very typical Japanese girl," Miss Ando cautioned the American moviemakers. Her role was that of a great geisha, practiced in all of the feminine arts. The picture already was in production when Eiko was chosen and, in a few weeks, she had to learn the geisha graces, learning how to strum a samisen and to sit, walk and pour a drink.

Miss Ando's training had been in another direction. She had wanted to be a singer (she had little opportunity to become an actress in Japan because of her height) and had studied concert singing, in Japan and in Europe. In between her concert training, she did her stint in burlesque.

"I didn't mean to, when I applied for a job at the Nichigeki theater," Eiko told David Lancashire of the A.P. the other day, "I went to get a job as a singer and for a while I sang. But I was so young, and those managers, they were so smart, and soon I had no clothes on."

The Nichigeki theater billed her as "The Tokyo Venus." She didn't like burlesque but was signed to an 18 months contract. When it was up she went to Europe with her mother and studied voice.

'THE BARBARIANS' SHOOTING OVER

"The Barbarian," in color and CinemaScope, is completed except for the background narrative which Miss Ando will record in Hollywood in order to bridge those passages in the picture which are in Japanese dialogue. Huston, incidentally, made the picture, he said, as a Japanese film for an American company, rather than as an American film between men in Japan.

Twentieth Century Fox now has Miss Ando under a three-year contract and will start looking for some other story material for her if studio bosses are convinced she will make the sort of impact Miiko Taka did in "Sayonara."

Salt Lakers primed for task of hosting summer conclave

SALT LAKE CITY.—JACL convention fever is beginning to show its effects here with the Salt Lake chapter about to select its candidate for "Miss JACL 1958" at a queen's dance tomorrow night at Memory Park Memorial Hall.

Over the past two weeks, the local vernacular Utah Nippo has been introducing the nine girls who are vying for "Miss Salt Lake JACL" honors. The nine girls are Emiko Tokunaga, 18; Virginia Uyeda, 20; Ruth Okawa, 21; Eleanor Yamamoto, 20; Joan Sato, 20; Keiko Nakahara, 20; Kim Nishijima, 20; Miyoshi Oki, 19; and Wisteria Nakamoto, 18.

The local publicity campaign has revived spirit that prevailed here 10 years ago when the Salt Lake Mt. Olympus chapters hosted the 1948 national JACL convention. This year, the local chapter will host the 15th Biennial on Aug. 22-25 with convention headquarters at Hotel Utah.

Other chapters in the Intermountain District Council are expected to pick candidates in time for the April 8 IDC queen finals.

Past Presidents to Judge

Past chapter presidents here will serve as judges tomorrow night for selection of "Miss Salt Lake". Charm, poise, beauty and formal wear are the pointers which the judges are expected to consider.

In accordance with queen contest rules, all candidates are JACL members and agree to remain single if selected in the finals as "Miss National JACL".

Isamu Watanuki, queen contest chairman, is being assisted by Josie Hachiya, Chiyo Aoyama, Kuni Kanegae, Alyce Watanabe, Seiko Kasai and Ben Terashima. Watanuki said the wonderful experience of meeting nine beautiful girls with their cooperative attitude was richly rewarding. "On behalf of the queen committee and the Salt Lake Chapter, we extend our most sincere appreciation to them and wish that it were possible to crown each one of the candidates a queen," he added.

Membership Drive

Since this is the convention year, the local chapter under the co-chairmanship of Mrs. Rae Fujimoto and Mrs. Shiz Sakai are concentrating their efforts at the present time to rewrite the 400 membership list of the past year, which was the largest in local chapter history.

Local membership dues are \$3.50 per year. Renewals by mail are also being solicited.

The chapter board hopes that all-out community support would establish a new record.

Cherry Trees

The Utah State Capitol, famous for its beautiful Japanese cherry blossoms in the spring and attracting thousands of viewers, must now replace 36 dead trees surrounding the front driveway. They were frozen by severe cold several years ago.

Secretary of State Lamont Toronto has inquired with the local JACL to see whether the Japanese American community would be interested in making a contribution to replace the trees with the names of donors filed as a permanent record with the state.

The chapter has agreed to assist and appointed Henry Kasai, chairman of the Capitol Cherry Tree Donation committee. Individuals and organizations wishing to participate in this project should re-

CLEM OYAMA'S DAUGHTER JR. HIGH VALEDICTORIAN

SAN FRANCISCO.—Susan Oyama, 14-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clem Oyama, finished junior high school in a blaze of glory last week when she gave the valedictory address at Presidio Jr. High. A straight "A" student, she also won the American Legion Award. The family left the following day for Tokyo.

mit \$5 per tree to Kasai, 83 D St.; the planting is scheduled for April.

The first 36 contributions received will be accepted for this replacement, it was added.

Convention Notes

Theme for the national convention oratorical and essay contests will be "What JACL Means to Me", Salt Lake JACLers receiving their newsletter this week were informed. Details are being worked out by Mas Yano, chairman, assisted by Prof. Elmer Smith, Mrs. Dolores Gunnerson, Max Caruth, all of the Univ. of Utah faculty, and Michiko Sanada.

Pasadena JACL was commended openly for its support of the 1958 convention by being the first out-of-town group to submit a chapter greetings order in the convention booklet. The Pasadenans were also the first to register for the convention by submitting a \$60 deposit to cover six pre-registrations. Those planning to attend are Mik-

ko & Ken Dyo, Dr. Ken Yamaguchi, Mary & Tom Ito and Eiko Matsui.

Community Projects

The chapter, a member organization in the United Nations Association of Utah, helped to turn the recent U.N. dinner into a delightful flower show by creating 13 individual floral arrangements. Mrs. Sanuki of the Senke School of Flower Arrangement, chief designer, was assisted by Mmes. Ken Takeno, Frank Koda, Joe Kurumada and Marge Nishikawa.

The chapter helped fill out annual alien address reports on Jan. 18 at the Colonial Hotel lobby. Manning the desk were Mrs. Shiz Sakai and Mrs. Miki Yano, who also made the rounds of local convalescent homes to aid those who were unable to get out.

As the first Auxiliary project of the year, the ladies made sushi and visited aged "shut-ins" at local rest homes.



One of these nine girls will be selected as Miss Salt Lake JACL at the Queen's Dance tomorrow night at Memory Park Memorial Hall. As Miss Salt Lake, she will vie with other chapter candidates in the final selection of "Miss JACL 1958" at the Intermountain District Council finals April 8. Brief sketch, in same position as above, follows. — Photos by Ben Terashima.

MIYOSHI OKI, 19
Student, Holy Cross Hospital School of Nursing; 5 ft. 1 in., 105 lbs.; (p) Tsuzuki Oki, East Ely, Nev.; member of Methodist Church, Ely, Nev.

ELEANORE YAMAMOTO, 20
Secretary, H.J. Vander Veer & Associates; 5 ft. 3 in., 110 lbs.; basketball tournament queen, 1956; (p) Mr. & Mrs. James Yamamoto, Salt Lake; member, Japanese Church of Christ.

JOAN SATO, 20
Student, Westminster College, business major; 5 ft. 3 in., 100 lbs.; valedictorian of graduating class; (p) Mr. & Mrs. George T. Sato, Brigham City; attending Presbyterian Church.

RUTH OKAWA, 21
Stenographer, General Motors Acceptance Corp.; 5 ft. 2 in., 100 lbs.; basketball tournament queen, 1955; (p) Mr. & Mrs. Fukuzo Okawa, Salt Lake; member, Japanese Church of Christ.

WISTERIA NAKAMOTO, 18
Student, Westminster College; 5 ft. 1 in., 105 lb.; (p) Mr. & Mrs. Masaru Nakamoto, Tokyo; member of Buddhist Church; presently residing with aunt, Mrs. Rae Fujimoto, Salt Lake.

KEIKO NAKAHARA, 20
Student, Westminster College, psychology major; 5 ft. 2 in., 105 lb.; starred as "Lotus Blossom" in college's "Teahouse of the August Moon"; (p) Mrs. Tane Nakahara, Salt Lake; member, Japanese Church of Christ.

KIM NISHIJIMA, 20
Receptionist, Dr. Louis C. Larsen; 5 ft. 3½ in., 108 lb.; (p) Mr. & Mrs. Harry Nishijima, Salt Lake; member, Japanese Church of Christ.

VIRGINIA UYEDA, 20
Student, Univ. of Utah, education major; 5 ft. 3 in., 110 lb.; basketball tournament queen, 1957; (p) Mr. & Mrs. Hisashi Uyeda, Tooele; member, Japanese Church of Christ.

EMIKO TOKUNAGA, 18
Student, Univ. of Utah, employed by Dr. M.M. Wintrobe, Utah professor of medicine; 4 ft. 11 in., 95 lb.; (p) Mr. & Mrs. Shigeo Tokunaga; member, Japanese Church of Christ.

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The National Director's Report

By Masao Satow

MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN REPORT

To Salinas Valley JACL goes the distinction of being the first to complete and turn in its 1958 memberships. A very close second—by one day—comes the San Luis Valley Chapter of southwestern Colorado. Both of these chapters have exceeded their previous highest figures.

Meanwhile, as is usual around this time of year, we are getting many Issei calling at Headquarters to pay their 1958 membership dues. We still have a lot to learn from the Issei. Many of them consider membership in JACL as the natural sequence to achieving naturalization. Last week a 79 year old Issei brought in his membership as well as a contribution of \$20.00. Though his resources are very limited and he is applying for social security, he wanted us to know he appreciates the work JACL has done. It was a very humbling experience.

Dr. George Hiura has just converted his 9th year 1000 Club to Life Membership. George was one of those who helped to get our national organization started, served as a prewar President of the Sonoma County Chapter, and was active in the Chicago Chapter for a number of years. He now does his golfing around Palo Alto and is a member of the Sequoia Chapter.

NC-WN DC—The first quarterly meeting of the Northern California-Western Nevada DC brought out the usual good representation from the chapters. The flu bug kept Chairman Akiji Yoshimura at home, and Vice Chairman Buddy Iwata of Livingston filled in most capably; in fact, as if he had written up the council meeting agenda himself. This despite the fact that we stuck the agenda under his nose and told him to take over just minutes before the meeting. Our good friend Earl Raab of the S.F. Jewish Community Welfare Council did a stimulating job in discussing mental health in relation to prejudice.

Our JACL elder statesman Saburo Kido was most appropriate as the speaker at the banquet marking the 30th Anniversary of the San Francisco Chapter as he told of the early efforts to get organized and projected his thinking into JACL's future. Two time S.F. President Jerry Enomoto ably articulated as toastmaster. It was good to honor among the prewar Presidents Dr. Terry Hayashi, Dr. Carl Hirota, Mikio Fujimoto, and Iwabe Tatsuno. Dr. Hayashi was named National JACL President back in 1934 by virtue of his Presidency of the chapter hosting the National Biennial convention that year.

Adding much to the affair was the surprise appearance of our dynamic Mayor, George Christopher, who was not expected back from his high level talks in Washington. Consul General Nishiyama graciously gave up his Sunday evening to be with us. And among our good friends who helped to celebrate the occasion were Supervisor Henry Rolph who led the fight for the San Francisco FEPC ordinance in the Board of Supervisors, and San Francisco Assemblymen John Busterud, Edward Gaffney, and Casper Weinberger, all of whom actively endorsed the fair employment measure in the State Assembly.

Being on jury duty has already put us a week behind in our paper work with immediate prospects of further delay. We trust our members and chapters will bear with us for the next several weeks as we try to fulfill this important obligation of citizenship.

MARYSVILLE—Despite being under the weather, Akiji Yoshimura did a sparkling job in emceeding the Marysville Chapter installation. Chapter members brought their non-Japanese neighbors and friends as guests to give President George Okamoto a good sendoff. Enthusiasm for JACL is high in this area, and the members have done a wonderful job.

Incidentally, George Okamoto recently walked off with the singles championship in our Northern California Nisei Bowling Tournament. No doubt his part ownership of the alleys in Yuba City has some correlation.

INTERMOUNTAIN—We had a good work session with the Salt Lake Convention Board and are pleased to report that things are under control. The meeting was made pleasant by the nine charming Salt Lake Chapter candidates for National Convention Queen. A new item which will be announced soon by the Convention Board is the National oratorical contest for younger people between the ages of 16 and 21, with district winners to vie at the National Biennial. There will also be a companion national essay contest.

The Intermountain DC meeting in Pocatello gave us a chance to sandwich in a meeting with the Idaho Falls Chapter members with a good representation from the Yellowstone Chapter. After dinner the chapter members demonstrated they had learned something in the "step, step, quick, quick" classes sponsored by the chapter. The Intermountain DC carries on a hospitable custom where the host chapter provides both luncheon and dinner for all the attending delegates. While the IDC meeting concerned itself primarily with backing up Salt Lake on the National convention, a considerable amount of discussion was devoted to the youth program within the chapters under the chairmanship of Salt Lake barrister Mas Yano.

NATIONAL RECOGNITIONS—National Recognitions Chairman George Inagaki called us the other day to clear on the work of his committee in the search for the Nisei of the Biennium and the JACLer of the Biennium. Despite a slipped disc which keeps him in a reclining position most of the time, George assures everyone that he is feeling okay and that this phase of our national program of which he is in charge will be properly attended.

Kido—

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mess up through legislation". And JACL would be in the right, he believed, to help strandeers in Japan return to America, though presently barred.

JACL may be the appropriate organization to appeal to Congress on these questions since the problems concern the family members of Nisei in the United States, he explained.

Washington Office

Reminding his audience of the helpless feeling during the hysteria of evacuation, Kido asked that the Washington JACL Office be kept as a "listening post" to avoid its repetition. "It is to our own interests that we have a representative to observe what is happening at the Nation's Capitol," he declared.

However, some difficulty arises in the cost of maintaining such an office, alluding to the fact that JACL finances have been reduced since the passage of the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, when Issei gained the privilege of citizenship.

If keeping the Washington Office at an effective level jeopardizes the position of JACL or that of the membership, Kido saw no other alternative but to "consider the extreme of withdrawing from Washington".

Believing that JACL still has the important role of promoting the welfare of Japanese Americans, this problem which may lack the glamor of recent years is still fundamental "if we persons of Japanese ancestry are going to make our contribution toward the goal of Better Americans in a Greater America".

Recalls 1929 Days

The first San Francisco chapter president reminisced of the early meetings in 1928, when 75 members were enrolled in what was then called the New Americans Citizens League. Kido credited the late Tamezo Takimoto, executive secretary of the Japanese Association of America, for assembling the group. Clarence Arai of Seattle was the spark plug who pushed the Nisei movement on a coast-wide basis.

He recalled the furor over the adoption of the name, Japanese-American Citizens League (with a hyphen), at the 1929 conference over American Loyalty League—widely used then by young Nisei groups. It was not until Mike Masaoka came into the picture that the hyphen was dropped since "Japanese merely described what background we had as Americans".

Another important decision of that day was the call of the first national JACL convention in 1930 at Seattle. To send delegates from San Francisco, \$75 was raised at a benefit dance held at the Catholic School auditorium on Octavia St., Kido related. And to further economize on expenses, the delegates went to Sacramento to ride with Tom Yego, now deceased, on his Dodge.

Basic Philosophy

Although Kido admitted many of the projects of the early years appear funny today, the pioneer JACLers were serious in their planning for the future of the Nisei.

"Our basic philosophy was that this was our country," Kido cited. As American citizens, "our future and those of others to follow will be here". Therefore, regardless of prejudices and criticisms from the community, "we were determined to build a strong foundation and make it easier for the future. To realize our objectives, we believed in a central organization to speak for us," Kido continued.

The Nisei who did not support JACL then claimed such a group was un-American since a racial bloc was being perpetuated. Others even suggested JACLers join the NAACP to fight for civil rights. But experience has taught that "if we want concentrated attention (on such problems as alien land law, immigration and naturalization), we must tackle them ourselves".

It was this spirit of arousing the Nisei to help themselves that permeated the first national convention.

TWIN CITIES:

Twin goals of UCL chapter explained

Integration of the Twin Cities United Citizens League with community organizations of both Minneapolis and St. Paul and raise public interest with JACL were the twin goals as expressed by Tom Ohno, recently elected chairman of the UCL board.

As a step in this direction, the next general meeting, scheduled Feb. 28, will feature speakers from the Mayors' Council of Human Relations of St. Paul and Minneapolis, the Urban League and Minnesota Jewish Council.

The chapter, which opens its membership drive this month, is hoping to sign 250 members at \$3.50 per person or \$6 per couple. Jim Mizuhata is chairman.

Other committee chairmen appointed were Mas Teramoto, 1000 Club; Min Tsuchimochi, bazaar; Yuki Akagi, community picnic; Steve Iwago, Yukio Yamaguchi, fishing derby; Simpy Kuramoto, golf; Norman Kushino, steak fry.

SANTA BARBARA JACL PLANS 'FUNFEST' TOMORROW

The first general membership function for Santa Barbara JACL will be the "Funfest" on Saturday, Feb. 8, at the First Methodist Church dining hall here, it was announced by Richard Tokumaru, chapter president.

There will be a brief business meeting at which time 1958 officers are to be selected.

SAN JOSE:

Thickest fog of season fails to douse installation enthusiasm, 90 attend

Ninety faithful JACLers found their way through the thick tule fog recently to attend the San Jose Chapter installation dinner held at Hotel De Anza. New officers headed by Harry Ishigaki were inducted by Masao Satow, national JACL director.

Kenso Ishimaru, general chairman and emcee, introduced the special entertainment for the evening: vocalist Gail Taketa, a San Jose State co-ed, and the novel quartet, the "Fearless Foursome". Joining the 1000 Club were Yoneo Bepp, Tak Yonemoto and Dr. Tom Hiura.

LONG BEACH:

LONG BEACH CABINET OFFICERS ANNOUNCED

Dr. David Miura was named to head the Long Beach-Harbor District JACL, it was announced by Tomizo Joe, outgoing chapter president.

Dr. Miura served on the past cabinet as first vice-president and spearheaded the chapter's all-time record of 27 1000 Club members as chairman. He attended the Univ. of Washington. An active member of the Uptown Optimists, serving as secretary for two consecutive terms, he is married to the former Barbara Nishimoto. The couple have three children, Tod, Audrey and Phyllis.

Assisting Dr. Miura as right-hand man will be his colleague, Dr. Kats Izumi. A newcomer to JACL, the pre-war Terminal Islander recently opened his practice in this city.

Other cabinet members include Mrs. Ruby Mio, 2nd v.p.; Allan Kobata, 3rd v.p.; Kay Matsumoto, cor. sec.; Lily Arihara, rec. sec.; Terry Kobata, treas.; Harry Kitahata, aud.; Mas Narita, Tomizo Joe, members-at-large; Martha Morooka, pub.; and Satomi Kuramoto, hist.

Chairmanship appointments were delegated to Dr. Richard Kumashiro, 1000 Club, Dr. John Kashiwabara, Youth Commission, Sue Joe, "Tide-ings", Momota Okura, George Shiroishi and Fred Ikeguchi, adv.

The newly elected officers will be installed during a chapter-sponsored dance on Mar. 8 at the Fireman's Hall in Long Beach with Marlene Hada as chairman.



'1000' CLUB NOTES

SAN FRANCISCO—A new high in current 1000 Club members in good standing at 1,229 was announced for the end of January by National JACL Headquarters this past week.

There were 24 new and renewal memberships acknowledged for the second half of January for a total of 109 for the month. There were 1,180 current 1000ers as of Dec. 31.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Sequoia — Dr. George Y. Hiura.

MEMORIAL MEMBERSHIP

Venice-Culver — Frank K. Inagaki.

EIGHTH YEAR

San Diego — Tom Kida.

San Francisco — Joe Grant Masaoka.

Coachella — Tom Sakai.

SEVENTH YEAR

Idaho Falls — Charley Hirai.

SIXTH YEAR

Chicago — Arthur T. Morimitsu.

FIFTH YEAR

Portland — Dr. Matthew M. Masuoka.

FOURTH YEAR

Chicago — Dr. Ben. T. Chikaraishi.

Samuel T. Himoto, Arie Oda.

New York — Marion Glaeser.

Monterey Peninsula — Hoshito Miyamoto.

Idaho Falls — Sam Sakaguchi, Sam Yamasaki.

Gresham-Troutdale — Kats Sunamoto.

THIRD YEAR

Downtown L.A. — Takejiro Kusayana.

gl. Teru Shimada.

Berkeley — Tadashi Nakamura.

SECOND YEAR

Salinas — Yonezo Ichikawa.

Marysville — George Nakao.

Sonoma County — George Y. Yokoyama.

FIRST YEAR

Ben Lomond — Harold S. Toma (Ogden), Clyde C. Patterson (Ogden).

VERY TRULY YOURS:

The quaint 'Q's
have it today

The last time we remember using this three-syllable word — quintessence — goes back several years when a bachelor group whose name started with a "Q" had a gossip sheet by the name of Quodlibet. So the employment of words beginning with "q" were quite quelling. Those quixotic days come back today as there isn't another word to describe Col. Nickerson (Alec Guinness) in "Bridge over River Kwai" as the quintessence of the British pomposity. Guinness, whose portrayals in English comedies are polished in subtlety, projects the Brittanic majesty so haughtily evident in the old movie "Cavalcade" (about three generations of a family serving in the British army) with equal luster.

As for Col. Saito (Susue Hayakawa), he spared no quarters to impress us that Bushido spirit quailed day-by-day as a vital bridge on the Rangoon-Bangkok railroad took true form under Nickerson's lead. There was a time when Hayakawa's characterization would have been regarded as "underplayed" as the PW camp commander appeared human rather than bestial.

Yes, I liked the near-three hour filmfare, although some might have preferred the trek to blow up the bridge somewhat curtailed or deleted. Their pace was wearisome, I admit, but it gave the audience time to scan some raw and rousing panoramas of Ceylon, where the film was shot. Patrons who focus themselves to the plot and let go the vistas the wide-screen has offered, I think, miss a valuable aspect... if scenery weren't that important, the movie producers wouldn't spend time and money to shoot pictures outside the studio lot.

For Larry Tajiri, movie reviews come easy no doubt. As drama editor on the Denver Post, he manages several reviews a week. This past week, we quenched our thirst of four months for first-run movies and couldn't resist the yen to holler "quintessence" as a result, though we hadn't imagined it would be in a movie review.

— Harry Honda

Tsukamoto in new judge post

SAN FRANCISCO.—Lt. Col. Walter T. Tsukamoto, prewar national JACL president who is due to retire from active military service after 30 years service later this year, has been appointed presiding officer of the General Court Martial circuit that was newly established in France.

This honor was reported this past week by the Hokubei Mainichi, which received the "Pariscope", authorized publication of the Seine Area command.

The new military judicial system, established in the U.S. command in France for a trial period ending June 30, 1958, calls for an experienced senior officer of the Judge Advocate General Department to preside over all general

court martial cases, much like circuit court judges in the United States.

The Hokubei Mainichi also suggested that the Nisei officer would be qualified for a federal judiciary appointment upon retirement from military service, quoting his friends at the Presidio of San Francisco where he was stationed for four years.

System Explained

Under the new system, senior JAGD officers will work full time whose duties are similar to those of a federal judge. These include ruling on admission of evidence, pleas and motions.

Previously, each of the 19 general court martial districts in the USAREUR command selected its

own presiding law officer from Judge Advocate officers within its jurisdiction, the Paris cope was quoted. The judge advocate had to certify that the presiding officer was competent to perform duties as a law officer, after which he was appointed to serve on the case.

Only other Army command to use this new system outside of the USAREUR will be the Sixth Army with headquarters in San Francisco. Four of the five USAREUR circuits are located in Germany.

Expected to Return

Lt. Col. Tsukamoto, who was transferred to Europe in June of 1955, was chief of the USAREUR Judge Advocate Military Affairs Branch, while at Heidelberg, Germany.

He is expected to return to the United States next September, probably reporting at Washington, D.C., to express his intention of retiring from service, the Hokubei Mainichi reported.

Before his transfer to Paris last November, the Sacramento attorney presided as law officer in the now-famous Hurlahe Case in which a former Nuremberg procurement officer, Hugh H. Hurlahe, was tried in the latter part of 1955 on charges of wrongful disposition of government property and falsifying official statements. The case assumed international importance after a U.S. federal court ruling that military forces could not legally court martial a civilian working for or accompanying the military as a dependent.

Active in ROTC

Lt. Col. Tsukamoto was graduated from the Univ. of California at Berkeley and its law school, during which time he was prominent in ROTC. He opened his law office in 1929 at Sacramento and practiced there until evacuation in May, 1942. He went into active military service in 1943.

After Japan's surrender, he was attached to General MacArthur's headquarters in Tokyo; presided over several cases in Korea while the battle was in progress and even surrounded by Communist snipers on several occasions.

After the Korean campaign, he was transferred to the Presidio of San Francisco in 1951, and reassigned to Europe in 1955.

Aside from his official duties, Lt. Col. Tsukamoto loves to fish and hunt, having garnered many trophies while in Japan and Germany.

CINCINNATI:

Stogie Toki named Cincinnati president

The Cincinnati JACL will hold its installation dinner tomorrow night at Frisch's Mainliner Restaurant with Kumeo Yoshinari of Chicago, MDC chairman, as installing officer.

Dr. William S. Clark II, of the Univ. of Cincinnati College of Arts and Sciences, will be the guest speaker of the evening on the topic of "Japan". Kaye Watanabe will be toastmaster.

The Rev. Kenneth Coy of the Oakley-Hyde Park Christ Church will be the guest minister. Tak Kariya is in charge of arrangements.

To be installed are Stogie Toki, pres.; Tak Kariya, v.p.; Grace Narita, treas.; and Mrs. Lorraine Tokimoto, sec.

PORTLAND:

KIMI TAMBARA ELECTED PORTLAND C.L. PRESIDENT

Installation of Portland JACL officers was held jointly with Gresham-Troutdale JACL on Feb. 2. The Portland JACL officers for 1958 are Kimi Tambara, pres.; Roy Maeda, 1st v.p.; Marian Hara, 2nd v.p.; John Hada, treas.; Jean Kida, rec. sec.; Martha Osaki, hist.; Flo Anazawa, cor. sec.; Mary Sasaki, pub.; George Azumano, del.; and Dr. M. R. Nakata, alt. del.

VENTURA COUNTY:

John Takasugi heads Ventura County CL

The 1958 JACL officers for Ventura County chapter were sworn into office by Fred Takata, Southern California Regional Director, at an installation dinner dance Jan. 31 at Oxnard's Colonial House.

New officers taking the oath of office for 1958 were: John Takasugi, pres.; Tom Kurihara, 1st v.p.; Willis Hirata, 2nd v.p.; Yas Yasutake, treas.; Kengo Kutsuda and Tom Osumi, aud.; Helen Otani, rec. sec.; Sumi Kurihara, cor. sec.; Charlie Mayeda and Tak Tamai, memb.-at-large.

Takata, who also spoke to the group, stressed that even though the JACL has accomplished citizenship for the Issei, and helped repeal the Alien Land Law, JACL still has a great deal of work to accomplish, especially with chapters on the local level.

Takata recalled that protests had to be made to TV stations on the showing of anti-Nisei movies recently and that there is still discrimination in new housing developments, FEP laws need to be pushed on the local and state levels. Only by having active and alert chapters can the welfare of Japanese Americans be adequately protected, he declared.

A pearl-studded pin was presented by the speaker to Mike Mayekawa, retiring president, who also served as toastmaster.

After the installation dinner, the chapter held an informal dance to complete the night's activities. Entertaining with hula numbers were Mrs. Chiyoko Ishii, LaRae Jaquette, and Hillord Kelton.

PHILADELPHIA:

Radio-TV newscaster to address JACL dinner

Charles Shaw, WCAU news director, was announced as main speaker for the Philadelphia JACL installation dinner, Feb. 15, 7 p.m., at the Broadwood Hotel.

Shaw, a popular radio-TV news commentator, will speak on his experiences during his recent trip to Japan. Dr. Tom Tamaki will be toastmaster with Charles Nagao of Seabrook, EDC chairman as installing officer.

As one of the major events of the year, the chapter said the 1958 inaugural was open to the public. Meantime, the chapter has commenced its drive for regular JACL and 1000 Club members. Dues will be accepted at the dinner.

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Rebate policy on interest paid by borrowers set by Twin Cities credit union

MINNEAPOLIS.—The Twin Cities UCL Credit Union has declared a 4 per cent dividend for 1957, according to George Yoshino, chairman, who added that an additional dividend in the form of a 10 per cent rebate on interest paid by borrowers would be paid.

The new rebate policy is intended to stimulate and encourage borrowing from the credit union, a method which has been employed with success by other credit unions.

The annual potluck dinner, held Jan. 25, was chaired by Kay Kushino. Nominated to serve on various committees were Mas Teramoto, E. K. Yoshikawa, board of directors; Dorothy Shimada, Ken Yamaguchi, Steve Iwano, Chester Fujino, credit; Tom Kosobayashi, Paul Ohtaki and Fred Ohno, supervisory.

San Francisco declares 3.3 percent dividends

SAN FRANCISCO.—The San Francisco JACL Credit Union with some 240 members now has assets totalling \$162,486.55, according to a report submitted Jan. 26 by Ichiro Sugiyama, secretary-treasurer, at its annual meeting.

Over 80 members and families attended the dinner meeting at Montclair restaurant.

Sugiyama also reported that the local credit union's board had declared a 3.3 per cent dividend for 1957.

An election of new members for the group's board of directors and committee was also held.

Responsible for operations of the local chapter credit union this year will be:

Board of Directors—Elected: Wally Nunotani, Dr. Tokuji Hedani and William Morozumi (inc.). Holdovers: Ichiro Sugiyama, Maxie Nakahiro, Francis Seizo Oka, and George Miyamoto.

Credit committee—Elected: William Hoshiyama. Holdovers: Fred Hoshiyama and Kei Hori.

MONTEREY PENINSULA:

BARTON YOSHIDA TO HEAD MONTEREY PENINSULA C.L.

The annual installation of officers of the Monterey Peninsula JACL Chapter and Auxiliary will take place at a dinner banquet on Sunday, Feb. 16, 7 p.m., in the Fiesta Room of the Casa Munras, announced general chairman Jim Uyeda. Banquet speaker will be Ted Durien, managing editor of the Monterey Peninsula Herald.

Barton Yoshida, succeeding H. Oyster Miyamoto, will lead the Monterey Peninsula Chapter as president, assisted by Yoshio Satow, v.p.; Masami Higashi, exec. sec.; Miyoko Enokida, rec. sec.; Frank Tanaka, treas.; Jim Uyeda, social; Mrs. Mamie Honda, hist.

Mrs. Anita Higashi and Mrs. Evelyn Ogawa have been elected as co-chairmen of the Auxiliary. Mrs. Viola Uyeda was elected as secretary, Elsie Katahira, treas., and Mrs. Ruby Tabata, hist. Mrs. Shiz Torabayashi is the outgoing president.

Supervisory committee—Elected: Kazuo Sakai and Mickey Kuroiwa. Holdover: Yukio Wada.

Over 100 credit union members jam Organ Loft

SALT LAKE CITY.—Overflowing the accommodation of the Organ Loft, over 100 members of the National JACL Credit Union had a very successful Annual Meeting.

Under the supervision of Mesdames Momoko Ushio, Mary Inouye, and Yoshie Fujii, and the assistance of the ladies of the credit union, a buffet supper of roast turkey and baked ham, embellished with all the trimmings was enjoyed by all.

At the business meeting presided by Shigeki Ushio, president, the following were elected to two year term of office: board of directors—Kay K. Terashima, Salt Lake City, and Lyle K. Kurisaki, Sr., Ogden, Utah; credit committee—Tsutomu Mitsui, Salt Lake City; and supervisory committee—Mrs. Grace Kasai, Salt Lake City.

After a recital of the Wurlitzer Theater Organ, the group enjoyed dancing.

LIVINGSTON-MERCED:

School teachers, principals guests of honor at chapter installation fete

Merced County school teachers and principals were honored guest at the Livingston-Merced JACL installation dinner held Jan. 25, at the Club Joaquin, Merced, in following the theme of "Education".

The chapter honors a different branch of endeavor at their annual meetings.

State Assemblyman Gordon Winton, who is also a member of the chapter, swore in the 1958 officers: Fred Hashimoto, pres.; Joe Hamaguchi, v.p.; Nori Tashima, rec. sec.; Mrs. Marian Iwata, cor. sec.; Tetsu Morimoto, treas.; Tex Kinoshita, hist.; Roy Okahara, pub.; and Robert Tanji (Cressey), Rinks Sano (Merced), Ken Hamaguchi (Liv.), area reps.

Ted Newbold, assistant superintendent of schools of Merced County, was the principal speaker. He told of the present educational program and disclosed some of the projects which are in the making. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Carpenter, Mrs. Irma Morrison, Mrs. C. Kanen, teachers; Grandon M. Russell, Livingston High principal, and his wife; C. Kanen, Livingston School principal; August Leal, Cressey School principal, and his wife. Mrs. Sybil Crookham, Winton School principal, was unable to attend.

Also recognized were JACLers associated with the teaching profession: Mrs. Gilbert Tanji, Mrs. Taky Tashima, Mrs. Buichi Kaji wara, teachers; Mrs. James Kiri-hara, school nurse; Mamoru Masuda, Bill Koda and Sherman Kishi, school trustees. Bob Morimoto, past chairman of the Livingston School board, made the introductions.

The past-president's pin was presented to Frank Shoji by Buddy Iwata, NC-WNDC board member



THE Northwest PICTURE

By Elmer Ogawa

OUT OF THE HOSPITAL AGAIN

After some couple or three weeks in the hospital, one loses almost all contact with the local community and with JACL doings. Under a hypnotic desire for recuperation, one is apt to be slow in picking up the lost threads. Friends, acquaintances and people have asked about the incarceration, causes, troubles and consequences pertaining thereto. We answer most of them at considerable length, trying to liven up the narrative with anecdotes and what we consider funny happenings in the hospital at the time. Somehow, it must be because of our distorted sense of humor—the "funny" things fail to register well, while the clinical details might entertain.

The story of our private feud with one of the chaplains seemed to bring out some interest from some of our listeners; however, we shall get around to that one later.

Couple of other guys were in the V.A. hospital at the same time. Both were former Go-For-Brokers. One had his leg chopped off good and proper in Italy, but it was phlebitis that brought him back. While there, he developed gout in the other foot. That complicated matters and won him an "absolute bed rest" tag on his bunk. But he was always sneaking off on crutches or wheel chair when least likely to be caught.

The other guy was discharged from the 442 and was able to amble around after some ankle surgery. But now, after each visit to the V.A. hospital, he leaves a little bit more of his leg behind. It reminded us of the character in "No-No Boy". For some guys, the war is never over.

THAT BOXING MATCH IN PANAMA

We hadn't mean to sidetrack when we started, but now the next logical question might be directed to the party of the first part: What were YOU in for? O.K., so we'll forget about the gripe against the chaplain for the time being. The immediate cause of our distress (and it was terrific) was a bowel obstruction. You know, something like Ike's ileitis. As things developed, we can even make out a case to show that it was service-connected and here's why.

After a series of complicated X-rays in which your old photog friend suffered indescribable "tortures" in the interest of making a good picture, the X-ray staff came up with some masterpieces.

During one of these consultations, one doc asked: "Didn't you ever suffer any acute pains right along here?", pointing to the left side of the diaphragm. We started to think. He said, "Oh, never mind—you'd remember it if you ever had 'em."

Then we remembered: the catchy pain for some two or three years every time we attempted to pick up something with more of the weight on the left side. It was a result of that fight, or rather that army "boxing match," we told the doc. Well, he explained that the X-rays showed an old injury to the diaphragm and it was right in the immediate area of the obstruction caused by the scrambled up descending colon.

That "fight"—It seems we get deeper into this yarn with time. It was one of those intramural affairs among the boys in the anti-aircraft battery down in Panama. The biggest guy in the battery was a young Brooklyn lad named Cioffe, who was 20 years old, weighed 220 and stood about 5-11 . . . The next biggest guy in the battery was one named Ogawa, age 37, weight 185 and stood almost 5-8 with new heels. So there was a heavyweight event made to order. "That was murder," one of the docs commented, pointing out the 35 lb. and 17-year advantage, but it wasn't so much that way.

After a couple of good jolts that almost knocked our senseless head off, we started to take inventory of things. After all, if I couldn't duck in time, maybe he couldn't duck in time if I took the offensive. And why shouldn't I, after so eagerly absorbing all the boxing instruction that came my way? It worked swell. We rocked him and he rocked me good with good hefty left jabs right into the middle of the third round. Then the guy sorta wised up and swung a haymaker left-hook with all of his beef behind it right into that now-tender spot we described previously.

. . . Naw, we didn't lose. It was a no-decision bout.

Now that we've gone this far, there's no more space left to tell about the feud with the chaplain. But this ailment—although not the result of enemy combat action deserving of a Purple Heart—nevertheless is service-connected. And if things ever get too critical, we'll have to raise a squawk to get the record straight . . . Sorry we couldn't tell you about the feud with the chaplain.

Bank of Tokyo credited for financing keg alleys

SAN FRANCISCO.—The Bank of Tokyo of California officials were given credit by S. Stephen Nakashima, president of Saratoga Lanes, new \$1,500,000 bowling establishment near San Jose, for making the enterprise possible.

"When officials of other lending agencies shied away from dealing without our bowling establishment project because they had the old fashioned idea of smoke-filled basement alleys, the Bank of Tokyo people had a better concept of what a modern sports center we were trying to build," he said.

In building the 32-alley house, the San Jose Nisei attorney said his only regret was his inability to find Nisei willing to invest and waited until he located two men in Los Angeles willing to go into partnership with him.

BERKELEY:

Invitational cage tourney in Bay Area slated Mar. 28-29

Bay Area JACL chapters are being encouraged to sponsor teams to participate in the first annual Berkeley JACL invitational basketball tournament, Mar. 28-29, at a locale to be announced. Tosh Sano and Sato Otogiri, tournament co-chairmen, said participants are limited to junior and senior high school boys to be sponsored as all-star teams of JACL chapters. A tournament awards dance follows on Saturday night.

Awards to be presented will include a perpetual trophy for the winning chapter, permanent trophies for champion, runner-up and consolation winners, team sportsmanship, all-star players, and individual medals for the championship team.

Entry fee is \$10 per team, and a team may have a maximum of 15 players, and a minimum of seven. Players must live in the chapter area represented, and a responsible JACL member must accompany the team.

Feb. 15 is the deadline for entry fees to be sent to Tosh Sano, 1633-A Bonita Ave., Berkeley 9. Team rosters should be sent to him by Feb. 28.

Oregon veterans elect

PORTLAND.—The Oregon Nisei Veterans and Auxiliary installed Jimmy Mizote as commander and Aya Fujii as Auxiliary president at their annual dinner here Jan. 11.

WEST L. A. BRIDGE GROUP TO MEET

The West Los Angeles Bridge Club meets tomorrow at Buddhist Church basement, 2003 Corinth, with a call being issued for beginners who are interested, according to Fred Miyata, president, of 2033 Yorkshire, Santa Monica.

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Names of 81 single handicap (9 and under) golfers of the 14 clubs comprising the So. Calif. Nisei Golf Association were published in the annual report drafted by John Ty Saito, NGA handicap chairman, this past week.

Under the ruling recently adopted by the clubs, golfers failing to turn in January score cards to their club handicap chairman will be assessed a 2-stroke handicap penalty. On the report were:

4 Hcp — Erv Furukawa, Harry Han-kawa, Min Yoshizaki.

5 Hcp — George Seki, (SD), Dave Yamamoto (Pasa).

6 Hcp — Joe Kishi, Chick Hinaga, Joe Nakanishi, John Toya, Tats Nakase, Ko Fujinaka, Tom Matsunaga.

7 Hcp — Joe Fujinaka, Fred Harada, Jack Horikawa, Ken Saito, George Shimizu, George Wada, Babe Nomura, Yas Tatsumi, Fred Ikeguchi (LB), Eddie Nagao, Vic Yamada, George Ige, Tom Kurumada.

8 Hcp — Mashie Bessho, Ken Funabashi, Beach Morita, Bob Nishimoto, Ken Osajima, Dr. Sho Tarumoto, Dr. Hide Uba, Fred Tayama, Harry Furukawa, George Fukushima, George Mizuno, George Yamagata, Hank Yamagata, Kay Hankawa, G. Miyamoto, M. Matsumura, Robert Asato, Mike Miyakawa, Dr. Roy Morimoto, James Kobayaki.

9 Hcp — Fred Funakoshi, Joe Ito, Gilbert Kuramitsu, Kyo Yamahata, John Endo, Mas Miyazaki, R. Hayashi, Hank Mikawa, George Noji, Russ Cummings, Tosh Hayakawa (Pasa), George Aratani, George Endo, Charles Hirata, Harley Ito, Dick Izuno, Joe Kuwata, Jack Maeshiro, Doug Mizukami, George Nakaji, Duke Ogata, George Shimazu, Lloyd Nakayama, Paul Ryono (LB), Frank Takeuchi (LB), Powell Lee, Tom Yokoi, Fred Nakawatase, Ed Kato, Ted Nakao, Nob Murakami, K. Hatashita.

MILE-HI:

New officers of Mile-Hi Bridge Club announced

Dr. Mike Uba was named president of the Mile-Hi JACL Bridge Club this past month. Assisting him are Mrs. Sue Akiyama, v.p.; Mrs. Amy Miura, sec.; and Mrs. Ethel Yanase, treas. Ken Yabe, new club director, succeeds Sam Matsumoto who has held the position for many years. Mrs. Dorothy Uchida is assistant.

A team-of-four tournament was held with Mrs. True Yasui-Berny Claar and Mrs. Amy Miura-Bud Uchida in first place.

SOUTHWEST L.A. BRIDGE TOURNAMENT SCHEDULED

As part of the membership push, the Southwest L.A. JACL bridge tournament will be held at St. Mary's parish hall on Sunday, Feb. 16, 1 p.m., with Hisashi Horita, past president, in charge. George Fujita will be chairman.

Mits Motobe, Tomio Muranaka, George Uchimiya.

Minneapolis Tribune sports writer Augie Karcher, commenting on the recent National All-Star bowling tournament, said Judy Seki's finishing kick "makes her a candidate for the Radio City Rockettes. 'Judy's form is something to watch. She has most of the crowd cheering her colorful style, a real acrobatic maneuver.' A real crowd-pleaser, Judy was decked in green slacks tapered to the ankle and a white pull-over sweater with green applique checks on the back. She was one of the few wearing a high-top shoe of white . . . When the semi-final field of 46 was cut down to 16, Judy finished with a 182 average and placed 32nd. Oakland's Nobu Asami was handicapped by a chest cold but wound up with 184 average for 28th place. Both received \$25 in prize money for making the semi's while Judy got an extra \$60 for placing seventh on the opening night special event.

Don Ohashi, Garfield High full-back, was among players picked on the West team in the Seattle East-West All-Star football game Aug. 23.

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Los Angeles NEWSLETTER

By Henry Mori

NISEI WEEK MAY FOLLOW VET'S REUNION

It may be a little too premature to discuss the Nisei Week Festival at this time but there's a great possibility that it will be held about two weeks earlier than usual in August.

The move to hold it earlier came on a request by the 1958 Nisei Veterans Reunion committee which will host the 15th anniversary of the founding of the 442nd RCT here, July 26 to Aug. 1.

Bigwigs of both the Reunion and the Festival committees felt that the nearly thousand delegates expected at the veterans shindig late in July could be capped with another week of festivities in Li'l Tokio sponsored by the local merchants.

A large group of visitors is expected from Hawaii, according to Paul Bannai, general chairman for the Veterans Reunion committee. The Islanders hosted the 10th anniversary hoopla and the Los Angeles committee hopes to "duplicate or top" what already is being considered one of the top affairs for all Nisei servicemen in the nation, including the Territory of Hawaii.

What with the biennial National JACL convention slated in Salt Lake City, Aug. 22-25, delegates can make it a "Roman holiday" by taking in three big events, all in a matter of one month.

JAPANESE HOME AT HUNTINGTON LIBRARY

Southland's enthusiasms for things Japanese is something really to behold. We only hope it's not a thing of passing fancy. Whatever the reason popularity and interest in them seem to grow and grow.

The Huntington Library, which had mothballed a 1917 replica of a Japanese shoji-trimmed home, has decided to restore the wooden edifice as an Oriental showpiece for patrons.

It was artist Suetō Serisawa and architect Kazumi Adachi who helped the San Marino matrons group and Library officials to rebuild the house which was stored in a garage at the outbreak of World War II.

It appears that one of the women members of the elite matrons society visited Japan recently and took up flower arrangement, tea ceremony and the such. When she returned and learned of the unique Nipponese abode, believed to be the only one of its kind in the United States, she alerted her members to get the project going.

Katsuma Mukaeda, Downtown L.A. JACL chapter officer, has been quite instrumental in introducing the many cultural phases of Japanese art in the Southland.

SANSEI IN QUIZ-DOWN

It's not unusual also to see Japanese American faces beam ing on your television screens. And to show that the Sansei kids are doing quite well scholastically we were happy to see 50 per cent Sansei participation on a video quiz show just last week.

Two East Los Angeles elementary schools vied in the contest in which each was represented by a six-man team. On both sides were three Sansei contestants. Even though East Los Angeles well populated by persons of Japanese descent that combination is rather hard to beat.

POP AND SON PASS MILESTONES

Our older son Bennett just passed through his first milestone of life: he enrolled in kindergarten Monday, all bundled up and covered in a raincoat. It rained that day.

It seemed only yesterday we had him bundled up and returned from the hospital as a new born babe. How time flies!

One of our milestones which we passed with mixed emotions was leaving the 39th birthday. There's something about "life beginning at 40" which the learned harp about. Suddenly you feel old.

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BIRTHS

LOS ANGELES

AIZAWA, Yuki (Ki B. Lee) — boy, Dec. 11.
ARAKI, Yoshimi (Bernadette Takenaka) — girl, Dec. 11.
BARRETT, Lester G. (Kathy Miyasaki) — girl, Dec. 22, Gardena.
BUSTAMANTE, Albert E. (Elevinia Kiatoka) — boy, Dec. 8.
DOMON, Sadao S. (Violet Wozumi) — boy Perry Jiro, Dec. 22, Whittier.
ELLIS, Charles (Kazuko Kishi) — girl, Janette M., Dec. 11.
FUJIMOTO, Ted Y. (Masuko Fujimoto) — girl Crystine Yuki, Dec. 9.
FUJISAWA, Haruo (Misako Tanaka) — girl Laura Keiko, Dec. 15.
HANZAWA, Albert (Mildred Hayase) — girl, Dec. 8.
HAYAKAWA, Kazuo — girl, Dec. 11, Pasadena.
HONMA, Harukichi (Sueko Okura) — boy, Dec. 20.
ICHIKAWA, George Y. (Gloria Wong) — girl, Dec. 5.
ICHISAKA, Kiyoto (Nancy F. Hiro-moto) — girl, Dec. 16.
IKUTA, Shigemichi J. (Mariko Tatami) — girl Wendy Miko, Dec. 13.
INOUE, Eiji (Tomoko Arita) — girl, Dianne Chimi, Dec. 13.
INOUE, Herbert (Joan M. Ritchie) — girl Karyn Sue, Dec. 1, Sun Valley.
ITO, Kenji (Shizue Murahashi) — boy Gonji Michael, Dec. 7, Westminster.
ITO, Roy T. (Jean Tsurudome) — girl, Dec. 5.
KAI, Jim I. (Betty T. Yashiro) — twin girl Cheryl Ann and boy Geoffrey Jon, Dec. 19.
KANINAWA, Rudolph (Janet Shizuru) — boy, Dec. 3.
KANOGAWA, Shoji (Masako Mura) — girl, Dec. 20.
KIM, Leroy (Grace Tanouye) — girl, Dec. 8.
KOSAI, Toshiaki (Tomiyo Hayashi) — girl, Dec. 3.

POCATELLO:

CARNIVAL WINDS UP MEMBERSHIP CANVASS

The Pocatello JACL is winding up its 1958 membership canvass this week as the chapter prepares for its annual carnival, Feb. 15, 1 p.m., at the local Memorial Hall.

Social co-chairmen Lena and Kunio Yamada also disclosed other events for the year to include an Easter dance in April, Mother's Day program in May, joint graduate's dance and picnic in June; Nisei Soldiers Memorial Service in October, chow mein dinner in November and the installation dinner-dance in December.

The chapter auxiliary, JACLyns, is helping the teenagers with their Valentine party.

GRESHAM-TROUTDALE:

All-afternoon bazaar to be sponsored Feb. 9

The annual Gresham-Troutdale JACL bazaar will be held at the G-T Hall on Feb. 9, featuring a variety of food and games. Doors will open at 11 a.m. and close after supper time.

Issei-Nisei pastor

SAN FRANCISCO.—The Rev. Howard Toriumi, who has been ministering to the Nisei at the local Japanese Presbyterian Church of Christ since 1949, was installed as Issei-Nisei pastor of the church last Sunday. He is a 1944 graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary and worked in Salt Lake City, Watsonville and San Mateo before service here.

TOM HOSHIYAMA, JR. NAMED STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

SAN FRANCISCO.—Tom Hoshiyama, Jr. has been elected president of the student body at the Benjamin Franklin Junior High School. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hoshiyama, 1519 Webster St.

KOSHIRO, Masayoshi (Emma S. Nishimoto) — girl, Dec. 4.
KUBA, Franklin M. (Joyce Sanpei) — girl, Dec. 10.
KUBOTA, Larry I. (Mary Tsukamoto) — boy, Dec. 14.
KUBOTA, Toshio (Satoko Uchiyama) — girl, Dec. 15.
KUROKAWA, Mark M. (Mary Makita) — boy, Dec. 18.
LANE, Griffith (Geraldine Emiko Su-ehiro) — girl, Dec. 9.
MASADA, Sadamu (JoAnn Kawasaki) — boy, Dec. 8.
MATSUOKA, Iwao (Yoshie Kurokawa) — boy Matthew Shigeshi, Dec. 10.
MATSUYAMA, Henry T. (Florence Tsuyuki) — girl, Nov. 12.
MATSUYAMA, Kikuo (Mariko Yamada) — boy, Dec. 22.
MIKAMI, Satoru (Joan T. Chijimatsu) — girl, Dec. 22.
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MORINISHI, Ted (Agnes Kubota) — boy, Dec. 9.
MMURATA, Jiro (Ruth Yamaguchi) — girl, Dec. 3.
MUTO, Roy K. (Setsuko Kamei) — girl, Dec. 15.
NAKAI, Tatsuo (Ruth Kakeshita) — boy, Dec. 2.
NAKAMA, Robert (Haruko Nakasone) — boy, Dec. 4.
NAKAMURA, Seichiro (Fumiye Kiguchi) — girl, Dec. 18.
NAKASAKO, Tsutomu (Shirley Takaji) — girl, Dec. 14, Torrance.
NEW, John E. (Kathleen Murakane) — boy, Dec. 14.
NOGUCHI, Stanley T. (Matsuko Yamamoto) — girl, Dec. 12.
OKUNOT, Tetsuo (Kimiko Takahashi) — boy, Nov. 30.
ONO, James Kiyoshi (Joyce Yugawa) — boy, Dec. 2.
PICKERELL, Wally (Hiroko Takabayashi) — girl, Dec. 3.
SAKAKI, Roland Y. (Saye Watanabe) — girl, Dec. 8.
SHAPIRO, Eugene (Wakako Yamada) — boy, Nov. 30.
SHIBA, Masao (Haruno Ike) — boy, Dec. 4.
SHIMIZU, Tatsuhiko (Kiyoko Ito) — girl Karen Sakaye, Dec. 3.
THOMAS, Charles H. (Sachi Oyama) — girl, Dec. 22.
TOMIKAWA, Kiyoshi (Sumiko Harakawa) — girl, Dec. 5.
TRIEBLE, Samuel (Haruko Kuwahata) — boy Yasukuni Christopher, Dec. 17, Montebello.
TSUCHIMORI, Jimmie (Anna Imai) — boy, Dec. 10.
UMEKUBO, George (Masako Ajima) — boy, Dec. 11.
UYEDA, Chico W. (Miki Okazaki) — boy, Dec. 4.
WHITE, Edwin (Toshiko Shimobe) — boy, Jan. 13.
WORRELL, Kevin (Helen K. Oki) — girl, Dec. 8.
YONENAKA, Tamotsu (Doris S. Takara) — boy, Dec. 8.
YOSHIMURA, Akio (Anastacia Hernandez) — girl Adam Susanna, Nov. 30.
YOSHIMURA, Kenneth T. (Alvina H. Uchida) — boy, Dec. 3.
YOSHITAKE, Henry S. (Kazuko Noritake) — girl, Dec. 10.

DEATHS

Mrs. Ichiko Morimitsu, 69, died at her home in Chicago on Jan. 21. Formerly of Sacramento, she was active in the Japanese Church of Jesus Christ. She is survived by her husband Frank, sons Arthur, George, daughters Mmes. Hatsue Tashiro (Geneva, N.Y.), Mary Iwaoka, Hannah Ogawa and 11 grandchildren. Arthur is a Chicago 1000er.

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Hi-Co conference plans progressing

The second annual Hi-Co Conference will be held at the Pacific Palisades Conference Grounds on the weekend of April 12 and 13, Grace Okuno and Bert Yamasaki, co-chairmen announced this week. The conference under the sponsorship of the Pacific Southwest District of JACL is a two-day seminar on career preparation and how to gain the most from college life. The agenda is planned to benefit high school seniors and juniors who are being invited to attend.

"Happy Birthday, George!" is the theme of the dance being held on Saturday, Feb. 22, by the Hi-Co Conference Committee at the Institute of Aeronautical Sciences, 7660 Beverly Blvd., to help raise funds for the conference. The public is being invited to participate to support the Hi-Co conference by attending the dance or through "Operation Hi-Co" in conjunction with the dance. Dancing will be from 9 to 1 with the music of Dick Shoop's combo.

Committees and their members for the Conference include: Jeanne Yabuki, Carole Oishi, Nancy Omata, and Al Tanabe, public relations; Frank Kawase, Jean Takido, and Judi Sakamoto, fin. and reg.; Jean Asari and Albert Eddow, program; Dave Tamura and Yas Uyeda, trans.; and June Hashimoto and Mary Helen Fukuda, gen. arr.

High school students who would like to receive information about the Hi-Co Conference may contact Frank Kawase, 2845 Guirado, Los Angeles 23, or write or phone the JACL Regional Office in the Miyako Hotel.

LEGAL SECRETARIES ELECT NEW OFFICERS

Margaret Ouchi succeeds Em Yamada as president of the Nisei Legal Secretaries Association this year. At its first meeting Jan. 23, Frank Chuman, adviser, spoke on "Ideal Secretary".



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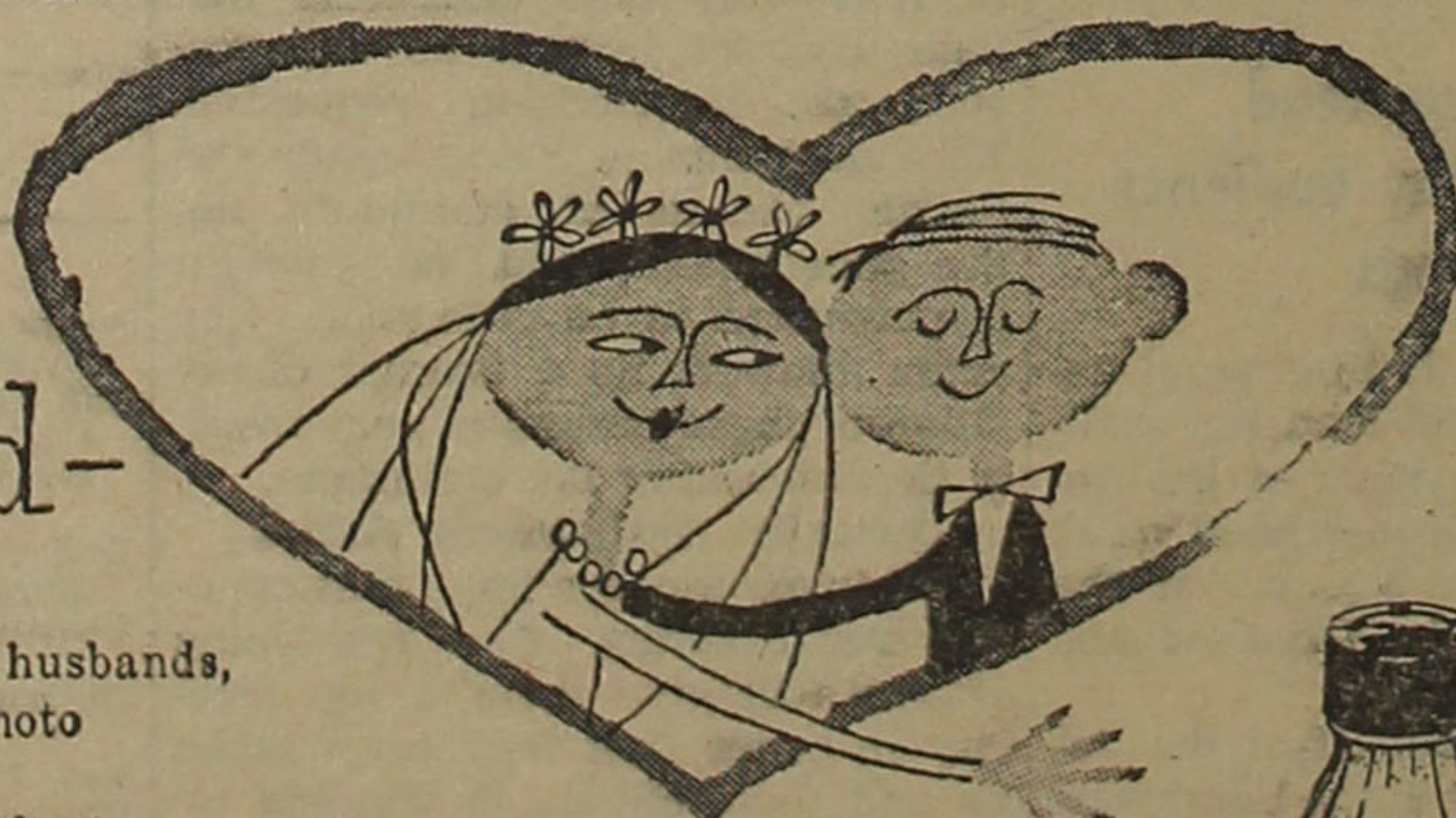
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NEWSLETTER

BY MIKE MASAOKA

The American 'Explorer'

Washington, D.C.

FRIDAY night (Jan. 31) will go down in history as an epochal one for the United States, and for the Free World, for on that night this Nation successfully launched its first earth satellite, the "Explorer". The four-month-old monopoly of the Soviet Union in outer-space has been broken and this country has again demonstrated its capabilities in matching democratic output with any other form of competitive government and living.

WHILE much of the prestige lost by the United States and the Free World by the orbiting of Sputniks I and II will be regained, and the period of humiliation and frustration forgotten, it cannot be overlooked that the "Explorer" is considerably smaller than either of the Russian satellites and that the souped-up rocket that launched it may be puny compared to the mighty intercontinental missiles that shot its communistic counterparts into orbit. Without doubt, the Russians will hold for some time the military and technological leads that these comparisons dramatize. And, here in Washington, it is anticipated that the Soviets may soon emphasize their leads by firing an even larger sputnik, possibly weighing a ton as contrasted to the "Explorer's" thirty and a half pounds, or what has long been described by military men as the "ultimate weapon", the ICBM or intercontinental ballistic missile.

BUT, the important factor that will influence national and international opinion is that the United States is at last underway in its program and that outer space is now an international concern and not the sole property of a single nation. Without doubt, the United States will fire other satellites into the sky and soon the age of space and inter-planetary travel may be an accepted era in civilization.

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IT IS difficult to describe the feeling of relief and even of confidence that once again pervades Washington. Already there are warnings against complacency that will slow-down congressional and administration intentions to build up the defense posture of our Nation, particularly in the missiles and satellite fields.

THE race to launch an earth satellite was won by Russia more or less by default, for the United States did not consider this program as any kind of contest and failed to assign the necessary priorities to the project to assure real competition. Indeed, there is evidence that the Army could have launched a satellite two years earlier than the Soviets did had it been given the required authorization and appropriations.

NOW, the race is for control of the Moon, for it appears agreed that the nation that controls the Moon can control the Earth. With the fate of mankind at stake, the United States cannot afford to allow any other country, especially one with aggressive designs, to win this contest.

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THE internationalization of space that was created by America's entry last week creates a real challenge to the statesmen of the world. It is also an opportunity.

KEEPING in mind that the same rockets that sent the satellites into space can also carry hydrogen bombs to any target on Earth and that space platforms and devices may well serve as launching sites for these rockets, it would seem only common sense and self-preservation that the nations of our small planet would join to assure that humanity's interests are safeguarded in the incredible new epoch man is now entering as he breaks the bonds of gravity which have heretofore bound us and our artifacts to Earth.

WE ARE either at the threshold of mankind's supreme adventure or of his annihilation.

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PRESIDENT Eisenhower in a letter to Soviet Premier Bulganin January 12 proposed to dedicate outer space "to the peaceful uses of mankind".

SENATE Majority Leader Johnson made the American position a bipartisan one by urging only two days later at a meeting of radio executives that the United States "demonstrate its initiative before the United Nations to join in this adventure into outer space together".

AS THE Democratic leader put it: "The dimensions of space dwarf our national differences on earth. If we are to win space as an outpost of peace, all men may—and should—share in that endeavor."

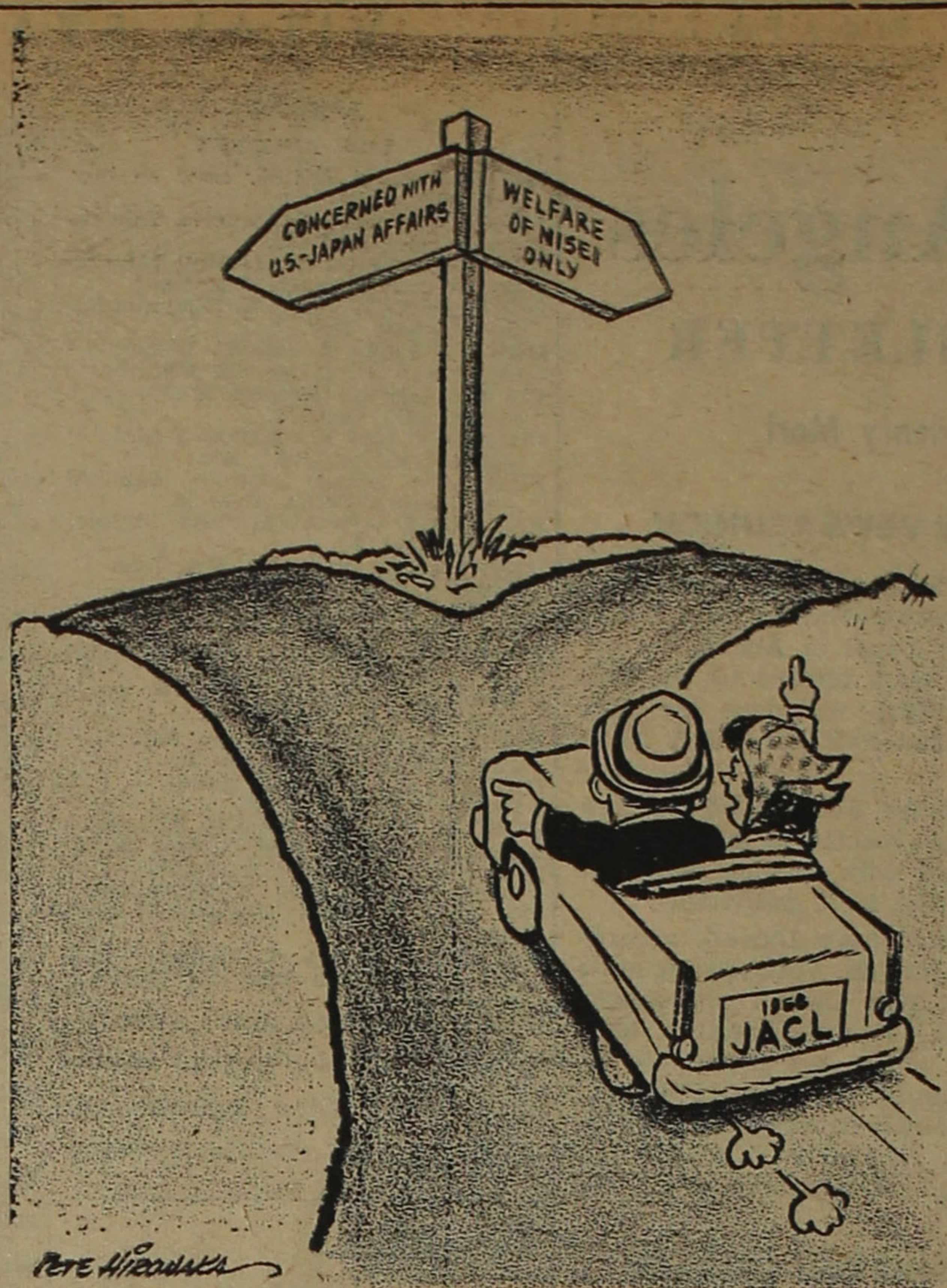
WHEN these overtures were made, the United States did not have a satellite in orbit. This prompted Soviet "boss" Khrushchev to suggest that the United States was proposing a "one-way" solution to a problem that we had been unable to solve.

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NOW that both leaders of their respective "worlds" have demonstrated their capacities for launching both rockets and satellites, it is to be hoped that both nations will be willing and eager to internationalize or universalize space for the peaceful pursuit of greater cosmic knowledge for the betterment of mankind.

THE alternatives are so horrible to contemplate that it becomes the solemn obligation of every human being to join in the common cause of self-preservation by urging their respective governments and leaders to bring about an understanding regarding outer space that will bring about peace in our time for all time.

IN THE meantime, of course, the United States must continue with its program of negotiating from a position of strength, and not of weakness, for only when a nation dedicated to peace and human dignity like the United States remains powerful may it bargain with the Soviets in language they can understand to the end that all mankind may benefit.



Family Debate

JUSTICE DEP'T INTENDS TO END COMPROMISE CLAIMS BY DEC. 31

(JACL News Service)

WASHINGTON.—The Government intends to complete the administrative phase of its evacuation claims program by the end of the year at the latest. Asst. Attorney General George C. Doub in charge of the Dept. of Justice Civil Division informed Mike Masaoka, Washington representative of the Japanese American Citizens League and the Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims.

At a meeting in his office to discuss the progress of the claims program, Doub recalled that last spring when he visited Chicago, Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Seattle he told claimants and their attorneys that he had promised Congress that he would complete the program by Dec. 31, 1958.

He reported that, as of Jan. 1 this year, only 774 claims remained awaiting administrative disposition. He said that the Japanese Claims Section, which administers the program for the Justice Department, has scheduled its operations to end this year.

Deadlines for Individuals

Where required, as recently announced, individual deadlines will be set for certain claimants and their attorneys to supply needed information and documentation. If these individual deadlines are not met, the government will, according to the law, serve notice that no further consideration will be given to the compromise settlement of these claims.

The claimants may then file within 90 days of the notice a petition with the Court of Claims for a judicial determination if they so desire.

While agreeing that the ten-year old program should be completed

as soon as possible, Masaoka expressed the hope that claimants who feel that their compromise offers by the field offices in Los Angeles and San Francisco are arbitrary and unreasonably low be allowed to appeal to the central office in Washington for review. He explained that even should the Washington Office sustain the amount offered by the attorneys in the field, the claimants would be more nearly satisfied that their offers are all that the statute authorizes because of such a review.

Claimants Can Appeal

The Assistant Attorney General answered that there was no reason why disgruntled claimants with legitimate reasons for questioning the amount of the compromise offers should not appeal to Washington for review.

Enoch E. Ellison, chief of the Japanese Claims Section, also attended the conference.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Doub issued the following press release:

"We intend to conclude the Japanese American Evacuation Claims Program this year.

97 Pct. Concluded

"Originally there were filed more than 24,000 claims seeking about \$130,000,000, but at the beginning of the year 1958 all but 774 claims had been disposed of. Ninety-seven percent of the total number of claims have been concluded so it is evident that the program is in its final phase.

"In the case of many of the relatively few claims left, claimants have been slow to respond to our requests to submit information necessary for us to act upon them.

"In order that the remaining claims may be processed promptly, it is vital that claimants and their counsel furnish us expeditiously the information requested. This program is being conducted for the benefit of claimants, not the government, and no interest is permitted to be paid upon the sums allowed. So a prompt disposition of these claims is very much in the interest of the claimants.

Priority Assignment Asked

"It is my sincere hope that counsel representing the remaining claims will give them a top priority in order that they may assist us and their clients in winding up the program by the target date.

"In connection with the cases which have been processed, I wish to thank the claimants, their attorneys and the JACL for their helpful contributions in cooperation and helpful advice."

L.A. COUNTY FEP ORDINANCE DELAYED AGAIN

The often-delayed public hearing on a new County Fair Employment Practices Commission ordinance was again postponed Tuesday to March 18, when the Board of Supervisors was unexpectedly confronted with a variation of the law already drawn up for action.

Supervisor Warren M. Dorn presented the variation in a modified form which would operate without benefit of a commission in cases where job discrimination safeguards are set up by contract between employers and governmental agencies or contractors.

Dorn Criticized

The substitute drew criticism as it was regarded as a "watered-down" version by Supervisor Kenneth Hahn. Supervisor John Anson Ford also took Dorn to task for "not informing this board of your intention to present a differently worded ordinance."

Members of the Committee for Equal Employment Opportunity, which represents several minority groups and labor in favor of the new law, had gathered in force to argue for the measure. Frank F. Chuman was ready to testify for JACL on its behalf.

College president to retire, named to ICU Foundation post

ST. PAUL, Minn.—Dr. Charles J. Turk, retiring as president of Macalester College on June 30, has been appointed executive director of the Japan International Christian University Foundation, New York, it was announced this past week. He will join the foundation July 1.

While the educator will place emphasis on the agency's fund-raising program, he will be one of the advisers for the university.

"This position gives me an opportunity to serve the same causes that have interested me most at Macalester for 19 years," Dr. Turk stated, "the cause of international goodwill, the cause of religion in the broadest sense of that term and the cause of education, which I believe must provide the answers to most of our great and pressing problems."

Expanded Facilities

One of the great citizens of Minnesota, the 10-year 10-million-tiated last year at Macalester was one of the principal landmarks of Dr. Turk's administration.

Macalester College has a student-body of 1,400 students.

CANADIANS TO OPEN HOUSE FOR AGED ISSEI

HAMILTON, Ont. — Construction will start in late April on Nipponia Home for aged Canadian Issei in Beamsville, it was announced by its board of directors. Plans call for accommodation of 16 residents by October.

Architects Henry Fliess and George Yamazaki described the modern Japanese-style building will feature a garden surrounded by a verandah, 12 single and couple bedrooms, dining and sitting room, kitchen, office and both Western and Japanese baths.

CALENDAR

Feb. 8 (Saturday)
Santa Barbara — "Funfest," 1st Methodist Church.
Salt Lake City — "Miss Salt Lake JACL" dance, Memorial Hall, Memory Grove.
Feb. 9 (Sunday)
Detroit — Installation Dinner-Dance, Northwood Inn.
Cincinnati — Installation Dinner.
Feb. 14-15
Chicago — Caberfae Ski Outing.
Feb. 15 (Saturday)
San Jose — Snow Trip, Dodge Ridge.
Philadelphia — Installation Dinner.
Mar. 3 (Monday)
Seattle — Pre-Bowling Tournament Mixer.
Mar. 4 - 8
Seattle — Nat'l JACL Bowling Tournament.
Mar. 8 (Saturday)
Seattle — JACL Bowling Award dinner-dance, Olympic Hotel; Royal Brougham, spk.

Hamasu to sing, lead Brotherhood Day audience in Japanese songs

Mas Hamasu, noted bilingual vocalist, will sing and lead his audience in Japanese songs at the annual B'nai B'rith Brotherhood Week program, Feb. 12, 8 p.m., at the B'nai B'rith Temple, Olympic and Dunsmuir.

Taking part in behalf of the Japanese community is the Southwest L.A. JACL. George Fujita, special events v.p., said the chapter is providing Nisei hostesses and arranging the exhibit of Japanese arts and household objects. Highlight of the Japanese portion will be the talent of Hamasu.