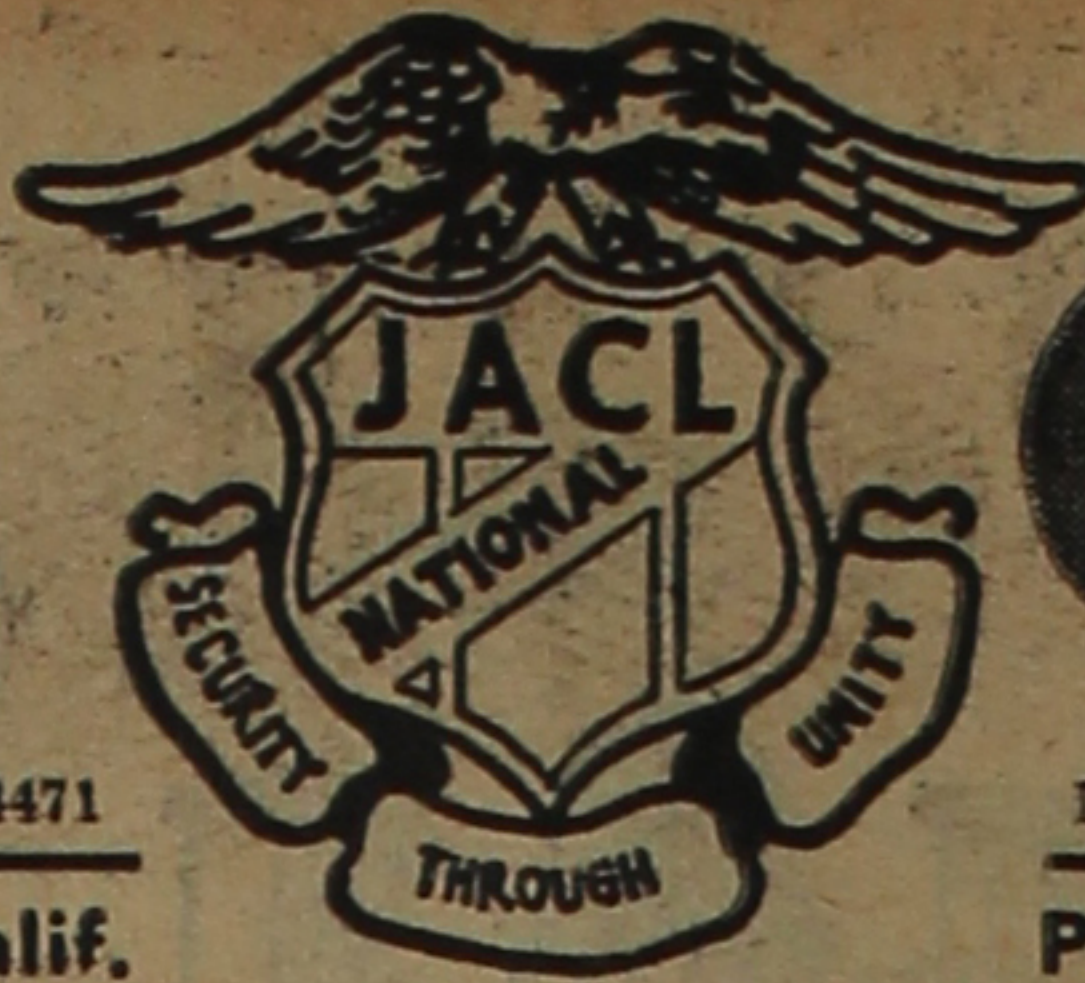


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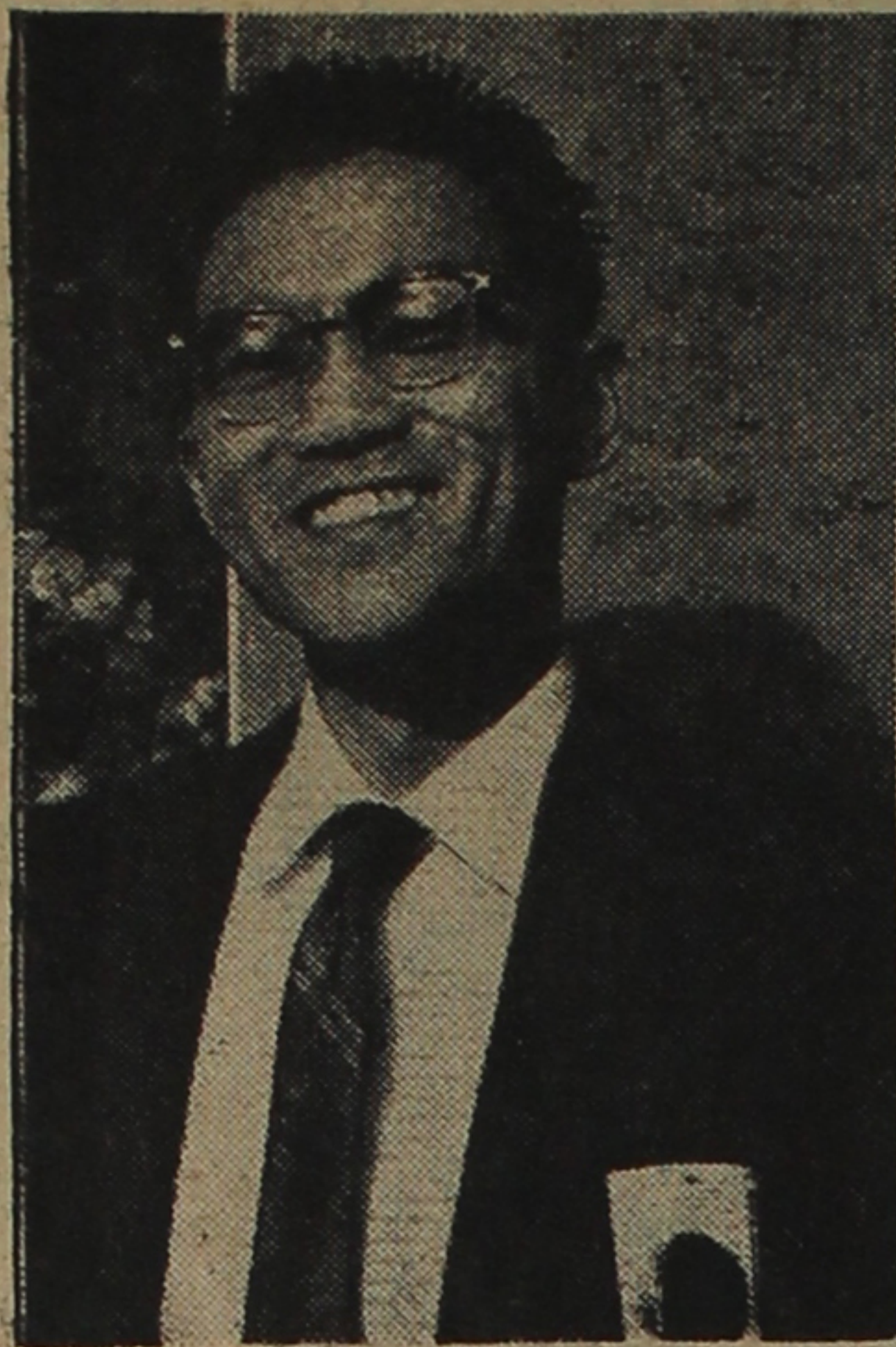
A top issue for the 1960 convention

A beacon for Japanese Americans is about to be dismantled. We refer to JACL's Washington Office—which in the past decade has meant Mike Masaoka. Up to 1952 when the Immigration and Naturalization Act was passed, Mike's job was full-time with JACL. Since then, he has been retained on a part-time basis, enabling him to deal privately with individuals or concerns desirous of representation in Washington.

The future of the Washington JACL Office has been a topic of Mike's Newsletter, brought to the attention of delegates at the Salt Lake national convention and a vital subject for board members meeting next month in San Francisco. The final decision will be rendered at the 1960 convention in Sacramento.

However, in order to arouse grass-roots opinion on whether JACL should maintain a Washington Office and then decide the how and who, National President Shig Wakamatsu in his main address to the Pacific Southwest District Council convention last weekend at Long Beach revealed that "Mike has asked to be relieved of his responsibilities at the next national convention," believed that with Hawaii as a state, "it is unlikely that any legislation detrimental to Americans of Japanese ancestry will be passed," but added that other reasons for establishing a Washington Office in 1946 remain. Shig felt the need may be intensified, that the membership may still want JACL to continue its role as a spokesman in Washington or it may not want to scrap by default all the wonderful national contacts.

The decision of 1960 requires serious thought of all concerned. In search for grass-roots opinion, Shig not only wants the views of those who are active in JACL since recent years but those who helped build the Washington Office and sustain it with the annual fund drives under the ADC banner. —H.H.



KANGO KUNITSUGU
Heads PSWDC 1959-61

KUNITSUGU HEAD OF NEW PSWDC 14-MAN BOARD

LONG BEACH. — Kango Kunitsugu of Southwest Los Angeles JACL was elected chairman of the Pacific Southwest District Council by the new 14-member executive board during the last session of the three-day convention this past weekend here.

The new constitution adopted by the district council provides for a 14-member board, seven to be chosen each year for a two-year term. Other officers for the first year include Dr. David Miura of Long Beach, v.c.; Frances Ishii of Long Beach, sec.; and Kay Nakagiri of San Fernando (voted to 2-yr. term), treas.

Other members of the new board are: Two-Years—Roy Yamadera, East Los Angeles; Ronald Shiozaki, Gardena Valley; Mrs. Miki Fukushima, Hollywood; Mas Hironaka, San Diego; Gongoro Nakamura, Downtown L.A.; Harry Matsukane, Orange County; One-Year—Mits Sanbonmatsu, San Luis Obispo; Sam Hirasawa, Southwest L.A.; Dr. Tak Shishino, Venice-Culver; Joseph Noda, West L.A.

Active Civic Worker

Kunitsugu, who served as chapter president in 1957, was second vice-chairman of the PSWDC, chairing the legislative-legal committee in the last biennium. A civil engineering designer by profession, he is also active in a number of other organizations. He is treasurer of the South Central Area Welfare Planning Council, vice-chairman of the 63rd Assembly District Democratic Council, a member of the subcommittee on employment for the state civil rights commission, and contributing columnist for the Crossroads.

Kunitsugu's artistic talents in lettering have been in evidence with the Southwest L.A. chapter newsletter, scrolls of appreciation and personally designed Christmas cards.

NISEI APPOINTED TO SEATTLE THEATER BOARD

SEATTLE. — For the first time in the history of Seattle, a Nisei was named to the Board of Theatre Supervisors this past week by Mayor Gordon S. Clinton. He is Eddie K. Shimomura, who has lived here all of his life, except during WW II. He succeeds Keith Douglas who resigned.

His appointment is subject to approval by the City Council. Shimomura was born in Seattle and was graduated from Lincoln High School and the Univ. of Washington.

He has served on the board of the Seattle First Hill Lions and the Seattle JACL chapter. Shimomura is very active at Blaine Memorial Methodist Church.

He is a pharmacist with Kelly-Ross.

Future of Washington office to be mooted at '60 confab

BY HARRY HONDA

LONG BEACH. — Thumping for grass-roots opinion, National president Shig Wakamatsu of the Japanese American Citizens League last week revealed Washington representative Mike Masaoka has asked to be relieved of his responsibilities next year.

Since Wakamatsu felt the future of the Washington JACL Office was of a fundamental nature, he told delegates assembled at the sixth biennial convention of the Pacific Southwest District Council here that the membership at large must make the final decision after a "thorough discussion at the grass-roots level."

He was addressing some 250 members, Hi-Co delegates and friends at the convention banquet Saturday at the Wilton Hotel, locale of the three-day parley hosted by the Long Beach-Harbor District JACL.

The issue, he said, was among a score of items on the agenda of the National Board and Staff, which is meeting for the first time during a non-convention year, next June 5-7 at San Francisco.

Other items include the implications of Hawaiian statehood to JACL, the Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims, the endowment fund, public relations brochure, review of financial quotas, youth program, Pacific Citizen, staff requirements for the organization, plans for the 1960 convention and long-range planning for 1960-70.

(Saburo Kido, writing in the Shin

SNAKE RIVER CHAPTER SPONSORS TWO SANSEI FOR GIRLS STATE MEETS

ONTARIO, Ore.—Two Sansei girls are being sponsored by the Snake River Valley JACL to their respective Girls State meetings in Salem, Ore., and Caldwell, Idaho.

Patty Matsunaga, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Matsunaga of Nyssa, will attend the Oregon convocation at the Willamette University campus June 15-21. She is student body secretary, public relations chairman and GAA sports manager at Nyssa High.

Carole Kobayashi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Kobayashi of Payette, Idaho, will participate in the Idaho Girls State at Caldwell June 7-13. She is junior class vice-president at Payette High, reporter for the Future Homemakers of America and vice-president of the GAA.

SCOUTMASTER AWARDED SILVER BEAVER MEDAL

SAN FRANCISCO. — Troop 58 scoutmaster Kenneth T. Takahashi, at the helm of the Konk Church troop for the past 15 years, was awarded the Silver Beaver, highest scouting leadership honors, last week at the annual Golden Gate district dinner.

Takahashi was one of the first organizers of the troop in 1938 and reactivated the troop after the war.

Other Nisei Silver Beaver wearers here are Robert T. Baba and Harry Katsuyama, both of Troop 12.

Paul M. Gary Sugawara of Troop 12 was presented a three-year key for serving as district commissioner.

Hollywood JACL schedules 'Go for Broke' movie

Showing of "Go For Broke!", saga of the heroic 442nd RCT, will be the next Hollywood JACL activity on Friday, May 15, 7:30 p.m. at Dayton Heights School, 607 N. Westmoreland.

To help defray rental of the auditorium, adults will be charged 50 cents and school children up to high school age 25 cents.

Nichibei Wednesday, commented that the "Issei undoubtedly will be shocked at the news, because they had expected the Washington office to be continued without interruption."

Pro & Con Sheet

One PSWDC delegate asked that National Headquarters provide the membership with a "pro and con" outline on the future of the Washington Office and it appears likely so that grass-roots discussion would cover all pertinent points.

Wakamatsu stressed the issue was "Whether the JACL should continue to maintain our Washington Office." He recalled the background of the Washington Office when it was opened in 1946 for the purpose of securing corrective

and remedial legislation relating to persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States with relative activities of a "watchdog" to prevent detrimental legislation from being enacted, liaison with Congress, governmental and non-governmental agencies interested in civil rights problems.

With statehood for Hawaii, all major legislative goals sought since the opening of the Washington Office have been achieved, Wakamatsu recounted. "It is most unlikely that any legislation detrimental to Americans of Japanese ancestry will be passed," sensing that a Nisei in Congress "can well serve as a spokesman for persons of Japanese ancestry."

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COMPREHENSIVE CIVIL RIGHTS BILL URGED BEFORE HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE

(JACL News Service)

WASHINGTON. — The Japanese American Citizens League urged the House Judiciary Subcommittee considering civil rights legislation to report "an effective, comprehensive civil rights package that includes all of the major civil rights problems in a single, all-inclusive bill" for the consideration of both the House and the Senate.

In a letter to Congressman Emanuel Celler, New York Democrat who is chairman of the both the Subcommittee and the full Judiciary Committee, Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative, explained that rather than a piecemeal approach of considering separate civil rights issues as individual measures or a bill restricted to only those features that had a "reasonable" chance to be enacted by both the House and the Senate, an omnibus bill containing all of the legitimate, major problems introduced in the past ten years, which would be voted on item by item, with each vote recorded, would result in "a better and more comprehensive civil rights measure... than if one already reduced in scope and effectiveness is presented for consideration."

Masaoka declared that "only in this way—when each issue is clearly presented and voted individually—will the electorate be properly able to evaluate the civil rights

'conscience' of their congressmen. Compromise and piece-meal measures offer too many opportunities to 'explain' or 'excuse' a particular vote on a particular subject."

7-Point JACL Proposal

The JACL proposed a seven-point civil rights bill.

1. School desegregation bill patterned after those introduced by Chairman Celler and 12 other House members and by Senator Paul Douglas (D., Ill.), and 16 others in a bipartisan program to implement the five-year-old decision of the Supreme Court that integration in the public schools should proceed "with all deliberate speed".

2. Equal voting rights, including the repeal of the poll taxes as a prerequisite for voting.

3. Federal fair employment practices.

4. Federal fair housing practices.

5. Equal protection of the laws, including anti-lynching and anti-bombing provisions.

6. Desegregation of all public facilities, including such utilities as transportation.

7. Elimination of so-called "hate" campaigns.

Additional Proposals

In addition, Masaoka proposed two additional civil rights not included in any congressional bills—repeal of the anti-alien land laws of Washington, Arizona, and Wyoming, and of the prohibition against interracial marriages in 26 states and against cohabitation of mixed couples in eight states.

After analyzing the current status of civil rights in this country as far as persons of Japanese ancestry are concerned, Masaoka noted: "All in all, though, compared to the immediate past and to most other minority groups, we today enjoy unprecedented acceptance. This does not mean, however, that we still do not encounter discrimination and prejudice in certain areas of human endeavor and contact.

"The enactment of a comprehensive civil rights law will help in alleviating the situation not only for us Japanese Americans but also for all other Americans.

"JACL does not—and has not suggested—that the mere passage of civil rights laws will remove prejudice and bigotry from the minds and hearts of men. But, out of our own experience, we do know that it will go far to restrain men of illwill from committing acts of racial discrimination if they know that by doing so they are liable to fine and imprisonment, or both, from the Federal Government.

Lawlessness Invited

"Discrimination when sanctioned and sanctified by the law creates a climate that invites further discrimination and lawlessness.

"But, when that sanction is re-

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Convention theme contest underway

SACRAMENTO. — Plans for the 16th biennial National JACL convention to be held in Sacramento next year are already taking form, according to Bill Matsumoto, general chairman, but one item must be settled immediately.

A theme for the coming meeting must be selected and he revealed that the Sacramento JACL board of governors voted to choose one through a contest.

The prize for the winner will be a convention package deal consisting of tickets to all regularly scheduled convention events.

"The theme should be short and to the point," Matsumoto said, adding that this contest will give every chapter member an opportunity to contribute his or her thoughts.

Deadline for entries is June 1, 1959 and the theme should be sent to: JACL National Convention Theme Contest, 1406 4th St., Sacramento, Calif.

Central Cal co-op

FRESNO. — Tokio Shirakawa was reelected president of the Central California Farmers Co-op for this year. Representatives to the board serve from three adjacent counties: Fresno, King and Tulare.

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Ye Editor's Desk

● **JUDGING BY THE** hours of sleep (or the lack of same) one was able to acquire during the PSWDC convention hosted by the Long Beach-Harbor District chapter last weekend, it might be said that it was one of the most successful from the standpoint of continuous activities—curricular and extra-curricular... We chose to commute, negotiating the freeways during the wee hours. I'd suspect in a couple of years, the PSWDC can call an emergency meeting and all chapters could meet at the Regional Office inside of three hours (except for Arizona) by driving over the freeways from San Diego, Santa Barbara, Coachella Valley and points nearer to Los Angeles... Jerry Enomoto of San Francisco commented to us that San Francisco—with its expanding network of freeways in the Bay Area is getting to look like L.A. ... Gongoro Nakamura, Downtown L.A. delegate, remembers the last JACL convention hosted by Long Beach—in 1938 when Gov. Olson spoke and Sab Kido represented National Headquarters... This year's convention at Long Beach might well be remembered by those attending for the "lady with the green hair"... Frances Ishii, all of a sudden the "darling of the convention" because she won the \$300 first prize in Operation Cash, is Long Beach 1000 Club chairman and saw to it National 1000 Club chairman Bill Matsumoto play one of his better games of golf... Shig Wakamatsu stayed in Los Angeles long enough to call on his brother and married sister before flying home to Chicago Monday... The three convention hostesses: Michi Kataoka, Nancy Omata and Marian Hada—clad in white gowns gave the three-day conclave a "pause that refreshes" look everytime we saw them... Enjoying steaks Friday night last week at the reception for Shig Wakamatsu (we were dispensed by the Pope, y'know) had me thinking it was Sunday the following morning... The Hi-Co group displayed an articulate and ambitious lot during the panel discussion of JACL. (Boosters at the NC-WNDC meeting May 17 should watch the Jr. JACLers in serious action at Oakland for a rewarding experience. We feel the Sansei up north are of the same cut as their conferees here)... That film, "Challenge", is a stimulating 13 minutes, colorful, nostalgic and informative. Made by SC cinema graduate students, it was primarily produced to show Japanese Americans and how they met their problems before non-Japanese audiences. It seemed fitting to end the PSWDC convention on this note.

● **"LET GEORGE DO IT"** is probably an expression that is as old as the United States when George Washington commanded the revolutionary army in the 1770s. The Santana Wind, in its last issue, made a good point out of it: "The old expression would certainly stick a lot of the fellows with that handle in this area with a lot of chores. As a matter of curiosity, the names were counted in the last issue of the Santana Wind among the renewal, new and supporting members of the (Orange County) JACL chapter with that monicker and there were six; namely, Yamaguchi, Shigemasa, Uyemura, Matsuyama, Ichien and Kanno. The list of potential members can be swelled with the addition of Iwakoshi, Ogata, Medani, Kawaguchi, Neishi, Osumi, Nagamatsu, Wada, Ishii, Shigaki, Shinto, Fujita, Kusumi, etc., with the given name of George."... We have one past national president with that monicker, too, who is good at organizing. A special service fraternity of active JACLers blessed with the name of the patron saint of England, Spain and Portugal, coming to the rescue as in the legend of his slaying the dragon seems inviting.

St. George was born in Cappadocia (now northeast Turkey) in the third century, a Roman soldier of high rank under Emperor Diocletian, and a Christian. When the emperor started to persecute the Christians, George protested the unwanted slaughter, resigned his commission and was finally put to death after various tortures. He is venerated by both Eastern and Western Christendom and the Moslems (strange as it may seem). His shrine is near the scene of the great Greek legend of Perseus and Andromeda. (Perseus slew a sea-monster that threatened the virgin Andromeda)... This explains the legend of St. George and the dragon—for he inherited the esteem previously enjoyed by a pagon hero. The dragon symbolized heathenism and St. George symbolized Christianity.

You can see why I thought the Georges in JACL might come to the rescue—of whatever they feel needs their attention.

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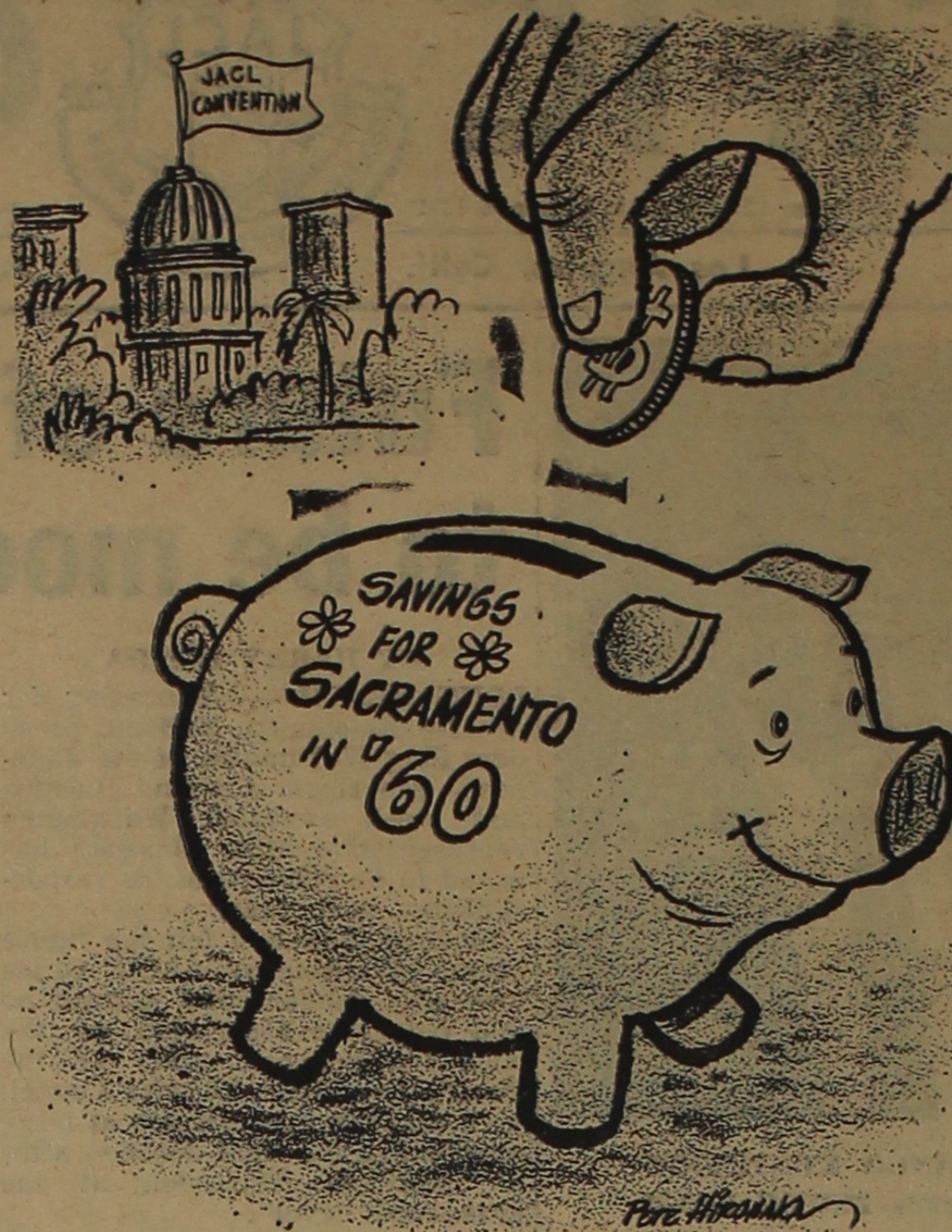
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PRESS COMMENTS:

91 Years Later

Watsonville Register Pajaronian, April 28, 1959

The Fourteenth amendment to the constitution of the United States has been in effect since 1868—California is just getting around to considering it.

Assemblyman Bruce Allen (R., Los Gatos) has introduced a joint resolution in Sacramento which would give California's approval to that amendment, 91 years and eight constitutional amendments later.

No. 14 is, of course, one of the three "reconstruction amendments," drafted following the Civil war by Republicans who feared the southern states were trying to perpetuate Negro slavery under other names. The 13th amendment declared slavery abolished, the 14th prohibited the abridgement of citizenship rights and provided a reduction in congressional representation for any state which didn't permit Negroes to vote, and the 15th gave equal rights to everyone regardless of "race, color, or previous condition of servitude."

There was more fuss about the 14th amendment than about the other two, and considerable jockeying occurred before the measure was finally ratified. Proposed by the 39th congress on June 16, 1866, it was not fully ratified until two years later. Twenty-three northern states approved it right away; but Delaware, Kentucky, Maryland and 10 southern states rejected it, and California, where north-south rivalry existed in great degree, took no action. Actually, it took two tries before the amendment was ratified; earlier legislatures in North and South Carolina refused ratification, and it wasn't until 1868 that their successors reversed that decision and put the amendment into effect.

Well, even the reluctant 10 southern states have ratified the 14th amendment by now, and California appears to be the lone rebel stronghold in the country. Mr. Allen's bill will straighten out this ridiculous situation and tidy up the constitution no end.

Calif. FEPC referendum petitions ready for circulation; need 263,000 signers

SACRAMENTO. — Sponsors of the move to kill the state's first Fair Employment Practices Commission Act were geared this week to circulate petitions to submit the issue to a vote of the people next year.

If 262,789 signatures of registered voters are certified by the Secretary of State by Sept. 19, the effective date of the FEPC law, the legislative action will be halted and the proposal placed on the November 1960 general election ballot.

The solicitation of signatures was authorized when the Attorney General issued a title and summary for the proposed referendum. It reads:

Text of Petition

"Fair Employment Practice Act. Referendum Against Act of Legislature. Act declares state policy against employment discrimination by reason of race, religious creed, color, national origin or ancestry. Provides that discharge or refusal to hire for such reasons is unlawful employment practice unless based upon bona fide occupational qualification or security regulation. Establishes Fair Employment Practice Commission to prevent such practices by conference and conciliation and, if warranted, by hearings and orders. Provides for court review of commission orders. Prescribes certain exemptions from coverage of act."

Leonard M. Friedman, assistant

attorney general, sent the title and summary to J. Rupert Mason of San Francisco, who had announced a referendum would be started shortly after Gov. Edmund G. Brown signed A.B. 91, the Assemblyman Rumford bill to ban discrimination in employment.

Mason announced the referendum petitions will be distributed by Joseph Robinson of San Francisco, head of the largest petition circulating firm in the state.

NURSERYMAN ELECTED HOSPITAL BOARD HEAD

Joseph Shinoda, president of San Lorenzo Nursery, was elected head of the Los Angeles Japanese Hospital board of directors, which last week met to remodel and expand the facility at East First and Fickett Sts.

The project, estimated at \$300,000, calls for adding a third floor, modernizing the interior and purchase of a lot to park 60 cars. Dr. Robert Obi, executive secretary, said the program would be completed by next spring.

Orange County VFW

HUNTINGTON BEACH. — Mike Kusuda was installed as commander of the Kazuo Masuda Memorial Post 3670, VFW, recently, succeeding Seiji Yamauchi.

PC Letter Box

ANOTHER BUCK'S WORTH

... the demise of the Quebec chapter of the Japanese Canadian Citizens Association is a foreboding sign.

Some will argue that such a break-up of a minority group is progress in assimilation. In reality, a minority group will continue to be a minority group and instances will surely arise where united effort will be the only hope of coping with a problem.

The failure of one chapter (in Canada) results in a shaky financial situation wherein the whole national organization is threatened. Without a representative organization behind the Nisei, he has an ineffectually weak voice.

Perhaps, the situation is different in Canada, but here the JACL fills a real need. All too often, the work of JACL is taken for granted, for much of the work is done behind the scenes on "sticky" problems that many of us have accepted to live by. Instead of losing local chapters, it behooves us to strengthen our whole structure.

GEORGE ICHTEN

Orange County JACL.

Huge Watsonville fire hits old gakuen

WATSONVILLE.—The prewar Toyo Hall and Kumamoto Hotel and two large warehouses were destroyed April 25 by a roaring general fire that threatened to spread to several blocks of homes and the downtown business district here.

A high wind sent flaming embers and heavy smoke over the city for nearly three hours as the city's 34 firemen, local teenage volunteers and fire-fighting crews from nearby communities fought the fire.

The fire broke out about 1 p.m. in a warehouse at First and Walker Sts. The high wind whipped the flames across the street and another warehouse was soon afire.

High Winds in Action

Embers carried by the wind, set fire to the roof of the prewar Toyo Hall on Union St., five blocks away. The building, which has been empty for many years, was completely destroyed.

The flames then jumped to the adjoining structure, the former Kumamoto Hotel, also untenanted, and the former Japanese Gakuen at 59 Union St. Both were badly damaged.

The old Japanese hall is owned by the Watsonville JACL.

Ex-Imperial Valley Cler opens practice in Fresno

FRESNO. — Dr. George Nishio and Dr. George Miyake have announced the association of Dr. Frank Nishio in their practice of optometry at 1160 Broadway, Fresno.

Dr. Frank Nishio, past vice-president of Imperial Valley JACL, had left his successful practice in El Centro, to make this association. During his residence in El Centro, he participated in many civic and service organizations in the Imperial Valley, some of which were area governor of Area II, District 5, Toastmasters International; vice president, El Centro Area United Fund; president, Imperial County Optometric Society; vice-president El Centro Lions Club; president, Cactus Gavel Toastmaster; and a member of the board of directors of the El Centro Campfire Girls.

Dr. George Nishio is a member of the Fresno American Loyalty League and Dr. George Miyake, a 1000 Clubber, was the charter president of the Fowler JACL and a past officer of the Central California District Council JACL.

Rev. Kanow commissioner for Presbyterian assembly

SALINAS. — The Rev. S. Kanow was elected by the Presbytery of San Jose to be a commissioner to the 171st General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church U.S.A. This year, the General Assembly will be held at Indianapolis, May 20-27, with a pre-Assembly conference on evangelism scheduled for May 18-19. He is an active member of the Salinas Valley JACL.



From the Frying Pan

By Bill Hosokawa

Denver, Colo.

RANDOM THOUGHTS AND ITEMS—The inimitable Taro Yashima imprint is to be found in his latest book, "Umbrella", which is the simple, fetching text-and-drawin' story of his young daughter Momo and the boots and umbrella she wanted to try out so badly. "Umbrella" is published by Viking Press along with Yashima's earlier volumes which deal with his childhood in Japan—"Crow Boy," "The Village Tree," and "Plenty to Watch." Personal favorite: "Crow Boy", the story of a shy little fellow who was afraid of people but knew how to talk to the crows . . .

Whoever first said variety is the spice of life must have been thinking about Colorado weather. During April the temperature ranged from 7 degrees to 81. The tulips and lilacs are blooming now . . . We were faintly considering trading in the 1954 family sedan for a brand new model until we discovered that Detroit is building the biggest four-passenger cars in history. The humps created by the transmission and driveshaft make the middle seats about as popular as the oldtime rumble seats in a snowstorm . . .

Vaughn (Bonnie) Mechau, who served as reports officer at Heart Mountain WRA Center—he was my boss—and his wife **Pat** are back on leave from Korea after a tour of duty with the International Cooperation Administration. Mechau was secretary-general of the joint U.S.-Korean economic board that passes on foreign aid projects. The Mechaus are deeply aware of the job needing to be done in Korea, hope to go back for another tour. He could qualify as an "Ugly American", and in the foreign service, that's a compliment . . .

Understand Life magazine correspondent **Carl Mydans**, who spent a good deal of time in a Japanese prison camp in the Philippines during World War 2, will publish a book about his experiences shortly. The word is that one or two chapters will mention the late **Kazumaro Uno**, a somewhat controversial figure . . . Canadian Nisei **Shinobu Higashi** recently was named by the Associated Press in Tokyo as the man in charge of business relations with Japanese publishers . . . One of the key men in AP's Tokyo office is **Kay Tateishi** who grew up in the Los Angeles area . . . **T. John Fujii** recently left the English edition of the Yomiuri Shimbun in Tokyo to launch a magazine which, unfortunately, strangled on military red tape

An alarming number of my boyhood friends seem to be acquiring, not children any more, but sons- and daughters-in-law, and grandchildren . . . Unprofound thought: There are probably more Nisei homeowners now than at any time in history . . . Roast chicken is a delicacy you don't find much any more. We had it last Sunday. People seem to prefer their chicken fried . . . Dog racing will return to this area shortly and Nisei enthusiasts will appear prominently at the \$2 windows. I know one Nisei businessman who cuts off all credit when the greyhounds begin running. Few of his customers are Nisei . . .

Recent house guest here of **George and Margie Fukuma** was the **Rev. Gennosuke Shoji**, retired pastor of St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Seattle. St. Peter's celebrated its 50th anniversary last year. The Rev. Mr. Shoji, who came to the United States in 1907, joined the church as a lay reader in 1909, was ordained a priest in 1920. One gets a sense of history listening to this minister's recollections extending from the early days of Issei travail, down through the evacuation and into the golden postwar period. Current pastor of the church is the **Rev. Lincoln Paul Eng** who is of Chinese descent.

Couple of brilliant young students here have been dined and feted recently for their scholarly achievements. One is **Melvin Shiramizu**, latest of a long line of Sansei who have been top students at Manual High. **Eugene Miyazawa** of West High was one of 14 Colorado high school seniors (out of 600 who applied) to win a Gates Rubber Co. Foundation four-year scholarship. The scholarships, to the school of the student's choice, are awarded on the basis of leadership, school activities, creative ability and scholastic record. It would seem not all Sansei are going to the dogs.

Daughter of ex-PC circulation manager wins coveted National Merit Scholarship



MEGUMI FUKUSHIMA

Cut Courtesy: Kashu Mainichi

Megumi Fukushima, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John N. Fukushima of 1743 Redcliff Ave., was among 12 Los Angeles students announced last week as winners of the National Merit Scholarship. There were 63 named throughout the state of California.

Both of her parents are active Hollywood JACLers. Qualifying tests in the most competitive examination were taken last year by 480,000 seniors from 14,500 high schools throughout the nation.

Each National Merit Scholarship carries a stipend according to the

student's particular needs, averaging about \$730 per year in 1959. The scholarships are for four years and may exceed \$6,000 for a collegiate period.

Megumi was one of the 850 finalists announced from the elite top and will receive a four year scholarship to the college of her choice. She has chosen Pomona College which her father attended and major in Chemistry. She hopes to teach or go into research.

Marshall Senior

Megumi, a senior at John Marshall High School has been an outstanding leader at school and among her achievements have been winning the Seymour Award of \$300 for scholastic ability and extracurricula work, a \$100 winner in the Bank of America Achievement competition, member of the Ephebian, student body secretary, vice president of the Continentals service group, president of the Volunteers Club, and president of the Y Club, Castellons.

She is also an accomplished pianist, having studied for eight and a half years at USC.

Her father is the sales manager of the San Lorenzo Nursery, while her mother Miki, is the former Pacific Citizen circulation manager. Her grandfather is the Rev. Joseph K. Fukushima of Montebello.

UISEI LISTED AMONG 7 MERIT SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS IN ARIZONA

PHOENIX. — James M. Sagawa, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kiichi Sagawa, 4214 W. Indian School, was among seven Arizona high school seniors named 1959 National Merit Scholarship winners last week.

Sagawa, of West Phoenix High School, was named honorary merit scholar.

It was explained by the National Merit Scholarship Corp. that honorary merit scholars were those who declined or were unable to accept other college scholarships precluding their acceptance of a merit scholarship.

SEATTLE YOUTH PICKED NAT'L MERIT SCHOLAR

SEATTLE. — Eiichi Moriyasu, 18, was one of two Seattle seniors awarded National Merit Scholarships last week. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Moriyasu, 520-25th Ave. South, will enroll at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and major in physics.

Nisei candidates on school district board elections in Calif.

FRESNO. — Five Nisei candidates will be listed in the May 19 county school district elections. Three incumbents, seeking re-election, are Tokuo Yamamoto of Dry Creek, Junji Shiroyama of Laton and George F. Hirata of Parlier.

F.S. Doi is a sole candidate for the Clay joint school district board. Isaac Matsuyama will be running against two others in the West Park district.

In Stockton, George Y. Komura is running for a pair of vacancies in the French Camp school board.

Three more Nisei in Placer County will be on the special school board ballot. They are Aster Kondo of Loomis, Geoffrey M. Igarashi of Rocklin, and Masayuki (Hike) Yego of Penryn. The latter two are incumbents and running unopposed.

San Francisco JACL scholarship available

SAN FRANCISCO. — Applications are now being accepted for the first annual San Francisco JACL scholarship award of \$250 to be given to a deserving high school graduate.

To be eligible, the student must be a spring or summer graduate planning to continue his education and must be of Japanese ancestry residing in San Francisco.

Deadline for this year's award was announced as June 15 by Mrs. Yo Hironaka, scholarship chairman. On the committee are: Steve Doi, Tad Ono, Yone Satoda, Shiz Yoshimura, John Yasumoto and Jack Kusaba.

Optometric Ass'n

FRESNO. — Dr. George Miyake of Fresno was named to the executive committee of the California Optometric Assn. at the annual spring conference of the organization in Fresno recently. He is an active Fowler JACLer.

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MIS veteran named Oregon Legion district officer

PORTLAND. — George Hirai of Nyssa's Adrian Post 106 was appointed American Legion District 15 vice-commander at a recent executive meeting here.

Formerly of Toppenish, Wash., he was relocated to Adrian and graduated from Adrian High School. He served in G-2 in Japan, is now sergeant-at-arms for his post and served as child welfare officer. He is married to the former June Koriike of San Francisco and they have two sons and a daughter.

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By Fred Takata

PSWDC Convention

Friday afternoon we were joined by Flo Wada of Pasadena, regional office secretary Maebelle Higa and East L.A. prexy Roy Yamadera as we made our way to International Airport to welcome our National President Shig Wakamatsu. We met Frank Chuman and Dr. John Kashiwabara, president of the Long Beach-Harbor District chapter, also there to greet Shig. As the huge United Airliner taxied into the unloading zone, there was a strong gale blowing from the ocean to give Shig a real Chicago welcome. It seems he had hurt his right hand in an auto accident a week earlier and had it bandaged as we shook hands with him. But we noted he discarded the bandages during the convention and probably has it in a cast by now after shaking hands with almost everyone in Long Beach.

From the airport, we traveled to Grisinger's Restaurant in Long Beach where we were joined by National Director Masao Satow, NC-WNDC Chairman Jerry Enomoto and National 1000 Club Chairman Bill Matsumoto and Dr. Roy Nishikawa, being treated to a delicious steak dinner by the host chapter.

The reception for Shig gave Board and Staff members an opportunity to meet with the Long Beach JACLers. . . . It was interesting to see Tut Yata of Southwest L.A. strategically place himself with the three charming hostesses, Nancy Omata, Marian Hada and Michie Kataoka. It's a good thing Frances Ishii was there to keep an eagle eye on him. It's too bad Tut didn't know Frances would win the top "Operation Cash" prize.

The evening came to a close (or should we start?) at the Japanese Community Center where they had social dancing jointly with the Hi-Co group who were holding their convention in conjunction with the PSWDC. . . . Bill Matsumoto was complaining that his name appeared on every program of the agenda, except for fishing and golf. . . . We adjourned from the dance to Sue Joe's home where the whole gang was treated to ham and eggs. All we can say to Sue is: we sure felt bad about all the dishes that were left behind. By the time everyone was ready to go back to the hotel to get some shuteye, we were practically shocked out of our shoes to find that it was already daybreak! Wild Bill Matsumoto, who was able to round up a golfing partner in Frances Ishii, planned an early morning teoff and found it was time to go as soon as he stepped out the front door. Shikata ga nai, he went! The rest of us hurried back to catch a few winks before the business sessions began.

At the conclusion of the first business session, a fashion show was combined with the buffet luncheon held in the beautiful Skyroom where a panoramic view of the harbor can be had. We enjoyed the company of Sam Uyebara, Kay Nakagiri and Joe Yasaki for lunch as we sat back to enjoy the fashions. The ladies were quite impressed with the clothes but as we glanced around at all the men in the audience it seems they were more interested in the beautiful models, such as Helen Kobata, Joyce Miyagawa, Shirley Mizufuka, Sharlene Shiba, Mrs. Ritsu Iwasaki and Mrs. Elaine Ito. Entertainment was furnished by vocalists Lily Arihara and David Case. Commentator was Wilma Hastings and the entire program was a real success. Co-chairmen for this event were Mmes. Ruby Mio and Hanako Manaka.

Later in the afternoon, the 1000 Club whingding was underway with PSWDC 1000 Club Chairman Ken Uyesugi cracking the whip. Frank Suzukida was making life miserable for all of us with his big scissors and leather "potty" he was using to fine everyone in sight. . . . The Long Beach group staged a hilarious fashion show that had everyone rolling in the aisles. The beautiful models were Roy Shiba wearing a colonial evening gown, Jim Okita as Hanayagi, Kaz Takabe in another evening dress, Cabbie Iwasaki as a geisha, Dr. John Kashiwabara in the famous hula skirt (which would make Hawaii think twice before becoming a state), Fred Ikeguchi in a can-can outfit and plastering Inagaki's receding hairline with lipstick, and Dr. Dave Miura wearing the Hawaiian Pake mumuu and fooling all of us—we thought it to be a beautiful gal. . . . Pasadena put on a hilarious skit with their Mexican "frijole" band. Heading the troupe was Senor Dr. Ken Yamaguchi with Tom Ito, Tets Iwasaki, Ronald Ueda, Ken Dyo and Senorita Flo (Cha Cha) Wada.

During the Saturday banquet, we were pleased to see Mrs. Ruby Mio get the coveted sapphire pin and the silver pins going to Tomizo Joe, George Iseri and Kazuko Matsumoto. . . . Keynote speaker was our National President who stated that the biggest potential in JACL lies in the PSWDC, making it the greatest internal challenge for the organization. He also encouraged that more chapters be established to carry on our program and making the goal of 50,000 a reality.

At the Sunday luncheon, our new 14-member board was installed by our National President. Mas Satow presented a scroll of appreciation to outgoing chairman Dave Yokozeki, but new district chairman Kango Kunitsugu accepted it on his behalf. Dave could not be with us because the stork was expected to visit his home anytime that weekend. The convention came to a close with a talk by Olympic champion Louis Zamperini.

We certainly want to congratulate Dr. Kashiwabara, the Long Beach chapter and convention chairman Tomizo Joe for putting on one of the finest conventions we've had in a long time. The committee put a lot of time and effort into it and the results were beyond expectation. Congratulations again to all of you Long Beach JACLers for a job well done.

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So. Calif. area called El Dorado of JACL - gold mine for 50,000

Repeating his challenge that JACL shoot for 50,000 members, National President Shig Wakamatsu told the Pacific Southwest District Council meeting in convention at Long Beach last weekend that he had in mind Southern California—with its largest concentration of persons of Japanese ancestry in America.

"You are sitting on top of a gold mine. Your territory is the El Dorado of JACL," Wakamatsu declared.

Asked how his internal challenge for greater membership might be met, Wakamatsu urged more chapters be organized.

"This is not an original suggestion," he explained. "As a matter of fact, it was your own idea when, some 10 years ago, the Los Angeles JACL was split into four separate chapters, thereby doubling its total membership."

"But more important, it quadrupled the number of persons involved at the chapter level of responsibility and leadership. This increase in the number of leadership and responsibility is the vital key which opens the door to the realization of a greater membership."

The PSWDC was asked that formation of new chapters in the district be a part of its on-going

program.

San Fernando Valley delegate Kay Nakagiri reported his chapter area might be divided east and west at Sepulveda Blvd., which bisects the 480 square-mile valley. Another prospect is San Gabriel Valley, revealed Fred Takata, regional director.

New Constitution

The new district constitution was ratified at the opening business session presided by outgoing chairman David Yokozeki. It calls for a 14-member board; both chapter delegates to have one vote except voting upon amendments or special assessments when chapter has but one vote at council sessions; mail ballot and special assessment procedures.

On the two international relations questions, the PSWDC felt JACL should protest films, TV, radio programs showing Japanese in Japan in a disputable light, but also cultivate people in the creative arts to promote Japanese in general; and suggested written requests be sent to JACL chapters when asked to entertain foreign visitors, if governmental or non-commercial. Otherwise, response should be on an individual basis rather than as a JACL chapter.

Sapphire Pin Winner

Mrs. Ruby Mio, who was active

a decade ago in New York JACL, was awarded the JACL sapphire pin. In recent years, she guided the Long Beach-Harbor District chapter to its all-time high in membership, assisted in the 1954 national convention in Los Angeles and the 1955 national bowling tournament in Long Beach.

Sterling silver pins were awarded to three Long Beach JACLers: Kay Matsumoto, five-year chapter corresponding secretary now in Japan on vacation; George Iseri, midget baseball organizer and chapter youth commissioner; and Tomizo Joe, past president and instrumental in reviving the chapter in 1954.

The awards were presented by Dr. Roy Nishikawa, national recognition chairman and immediate past national president.

Louis Zamperini, Sunday luncheon speaker, described his harrowing experiences when shot down in the South Pacific, floating adrift for 47 days and then being rescued by a Japanese patrol boat only to be committed to a POW camp in Japan for two years. All these, the Victory Boys Club director said, are insignificant to the decision he made in a Billy Graham's tent meeting to work for Christ.

William Matsumoto of Sacramento, national 1000 Club chairman, invited JACLers to attend the 1960 national convention June 28-July 2.

Close to 300 attended the three-day convention including 75 Hi-Co delegates, which staged its own program. Tomizo Joe and Dr. David Miura, co-chairmen, were ably assisted by host chapter members.

San Francisco youth group unnamed, picks delegates for Jr. JACL meeting

SAN FRANCISCO.—The San Francisco city-wide Nisei youth group held another meeting Friday night at the local JACL building and elected Willie Masuda, San Francisco State College student, as

chairman for the group.

This group, as yet unnamed, also decided to send delegates to the youth program to be held by the Oakland Junior JACL on Sunday, May 17, in connection with the NC-WNDC meeting.

Officials from the group will be Masuda, Hiroko Mochida and Suzie Kobuchi.

Others will be attending as booster delegates and it was announced that transportation will be furnished for those wishing to go.

Other new officers chosen Friday were: Paul Yanagihara, v.c.; Susan Kaneko, rec. sec.; Miss Mochida, cor. sec.; and Wesley Doi, treas.

Dr. Leo Nakayama, local JACL youth chairman, is the adviser.

Board to suggest method to finance Salinas JACL office

BY S. KANOW

SALINAS.—The regular monthly meeting of the Salinas Valley JACL Chapter was called to order by the president Kiyo Hirano last week. The meeting was again well attended.

Among the old business was the matter of financing the chapter headquarters. After much discussion it was decided to have the Board of Directors recommend to the Chapter a method of raising funds to support local office.

Among the new business was the matter of donating a monetary sum to the local Camp Fire Girls. This was not only to help this youth group but the chapter felt it was also for chapter public relations. In this way, the JACL is able to become more a part of the local community.

Coming Activities

The annual community picnic will be held on June 21 at the Sheriff's posse grounds.

On April 29, the Board of Directors met to consider the means to raise funds for the headquarters. Results were not reported.

May 28 was the date selected by the Board on which to hold the chapter's benefit movie.

Yamato Cemetery clean-up date has been set for Sunday, May 24. The cemetery has had great deal of improvement in the past but it is necessary to have all members participate in this annual clean-up, since a paid caretaker is not hired.

Before War II the cemetery was considered one of the most beautiful in this part of California. However, during the war years it was run down and unkempt. Now that it has been greatly restored the responsibility to keep it up lies with the members of the local chapter.

French Camp Auxiliary sponsors parents' party

FRENCH CAMP.—The French Camp JACL Auxiliary will sponsor a Parent's Day party tonight at the local hall. Lydia Ota and Martha Shimasaki, co-chairmen, are being assisted by:

Katie Komure, m.c.; Chizu Nonaka, Michie Egusa, Fumie Higashiyama, ref.; Alice Nishida, Martha Shimasaki, ent.; Miyuki Kanemoto, Mario Hayashi, dec.; Terry Rotta, Alyce Shinmoto, corsages; Shizue Hotta, Patty Ogino, hostesses.



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By the Board

By Mas Yano, IDC Chairman

SALT LAKE CITY—The Intermountain District Council welcomes back Ben Lomond Chapter into its fold and extends a hearty welcome and congratulations to its newly added sister, the Northern Utah JACL.

The conspicuous absence of the Ben Lomond Chapter at the IDC quarterly meetings over the past two years has been a matter of considerable lament to the sister chapters. At its first quarterly meeting of 1959 held at St. Anthony, Idaho, hosted by the Yellowstone Chapter, the Council voted to hold the Spring Quarterly meeting in April at Ogden, Utah, the seat of the Ben Lomond Chapter, for the prime purpose of seeking to reactivate this chapter. The Ogden area is one of the areas in Utah where membership potential has been very high and it has produced fine JACL leaders in the past. There was no reason why it should not be one of the most active chapters in the District.

In the meantime, with the generous assistance of the Salt Lake Chapter, the IDC instigated meetings in Ogden for the purpose of ascertaining the thinking and desires of the Ogden residents. Several such meetings took place and the result thereof, we are happy to state, are twofold:

1. At its spring meeting held on April 19, the IDC was advised that the Ben Lomond Chapter had been reactivated with every indication of an active and enthusiastic membership. Ken Uchida, past IDC chairman, is serving as temporary chairman until permanent officers are elected. The Ben Lomond Chapter will be made up principally of those engaged in agriculture in the Davis and Weber counties.

2. At the meeting, the Northern Utah JACL was admitted into the IDC. Harold Toma, one of the vice-presidents of the Southwest L.A. Chapter several years ago, is the temporary chairman pending an election of officers. This chapter will have as its members those living in or near the City of Ogden, and from reports, also those from Box Elder county, the northernmost county in the state where membership potential is high. At the meeting prior to the spring quarterly, representatives from the Box Elder area showed genuine interest in joining JACL, perhaps for the first time in their area. Membership reports just recently received vindicate the fulfillment of this pledge.

While the formal admission of the Northern Utah Chapter into the National as the 86th chapter is still subject to approval of the National Board at its meeting next month, the IDC and its constituent chapters are indeed happy to have now nine active and dynamic units.

It is most reassuring at a time when it is felt by some, perhaps many, that the need for JACL no longer exists, that we can most happily report on the developments above mentioned.

THE NORTHWEST PICTURE: by Elmer Ogawa

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State senator installs officers of newly organized Idaho Falls JACL youth group

IDAHO FALLS.—State Sen. A.W. Naegle of Bonneville County was installing officer of the newly organized Japanese American Youth club of the Idaho Falls JACL.

Ricky Tokita was elected president and will be assisted by Kay Kobayashi, v.p.; Jane Kuwana, sec.; Peggy Haga, treas.; Ina Tokita, Gary Nagashima, social chmn.; Marie Kobayashi, hist.; and Aiko Mikami, pub.

Before introducing Senator Naegle, Mrs. Fred Ochi pointed out to members that they should be proud of their ancestry, that their parents fought for liberty and justice just as much as the Pilgrims who landed on Plymouth Rock, and just as hard as the soldiers at Valley Forge and Gettysburg. She reminded them of their grandparents who helped develop industries along the west coast and transformed swamps into productive lands.

Naegle spoke on "Citizenship," declaring that to have and insure the freedoms as guaranteed in the constitution, the citizenry must keep informed. He also congratulated the Idaho Falls chapter for

their foresight in organizing the JAYs and the fine reputation the JACL had built for itself in the past years.

He then spoke briefly of the outstanding war record achieved by the Nisei, of the leadership of men like Mike Masaoka in Washington, D.C., and Wat Misaka, Univ. of Utah athlete. He predicted that from such a young club would come future Mike Masaokas and Wat Misakas.

POCATELLO JACL HALL STILL UP FOR SALE AS RECENT DEAL BOGS DOWN

POCATELLO.—The sale of the Pocatello JACL Hall is still pending, according to the Pocatello JACL Newsletter published last week. Recent negotiations have bogged down as the interested parties were reported to have had financial complications.

With the surrounding neighborhood of the hall developing, the chapter newsletter surmised the sale would materialize in the near future.

Mike Abe, newsletter editor, added that former Pocatello JACLers and those outside of the chapter area wishing to be placed on the newsletter mailing list may write to Pocatello JACL, P.O. Box 780, Pocatello, Idaho. It is free for the asking.

Emerald Ball adds dance talent show

A group of senior instructors from the Guys and Dolls Dance Studios was added to the entertainment program of the East Los Angeles JACL fifth annual Emerald Ball tomorrow night at the Old Dixie Ballroom, 43rd and Western.

The troupe consisting of Ben Abrams, Billie Miller, Joh MacNamara, Miss Rae and Miss Shirley will demonstrate the latest popular dance steps. Vocalists Lily Arihara and Mas Hamasu will sing with the orchestra of Aaron Gonzalez, it was also announced.

National JACL Bowling Tournament Queen Sumi Takemura, former Nisei Week Queen Mitzi Miya, Shirley Mizufuka and Jean Takahashi are among the close to 100 girls expected to be present as hostesses.

Continuous dancing from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. General chairman Jim Higashi emphasized that all ladies are being admitted free. Tickets for the sports formal affair will be available at the door.

'MAYTIME CHA-CHA' PARTY TOMORROW NIGHT

SAN FRANCISCO.—"Maytime Cha-Cha" has been set for tomorrow night at Booker T. Washington Center to allow those attending the San Francisco JACL dance class to exhibit their accomplishments.

Strictly a stag-stagette affair, the record dance starts at 8:30 with Chibi Yamamoto and Shig Yuzuriha as co-chairmen. On the various committees are:

Mickie Inouye, Yas Kawakami, Kasi Kurose, Mieko Akutagawa, Sue Yokoyama, Misa Sumida, Yoko Yuzuriha, Naomi Shibata, Dr. Leo Nakayama, Tets Okano, Kei Shibata, Ken Onishi, Steve and Char Doi.

PSYCHOLOGIST TO SPEAK AT SAN FERNANDO MEET

NORTH HOLLYWOOD.—"Personality Traits of Japanese American Male and Female" will be the topic of Dr. Steve Abe, clinical psychologist at Metropolitan State Hospital, at the May 16 dinner-meeting of the San Fernando Valley JACL.

It will be held at Bill Storey's, corner of Cahuenga and Lankershim Blvd., start at 7 p.m., according to Sam Ueyehara, chapter president.

Dr. Abe conducted surveys for his thesis two years ago by interviewing Nisei in Southern California and Utah.

On the dinner committees are: Flora Komatsu, prog.; Helen Kaneko, recep.; John Kaneko, arr.; Satsuki Kubota, pub.; Harry Otsuki, fin.; Miki Nakagiri, Kathy Otsuki, Terry Ueyehara, Lily Endow, hostesses; Tak Nakae toastmaster.

S.F. AUXILIARY TO MEET MAY 19, ETIQUETTE TOPIC

SAN FRANCISCO.—Mrs. Tatsuchi Shibata, wife of the president of the Bank of Tokyo of California, will speak on and demonstrate "Japanese Etiquette and Table Setting" at the next local JACL Women's Auxiliary's meeting to be held at the Church of Christ, May 19, from 8 p.m.

Mrs. Shibata will explain everyday Japanese etiquette, as well as demonstrate the various ways of setting a table. She will also prepare one or two simple dishes.

This program should be of interest to persons who are not familiar with Japanese customs, and who would like to know the "do's" and "don'ts" of proper etiquette, according to Mrs. Kay Okamoto, program chairman. For those who often serve Japanese dishes, the demonstration of table setting should be of particular interest, she added.

Gresham-Troutdale JACL to honor Issei pioneers

PORTLAND.—The Gresham-Troutdale JACL will honor the community Issei mothers and fathers May 9 at a tea to be held at the G-T Community Hall. Pioneers over 70 years of age will be specially cited.

It was also announced that the community picnic would be held May 17 at Viking Park.

Pocatello picnic

POCATELLO.—Arrangements have been completed by Pocatello JACL to hold its community picnic June 21 at the Southeastern Idaho fairgrounds.

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However, other reasons for establishing the Washington Office remain, Wakamatsu said. The need for this office may be intensified because of Hawaiian statehood.

Noting that there is a difference of backgrounds between the Japanese in Hawaii and on the mainland, "it may be that we on the mainland would not want Hawaiian congressmen to speak on our behalf, or conceivably we might even be in disagreement with what they might say or propose," he continued.

"It may be that our membership would want JACL to continue to be the spokesman for all persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States.

"It may be that JACL would not want to scrap all of its contacts developed through the years (through the Washington Office).

"It may also be that JACL would not want to give up by default any of the wonderful national contacts which have been hard won—at a time when pressing international and domestic questions may directly involve all persons of Japanese ancestry," he thought.

Manner of Deciding

If the basic policy is to continue the Washington Office, Wakamatsu insisted the next decision concerns "how" it should be continued: (1) full time, (2) part time retainer basis, (3) consultative basis. After these problems are resolved comes the final question involving personnel.

"This decision will certainly affect the future of JACL, as well as the future of all persons of Japanese ancestry, for many years to come," the national president declared and urged this question be seriously studied at chapter and district council levels.

Looking ahead to the 1960 Sacramento convention, Wakamatsu described the search for dramatic issues to focus national attention and energy as "inviting lightning to strike us twice". Issues like evacuation and fighting for equality in naturalization are a "once in a generation experience".

"Now that we are clearing away the last traces of discriminatory laws that hemmed our program, it becomes essential to JACL that we have long-range plans that would give us a clear image to our members the direction we as an organization are going.

"In fact, the decision facing us on the future of the Washington office is part and parcel of long-range planning. Therefore, I would like after the coming National Board meeting to announce a blue ribbon committee, consisting of distinguished JACL members including our past national presidents, to study the long-range aspects of our organization and bring for their recommendations at the 1960 convention," Wakamatsu said.

'Meet the Board'

In the opening session of the PSWDC convention, delegates discussed with board members the future of the Washington Office.

One delegate asked whether other minority groups maintained a Washington Office. Wakamatsu said yes, adding that what JACL has operates on a shoe-string by comparison with other groups.

Another delegate wondered how much time was actually involved at the present time, after being informed that the Washington Office has been on a part time retainer basis since 1952. No one on the board was in a position to know precisely.

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More Nisei Coxswains in Action

Two more Nisei coxswains are reported in the news this past week. (We had reported Paul Shinoda, Jr., of Torrance was dunked in Ballona Creek in Playa del Rey for counting the powerful Univ. of California crew to victory.; Tommy Takahashi of Garden Grove is behind the megaphone for Orange Coast College and Downey Tanimoto of Los Angeles sits in back of the Univ. of Southern California shell . . . A race two weekends ago in the Oakland Estuary could have been between two Nisei coxswains when U.C. outclassed the Trojan shell by 11 lengths. Shinoda didn't participate as U.C. has three units of equal strength—and the one which didn't participate in the Ballona Creek meet competed.

KEEP to Grow Turfgrass in Japan

From New York comes a report that Kiyosato Educational Experiment Project (KEEP), founded by Paul Rusch, ex-MISLS commandant, will install Merion Kentucky bluegrass, creeping red fescue and bentgrass at their new Seisen Ryo Lodge in Japan. It hopes to become a showplace for turfgrass. Over 2* tons of grass seeds were sent by the Oregon Seed Council, which sponsored the initial survey to introduce lawn grass in Japan.

Sansei Hurdler Sets New City Mark

Kaizo Oto of Fresno High set a new record in the class C 120 lows at the 30th annual Fresno city track and field championships with his 13.8s. effort. It betters his own mark by one-tenth of a second set last year. He also finished third in the 120 dash . . . Probably he is already signed up by Reedley JACL to compete for them in the May 24 San Francisco JACL Olympics. Reedley has indicated it would field a representative team to defend their 1958 title . . . Another standout of that team, fleet-footed Larry Iwasaki has been showing well in defenses with the Fresno State College football team now winding up its spring practice.

SACRAMENTO IN 'SIXTY: by Shig Sakamoto Introducing . . . in This Corner

Editor's Note: Sacramento JACL chapter has been asked to introduce Shig Sakamoto, conductor of "Sacramento in Sixty," the column publicizing the forthcoming 1960 National JACL convention to be held in Sacramento during the week from June 28 to July 2.

Shig, popularly known in Northern California as Stirling Sakamoto—his pen name in the journalistic world—is a 35-year-old youngster very familiar and amiable in the Nisei community here. An ex-florist who operated the Blossom Shop for nine years, he is perhaps more well-known for his column "As I Was Saying" in the San Francisco Hokubei Mainichi. His column serves various newsmen of people here and there ala Herb Caen style of the San Francisco Chronicle. He began writing prior to the war for the San Francisco newspapers: the now defunct New World-Sun, Progressive News and the Hokubei Mainichi. During the war years, he wrote the "20th Street" column for the Colorado Times and the Rocky Shimpo in Denver.

A very active JACLer, Shig has held various posts and is now on his 10th year as publicist for the Sacramento Nisei Bowling Association. Because of his long experience, the Sacramento JACL takes this time to name him publicity director of the coming National JACL convention. His style is different in many ways and the chapter knows that PC readers will enjoy his humorous overtones at times.

THOSE ABOVE WORDS introducing Yours Truly are very flattering. Was it necessary?

To tell the truth, I got roped into this deal. But anyhow being 100 per cent JACLer and as most everyone in our Sacramento chapter is on some kind of a convention committee. I offered to be one of the chaperones for queen contestants, but they refused me most graciously. And I took this job as publicity director as a last resort.

All kidding aside, my job began with this column. I would like to thank editor Harry Honda for the nice column heading—"Sacramento in Sixty"—very nice. Our chapter reminded me to be sure and send along my picture which will rest appropriately next to the column head but will sort of take my time on it so that the PC circulation won't lag too much upon the release of the picture. Editor Honda says they got to get out of the red and I sure don't want to be the main cause of it.

To the more serious side, plans for the JACL National Convention to be held for the first time in Sacramento in 1960 are really taking form. Remember the dates—June 28 to July 2, 1960. And this column would like to remind you to bring the family down and make it a vacation. You'll have California sunshine, visit the historic sights, mountain and lake resorts nearby and remember following the convention, July 3 and 4 are Sunday and Monday holidays so you can take your time going home. Still better, extend your visit of the capital of California two days more. How about that!

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Fremont JACL honors mothers at annual tea

FREMONT. — A full evening of entertainment marked the annual Fremont JACL Mother's Day tea last Saturday at Hansen Hall here. June Handa, chairman, was assisted by:

Eleanor Mayeda, inv.; Kiyoko Sekigahama games; Tomiko Miyaoka, ref.; Barbara Handa, door.

Get-acquainted party planned for Portlanders

PORTLAND. — A get-acquainted party will be held by the Portland JACL for new and old members and friends May 16 at the Portland Chamber of Commerce. Present plans call for a snack bar, dancing and bridge.

Gardena Vly. slates benefit youth dance

GARDENA. — Funds to support youth activities are needed by the Gardena Valley JACL, according to Ronald Shiozaki, chapter president, in announcing a "Pre-Summer" benefit dance May 30 at the Gardena Elks Lodge, 1735 W. Market St.

The sports formal affair will feature Victor Zolo and his orchestra, the same group which entertained the PSWDC convention delegates Saturday. The Gardena dance will start at 9 p.m.

The local youth program by the chapter has started with enthusiastic results. Through the able guidance of Mas Fukai, athletic chairman, the chapter-sponsored basketball team competed and won the NAU A-Plus league championship. The chapter also sponsored a pre-Easter basketball tournament.

Gardena Valley is also forming a Hi-Co group under the leadership of Leon Uyeda.

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Washington anti bias board renders first decision on fair housing request

SEATTLE.—The Washington State Board Against Discrimination last week handed down its first ruling of the 1959 statute banning discrimination because of race, color or creed in the sale, rental or lease of public or private housing. The board ordered a Seattle couple planning to leave town to sell their home to a Negro mail carrier and his wife.

Robert L. Jones initiated the action against Comm. and Mrs. John J. O'Meara of the U.S. Coast Guard, contending they had refused to sell the house to him because of his color after he had offered to buy the house for \$18,000 and had given the O'Mearas \$1,000 earnest money.

The three-member panel ordered the O'Mearas to accept the offer submitted by Jones within three days, and further ruled that they are not to sell their house during that three-day period.

The panel was composed of two Caucasian attorneys and a Negro apartment house operator, all of Seattle.

The panel's decision was made just five days after the case came

before the panel in the first public hearing in the state on charges of racial discrimination in housing.

The residence is at 3004 E. 70th St., in an all-white neighborhood.

A lumber company official living on the same block has hired an attorney to contest the decision in superior court if the O'Mearas authorize legal action. Up to last Saturday, no decision has been made by Mrs. O'Meara, waiting for her husband temporarily in Alaska to return.

While neighbors have expressed interest to help the O'Mearas, legal action can only be taken by the couple to ask the court to modify, set aside or uphold the discrimination finding.

Fisk professor

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—Dr. Jitsuichi Masuoka, professor and acting chairman of the department of social sciences at Fisk University has been awarded a Fulbright exchange grant and will lecture next year in his native Japan.

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Pictured here are old time friends who had been at one time or another featured in the Northwest column, and happened to be seated at the same table at the Nisei Vets installation dinner dance last week. To the left is ageless Nisei, Issei benefactor Albert Bonus young and active as ever; Takeshi Kubota, president of the Seattle JACL Chapter and of the Jackson Street community council. Next is Frank Yamashita who some 25 years ago was a great defensive end on Jimmy Phelan's razzle dazzle University of Washington Huskies; son Gary Yamashita, one time Seattle Vets candidate to Boys State, football and tennis star, trumpet player and editor of his high school paper, The Tolo, to mention a few of his accomplishments. With no intention of being anticlimactic, we identify Mrs. Yamashita on the right side of the picture.



THE Northwest PICTURE

By Elmer Ogawa

Nisei Vets Go All-Out Again

SEATTLE'S NISEI VETS go all-out when they set about to do something. With the same enthusiasm by which they led the Nisei world in the number and percentage of volunteers from the Hunt Relocation Center during War II, they show the same moxie whether it be running a bazaar, picnic, or a party like last week's installation dinner-dance at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel.

It is always a great day when we are privileged to attend such an event, and come to think of it, this was the first in three years, as the opening day of the Trade Fair, and the VA hospital had prior claim on our presence during '57 and '58.

Main speaker of the evening was King County Sheriff Tim McCullough. Tim, an ex-Huskie and referee these many years before he became sheriff, gave with an impressive message to the group.

Gary Yamashita won a citation as the most outstanding young man of the year. Here is a versatile lad of many talents who will be heard from again one of these days.

An overtone of amusement crept into the affair when perennial installing officer Joe Martineau somehow forgot to call up the new commander Tom Onishi for the swearing in ceremony. It may have been because the well oiled photographer was doing more officiating than the MC himself. But the pictures are the best ever made on this annual occasion, thank you.

THE ONE WHO made the big impression on your weary ol' scrivener was old time friend Albert Bonus who made his first appearance as a speaker, far as we can recall.

JACLers and individual citizens know the name of Albert Bonus well. He is known for his perpetual flow of contributions to organizations including the JACL, his faithful visitations to hospitalized Issei and Nisei, and the many donations of PC subscriptions to libraries and individuals. The foregoing is only a sketchy report. So many of his generous and unselfish deeds are unheralded and unknown, often confidential.

Born and educated in Britain, Bonus came to this part of the world many years ago, he refuses to say how many, for he's still a youngster in disposition and appearance. His father was an Anglican clergyman, and the grandfathers, one a great publisher, and the other a shipping tycoon who became fast friends with Japan's first merchants to London.

There was a family meeting when young Albert decided to go to America. Grandfather, the trader, gave this advice: "You will find that there are Japanese living in America also. I suggest that you seek their friendship, for they are a courteous, industrious and loyal people of high integrity."

The admonishment of a grandfather describes Albert Bonus, the man.

Great men are forthright, unpretentious and direct in words and deeds.

For this reason, we requested, and herewith reproduce Mr. Bonus' talk to the Nisei Vets, subject, of course to editorial cutting on account of space limitations.

"Mr. Toastmaster, honored guests, and friends:

"It is indeed a privilege and a joy to be with you all here this evening."

"Members of the Nisei Veterans' Committee, together with the Women's Auxiliary.

"Your splendid organization.

"It's radiant and immeasurable influence for all that is admirable and excellent in accomplishments extends everywhere.

"Because of a desire to do something for you, I secured the replica of an illuminated scroll by artist Frank Ochs, member of the NUaval Historical Foundation.

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Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

LOS ANGELES
Takata, Atsushi (Yasuko Nishida)—girl Katherine, Mar. 5.

ORANGE COUNTY

Sato, Frank (Noriko Matsuzawa)—boy Glenn, Apr. 2, Anaheim.
Inouye, George N. (Yoko Yamaga)—boy Arthur Yasaharu, Mar. 28.
Iwami, Tsumoru (Margo Isobe)—girl Suzanne, Mar. 28.

OAKLAND

Kitayama, Tom (Heidi Horikawa)—girl Monica R., Apr. 23, Union City.

TACOMA

Uno Ernest (Grace Setsuda)—girl, Mar. 26.

WEDDINGS

Narita-Konno — Apr. 4, Susumi and Jean, both New York.

DEATHS

Fukushima, Takayo, 73: Los Angeles, Apr. 24.

Miyata, Mrs. Yone, 76: San Francisco, April 24.

Sugiyama Chiyoharu 54: La Mesa, Apr. 6.

Takai, Mrs. Suma, 79: Sacramento, April 23.

Tanaka, Michael (Tomi Kado) — boy David, Mar. 31.

Tanaka, Mrs. Yoneko, 49: Hollister, Mar. 30.

Yokoye, Mitsui, 62: Chicago, Mar. 26.

Three Issei doctors with 50 year service honored

Three Issei doctors who have been serving the profession for over 50 years were honored last week at the annual spring dinner of the Los Angeles Japanese American Medical Association. They were Dr. Masakazu Murase, Dr. Peter M. Suski and Dr. Teiji Takahashi.

Dr. H. James Hara, among the first Issei to be naturalized, is association president. Dr. Mitsuya Yamaguchi, vice-president, was dinner chairman.

DANCE CLUB PLANNED FOR SAN MATEO JACL

SAN MATEO. — Plans for formation of a San Mateo JACL dance club are being made at the conclusion of the current series of Monday classes at College Park School auditorium.

The third session started this week with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Yamaguma as instructor. The second session climaxed its lessons last week with a gay party at the Miramar.

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Renunciant decision reversed by appellate court, burden of proof rule cited

SAN FRANCISCO. — The Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit reversed three cases in which the federal district court in Los Angeles, in 1956, held that the Tule Lake renunciations were valid and that United States citizenship was lost. The renunciations were California born Norio and Miyoko Kiyama and Yukio Yamamoto.

The Los Angeles court had held that the renunciations, in order to invalidate the renunciations, had the burden of showing that their acts were involuntary and under coercion and that that burden had not been carried.

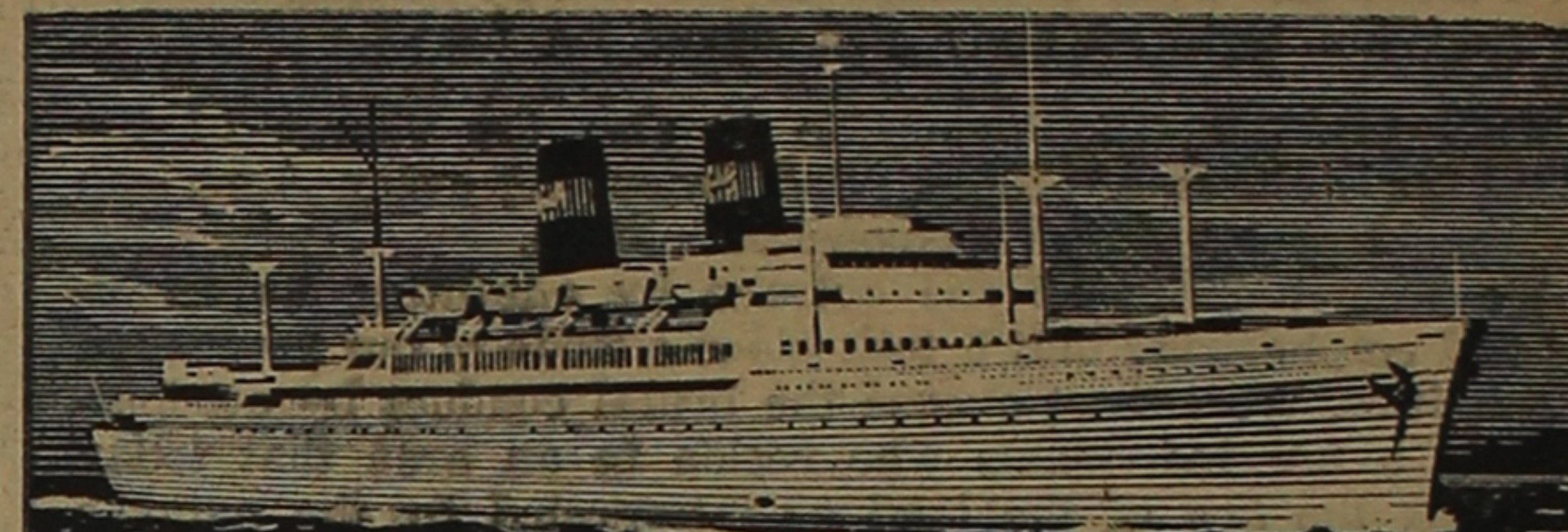
The attorneys for the Kiyamas and Yamamoto, A.L. Wirin and Fred Okrand of Los Angeles, urged on appeal that the burden of proof was not on the renunciations to show involuntariness but was on the Government to show voluntariness.

After the cases were in the appellate court, the United States

Supreme Court issued its decision in Nishikawa v. Dulles in which it held that in a Japanese Army expatriation case the burden was on the Government to show that the conduct was voluntary. Following this Supreme Court decision the Court of Appeals ruled that the same principle applies to renunciant cases. Therefore it remanded the cases back to the Los Angeles court for reconsideration in the light of the correct burden of proof rule.

Sculptor to teach

OAKLAND. — Noted Japanese sculptor Tsutomu Hiroi will join the summer faculty of the California College of Arts and Crafts. An associate of Nisei sculptor Isamu Noguchi, he will teach a course in the problems of form and space and in the experimental use of materials. Classes begin June 22.



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東洋への旅行には最も評判のよい船内換気装置のプレジデント船を利用しましょう。これ程費用のかからなくて、種々の特約のある旅行は外にはありません。

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六月四日に横浜につくプレジデント・ウィルソン號に乗り込む計画を今からたてませう。

OTHER SAILINGS FROM SAN FRANCISCO / LOS ANGELES TO YOKOHAMA, VIA HONOLULU:

	FROM SAN FRANCISCO	LOS ANGELES	ARRIVE YOKOHAMA
SS PRESIDENT CLEVELAND.....	June 9	June 11	June 25
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Washington NEWSLETTER

BY MIKE MASAOKA

It Happened in Poplarville

Washington D.C.

LYNCH LAW RETURNED to Mississippi last week when masked men stormed the town jail in Poplarville, beat, and then abducted Mack Charles Parker, a young Negro truck driver charged with kidnapping and raping a young white woman.

Even in the Deep South where a Negro accused of this kind of crime stands little chance of acquittal, the terrorists could not wait for the law to run its probable course.

Up to this writing, neither state investigators nor the FBI have been able to find any clue as to either the mobsters or the whereabouts of young Parker. There is reason to suspect that Parker has been murdered in the most barbaric manner and that his tortured body will never be found.

THE SHAME OF Poplarville is also the shame of the Nation, as well as a criminal indictment of every American who considers himself a responsible citizen.

We cannot shrug off the outrage by admitting its awfulness and emphasizing that it took place outside of our respective communities. We cannot excuse the brutal conduct by attributing it to a few individuals who reside in an area that today in defying the law of the land as interpreted by the nation's highest tribunal.

WHAT HAPPENED AT Poplarville happened because too many of us failed to recognize the warnings and to make certain that Federal action was taken that would assure every citizen in every part of the land the full and equal protection of the law under every circumstance.

By remaining neutral or silent when calculated defiance of the law was undertaken with the approval of the South's political leadership and when hoodlums bombed houses of worship in both the North and the South, we consented to the growing forces of lawlessness that erupted into the lynching of a young Negro citizen.

WE AMERICANS OF Japanese ancestry—of all Americans—should know the meaning of "equal protection of the laws", for all too vividly we can recall our days of fear, of bullets in the night, of house burnings, of hate and hysteria.

We must remember that it took only a few individuals to decide on the west coast evacuation of "enemy aliens" of Japanese ancestry in the days following the outbreak of World War II. No one stopped them, so they expounded and expanded their ideas. The ultimate result: more than 110,000 human beings, most of whom were native-born Americans, were uprooted from our homes and associations and herded off to virtual prison camps in the desert wastelands, without trial or hearing or any accusation except that of "affinity with the Japanese enemy".

As Eleanor Roosevelt so aptly reminds us: "It was only a few people who decided that they wished to eliminate a certain group of people in Germany, but it grew to such dimensions that 6,000,000 Jews died in prison camps".

ALL OF US share a joint responsibility in what happened at Poplarville. And, all of us owe it to ourselves and our country to make certain that never again will there be another Poplarville in any section of our country. We must insure and assure for all Americans, without regard to race, religion, or color, the equal protection of our laws guaranteed by our Constitution—lest we ourselves be the victims of a lynch law some time some place.

AS MRS. ROOSEVELT pointed up: "When you begin to allow yourself to override the law, you do not know where you will end. When you begin to allow yourself a kind of self-righteous prejudice against another race or religion, you do not know what the end may be, and in the end you may suffer as did those who sowed the seeds of World War II.

THE JACL INVITES every reader to write to the President and the Congress to register your strongest protest against this lynching and your determined support of federal action to prevent its recurrence. This is the least that we—as human beings—can do, for only clear and positive federal guarantees of the rights and the personal safety to all our citizens will lead to the establishment of conditions in which new lynchings, unpunished murders, and racial violence will really become obsolete and every American will be safe in his life and limb.

Fourteenth Amendment

STRANGE AS IT may seem, the states of California and Kentucky are the only ones which have never ratified the 14th Amendment to the Constitution which includes the "equal protection" and "due process" guarantees.

This unusual fact came to our attention when Maryland became the 46th State to ratify this most-important-of-all amendments in current litigation and controversy over civil rights. Sponsored by a Negro State Senator, the post-Civil War Amendment which was submitted to the states on June 13, 1866, and has been effective since July 28, 1868, was approved almost unanimously prior to the adjournment of the General Assembly recently.

Though ratification by California, Kentucky, Alaska, and Hawaii will not change a comma or a letter in the 14th Amendment, which has been in effect for 91 years, nevertheless we believe that these states should do so in order to make unanimous this cornerstone Amendment of our civil rights structure.

We would like to see the JACL chapters in California undertake this program as a legislative objective in the next State Legislature.

HAWAIIAN LEGISLATORS HONOR MASAOKA FOR STATEHOOD HELP

(JACL News Service)

WASHINGTON. — Mike Masaoka, Washington representative of the Japanese American Citizens League, was cited by the House of Representatives of the Legislature of the Territory of Hawaii for his efforts on behalf of Statehood for the Pacific Islands.

A certified copy of the resolution unanimously adopted by the Territorial House of Representatives and signed by Elmer F.

Cravalho, speaker, and Herman T.F. Lum, clerk, was received by the Washington JACL Office.

In Accepting

In accepting the resolution, the Washington JACL representative declared that he was doing so on behalf of the officers and membership of the JACL which for more than a decade have worked consistently for Statehood for Hawaii not only as a measure of justice long delayed to the people of that Territory but also as a means of making more meaningful the heroic sacrifices of Americans of Japanese ancestry, both from Hawaii and the mainland, in World War II.

He expressed the hope that in the future the elected representatives of the new State of Hawaii would continue to work with the JACL in the common cause of a greater America and a peaceful, prosperous Free World.

The legislative action is entitled Resolution conveying the appreciation and gratitude of the people of Hawaii to Mike Masaoka for his role in obtaining Statehood for Hawaii.

The resolution itself reads as follows:

"Whereas, the fondest hopes and aspirations of the people of the Territory of Hawaii have been realized by the passage on March 12, 1959, by the Congress of the United States of the bill admitting Hawaii as a State into the Union; and

"Whereas, the fulfillment of this long cherished dream has come about only through the unselfish and tireless efforts of certain individuals who have earned the undying gratitude of the people of Hawaii; and

"Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the appreciation and gratitude of the people of Hawaii be made known to these individuals; and

"Whereas, Mike Masaoka, of Washington, D.C., a former member of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team of the United States Army and a former legislative representative of the Japanese American Citizens League, effectively worked for Hawaiian Statehood, both in the halls of Congress and elsewhere; now, therefore,

"Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the Thirtieth Legislature of the Territory of Hawaii that it convey, in behalf of the people of Hawaii, its deepest appreciation and heartfelt gratitude to Mike Masaoka for the major role which he played in obtaining Statehood for Hawaii."

SAN FRANCISCO CHAPTER REPORTS 1,188 MEMBERS

SAN FRANCISCO. — Commanding a big lead in the tri-city membership derby, San Francisco JACL Newsletter last week reported 1,188. It had announced a goal of 1,200 for 1959.

Chicago and Southwest L.A. JACL chapters trail in the ICBM trophy race, which is slated to conclude June 30.

Tacoma 'Y' worker quits for San Diego

TACOMA. — Ernest Uno, youth secretary for the Tacoma YMCA last week announced his resignation from the post he has held three years to accept a secretarial position with the San Diego, Calif., YMCA Southeast branch.

Uno will begin work in San Diego June 1. In Tacoma Uno has been responsible for the Community Youth program which includes Y-Indian Guides, Gra-Y, Hi-Y, Tri-Hi-Y and Day Camp.

He has been active in community affairs, serving on the Urban Renewal Subcommittee, Advisory Council Against Discrimination, Tacoma's Sister City program committee and Puyallup Valley JACL.

The youth leader served as president of the Optimist Club the past year. He has been a member of the board of deacons, Pilgrim Congregational Church, and was a Sunday School teacher.

He has served on the Christian Education Committee. At San Diego, Uno will be responsible for a Y program in a large multi-racial suburban community. A graduate of Whittier College, Calif., he served with Y's in Honolulu and Ventura, Calif., prior to coming to Tacoma.

DEPENDENCE ON RACIAL BLOC VOTING IN HAWAII UNREALISTIC—TSUKIYAMA

HONOLULU. — Sen. Wilfred C. Tsukiyama, a Republican candidate for the U.S. Senate, says no candidate for political office in Hawaii can hope to get elected with the support on any one racial group.

Tsukiyama made the remarks in a recent talk before the World Brotherhood Education Commission here.

Tsukiyama said of 33 Democrats in the Territorial House, 16 are of Japanese ancestry. Yet the speaker is of Portuguese extraction and other offices are distributed among the various racial groups. In the Senate, there are 12 members of Japanese ancestry out of 16 Democrats but the president of the Senate is of Chinese ancestry.

Art Ito floral head piece places third

A spectacular headdress depicting the famous balloon in Michael Todd's "Around the World in 80 Days", designed by Art Ito, of Hollywood JACL, was awarded the "most authentic" honors at the 21st annual Las Floristas Ball last week at Beverly Hilton.

Worn by Mrs. William H. McGee, the 17-pound floral headpiece was the creation entered by Flower View Gardens, featuring carnation petals in hues of pink and rose, stephanotis and vanda orchids.

The award is considered the third-best.

It was the first time a Nisei florist entered the fabulous parade of headpieces made with flowers.

Private bill to admit Japanese refugees passes

WASHINGTON. — Rep. John J. McFall of Stockton, Calif., has been successful in passing a bill for Makoto Yabusaki to enter the United States to care for his children, who had arrived under the Refugee Relief Act of 1953. The bill is now pending in the Senate, it was learned this week.

The children were without parental care when their mother, Mrs. Oume Yabusaki, was killed in an auto accident on July 23, 1958. Her husband, who was ill at the time, was denied a visa when the rest of his family was allowed admittance.

Ballet dancer

PORTLAND. — Loen Azumano, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Azumano, appeared as one of the gypsy dancers in the local presentation of the opera Mignon last week.

CALENDAR

- May 9 (Saturday)
 - East Los Angeles—Emerald Ball, Old Dixie, 9 p.m.
 - Detroit—Japanese movies, International Institute.
 - Chicago—Hobo's "K"night Out, Ann's Hall, 932 W. Sheridan Rd., 8 p.m.
- May 10 (Sunday)
 - Philadelphia—Cabinet meeting.
 - Stockton—Community picnic, Mickel Grove, 10 a.m.
- May 14 (Thursday)
 - Detroit—Cabinet meeting, International Institute, 8 p.m.
- May 15 (Friday)
 - Hollywood—Film: "Go for Broke!", Dayton Hts. School, 697 N. Westmoreland, 7:30 p.m.
- May 16 (Saturday)
 - Portland — Get-Acquainted Party, Chamber of Commerce.
 - Eden Township—General meeting.
 - Long Beach—Issei Parents Night, Harbor Comm. Ctr., 7:30 p.m.
 - San Fernando — Dinner meeting, Bill Storey's; Dr. Steve Abe, spkr.
- May 17 (Sunday)
 - NC-WNDC—Spring Quarterly session, Leamington Hotel, Oakland; Jr. J.A. CL rally, 10 a.m.
- May 19 (Tuesday)
 - San Francisco — Auxiliary meeting, Church of Christ, 8 p.m.; Japanese etiquette, table setting.
- May 23 (Saturday)
 - Detroit—Spring Dance, Veteran Memorial Bldg., 9 p.m.
- May 24 (Sunday)
 - Salinas Valley — Yamato Cemetery clean-up.
 - San Francisco—JACL Olympics, Kezar Stadium.
- May 28 (Thursday)
 - Salinas Valley — Benefit movie.
- May 30 (Saturday)
 - Sonoma County—Memorial Service.
 - Gardena Valley—Benefit dance, Elk's Lodge.
- May 31 (Sunday)
 - Los Angeles—Nisei Relays, Rancho Cienega.
- June 6 (Saturday)
 - Detroit—Teen Club bowling.
- June 5-7
 - San Francisco—Nat'l JACL Board and Staff meeting.
- June 7 (Sunday)
 - Yellowstone—Community picnic, Rexburg.
- June 11 (Thursday)
 - Detroit—Executive meeting, International Institute, 8 p.m.