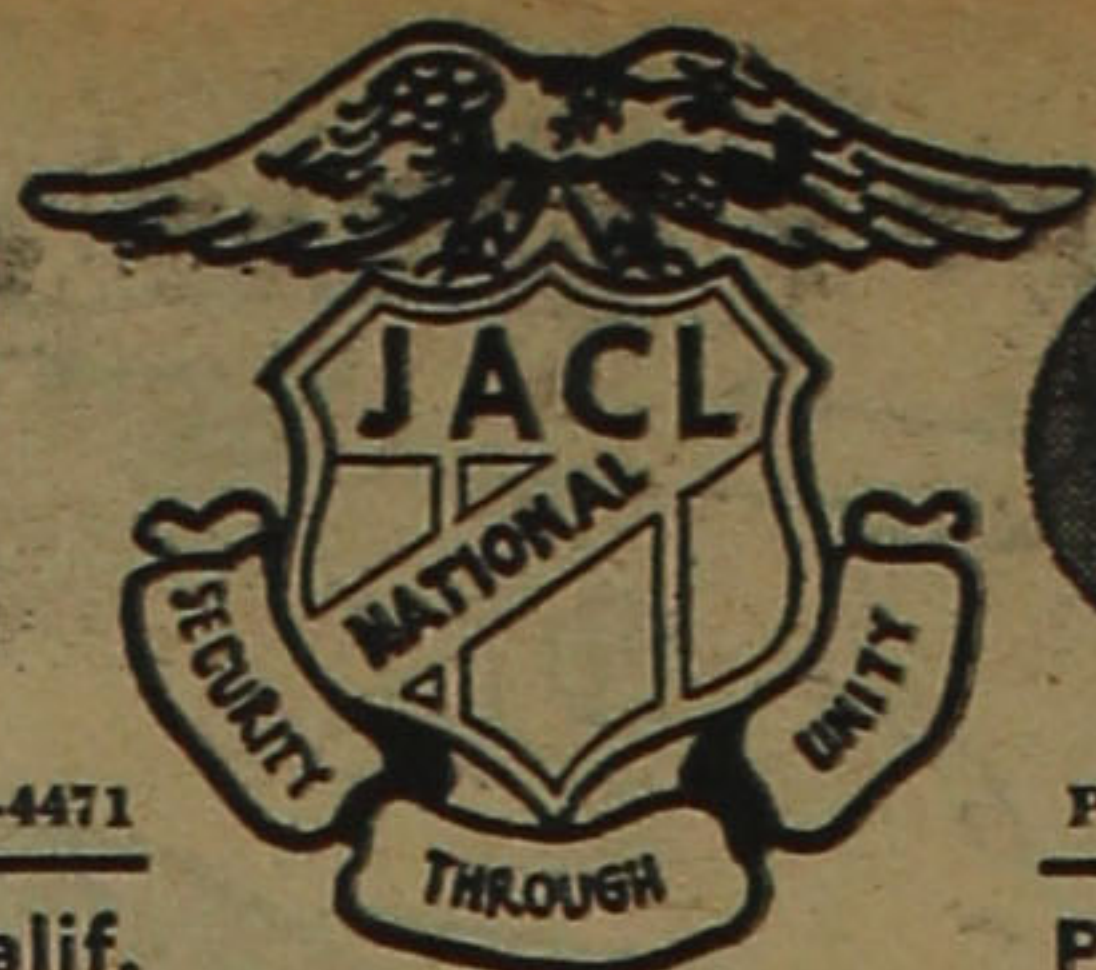


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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER:

### Vitality of JACL's program for youth

Colorful events of the 15th Biennial National JACL Convention are now history. Nevertheless, the 15th will be a "living" convention for JACLers for years to come, simply because of vital issues which were brought to focus.

In my mind, there were three around which the broad outlines of a dynamic JACL program begin to take shape in a new era. Listing them in order of their immediate importance, they are:

(1) JACL youth program; (2) Symbolism: PC with Membership; and (3) International Relations.

Each is forcefully alive with the promise of future development, of opportunities for service, and each, of course, is related to the basic purpose of our organization.

It is an axiomatic saying that our most precious wealth is our young people, be it applied to the family, the community or the nation. Thus, the varied aspects of the JACL youth program as presented before the delegates should strike home and evoke a response in every Nisei family concerned with education and guidance of its young.

For each local chapter, the opportunities to construct a worthwhile, long-lasting program are as many as there are problems and needs, although the emphasis on which will differ from community to community. They rank from checking incipient juvenile delinquency in our larger cities to that of a simple social need of Sansei in isolated communities to meet others of their kind. Between these extremes are a host of activities which the chapter may sponsor for our youth. I trust that every chapter has in hand a copy of the excellent Preliminary Report and Manual, produced by the National Committee on Youth, of which Mrs. Sue Joe of Long Beach, Calif., is the chairman.

It is a challenge for those chapters, not already engaged in this work, to assay their situation, marshall their force-

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## Housing bias hits Minnesota Nisei, but public reaction comes to rescue

MINNEAPOLIS. — The use of neighborhood pressure and anonymous telephone calls by Minneapolis residents seeking to keep a Nisei family out of their residential areas was deplored by a Minneapolis minister last week.

The Rev. Paul Goodwin of the Temple Baptist Church referred to difficulties encountered by Ronald and Isao E. Oshima, two brothers attempting to buy homes at 6132 S. Vincent Ave. and at 5745 S. Newton Ave., respectively. Both live with their mother and another brother, Don, at 2932 W. 4th Ave.

"By this and similar acts of discrimination against Indian and Negro residents, some Minneapolis citizens may unwittingly contribute to the tensions and forces which threaten our existence as a free people—perhaps our existence, period," the Rev. Goodwin said.

East Isao Oshima, who has lived in Minneapolis for 15 years, had to cancel a purchase agreement Aug. 25 for the Newton Avenue home because agitation by some of his prospective neighbors convinced him it would be "inadvis-

able" to go through with it.

### Agreement Signed

A buyer for Thermo King Corp., Oshima said he had found exactly the kind of home he needed with the help of Spring Co., a realty firm. The owner of the Newton Avenue home, J.M. Fisher, Jr., who is moving out of state, was willing to sell to a Nisei. A purchase agreement was signed Aug. 19 and Oshima paid the earnest money.

The following day, both Oshima and Fisher said it became known in the neighborhood that a Nisei was buying the home. Opposition arose, led principally by three neighbors, the two men said, and identified as George Adam, 5741 S. Newton Ave., assistant cashier of Northwestern National Bank; K.W. Bacon, 5729 S. Newton Ave., a painting contractor; and Bruce W. Lindberg, 5709 S. Newton Ave., a detective on the Minneapolis police force.

According to Fisher, principal spokesman was Adam who said he had fought the Japanese during the war and was not going to tolerate one next door now. Mrs. Adam "practically became hysterical", Fisher said, adding that Adam, who had been a good neighbor for nine years, stopped talking to him.

Lindberg, too, stopped talking to him, Fisher said. He added that Lindberg also expressed to others opposition to having Nisei living nearby.

### Mayor's Commission Acts

Mrs. Eugene Gould, chairman of the Mayor's Commission on Human Relations, sought help of E.I. Walling, detective inspector, who had a talk with Lindberg.

After this conversation, Walling said "I don't feel" Lindberg made the statements attributed to him. He said Lindberg conceded that privately he objected to Nisei moving in the block but realized that as a member of the police force he could not speak up publicly.

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BY HENRY MAKINO  
(Special to Pacific Citizen)

MINNEAPOLIS. — Neighborhood pressure (and actually, only a few neighbors were involved) to prevent a Nisei family from moving into their new home was quickly alleviated after the public was informed.

The Oshima family will be moving soon to 6132 S. Vincent Ave., a home which had stirred objections. The present delay involves the normal procedure of escrow.

Mrs. Eugene Gould, chairman of the Mayor's Commission on Human Relations, brought the incident of housing discrimination to public attention after East Isao Oshima cancelled a purchase agreement for a house at 5745 S. Newton Ave. Reason for its cancellation was that the principal objector lived next door.

The Twin Cities United Citizens League (JACL) offered its services to the Oshima family and to Mrs. Gould. Chapter president Tom Ohno has been following the case.

Wilfred Leland, executive director of the Minnesota State Fair Employment Practices Commission, worked with Mrs. Gould and assured Oshima that state and city government supported the right of individuals to equal opportunity to secure housing without discrimination because of race, creed or national origin.

The incident received excellent TV and radio coverage. Contrary to what some neighbors had said earlier, a group of other neighbors contacted WCCO-TV and reporters assuring that the presence of a Nisei family in their neighborhood did not decrease property value.

An excellent editorial appeared in the Minneapolis Morning Tribune entitled "Apologies to Little Rock" and letters to the editor have been favorable to the Nisei.

Mrs. Gould should be commended for her courage in presenting all the facts to the press.

## Mourn death of JACL wartime defender

(JACL News Service)

WASHINGTON. — Rep. Herman P. Eberharter (D., Pa.), 66, died of a stroke early Tuesday morning after serving 22 consecutive years in Congress. A ranking member of the influential Ways and Means Committee, he was considered one of the leading liberals and one of the sharpest debaters in the House.

As far as Americans of Japanese ancestry are concerned, according to Mike Masaoka, Washington representative of the Japanese American Citizens League, Congressman Eberharter is best remembered as the only member of the wartime Dies Un-American Activities Committee who dissented against charges that Issei and Nisei were disloyal to the United States and should be placed in detention centers.

As a member of a three-man Costello subcommittee of the Un-American Activities Committee that conducted public hearings in the summer of 1943 on charges that the JACL was dictating War Relocation Authority policies, he vigorously defended JACL's role as spokesman for Americans of Japanese ancestry in this country.

Among witnesses at those hearings were Pmts. Mike Masaoka and Tooru Kanazawa who represented JACL in Washington prior to their volunteering for and induction into the 442nd Regimental Combat Team earlier in the year.

### Ardent JACL Supporter

Following the war, he was a leading advocate of corrective and remedial legislation for Americans of Japanese ancestry and one of JACL's most ardent supporters. "In the untimely passing of Congressman Eberharter, Americans of Japanese ancestry have lost a truly great friend who was one of the few who even during the early days of World War II was courageous enough to speak out against the hate and prejudice of the times.

"When JACL faced its darkest hours and might well have been destroyed as the effective and recognized spokesman for Americans of Japanese ancestry by the then witch-hunting Dies Committee, he stood almost alone in defending the rights of the loyalties of the Nisei and JACL.

### Tremendous Loss

"His death removes another great liberal from the congressional scene at a time when this Nation and the Free World can ill afford such a tremendous loss.

"Americans of Japanese ancestry everywhere join in mourning the passing of Congressman Eberharter, an American who believed in and practiced American ideals, and traditions when too many had

no faith or found it expedient to ignore them," Masaoka, a personal friend, declared in eulogy of the Pittsburgh Catholic who first came to Congress in 1935.

## YAMAKAWA RETURNS FROM TOUR OF SOVIET RUSSIA

SAN FRANCISCO. — David Yamakawa, Jr., who has been visiting Soviet Russia and Europe this past summer as a member of a party of 40 American college students, has returned. He was due in New York last Monday, according to his father here.

The recent Univ. of California graduate was expected to visit several days in New York before returning home.

## VENICE JACLER ATTENDS AIR PATROL WORKSHOP

VENICE. — Frances Kitagawa, active JACler here, attended a five-week aviation workshop in Hawaii for teachers conducted by the Civil Air Patrol, U.S. Air Force and the Univ. of Hawaii this past summer. She attended on a Revell scholarship.

BY ELMER OGAWA  
(Special to Pacific Citizen)

SEATTLE. — It has been said at one time that 60 percent of Seattle's population was Scandinavian. It is hard to believe when one looks through the phone book or scans the names on public school enrollment.

Lumber, fish, the climate, and the importance of the sea brought many from the old country directly to these shores.

Add to this the sizeable population of Danes and Finns—the Germans who did so much to build up early day Seattle, the Italian colony near our neighborhood, the French in the middle of the city, the Hollanders up north, the folks from the highlands and lowlands of Scotland in West Seattle, the White Russians who came in ever increasing numbers just after World War I.

Historians have pointed out that the diverse national groups of Seattle were noticeably drawn closer together and the barriers of nationality were diminished during War I, in that time of great hysteria and emphasis on unified effort.

### Northwest Traits

As it was so then, the crucibles of two more wars contributed to mold the character of the North-

west, for if it can be said that there is a typical specimen, he is a friendly, tolerant, compassionate and neighborly individual on the average. Tourists by the hundreds have so remarked.

From the viewpoint of one who has spent a number of years traveling in the East, Midwest and South, would say that there is a marked difference in the Seattleites regard for people of other races.

Last week, columns and columns of the newspapers were filled with stories of race riots and segregation troubles in England, Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee, Arkansas, Illinois, and New York.

### Seattle's Headline

Then in Seattle papers, you read how students of Cleveland High School here, gathered at the airport to await an incoming plane with large banner, "Welcome, Hiroko, to Cleveland High."

Hiroko Kikuchi, 16, from Kobe, Seattle's sister city, would normally be starting her junior year in the Konan Girl's School, there, but a local project centering around Cleveland High School helped her to realize the dream of her life. Although the American Friends Service Committee and the Cleveland PTA participat-

## NO SCHOOL INTEGRATION PROBLEM IN NORTHWEST, SEATTLEITES WELCOME HIROKO FROM KOBE, JAPAN

ed, it was the student body which did the most to bring Hiroko here.

Through 50-cent donations from the student body last June and car washings and candy sales during the summer, her trip to the United States was financed.

### Greeting a Newcomer

So Seattle papers are not plagued with the job of sending reporters and photographers to cover race riots or segregation incidents. Theirs was the job to picture classmates greeting a newcomer of another race from across the ocean who had studied English for six years and was so very anxious to make the most of a chance to study in an American school.

In this specific melting pot that is Seattle, perhaps it is our schools that taught the humanities a little better than in other parts of the land, or perhaps, it was the way the ingredients were mixed—all at once—in this vigorous young country, to kindle a light, when there is so much darkness.

## Placer Jr. JACL

NEWCASTLE. — The Placer Jr. JACL sponsored its inaugural dinner and dance, last Saturday, Sept. 6, at Parisi's.



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**From the Frying Pan**

By Bill Hosokawa

Denver, Colo.

**MILESTONES**—A few days ago, Mike, our first-born, went off to college. A few days hence, I will be off on an overseas assignment. These are milestones that seem to call for comment.

The last time I went abroad was in 1950. The cold war in Korea had suddenly flared into a shooting fracas, a war that needed covering. And so I went, leaving Mike as the man of the family. He was an earnest youngster then, not quite 10 years old, suddenly aware of his responsibility. There wasn't much he could do, but he was ready if he should be called on.

This time, although the Far East is tense with foreboding, the shooting war is confined to a cluster of islands in the Formosa straits. Chances are I won't even hear the sound of gunfire, and by the time I get back the Communist masterminds will have picked another locale for their endless game of maneuver and counter-maneuver designed to keep our nerves on edge.

And this time, it was Mike who left home first on the biggest adventure of his life. His is going to school at a small four-year institution called Adams State College. A lot of Colorodans have never heard of it. It is in Alamosa (Dogpatch, U.S.A., according to his little brother) in the south-central part of the state, a five-hour drive from Denver, just far enough to be interesting and close enough to be convenient.

**WHY COLLEGE?**—As of the moment of Mike's departure, it was plentifully evident that football figured much more prominently in Mike's plans than anything so prosaic as a college education. He didn't crack a book all summer, but he worked diligently at wind sprints, rope jumping, pushups and all the rest of the strenuous exercises calculated to prepare him for football practice. He hopes conditioning and desire will help him overcome the handicap of insufficient size—165 lbs. is woefully small by college football standards—which is an inescapable part of his heritage.

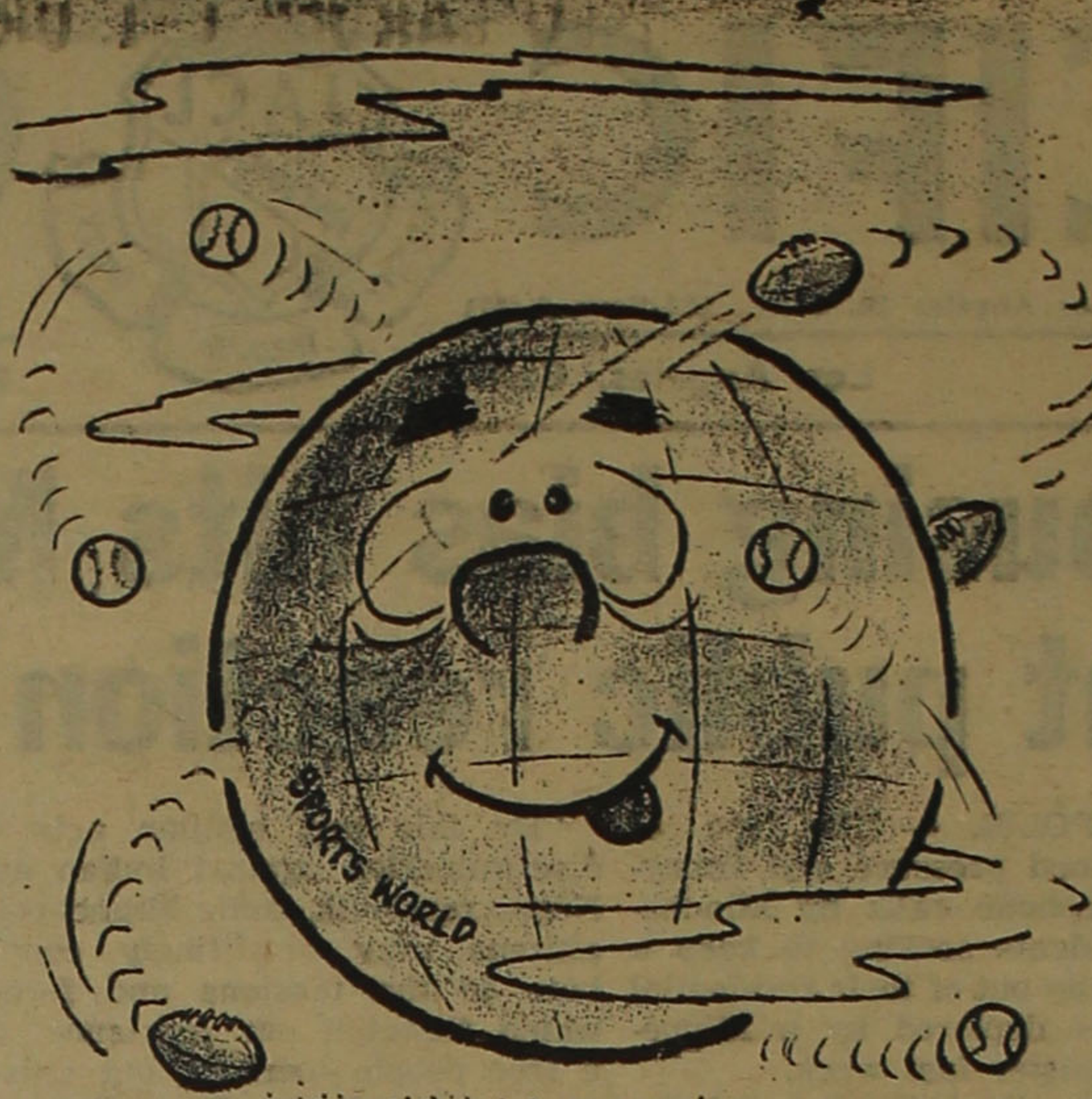
Yet the importance of getting a book-type education has been impressed plentifully upon him. Long after he has ceased to relish participating in physical contact sports, there will be the necessity of earning a living.

**QUIET AT HOME**—This isn't the first time Mike has left home. Last summer he and three other chums were up in Wyoming providing the power behind some long-handled shovels. For this, they received room and board and \$50 a week, plus some experience which taught them that physical labor isn't the world's best way to make a living. Even though he was more than 300 miles away, he managed to get home every couple of weeks to fill up on home cooking.

This time his duties will prevent him from getting home so often. And even now the house is inordinately quiet from having one-fourth of its younger population gone. We'll have to get accustomed to having only three of our offspring underfoot instead of four.

**CHANGING TIMES** — As for the assignment that takes me to distant places, I am looking forward to getting a look at the changes eight years have wrought. Japan in 1950 was just barely on its feet after the cataclysm of war. Korea was a battleground. Enormous changes have taken place in both these nations in eight years.

We hope, too, to fly off to other lands of the Orient for quick glimpses. Armed with a U.S. passport and a typewriter, we take off shortly from San Francisco by air. First stop, Tokyo. We'll be reporting in this space on the things we see and the people we meet.

**Annual Seasonal Satellites****Santa Barbara Sansei favors U.S.-Russia exchange in cultural, athletic goodwill**

SANTA BARBARA.—Local youths favor cultural and athletic exchanges between the United States and Russia.

Linda Uyesaka, 17, feels that "Russia and the U.S. use so much propaganda against one another, it is hard for one to get a true picture of how the other really is."

"We have mutual likes now, music and fine arts, for instance. And with these understandings, the two countries may some day be accepting the differences," she opined.

Linda is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Caesar Uyesaka, 1236 De la Guerra. Another 17-year-old lass and a 15-year-old youth expressed similar viewpoints.

**Likes to Visit Russia**

The three would also jump at the chance to go to Russia as a member of a cultural or athletic group.

"You could see how the Russian people really live. There is actually very little Communism in the country, from what I've read, but the people must work hard to please their government," another commented.

"The cultural groups have done much more in promoting goodwill

than, perhaps, the governments," Linda said.

"I'd be interested in discovering what the teens of Russia enjoy doing," the boy declared.

With the United States now participating in an exchange of students with other nations, the youths are quite enthusiastic about such a program with the USSR.

(David Yamakawa, Jr., winner of the Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka scholarship, was among students touring Soviet Russia this past summer.)

**Gen. Twining's Nisei orderly escapes death**

ARLINGTON, Va. — A passenger on the plane piloted by Air Force Capt. Richard M. Twining, Sgt. Fukio Yokoyama narrowly escaped death this past week. The private plane cracked up on take-off.

Sgt. Yokoyama, orderly for Gen. Nathan F. Twining, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and father of the captain, had gone to Arlington airport with the general.

He had expressed a desire to take a ride in the craft which Capt. Twining had just bought.

Moments after the take-off, the plane seemed to lose power. It clipped a treetop, spun around and crashed into a tractor-trailer parked near the runway.

The two men were taken to the Ft. Belvoir Army Hospital, where Capt. Twining was given 15 stitches for a scalp laceration and 10 for a cut near the left eye.

Yokoyama was treated for minor cuts and bruises.

**PC Letter Box****JACLER OF BIENNium**

Editor:—A bad precedent was set two years ago when two people were selected as co-winners of the JACLer of the Biennium award. This minimizes the significance of the award and may have been the reason so very few people were nominated for this award as compared to the great number nominated for the Nisei of the Biennium.

The National Board erred again in selected two winners this year although the winners are to be congratulated.

In order to stimulate more interest in this award, may I suggest that in the next biennium, each district council select one JACLer of the Biennium to represent his district council and to compete as one of the finalists. This would be a honor in itself. The National Board would bestow the award to only ONE selection from this group. (I am speaking of JACLer of the Biennium, not Nisei of the Biennium. There seems to be so much confusion between these two awards.)

IRA SHIMASAKI

EDC Recognitions

Committee Chairman

Bethesda, Md.

**AT&T FOLLOW-UP**

Editor:—"Boy" would like to meet girl with 10 shares of A.T.&T. even though shares are worth but a paltry 183.

We erred in not specifying that Sono Hoshi's \$3,500 equity on 10 shares includes dividends accumulated while the shares were in cold storage. Her attorney Philip J. Weiss estimates that the 35 C's will be in round figures, the amount of the settlement.

ELMER OGAWA

Seattle.

**CREDIT CORRECTIONS**

Editor:—Under the article of "JACL Hymn Rendition Enhanced by Color Film," credit of photography is given to Howell Ujifusa. Actually, they were taken by none other than our convention chairman Rupert Hachiya and his assistant, Ichiro Doi, along with general arrangements chairman George Yoshimoto and banquet chairman Sue Kaneko.

Mrs. Kaneko revealed at a post-convention board meeting last week that many of the young members have asked if they could continue with choir practice and as the JACL and not just a group of singers. So, we are hoping that this might be a new venture for the Salt Lake JACL youth project.

And one more: the comment in the "Fordnik" story about Henry Kasai who acted as toastmaster at the Issei Appreciation dinner is in error. Henry was recognitions luncheon toastmaster. Bishop S. Aoyagi, who taught citizenship classes two years ago, was the Issei Appreciation dinner emcee.

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**CAFE - BAR - CASINO****Stockmen's, Elko, Nev****NISEI AUTHORS BOOK TO AID PUZZLE FANS**

MINNEAPOLIS. — Author of a new book, "Word Guide to Tricky Prize Word Puzzles" is Bernard H. Shimamoto, 6611 Graham Ave., Minneapolis.

Book is alphabetically arranged in 3-letter series. Future publications will be in 4, 5, 6, and 7-letter series. The work is a result of five-years research and compilation by the Honolulu-born writer. He is a graduate of Univ. of South Dakota.

**Japanese class**

A class in Japanese conversation will be presented by Mrs. Jane Watanabe by the Gardena Adult School, 1301 W. 182nd St., on Wednesdays, 6:30-9:30 p.m., starting next week. Mrs. Watanabe is a graduate of high school and college in Tokyo.

**NISEI APPOINTED NAT'L FIRM REPRESENTATIVE**

ONTARIO, Ore. — Yamato L. Sugahiro, formerly in the drug store business here, of Fruitland, Idaho, was appointed representative of Waddell & Reed, Inc., national distributor of United Funds, Inc. He is a graduate of the Univ. of Portland.





## Vagaries

By Larry S. Tajiri

### Nisei Cinematographer Fujihira

Toge Fujihira, whose motion picture camera has taken him to the far places of the world—the African Gold Coast, the Brazilian north and lush Ceylon—is not going to be as footloose in the future.

Toge dropped into Denver the other day, on his way back to Long Island after attending the JACL convention in Salt Lake City. He severed his connections with the Burbank, Calif., outfit which shipped him to the offbeat places, and he'll freelance for a while, thus hoping to stay closer to home.

Most of Toge's assignments in recent years have been outside the United States—in the Carribean, the Philippines, Japan and India. His top job was that of head cameraman on the Universal-International production, "Mark of the Hawk," which was a joint American-British-Nigerian production. Toge was in charge of the location footage, in which Eartha Kitt, Sidney Poitier and Juano Hernandez, three of America's outstanding performers of Negro descent, were starred. But when the company moved to England for the interior scenes in London, another head cameraman was hired. The reason was that Toge, an American, was not a member of the British cameramen's union.

Toge, a native of Seattle, first started fooling with a movie camera back in New York City before Pearl Harbor. He made several one-reelers in those days, including a rendition of Chekhov's "The Boor," with a Nisei cast.

During the war Toge started touring, making films for church groups, particularly among the American Indians. Later he and the late Alan Shilin turned out a series of pictures on U.S. Indian tribes for Old Gold, and these films were widely shown during the early days of television. In all, Toge has made "more than a hundred" short films, several of which have won awards in the 16 mm. field.

Currently, along with his freelance work, Toge has several projects in mind. One is a feature-length film with a Brazilian background.

### THE SERISAWA BROTHERS

Speaking of Nisei films, and the first one of all, "Nisei Parade," was made by Sueo and Ikuo Serisawa in Los Angeles and environs in 1933 and 1934. Sueo was a painter then, and he is today an artist of national reputation. Sueo is, in fact, among a vanguard of American painters who have developed new areas of expression with brush and pigment. Ikuo, meanwhile, has pursued his separate career of photographer with considerable distinction.

Sueo, incidentally, has a painting class at his West Los Angeles studio for which there is usually a long waiting list. Among his students have been such movie personalities as Claire Trevor, Edward G. Robinson and Tony Curtis.

Last Friday night, in Hollywood, we had some of George Furuta's teriyaki and sashimi at his Imperial Gardens on the Sunset Strip. The decor of this restaurant is reminiscent of a temple garden in Kyoto where we had lunch a long, long time ago. The interior was designed by Sueo Serisawa and Ken Adachi and even the woods, a Japanese form of cedar, were imported. Besides the main dining area, which is built around a Japanese garden, the Imperial Gardens has a number of private rooms in which the guests remove their shoes and sit on the tatami.

Incidentally, the Serisawa brothers haven't stopped making films. Their short subject, "Bunka," a color film on Japanese art, won an award two years ago at the Golden Reel festival—the Academy Awards of the 16 mm. art—in Cleveland. Prints of "Bunka" have been purchased by a number of art museums and have been added to their permanent collections. The Serisawas will embark shortly on another film which will use both live dancers and puppets.



## VERY TRULY YOURS

By Harry K. Honda

### Housing Discrimination

THREE MORE NEWSPAPER clippings have been added to our somewhat bulging file under "Discrimination—Home Buying" this past week. The story is the major item in this week's PC extracted from the Minneapolis Morning Tribune. The first incident of Isao Oshima not being able to buy a home of his choice was front-paged Aug. 26 in the Tribune and with headlines too bold to miss . . . We are indebted to a thoughtful reader for calling our attention to this story.

Under most circumstances, if both seller and buyer agree on terms and the sale is initiated in spite of neighborhood feelings, I'm sure our JACL legal counsel Frank Chuman would recommend the Nisei family move in, for in the long run the neighbors would find their original apprehensions unfounded and improve race relations in general . . . But in this instance, Oshima was more concerned about his mother who would be at home throughout the day. He cancelled a contract to buy because he didn't want her exposed to people who plainly didn't want a Japanese American family in the neighborhood.

Isao's brother, Ronald, also found a suitable home but was subjected to anonymous telephone calls advising (some were threatening) him not to go through with it. The seller was even pressured by the neighborhood against it.

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## NISEI IN CANADA IN UNIQUE ROLE TO CONTRIBUTE TO LARGER CULTURAL PATTERN OF THEIR COUNTRY

(From time to time, the Pacific Citizen has published reports on the Nisei in Canada. We personally feel the following article by George Tanaka, who has attended several JACL conferences in the Midwest, best describes the pulse of Nisei activity today across our northern border.)

BY GEORGE TANAKA

Having been born in 1912, I believe I am one who can claim to be a member of the older Nisei group. My memories of pre-evacuation days in British Columbia are quite vivid. It is not difficult to recall the experiences of the grim Thirties, or such encounters as when an Occidental might speak to me in the idiomatic name-calling of "Charlie", or the time, as a teenager returning home to Vancouver from the Okanagan summer apple-thinning job, I discovered with a slow burning shock that I was not socially acceptable to sit at the Captain's table which was the only table set for lunch until my coming aboard the Okanagan lake ship sailing between Vernon and Kelowna.

And also, like all Japanese Canadians who experienced the evacuation from British Columbia, I learned to appreciate the meaning of personal freedom. I shall never forget the day of November 12, 1942, when I first arrived in Toronto unhampered by constant RCMP surveillance.

### Time of Responsibility

Although I am an introvert by nature, I became a somewhat extrovert as a public officer of the National JCCA. It was a time when my work, income and personality were open to public knowledge. It was a time of great privilege and responsibility, representing the Japanese Canadian people before Provincial and Federal Governments, a Senate Committee and various groups throughout Canada. It was also a wonderful time when the Japanese Canadian people, through the instrument of the JCCA possessed initiative and courage to make the precepts of citizenship come to life.

When I terminated active office in the National JCCA in 1953, I became quite oblivious to the activities of the JCCA, being too preoccupied with the work of establishing my present professional practice. During this period it would have been difficult for me to explain the question of the continuing need for an active JCCA beyond restating the JCCA's avowed principles of finest human endeavour.

Last year by the work of a number of former active members of the National JCCA, the National Headquarters of the JCCA was established in Toronto. Frankly, we found the state of disorganization of the JCCA was no less a problem than its obvious vacuum of project activities. It is my view that the JCCA is a nation-wide functioning body. It can never be

### 'CANADIAN ARCHITECT' FEATURES PROPOSED JAPANESE COMM. CENTRE

TORONTO. — Architect Raymond Moriyama's model and drawings of the proposed Japanese Canadian Centre found its way into four glossy pages in the July issue of the highly regarded professional magazine, "Canadian Architect."

Pressed with deadline limitations, the magazine favored the inclusion of the \$400,000 Centre model in its issue by scrapping four of its already made-up pages—a definite indication of critical approval and enthusiasm.

Since the magazine is almost "wholly a prestige magazine", as Centre chairman Bob Kadoguchi explained, the Centre has been viewed by a majority of architects in Canada and those associated with the profession.

Kadoguchi added: "The fact that persons closely associated with architecture have shown more than a normal degree of interest in our model is a healthy sign of the esteem which our Centre commands."

a strictly local functioning body. It is a manifestation of the unity of feeling of the Japanese Canadian people toward their pride of Canadianism and their ancestry. It is also a lesson of people working together in co-operative harmony both within and without the Japanese Canadian group. The National JCCA is a tenuous operational body with seldom more than a small group of working executives in each Provincial and local chapter. Yet we found even this small group of executives had dwindled away in some parts of Canada, notably in the Alberta and Ontario Provincial chapters and some local chapters.

### New Phase

As a Nisei and a Canadian, I live to work, seeking the work which is worthwhile. And it is worthwhile to ask both the younger and older Nisei to support the work of the JCCA. Particularly, it is worthwhile to ask of the former senior executives of the JCCA to help operate their respective Provincial and local chapters.

It is my belief that the Nisei have come to a new phase in their lifetime activity in which the JCCA can play an important part. It can be a period of mature creativity.

In the past, the Nisei have laid claim to the great culture of their ancestry through kinship with their parents who have a valid claim to this culture as they had been born and raised in Japan. But the Nisei without their parental kinship have no valid claim to this cultural background. The Nisei can realize the present opportunity to work, both by individual and group participation, through study and practice, by amateur and professional effort, to produce a unique cultural contribution to the larger pattern of Canadian cultural life. Much of this cultural contribution can be distinct and original creative interpretation which is both of contemporary and Japanese background. The Nisei, to some degree, do possess a latent instinct and intuitive feeling toward their Japanese cultural background.

### Four Projects

The National JCCA, as an Executive Committee, has truly worked at topmost capacity during this thus far tenure of office on four important projects. They are the sub-committee on Immigration; the sub-committee on the History of Japanese Canadians; the sub-committee on the Study of the Basis of Japanese Culture and the sub-committee on Organization of the JCCA. The work of all of these sub-committees is of direct concern to the Nisei. It is my opinion the Nisei are deeply indebted to these sub-committees for the work they are doing. No doubt there will be other projects also of concern to the Nisei.

The question of immigration may some day become a National JCCA question of policy when the matter is taken beyond the concern of the excluded relatives in Japan of Japanese Canadian families and become a question of the problems of world population.

### The Past Life

The project of writing a history of the Japanese Canadians is a very great responsibility, the extent of which is greater than a mere caretaker historian's. The history shall record the past life of Japanese Canadians, in all its facets, to be used by present and future generations as a character builder and a stepping stone for future projections of creative work. For to know one's past is to better understand one's present and affirm a greater faith in one's future.

We have already achieved the commendable writing of the B.C. History of Japanese Canadians in which will carry us a considerable

direction toward the writing of the larger history of Japanese Canadians.

In this respect, the success of the History Contest is an important matter of concern to Japanese Canadians, both Issei and Nisei, who should consider it their responsibility to send in entries of some of their personal experiences regardless of the contest motive.

### Work on Culture

The work of the sub committee on the study of the basis of Japanese culture is of far reaching importance to the Nisei and the Sansei. The National JCCA is aware that the subject of Japanese culture means many things to many people. To most Occidentals, Japanese culture is considered to be the various Japanese arts. Only the few Occidental students of Japan and the Far East understand that the historic cultures of Japan stem from its religions, particularly from Zen Buddhism. It is certain that few Nisei have an understanding of this subject. Yet the Nisei are called upon to explain to their fellow Occidental Canadians some aspect of Japanese arts and culture.

The National JCCA is thus undertaking a sincere yet unpretentious study on the subject of the basis of Japanese culture with the object to produce reports and a final booklet for Japanese Canadians.

In a manner, this project is an anticipation of both present and future needs of the Nisei and Sansei. For example, when the proposed Japanese Canadian Centre in Toronto is built, the structure will be a magnificent one that can only help to inspire Japanese Canadians to study and carry out their best efforts particularly in the practice of Japanese cultural arts. At such a time the Nisei and Sansei must have some real understanding of what is Japanese culture.

### Deserves Support

The proposed Japanese Canadian Centre in Toronto is a fine architectural example of Japanese Canadian contribution to the larger Canadian cultural pattern. It deserves the fullest interest and financial support of all Japanese Canadians across Canada.

The Nipponia Old Age Home is another example of group participation which brings forth the finest sentiments of a people. The Nipponia Home is of social and architectural interest since it is a pioneer project of its kind in the province of Ontario, bringing the scale of human association closer to family life and away from the undesirable institutional atmosphere. This is another example of a Japanese Canadian cultural contribution to the larger Canadian cultural pattern.

I am happy to say the JCCA has taken an interest in this most worthy project. It is certain the JCCA can consider this Nipponia Old Age Home as a forerunner of similar future projects across Canada in which the JCCA as a nation-wide organization can play an important part.

I am sure the Nisei are awakening to their social responsibilities, for there are responsibilities only the Nisei can accept.

—New Canadian.

### Ex-L.A. Americanization teacher at San Mateo

SAN MATEO. — Mrs. Yuriko Moriwaki will conduct English classes for foreign-language speaking students under the San Mateo Adult School System this coming Term. She will teach two hour classes on Tuesdays, 7:15 p.m., starting Sept. 16 at College Park Jr. High School.

Kibei and Issei are welcome, it was announced. She has taught similar classes for four years in Los Angeles.

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## The National Director's Report

By Masao Satow

San Francisco

This is a summary account of the actions of the National Council in session at the 15th Biennial National Convention in which 160 delegates from 63 chapters participated. Eleven chapters were present by proxy and 10 chapters were absent as reported by National Board Secretary Lily Okura and staff member Fred Takata. Our thanks to able Administrative Assistant Daisy Uyeda for interrupting the transcription of her stenotype notes of the complete proceedings preparatory to publishing the official minutes to make this summary possible.

**OPENING SESSION:** Filed for the official records and distributed to delegates at the opening session were Dr. Roy Nishikawa's National President's report, the biennial reports of the National Director, and the Washington Office by Mike Masaoka; National Treasurer's report prepared by Aki Hayashi, Pacific Citizen by PC Board Chairman George Inagaki, Kenji Tashiro's National 1000 Club account, Chairman Ira Shimasaki's report for the Arlington National Cemetery Committee, the work of the Committee Against Defamation reported by Tom Hayashi, and a resume of the Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims by Dr. Roy Nishikawa.

The National Treasurer's report indicated a total income in 1956 of \$77,803.94 as against expenditures of \$73,608.03; in 1957 \$79,633.11 income with expenditures of \$77,380.06; and for 1958 through June 30 \$49,781.25 brought in and \$36,924.13 expended. The National JACL Reserve Fund stands at \$15,798.81, and the National JACL Endowment Trust totals \$165,000.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:** We are especially indebted to an exceptionally able group of chairmen who helped to make the Convention meaningful for delegates through their fine conduct of the various National Committee meetings. These include Kumeo Yoshinari, pinch hitting for our National Treasurer Aki Hayashi on Budget and Finance; Sue Joe on the Youth Program with a goodly number of youth participating, Harold Gordon on Legislative-Legal, in the provocative U.S.-Japan relations; Jerry Enomoto guiding Program and Activities down to the chapter level, Shig Wakamatsu and Abe Hagiwara teaming up on Membership and Public Relations, and Harry Takagi keeping National Planning to realistic considerations.

Ell Marutani impressed everyone in the role of Parliamentarian upon short notice, Akiji Yoshimura did a thorough job in chairing the Resolutions Committee with good assist from Richard Henmi and Frank Chuman, while Lefty Miyana was his usual sparkling self as a congenial Sergeant-at-Arms.

**LEGISLATIVE-LEGAL: Evacuation Claims** — To seek to include as timely filed those claims entrusted to responsible agents but inadvertently not filed within stated deadline. To provide for internees and corporations whose eligibility was clarified by the subsequent Hillings amendment . . . **Hawaiian Statehood**—Advocate the expeditious admission of Hawaii as 50th State . . . **Vested Property**—Continue efforts to secure return of sequestered property to persons of Japanese ancestry upon equitable basis as others . . . **Civil Rights**—Request Congress to enact required statutes to assure to all Americans equal protection of the law. JACL to continue active endorsement of meaningful civil and human rights legislation . . . **Litigation**—To join in appropriate test case against prohibition of interracial marriage and cohabitation by the several states. JACL to make token contribution to the work of the NAACP . . . **State and Municipal**—Continue to work for elimination of discrimination in purchase and rental of homes, enactment of fair employment practices legislation, and elimination of remaining alien land laws . . . **Renunciants**—To publicize the administrative procedures provided to regain citizenship . . . **Voting participation**—Chapters to conduct voting registration campaigns, and members urged to participate financially in campaigns of political parties of their choice . . . **U.S.-Japan**—National JACL Committee to be set up to study issues when welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States is directly involved and make recommendation to National Board for action.

**MEMBERSHIP AND PUBLIC RELATIONS: Recognition to members**—National recognition in form of JACL pin to those who give outstanding service at chapter level . . . **Membership campaign**—Subcommittee of National Membership Committee to study membership campaigns and submit recommendations to National Board. Special PC membership drive issue at end of year with cooperation of National Headquarters. National membership material to implement local membership drives . . . **Pacific Citizen**—Council rejected plan of PC with membership, and recommended PC special introductory offer to be held in conjunction with membership drives. PC subscription increased fifty cents . . . **1000 Club**—Increased Life membership to \$500 with previous years of membership to be credited toward Life membership, and twenty years of annual membership to constitute Life membership. 1000 Club members to be so designated by appropriate sticker on regular membership card . . . **Issei Story**—Continue this effort by material from local chapter research . . . **Committee Against Defamation**—To continue its effective efforts toward eliminating use of derogatory term "Jap" in written and spoken language . . . **Plaque to Arlington**—Approved a special plaque dedicated to the Nisei who served in World War II to be placed at Arlington National Cemetery.

**YOUTH PROGRAM:** Chapters urged to establish organized groups to accommodate high school and college age youth, and leadership training to be geared specifically for JACL participation . . . Recommended District Councils establish Youth Work commissions and provide for youth participation at DC meetings and conventions . . . Continue National Oratorical and Essay contests . . . JACL provide annual supplemental scholarships . . . Manual on youth work now in process. Story of JACL to be brought up to date and made available with Youth Manual . . . National Biennial Convention to provide for program and functions for youth and youth be encouraged to attend with special rates provided for them.

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## Complete recording of 15th Biennial being edited, to be available soon

SALT LAKE CITY. — A complete editing job on recordings of speeches delivered during the 15th Biennial National JACL Convention was started over the Labor Day weekend after the convention board spent a day listening to the entire set.

Events covered in the recordings are the (1) Issei appreciation dinner, (2) opening ceremonies, (3) Saturday recognitions luncheon, (4) oratorical contest, and (5) convention banquet.

Jim Dorsey, recording engineer, is now spending his free time at home editing the discs to make them fit within 15 and 30-minute recordings. A complete set will be forwarded later this month to National JACL Headquarters, the Washington Office, and regional offices.

### Inagaki's Address

Contrary to what was reported earlier, the outstanding speech in

Japanese by George Inagaki at the Issei Appreciation dinner has been recorded and will be available to chapters requesting it.

It was revealed that 24 chapters have already made requests for the convention recordings. Several have asked for the complete set—which means that Dorsey and his wife Kimiko will be busy the rest of this month cutting the recordings.

As promised, each oratorical contestant will be presented a copy of his or her speech with the compliments of Dorsey.

The recordings were made on a Grey Audiograph office machine. To playback the set now being prepared, chapters requesting convention recordings have been advised to rent a machine if none of the members have access to one. The recordings will be available at 50 cents per speech post paid.

Orders will be accepted by the Salt Lake JACL, care of Ichiro Doi, chapter president, 6805 So. View Dr., Bountiful, Utah.

## Resolutions of parley outlined

Among the resolutions passed by the 15th Biennial convention were seven expressing the appreciation of the Japanese American Citizens League to the civic dignitaries, "fourth estate", JACL leaders, hosts and convention queen and seven more hailing the following:

1. Establishment of the U. S. Civil Rights Commission.
2. Services and National JACL Board and to President Dr. Roy Nishikawa.
3. Performance of the National JACL Staff headed by Mas Satow.
4. Work of the national JACL committee chairmen.
5. Performance of the Arlington National Cemetery Committee.
6. Services of the Washington JACL Office.
7. Leadership of Ass't. U.S. Attorney General George Doubs and Japanese Claims Section Chief Enoch Ellison, of the Justice Department.

To the youth, whose presence and participation in the 15th Biennial convention mark the Salt Lake meeting as significant, went the final resolution.

Akiji Yoshimura, chairman of the national resolutions committee, presented the report, which was adopted by the national council.

### JACL kankodan?

On the question whether National JACL should sponsor a "kankodan" to Japan in connection with a better understanding of Japanese culture, the national program and activities committee recommended that the project was worthwhile but the JACL-sponsored tour must contain benefits not available in other tours.

## ORCHESTRA SELECTED FOR FASHION SHOW

SAN FRANCISCO. — Al Wallace and his orchestra, whose smooth music has drawn overflow crowds to the Cirque room of Fairmont Hotel, will provide the music for the San Francisco JACL Women's Auxiliary Luncheon-Fashion Show on Saturday, Sept. 20, from 12:30 p.m.

The Fairmont's Venetian room, showcase for the ultimate in distinguished entertainment, will be the setting for this important event.

Participating as models, according to Mrs. Yo Hironaka, are: Mrs. Nancie Araki, Mrs. Nobie Fong, Kuni Hashimoto, Margie Ikenouye, Jean Kitajima, Lily Kuroiwa, Mrs. Muts Lynn, Mrs. Jean Okubo, Gladys Otsuki, Mrs. Chiz Shiro, June Suzuki, June Uyeda, Barbara Watanabe and Mrs. Yuki Yui.

As an added attraction, Judy Nihei and Elizabeth Ann Uno, both 4 years old, are participating as two very special charmers.

This year's fashion show promises to be one of the most lavish ever presented by the Women's Auxiliary. Tickets are available from Kuni Koga, SKYline 2-0577 and also from other Auxiliary members.

## Berkeley JACL benefit slates Japanese movies

BERKELEY. — A Japanese movie night has been scheduled by Berkeley JACL for Saturday, Sept. 27, 7 p.m. in the Berkeley High School Little Theater, it was announced by Hiro Saito, program chairman.

Films to be shown are two modern features, one a Toho color production and the other "Otoko Arite" with English subtitles and starring Toshiro Mifune of "Rashomon" fame.



## '1000' CLUB NOTES

### ATTENTION

The Pacific Citizen erroneously reported the effective date of the new \$500 life membership rate in the 1000 Club last week. The new effective date is to be determined by National JACL Headquarters, rather than Sept. 1 as headlined.

Late setting of the new date will permit those who are seriously considering to become Life members at the present rate of \$250 to join at the present time.

## CHAPTER OF YEAR STANDARDS SUGGESTED

Improving the standards by which Chapter of the Year Awards can be made is noted in the suggestion from the national Program and Activities Committee, chaired by Jerry Enomoto. The group felt a monthly filing of a program and activities report with National Headquarters and the district Council Chapter of the Year committee would facilitate considerations.

These reports could well serve as the basis for the annual awards without the chapter compiling a special year-end summary and break down the current lack of communication between Headquarters and the chapters.

Chapter of the Year recognitions are made at the district council level.

## Splash party for Sonoma County 1000ers slated

SEBASTOPOL — The Sonoma County JACL will hold its annual 1000 Club splash party Sept. 20, 8 p.m., at the Ives Memorial Pool, it was announced by chairman Ed Ohki. Members, friends and the youngsters of the family have been invited to the funfest.

A weiner bake follows at 10 p.m. Assisting are:

Greg and George Hamamoto, Clara Miyano, Riyuo Uyeda, and Jim Yokoyama.

## 'Miss Fowler JACL' candidates sell tickets

FOWLER. — Tickets for the "Miss Fowler JACL" coronation ball are now available from the seven queen candidates: Karen Kamikawa, Darlene Kawano, Frances Fujikawa, Marlene Nakamura, Janice Takahashi, Jane Horii and Jane Nakagawa.

The ball will be held at Bruce's Lodge, Oct. 18, with Larry Smether's orchestra during the 50th anniversary celebration of the founding of the city of Fowler.

## Nisei of Biennium Citation

(We are proud to record the citations of other Nisei of the Biennium honorees, which were read at the 15th Biennial National JACL Convention. The citation of gold medallion winner, Bill Hosokawa, was published in the Aug. 29 PC.—Editor.)

### TOM SHIMASAKI

(For Distinguished Leadership—Rancher)

Exemplary citizenship has distinguished the career of rancher Tom Shimasaki. If any person can be singled out for being most responsible for the high status and acceptance of Japanese Americans in Tulare County, he would be the foremost choice.

His counsel, advice and participation is eagerly sought by all civic groups. Among those he has served are the YMCA with which he has been active the past eight years including the presidency of the Y's Men's Club. He has given his talents to the Girl Scouts and the Lindsay Chamber of Commerce for which he has served as director and held various offices.

He has been an officer of the Lindsay Farm Bureau from the time he helped organize in 1953. He has contributed to the political

life of his community, serving as Secretary to the Tulare County Republican Central Committee. A Board Member of many years, he now serves his city's Kiwanis Club as President. He has been an active Boy Scout for more than 20 years and is now a District Commissioner.

### Active Churchman

His deep-rooted Christian faith is reflected by his position as moderator for the past five years to the First Baptist Church of Lindsay and Past Chairman of its Board of Deacons. As Chairman of its Building Finance Committee, he witnessed the dedication of the new church this year.

His concern in the problems of fellow Nisei motivated his participation and leadership in the Ja-

pinese American Citizens League. He is a charter member of the Tulare County Chapter for which he has held various offices including the Presidency for three terms. His devotion to the cause of his organization brought him recognition with the presentation in 1952 of its national Sapphire Pin Award, symbolic of a long and dedicated service.

Indicative of the total acceptance of Nisei in his community was his being honored in 1955 with the Lindsay Community Citizen Award. He continues to champion the cause of democracy and Christian brotherhood making frequent public appearances, and inspiring all who come to know him.

As a beloved and tireless leader among his broad associations, he has effectively crystallized a positive and favorable climate for persons of Japanese ancestry. In brief, he epitomized the ideal in the American Way of Life from all responsible Nisei seek to emulate.



## VERY TRULY YOURS: by Harry Honda

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**THIS CONTINUING BATTLE** to eliminate racial discrimination in housing has not been an easy one to wage. The personal sacrifices which one must make are too burdensome for the average Nisei to carry, it seems. He appears to be inclined to live in a neighborhood which would accept him. He also feels that he might have to carry the fight alone—though once such an act of discrimination is made public, there are community and civic groups as well as JACL chapters standing by ready to assist materially, if necessary. . . . The several cases which came to the attention of JACLers on the west coast commanded full attention of our legal counsel.

The average Nisei also feels his hard-earned money should go to someone who appreciates from whence it comes. "I should do business with someone who doesn't like my money," he reacts. . . . Yet, there are a few principle-minded Nisei. Fred Hiraoka of Pasadena, who wasn't a JACL member at the time and since has become a staunch member, took his case to court when he couldn't get the house at Newport Beach after being led to believe it would be his in a few months upon completion of construction. Jerry Ushijima of Las Vegas, a war veteran, fought a long battle to gain his home with a lot of assistance from the Commodore Perry Post of the American Legion and our So. Calif. JACL regional office. . . . Dr. Larry Aikawa of San Leandro back in 1955 elicited much support from the community when his plight was published in the press.

And our files also show of instances in California where "hakujin" with Japanese wives were being discriminated in their bid for housing. . . . And while it can be generally acknowledged that the lot of the Nisei in America has vastly improved since the prewar days and that discrimination in housing is an exception rather than the rule—it does happen and tomorrow it could be you.

**AS A FOOTNOTE**, we note some real-estate operators in New York City are charged with violating the city's Fair Housing Practices Law. During the first three months since discrimination in private housing was banned, 70 complaints have been received by the Commission on Intergroup Relations, the agency administering the statute. . . . Of the total number of complaints, 58 claimed race or color as the basis for discriminatory procedures. The excuse was usually given that the desired unit had already been rented when there were solid grounds for believing otherwise. . . . Several rental agents, however, were openly discriminatory; deposits were returned sometimes without reason; services were withheld and leases canceled arbitrarily. . . . All of which points to what many have suspected all along: man-made laws alone will not solve the race problem. The white American must be made to realize that integration is as much for their good as for the good of other races.

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**PROGRAM AND ACTIVITIES:** Urge greater attention on part of chapters for participation of Issei members and youth in ongoing programs. . . . Recommend that District Councils tie in their Chapter of the Year project with regular program as a mean of annually evaluating chapter program as well as a source for program suggestions by other chapters. . . . Remind chapters to send bulletins, newsletter, minutes of meetings, to National Headquarters. . . . Suggested the possibility of standard report forms for reporting activities to National Headquarters. . . . Continue practice of sending President's Notebook to new chapter presidents and give thought to inclusion of other helpful material in Notebook. . . . Chapters take a more active role in cooperating with other minority groups in the field of human rights. . . . **Soldier Brides**—Chapters should explore participation of soldier brides in enriching chapter program of Japanese culture. On adjustment problems of personal nature, JACL can only be point of referral to other agencies better equipped for counseling and case work. . . . Endorsed the recommendation of Arlington National Cemetery Committee that JACL chapters and members join in with other community groups in honoring Nisei war dead on Memorial Day and Nisei Soldier Memorial Day be discontinued as having served its purpose. Also, Arlington National Cemetery Committee become a local committee of the Washington D.C. Chapter. . . . Approve idea of a National JACL "kankadan" to Japan provided such a tour would offer features not provided by tours sponsored by other groups and be more in line with JACL's distinctive program. . . . Where problems of the Aging exist in local communities, chapters to consult with National for further possible action.

**NATIONAL PLANNING:** National Headquarters—Headquarters to move to more appropriate quarters and provision made in budget for rental. . . . **National Convention Travel Pool**—Make every effort to follow through on travel pool for this biennium, and continue travel pool next biennium. . . . **National Scholarships**—Use interest from JACL Reserve Fund toward supplemental JACL scholarships and encourage gifts and bequests for general scholarship fund. . . . **Constitutional amendments:**—(1) National 1000 Club chairman to be elected at same time as other National officers. (2) National Board to meet annually and provisions made in budget for this. (3) National Director to send National Convention agenda and other material as available to chapters at least one month prior to convention. (4) On telegraphic and mail voting, only actual votes returned will be considered to determine outcome of issues. (5) Additional nominations for national officers made by petition of three chapters to be channelled through District Council involved. . . . Rejected proposal of providing national office of president-elect and reducing number of National Vice Presidents to two. . . . **Endowment Fund**—Every effort be made to augment National JACL Endowment Fund. Interest from Endowment continue to be included as general income in national budget.

**BUDGET AND FINANCE:** National budget of \$82,767 per annum for next biennium approved. New items include provision for annual National Board meeting, Aide to National Director, National Headquarters rental, JACL Scholarships, and publication of Youth Manual.

Of the total budget, \$6000 is anticipated from interest of Endowment Fund, and quotas set up for the various Districts as follows: Pacific Southwest - \$24,542, Northern California-Western Nevada - \$21,357.54, Midwest - \$10,225.36, Intermountain - \$4,797.94, Pacific Northwest - \$4,721.17, Central California - \$4,114.71, Mountain Plains - \$4,160.77, and Eastern - \$2,848.05.

## CCDC calls special meeting for Wednesday

**SELMA.**—Fowler JACL will be host of a special CCDC meeting being called by chairman George Abe for next Wednesday, Sept. 17, at the "99" Cafe on Highway 99 just south of the city of Fowler. Main item on the agenda will be the annual CCDC convention scheduled for Nov. 30. The meeting will promptly start at 7:30 p.m.

## Jobs for Junior project supported by W. L.A. JACLers

The West Los Angeles JACL is working ahead on the plans for its dance to aid Jobs for Juniors in West Los Angeles.

The benefit dance will be held Oct. 4 at the Santa Monica Elk's Club.

To honor the men and women working on the fall social event, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lager opened their Brentwood home to a luncheon last month with guests from local organizations of the community.

Attending were Councilman Karl Rundberg, and his assistant Leonard Gottlieb, Assemblyman Tom Rees, and Assembly Candidate Sandy Weiner.

Also attending were representatives of Jobs for Juniors, including two former chairmen, Lewis Mullins and Mrs. Wesley Battersea. The Jobs for Juniors present office president, Helen Jones, also arrived to tell of the work of the WLA organization.

Introduced to the guests were Dr. and Mrs. Milton Inouye, president, of JACL chapter and Joe Noda, familiar as the public relations counsel to Jobs for Juniors.

Representing the WLA Jobs for Juniors, were three teenagers, Eddie Morris, Eddie Molino and Stephen Tashiro.

Mrs. Lager asked representatives of civic and service groups alike to initiate a form of apprenticeship for young people between the ages of 16 to 18 years of age. Mrs. Lager suggested the work permit age be dropped to 16. The problem of finding suitable trade schools was brought up and explained by Assemblyman Rees.

Delinquency can be combated with youth employment, Mrs. Lager pointed out.

## Wakamatsu—

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es and start. I firmly believe that the necessary support is ready and waiting, because as a group, Nisei parents are not to be accused of indifference on this score. Nisei parents are not to be accused of indifference on this score.

Out of the actual work experience with youth on their recreational or service projects, as suggested by the committee, we hope, will come an aroused community spirit which can sustain other projects of value, such as an adequate scholarship program. Or reaching higher, an informal concern for the advancement of educational standards in a school system, which may be expressed in legislative or political action as the needs may be.

It must not be forgotten that the end product of a youth program is the individual citizen. It is not to surfeit the youth with all conveniences and "easy living," but to help instill in their minds a set of values. It would do us well to recall the Spartan mode of our Issei forbears and those cultural values which have stood us in good stead in the past. In a nation now re-dedicating itself to excellence in all activities, our heritage takes on added lustre. The JACL youth program can become a contribution to the total welfare of our nation. (In subsequent weeks, I shall develop the other topics mentioned.) —Shig Wakamatsu

## EAST L.A. JACLERS OPEN FALL SEASON WITH MOUNTAIN OUTING

The fall season for East Los Angeles JACLers opens with a brisk overnight outing at Big Bear Lake this weekend, a general meeting Sept. 25 with a national convention report and a gala 10th anniversary dinner-dance Oct. 18.

Last year, 28 chapter members had the time of their lives engaging in outdoor sports at the Presbyterian Conference Lodge on the southside of Big Bear Lake. This year, about 50 were expected. The cost is the same as last year's, \$6, which includes Saturday supper, a lively party in the main lodge, overnight lodging, Sunday breakfast and dinner. While the meals are prepared by the lodge staff, the campers will have to share in the dish-washing department.

The general meeting Sept. 25 at International Institute will feature reports from the three chapter delegates to the Salt Lake convention, Roy Yamadera, Frank Okamoto and Ritsuko Kawakami.

Because some chapter delegates were under instruction and unable to cast a vote based upon the discussions of U.S.-Japan affairs, the East Los Angeles chapter will poll its membership again.

A final vote of the chapter will be sent to National Headquarters after the newly adopted amendment is explained to the chapter.

### 10th Anniversary Fete

The chapter will whoop things but good at its 10th anniversary dinner-dance Oct. 18 at Swalley's. All past presidents will be guests of honor at the celebration, Frank Chuman will be the main speaker.

Past presidents being invited are Akira Hasegawa, George Akasaka, Lynn Takagaki, Bill Takei, Edison Uno, John Watanabe, Wilbur Sato, Jim Higashi, Fred Takata and Yukio Ozima. Higashi is serving as general chairman, assisted by toastmaster George Nomi, Grace Sakurai, Roy Yamadera, Frank Okamoto, Hiro Omura, Mas Hayashi (entertainment), Rose Shinmori, Mikie Hamada, and Dorothy Katano.

Reservations are being accepted until Oct. 15.

### International Days

The chapter will participate in the annual International Days celebration, Oct. 11-12, at International Institute, repeating its successful teriyaki booth. It was recalled that \$160 was raised last year.

Chapter president Yamadera said: "The Institute is headquarters for our chapter and site for many of our socials. This is our once-a-year opportunity to express our gratitude to the Institute by helping to raise funds for them along with other organizations." At the chapter fishing derby Aug. 31, Yamadera won the jack-

## Essay contest winner to be honored tonight

**SEBASTOPOL.**—Nancy Fujita, winner of the National JACL essay contest held in conjunction with the 15th Biennial convention, will be honored tonight by the Sonoma County JACL at Sonoma Joe's restaurant.

Mrs. Clara Miyano, in charge of reservations, is anticipating a large crowd which will witness the formal presentation of the Salt Lake JACL trophy to the Petaluma High valedictorian. Miss Fujita is now attending Santa Rosa Jr. College on a Doyle scholarship.

## AUXILIARY BENEFIT DANCE SLATED OCT. 18

**SAN FRANCISCO.**—A benefit dance will be presented at the Booker T. Washington community center at Sutter and Presidio on Saturday, Oct. 18, under sponsorship of the San Francisco JACL Women's Auxiliary, according to Charlotte Doi, chairman.

Dick Crest and his orchestra will provide music for this event which begins at 9:30 p.m.

Proceeds will be used to provide comfort items for Japanese residents at the Laguna Honda Home.

Auxiliary members plan a visit to the Home in November.

pot and trophy with his 18 lb. yellowtail. Twenty were aboard Frank Manaka's "Island Clipper", which ran up and down the coastline for 13 hours looking for lively spots. Sam Furuta and Fred Kubota (who donated the trophy) were derby co-chairmen.

During Nisei Week, the East L.A. carnival dime-pitch booth netted about \$100, it was reported. Hiro Omura and Henry Onodera were in charge.

## Venice-Culver maps chapter activities for rest of year

Special events for the remainder of the year will be discussed by the Venice-Culver JACL board members, when it meets next Tuesday, Sept. 16, at the office of Dr. Tak Shishino.

Scheduled are the October Issei recognition, November potluck dinner for the general membership, and the Christmas program.

A report on the Salt Lake convention will also be made by Pete Furuya, chapter president, and George Inagaki, who attended as delegates.

Classes in dancing and bridge are being planned this month. Those interested are expected to call on Mrs. Setsu Isoda, (EXbrook 7-4324). Dance instruction is scheduled for alternating Tuesdays at the Venice community hall.

### Chapter Picnic Successful

According to Kaz Adachi, about 125 members and friends enjoyed the chapter picnic Aug. 17 at Centinela Park. Enthusiasm with which the youngsters performed in the races was a sight to see. Especially when Craig Sugimoto, age 5, came running up to his mother and announced, "The man said that the next race was for ladies under 20. Come on, Mom. It means you." Mom promptly got up and ran, the Venice-Culver JACL spotlight dutifully reported. George Isoda, Sam Miyashiro and Adachi had to reach the park by 6 a.m. to reserve a spot, the Spotlight also noted. And Sumi Kashiwagi and Mrs. Isoda took breakfast down to the men.

## Pasadena 1000ers ready for second annual luau

**PASADENA.**—Food, fun, frolic and thensome are promised at the Pasadena JACL Thousanders' annual luau at Tom Ito's pool on Sunday, Sept. 21.

The luau, open to chapter 1000ers only, will feature barbecued beef, stuffed chicken wings, salmon a la Ito, seafood, exotic salad, fruit delight and drinks at \$5 per person.

Assuring a Hawaiian atmosphere, decorations will be supervised by Mary Mikuriya of Bamico Florist. Dr. Ken Yamaguchi, chapter president, fun-creator extra ordinem, will be in charge of entertainment. Bebe Morimoto's group will furnish dancing music. Reservations are being handled by Mary Ito (SYcamore 4-7189) and Elizabeth Ogawa (SYcamore 2-4242.)

### 60 IN FISHING DERBY

## DESPITE SUMMER SHOWERS

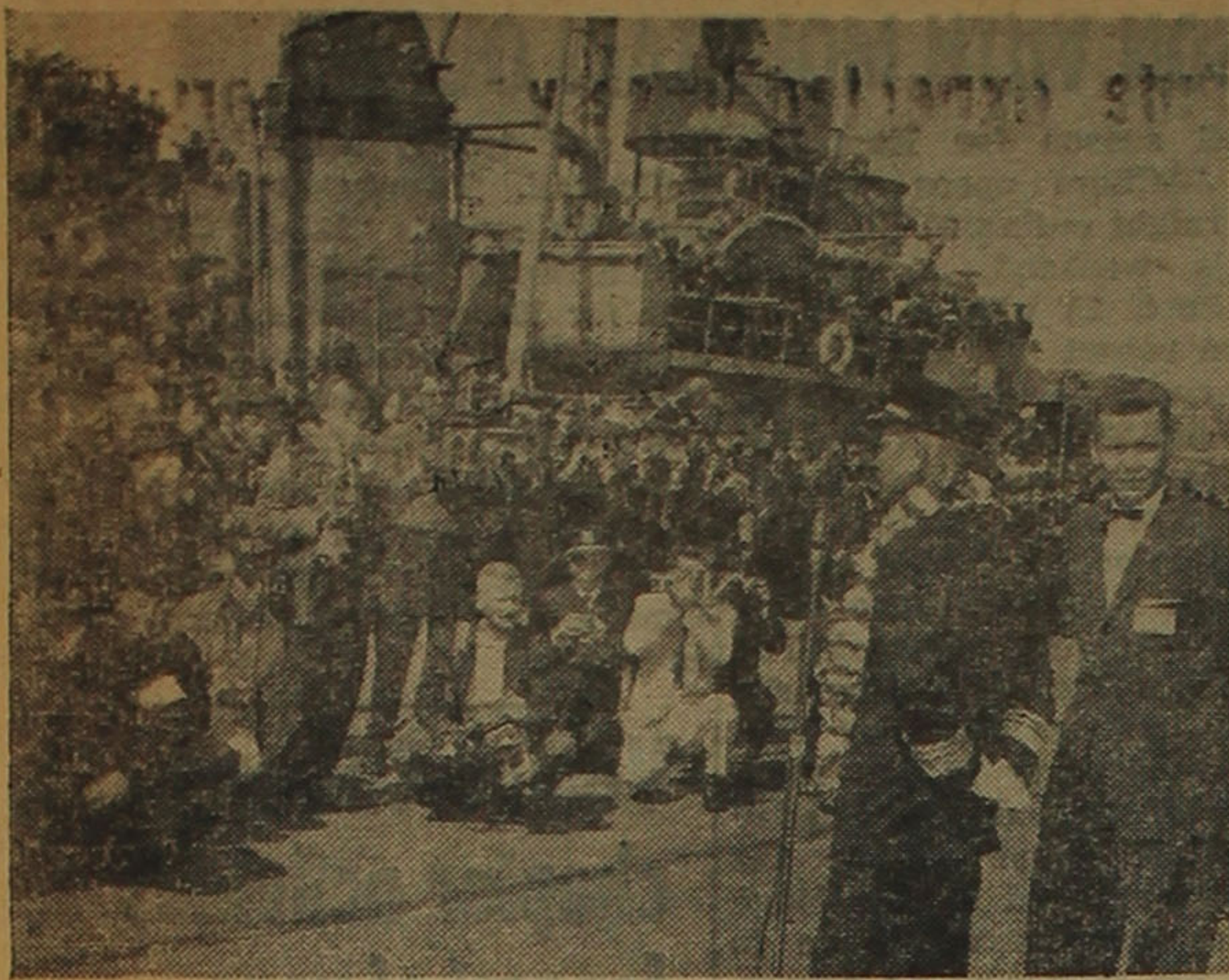
**MINNEAPOLIS.**—Despite drizzles and intermittent downpour, over 60 men, women and children participated in the July 27 Twin Cities UCL fishing derby at Lake Minnetonka.

Bill Katayama walked away with top award (a 5-hp outboard motor) with his six-pound walleyed pike. Twenty-four other prizes were presented. Yuki Yamaguchi, Steve derby co-chairmen. Assisting were Frank Ishikawa, Paul Ohtaki and Bob Shimizu.

## JACLERS INVITED TO SEE KRAMER'S 'DEFIANT ONES'

A group of PSWDC JACLers has been invited by Stanley Kramer to view "Defiant Ones" tonight at the Goldwyn Studios.





Vice Admiral Hidemi Yoshida commanding the six visiting Japanese defense ships is surrounded by a crowd of over 5,000 enthusiastic Seattle greeters, and hundreds of cameramen, most of whom are from his own ships. From this angle one can at least see part of the new navy. Next to him, hatless, stands Seattle's youthful Mayor, one time FBI man Gordon S. Clinton. —Elmer Ogawa Photo.



## THE Northwest PICTURE

By Elmer Ogawa

### HINOMARU FLUTTERS IN ELLIOT BAY

Seattle

American and Japanese naval guns blazed away in Elliot Bay this Labor Day, but it was all in friendly salute; 21-21-15, a total of 57 hefty staccato smoke belching rounds.

The exchange of salutes marked the arrival of the first naval force under the flag of the Rising Sun to visit this port in 22 years.

Twelve hundred sailors, cadets, officers, and 20 Japanese newsmen on six ships were making Seattle first port of call on a good will tour of the Coast.

The guests professed to be "amazed" at the hearty welcome of thousands of flag waving Seattleites, including a representative portion of the Japanese community; all this on the kind of weekend when nearly everyone is out of town. Dockside greetings were extended by Governor Albert D. Rosellini, Mayor Gordon S. Clinton, Rear Admiral Frank T. Watkins, new commandant of the 13th Naval District; and Seafair royalty.

Greater Seattle put on a ten act show featuring the famed Barclay girls and the Pirateer girls; all of which revealed that the Japanese navy is armed with cameras more than anything else. As if the command had been given to abandon ship after the speeches, hundreds of Nipponese lenses swarmed all over the pier almost crowding newsmen out of the picture, while the rear echelons snapped away from the rails and rigging.

The reception and entertainment for the 8 day visit was arranged by a city-wide committee which included hospitality by the U.S. Navy, and the Japanese Community Service, which in Seattle is a postwar name for the Nihonjinkai.

Among those selected to the group of public spirited Seattleites serving on the hospitality committee, is Takeshi Kubota, who among other things is the Seattle JACL chapter president.

We talked with Tak on the phone the night before the flotilla arrived. It was our first talk with him since his recent return from the Salt Lake City Convention. He described his status as a working member of the Greater Seattle greeters committee, and pointed out that he functions as a citizen member of the committee, not as a JACL representative.

### WELCOMING COMMITTEEMAN 'MISINTRODUCED'

Official participation of the local JACL chapter in dockside greetings is one of the matters held in abeyance until after the national convention, but it is still too soon for any local post convention confabs.

Despite his admonishment to program officials, citizen Kubota was twice introduced from the platform; once as committeeman and "President of the JACL", and the second time when organization representatives were asked to take a bow—only this time the initials were spelled out for the benefit of the large crowd. As cartoonist Jimmy Hatlo says, "They'll do it every time."

As we sit here tapping out this piece in the middle of the night, we wonder if there is a single Seattle Nisei Vet besides the writer who knows at this moment that a white chrysanthemum wreath from Japan rests in the darkness at the base of the Vet's monument in Lakeview Cemetery. It was placed there during the day by visiting Vice Admiral Hidemi Yoshida.

### MEMORIAL FOR NISEI VETERANS

It happened like this. About 2:30 in the afternoon, after placing a white chrysanthemum wreath before the thousands of names at the city's Memorial Plaza, the visiting admiral made a request. Although such was not on the jam packed itinerary, he insisted on visiting the Nisei Vets monument.

None of us knew what was up at the time. As the Admiral and his staff were leaving the Plaza, your reporter was standing next to his boss for the day, Terumitsu Kano, editor of the North American Post. Some sixth sense caused Kano to hitch a ride in the Consul General's car. He didn't know what was up, or he would have tipped off his photog.

This column has never intended to influence a reader's thoughts or actions. Like the eye of the camera, we merely present the picture as we see it.

## CAL NISEI OPEN GOLF ENTRIES LIMITED TO 80

SAN JOSE — Nisei golfers regard the annual California Nisei Open as a classic and defending champion Erv Furukawa of Los Angeles will be present to repeat Sept. 27-28 at Pebble Beach golf course, the host Garden City Golf Club here announced.

But from all indications, Furukawa will meet with stiff competition as this event will again draw the cream of Nisei golfers in the state. But the genial ex-Seattle publix star remains the favorite as he has won the title four times in the past five years.

This year's tournament is being restricted to 80 entries, according to tourney director Frank Shimada. Qutoas were established for each club in accordance with the number of entries made in the past five years, it was explained.

## Hawaii inviting Nisei women to roll in winter exhibit

Several Los Angeles Nisei Women bowling stars have received invitations to join a mainland team to participate in a series of exhibition matches in Hawaii, but two of them won't be able to go unless the tour sponsors change the tentative dates for the trip.

Chiyo Tashima and Judy (Seki) Sakata are unable to make the trip announced for late in November or early in December as they have already committed themselves to attending the World Invitational bowling tournament in Chicago, starting Dec. 1.

Mrs. Tashima also revealed that she has notified Sho Torigoe of Honolulu's Stadium Bowl-O-Drome, representative of the tour sponsors, of the conflict in dates.

She added they would join the team, to be known as the National JACL Women's All-Stars, if the date matter can be straightened out.

Nobu Asami of Oakaland and Lois Yut have also been invited and are reported to have accepted the offer.

It was reported here that either Dusty Mizunoue or Keiko Matsumoto, teammates of Chiyo and Judy on the local Holiday Bowl team, will be the fifth bowler on the team.

### Outstanding Bowlers

All the women keggers have established outstanding records in past National JACL tournaments.

While there are no JACL chapters in Hawaii, bowlers from the Islands have competed in about 10 of the past annual tournaments on an invitational basis. A number of regular bowling leagues are operating as "JACL" bowling leagues and winners have been sent to the annual National JACL events.

Carl Reich, San Francisco Examiner's bowling news writer, in reporting the Hawaii bid sent to Mrs. Asami, erred by naming the JACL as the tour sponsors, but called the Citizens League "one of the most live wire bowling organizations in the United States." He added that Nobu had conducted a highly successful bowling clinic during the last two weeks at Park Bowl in this city. She recently joined the staff of the outfit that operates both the Park Bowl here and Pacific Bowl in Oakland.

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## Weightlifter Kono heads for Stockholm tourney

HONOLULU. — Tommy Kono, Olympic weightlifting champion, and recently honored by National JACL as one of the "Nisei of the 1956-58 Biennium", is scheduled to depart for the world lift championships at Stockholm in late September.

Tommy is a volunteer weightlifting instructor at the Nuuanu Y, where he was given a surprise party and a send-off present from the 15 backers on hand.

## Easy Fujimoto, Sumi Kamachi to head So. Cal bowling groups

Names familiar to Nisei bowling enthusiasts, Easy Fujimoto of Long Beach and Sumi Kamachi of Los Angeles will be the guiding presidents of the So. Calif. Nisei bowling associations for 1958-59.

The organizations are also co-hosting with the L.A. Coordinating JACL Council the 1959 National JACL bowling tournament to be held at Holiday Bowl next March.

Fujimoto was director of the JACL bowling classic when it was held in Long Beach three years ago.

## NISEI GRIDSTER NAMED MOST VALUABLE BACK

REEDLEY. — Jerry Sunamoto of Parlier was named the most valuable back in the third annual East-West All-Star football game held here recently. The game ended in a scoreless tie, the third consecutive year in which the final score was even for both teams.

## LONG BEACH-PASADENA PEE WEE CLUBS TANGLE

LONG BEACH. — Li'l Atoms, sponsored by the Long Beach Harbor District JACL youth commission, will play their final game of the season this Sunday, 2 p.m., against the Pasadena Optimists at Silverado Park, Santa Fe Ave. and W. 31st St.

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## Ron Kiino turns in sensational relief job at Polo Grounds classic

NEW YORK. — Ron Kiino, right handed slider artist from University High in Los Angeles, turned in a sensational pitching stint as relief hurler Aug. 26 at the Polo Grounds before 13,685 fans. He pitched in the 13th annual Hearst sandlot classic for the U.S. All-Stars as they lost to the New York City All-Stars 9 to 1.

The Los Angeles All-City pitcher, called to the mound with the bases loaded, one run in and two out, came through in red-hot fireman style, retiring the side on one pitch.

The score was already 9 to 1 against the U.S. All-Stars when Kiino was beckoned from the bullpen.

Kiino struck out two in the seventh and one in the eighth as he allowed no hits in two and one-third innings.

## Suzuki's hole-in-one

NEW YORK. — The first hole in one in the history of the New York Golf Association Club was scored by John Suzuki, a commercial artist, who accomplished the feat on the No. 3 hole of the "white" course in mid-August at the Country Club of New Jersey links.

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## Los Angeles NEWSLETTER

By Henry Mori

### SUKIYAKI HOUSES FOLD

Several months ago, Bit O' Tokyo in the heart of Li'l Tokio at First and San Pedro was forced to close. Their business in sukiyaki was not good. Then, this week Ginza Sukiya, another Japanese eatery with sukiyaki as its main fare for patrons, had to fold because of business difficulties. With it went the nightly floor shows, billed always as "musicians and dancing beauties directly from Japan."

The only place downtown where Nisei or Caucasian tourists hankering for a full course of Japanese cuisine now is the Kawafuku, whose longstanding reputation as the "place to enjoy real sukiyaki" dates way back before the war. Its accommodation with tatami floors and Oriental sliding doors still brings back the patrons who want to sit and relax and have an evening of leisure. It was at the Kawafuku where Gov. Goodwin J. Knight and his wife attended as guests of the Nisei Republican Assembly last summer.

### NO IMAGINATION ON FIRST ST.

The setback of two restaurants in Li'l Tokio brings to mind some of the things which George Furuta, owner of the Imperial Gardens on the Sunset strip, had to say about "lack of imagination" on the part of some First St. merchants.

It was not meant as a criticism but enterprising Furuta feels that there is great potentiality in making First and San Pedro a real Li'l Tokio with just a little more push on the part of all storekeepers. But speculation on a project so drastic as to seek improvements has held them back. There had been plans about a torii—a huge red-painted Japanese gateway on Weller St., near Los Angeles St.—to be erected through monies raised by the Japanese Chamber of Commerce. Maybe it was city regulations which banned the project but it has not materialized.

Furuta, with his ultra-modern Imperial Gardens on Hollywood's swanky restaurant row, can't miss but make it. He hosts movie and television celebrities every night of the week. But he thinks there is a chance in Li'l Tokio if one shows the right "savvy". It need not be a restaurant, he says, for other types of businesses can succeed. "You have to have some sort of a gimmick," is a favorite expression by the former Denver restaurateur. When so many are Orient-conscious about home decoration, landscaping and furnishings, there should be ways to draw patrons not just during Nisei Week Festival or other localized celebrations but all the year around, he believes.

One of his pet ideas, and rather a wild one at that when he mentioned it, was to convert Weller St. into another "Olvera St." and have rikkshas running up and down the short street for a dime toll charge. Olvera St. is L.A.'s Mexican tourist spot.

It sounds rather far-fetched but tourists go for that sort of thing. It won't make a million for the rikksha man but it's a promotional stunt which can attract customers to "drop in" and gift shop or order shrimp tempura a la Japanese. One of the drawbacks being admitted by local businessmen is that many of them depend solely upon Issei and Nisei customers for their trade.

The closing of two sukiyaki houses in Li'l Tokio will probably have no psychological bearing on other types of businesses but Furuta does have a point: there is need for some "new blood" to keep things humming. However, strangely enough, quite a few merchants have said, business hasn't been totally bad in Li'l Tokio this year despite recession.

### WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: by Mike Masaoka

Continued from Back Page

relations that directly affect the welfare of Americans of Japanese ancestry on an issue by issue basis is the only tenable and sound position that a responsible organization like JACL can take today.

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JACL IS NO LONGER in the pose of a reluctant, somewhat suspicious organization that desires as little as possible to express any interest in cooperative, mutually-beneficial relations between the land of our ancestry and the land of our citizenship.

JACL is now in the position of keeping up with the times; of joining with our fellow Americans in encouraging Japan to remain a bulwark of the free world, a relationship that is especially vital today with the crisis in the Formosa straits; of attempting to be helpful as Americans with a special interest in Japan to our Congress and our Government in determining courses of action that will be most beneficial to our country; of inviting and even welcoming opportunities to learn about and study problems affecting the welfare of Americans of Japanese ancestry as they relate particularly to Japan.

This, it seems to me, is the least that JACL can do to justify its proud boast of promoting "Better Americans In A Greater America".

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THE NATIONAL COUNCIL vote in Salt Lake City may well be one of the more important ones taken in JACL history, ranking with those taken in the spring and fall of 1942 and in the spring of 1946. Like those other fateful decisions, it was not the continuance of "status quo", but rather an affirmative, positive answer to the challenge of the day.

May coming events vindicate the judgment of that National Council, as history has vindicated the vision and faith of those who urged cooperation in the evacuation movement, military service for Japanese Americans, and equality in naturalization and immigration opportunities for all persons of Japanese ancestry.

## Vital Statistics

### BIRTHS

**LOS ANGELES**  
ENDO, Koji (Yoshiko Kenmochi)—girl, May 25.  
FUJIYAMA, Shaw (Margie M. Hamamoto)—boy, June 1, So. San Gabriel.  
HARA, Tommy S. (Christina N. Kato)—boy, June 5.  
HOREMOTO, Joe (Yuki Nakamichi)—girl, May 31.  
IGE, John Y. (Micei M. Kauniai)—girl, June 4.  
KANEMOTO, George M. (Michiko Tateishi)—girl, June 1.  
KOGA, Masakazu (Ruth S. Tazoi)—boy, June 7.  
KUMAMOTO, Haruo (Shizuko Shoda)—twin boys, May 27.  
KUMURA, Yukio (Janet S. Kohatsu)—boy, June 4.  
MATSUBARA, Daniel M. (Phyllis T. Fukushima)—girl, June 5.  
MATSUI, Frank T. (Masako Murano)—boy, June 4.  
MURAKAMI, Hiroshi P. (Nobuko M. Toda)—girl, June 4.  
NISHIMURA, Hiroshi (Helea M. Yamamoto)—boy, June 9.  
ONISHI, George J. (Velma B. Donnell)—boy, June 4.  
PONCE, Fernando S. (Sumiyo Kojio)—girl, June 1.  
ROBINSON, William D. (Nobuko Oyama)—boy, June 6.  
SAIDA, Richard H. (Masako Ike)—boy, May 24.  
SHIBA, Ted M. (Rosie T. Takenaka)—girl, June 1.  
SUGIHARA, Harry M. (Violet F. Kitajima)—girl, May 26.  
YAMASHIRO, Bill (Kikuko Nagahama)—boy, June 5.  
**SAN JOSE**  
HAMADA, George K.—boy, Mar. 29.  
HIDAKA, William M.—girl, Mar. 25.  
INOUE, Michinori—boy, Feb. 27.  
MATSUMURA, Phillip Y.—boy, Mar. 20.  
MIYANAGA, Frank—girl, Mar. 28.  
MORIGUCHI, Eddie—girl, Mar. 29.  
NAKASAKI, George—girl, Mar. 26.  
SHINSEKI, John—boy, Apr. 16, Mt. View.  
SHIMIZU, Carl—boy, Apr. 14.  
TOGAKAMI, Frank T.—boy, Feb. 28.  
**DENVER**  
KUMAGAI, Tom (Dorothy Madokoro)—boy, June 22.  
SUGIURA, Jiro—boy.  
TSUTSUI, Naoji—girl.  
YANASE, Dick (Ethel Uyemura)—boy, July 10.  
**ONTARIO, Ore.**  
OTANI, George—boy, June 15, Parmax.

### ENGAGEMENTS

NAGANO-TANBARA—Mary to Ryo, both Los Angeles.  
TAKAHASHI-SODA—Jacque N., Los Angeles; to Akira, Gilroy.  
YAMATO-KANAZAWA—Evelyn, Pasadena; to Edward, Monte Vista.  
YOSHIHARA-HAMAI—Reiko to Mitchell, both Denver.

### WEDDINGS

ASAMOTO-INOUE—July 6, Mickey, Hawthorne; Jane, Gardena.  
AMIMOTO-NANYA—June 7, Richard and Marian S., both Los Angeles.  
HATTORI-TOYAMA—Aug. 23, Takane and Nobuko, both Chicago.  
HIDAKA-ASATO—June 22, Tom, Seattle; Rachel, Honolulu.  
INADOMI-WAKITA — July 5, Rev. George, Monterey; Jeanette, Florin.  
IWASAKI-TAKEYAMA—July 12, Don, Chicago; Judy, Pasadena.  
KANDA-MURAOKA—July 12, Mamoru and Kiyoko, both Los Angeles.  
KANENAKA-YAMADA—July 12, Ernest H., Lihue, Kauai; Sachiye, Los Angeles.  
KATO-SUYAMA—June 28, Shuzo and Jean, both Seattle.  
KAWATA-IWAKI—June 15, Shigetaka and Dorothy H., both Los Angeles.  
KOWATA-MAYEDA—June 29, Takeyuki, Long Beach; Jane T., Cypress.  
NAGAI-KANEGAE — Edward, Seattle; Jean, Spokane.  
NAKAGAWA-TSUBOI — Giro, South Bend, Wash.; Miyoko, Portland.  
NAKANO-AKABA—Frank and Jean both Berkeley.  
ODA-KUMAI—June 22, Frank A. and Sadie M., both Long Beach.  
OHARA-SHISHIMA — June 28, Junzo and Keiko, both Los Angeles.  
OKADA-FUJIMOTO—June 14, Masahito, Keenesburg, Colo.; Nanette M., San Francisco.  
SAKEMI-SUMI — June 28, Eddie K., West Los Angeles; Itsy, Compton.  
SASAKI-IMADA—June 15, Harry H., Longmont, Colo.; Evelyn T., Welby.  
SHIMOMURA-ONOUYE—July 5, Yukio, Ogden; Suzie, Los Angeles.  
SUMIDA-FUJIMURA — June 28, Wallace M. and Jean Y., both Gardena.  
TAKANO-IWATANI—July 5, Clarence and Vivian, both New York.  
TOYAMA-LEONG — May 25, Mike S. and Joan M., both Los Angeles.  
USHIYAMA-KUKUCHI—June 29, Takao and Fujiko J., both Los Angeles.  
MIZUNAGA-YAMASAKI — Sumiko, Des Moines, to Kenneth, Brighton.

## Sansei delinquent committed to Tracy Institute, expected to serve 2½ years

Louis Yamashiro, 17, who was guilty of involuntary manslaughter for the death of Richard Sumii, has been turned over to the California Youth Authority to serve a term at Deuel Vocational Institution at Tracy.

Superior Court Judge Clement Nye last week sentenced the Sansei to close a bizarre chapter in gang warfare which took the life of another high school student last April 18 during the height of a bloody riot instigated by two opposing teenage clubs.

Yamashiro is expected to serve 2½ years.

He will "receive an opportunity

Colo.  
YAMAMOTO - MIYANO — Ray, San Francisco; Lily, Petaluma.

### DEATHS

HIRONAKA, Salichi, 73; Sacramento, Aug. 28.  
HOKARI, John Y., 75; Seattle, July 9.  
ISERI, Jiso, 80; Seattle, July 22.  
ISHIHARA, Yoshisada, 80; Seattle, July 14.  
KATO, Itaro, 70; Gresham, Ore., July 23.  
KATO, Yoshiye; Florin, July 6.  
KIMURA, Bunji, 65; Seattle, July 5.  
KUME, Tomesaburo, 70; Lodi, July 23.  
KAWASAKI, Kazuo, 44; Cressey, Aug. 2.  
MATSUMURA, Koichiro, 88; Sanger, July 20.  
MATSUYEDA, Jitsuzo, 80; Sacramento, July 24.  
MIYAMOTO, Mrs. Saki, 82; Seattle, July 18.  
ONO, Gitaro, 68; San Jose City, July 1 at Townsend, Mont.  
SASAKI, Shio A., 80; Salt Lake City, June 26.  
SUMIDA, Edward J., 66; New York, July 27.  
TABATA, Mrs. Tome, 70; Palo Alto, Aug. 28.  
TAKEDA, Michizo; Vacaville, Aug. 3.  
UYEMATSU, Shigeru, 73; Layton, Utah, July 25.  
WATANABE, Keita; Stockton, July 29.  
YOSHIYAMA, Tom, 56; Monterey, July 24.



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to take up a trade while at Deuel reformatory which is about 13 miles from Stockton."

Frank F. Chuman, his defense attorney, said that depending on Yamashiro's behavior and his grades the boy will "eventually" be graduated from Tracy Union High School.

Youth authorities and probation officers were of the opinion that Yamashiro would be relieved of "gang pressure" and be given a "clean start" if he were sent to Tracy.



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## Washington NEWSLETTER

BY MIKE MASAOKA

### JACL in International Relations

Washington, D.C.

**THE GLORY OF JACL** has been that whenever grave policy questions had to be made our National Council, representing the more than 80 chapters of our National Organization, has invariably come up with the right answers at the right time.

The most recent example of this phenomenon was our historic reversal of policy at the 15th Biennial National Convention, which was held late last month in Salt Lake City, when the National Council voted 57 to one to consider all major problems with international implications, especially as they may relate to Japan, which directly affect the welfare of Americans of Japanese ancestry on an issue to issue basis through a specially established National Committee on International Relations. Some ten chapters because of specific instructions refrained from voting, thereby demonstrating near unanimity in the final balloting after exhaustive three day deliberations.

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**THE DISCUSSIONS**, first in the National Legislative-Legal Committee and subsequently in the National Council sessions, revealed that—in spite of the much publicized differences of opinion—there was general agreement that JACL should confine its concerns in the international field to those relating to Japan which directly affect Americans of Japanese ancestry and then, only to actual or proposed legislation before the Congress and actual or proposed administrative action by the Federal Government.

There was no suggestion that JACL should become either an apologist for our State Department or a "Japan lobby", or that JACL would undertake to become involved in any and all questions relating to United States-Japan relations, including commercial and political matters.

The only suggestion was that in those few matters relating to Japan which directly affect the welfare of Americans of Japanese ancestry that may be under consideration by the Congress or the Government the JACL, on a selective basis, along with many other national and local organizations with an interest in the maintenance of friendly relations between the United States and Japan, would refer the subject to a special National Committee for study and recommendation.

The report of this National Committee would then be reviewed by the National Board, composed of the nationally elected officers and the eight district council chairmen, before national policy would be determined. In cases of real controversy, it is anticipated that the subject matter would be referred to the individual chapters for their reactions before the ultimate decision.

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**SINCE THE JACL** would consider only legislative and administrative proposals already before the Congress and the Government, there is no question that its actions are entirely appropriate and legal. JACL would only be passing judgment the same as any other American individual or organization on a question of public law or policy. JACL will only continue to do what it has been doing for the past 30 years, informing the legislative and executive branches of our views as to the adequacies, urgencies, and dangers of contemplated legislation or administrative action that affect Americans of Japanese ancestry.

There is nothing subversive or un-American in doing so; indeed, this is the right of petition that is guaranteed by the First Amendment to the Federal Constitution and is essential to the proper working of democracy.

The 20 pre-World War II Japanese organizations on the so-called proscribed list of the Attorney General engaged in activities which concerned Japan and things Japanese; none of them were placed on the list because they advocated or opposed legislation or administrative action involving the Congress or the Government, for these were public matters that were the concern of every American individual, regardless of ancestry, national origin, or race. Indeed, had JACL participated in those days, the tragedies of World War II might have been averted.

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**EVER SINCE JACL** became a national organization in 1930, we have adhered to a strict policy of what some have referred to as "isolationism", that is refusing to express ourselves on matters relating to United States-Japan relations. This understandable attitude was summarized in JACL's 1954 policy statement as "refraining from participating or intervening in any matters relating to the international relations of this Government, including those with Japan, except and unless the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States is directly involved".

This 1954 declaration represented a negative approach which suggested that JACL would consider nothing relating to Japan except and unless clearly the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in this country was directly involved.

JACL's concern for the civil rights of other Americans made its lack of concern for the Japanese people and relations with the Japanese nation appear unseemingly and difficult for other Americans to understand or appreciate.

The revised position of JACL is more in keeping with JACL's tradition of being constructive and realistic.

In actual fact, there will be little, if any, practical difference in what JACL does in this field.

But, in terms of world reaction, of public relations, of our ability to cope with rapidly changing events in a troubled and tension-filled era, the positive, affirmative approach of considering major problems relating to United States-Japan

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## CHECKS ON WAY TO 485 CLAIMANTS WITH AWARDS OK'D UNTIL JULY 22

(JACL News Service)

**WASHINGTON.** — The General Accounting Office here has begun to mail out checks totaling \$2,935,098.61 to 485 claimants whose evacuation claims were awarded during the past Congressional session, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League and the Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims reported this week.

Prior to adjournment, the second session approved all awards made by the Japanese Claims Section of the Dept. of Justice from Feb. 7 to July 22.

Last week, the President signed

the supplemental appropriations bill into law and this week the General Accounting Office began to send out the checks.

The first session of the 85th Congress last year appropriated \$2,424,119 to pay the awards made to 1,648 claimants. The recently adjourned second session approved two appropriations, including the last supplemental one, for a total of \$5,291,021.82 to 956 claimants this year.

According to the General Accounting Office, all of the checks authorized by the last appropriations act will be in the mail before the end of the month.

## Father of 15 children dies in fire; re-entered blazing home to rescue son

**ALTURAS.** — A fire caused by a defective TV tube was blamed for the death of two members of a prominent Japanese American family here last Friday.

The coroner's office identified the victims as Morio Yamagata, 63, and Tsuruo, 14, his youngest son. In the local hospital with burns and suffering from shock was Toshio, 15.

Officers said the fire apparently started when the TV set on the third floor of the stone house exploded. One Yamagata son who escaped injury said the flames concentrated around the set as he dashed to safety.

### Youngest Son Trapped

The elder Yamagata had escaped the blaze but re-entered the flaming building when he learned that his youngest son was trapped inside. The two were probably overcome by smoke. They were discovered huddled in each other's arms only inches from a window.

Another son, Shimmy, 28, head

of the Alturas Recreation Dept. and prominent in sports and youth activities here, was not living in the house.

The deceased Yamagata is the father of 15 children. Four of his sons are serving in the U.S. Armed Forces. Mrs. Yamagata died about two years ago in Chicago.

## 100th Infantry Bn. commander Turner eyes Congress post

**NEWPORT, R.I.** — Farrant L. Turner has resigned as Secretary of Hawaii to run for Delegate to Congress on the Republican ticket. The resignation, effective immediately, was accepted by President Eisenhower last week.

The announcement gave the Hawaiian G.O.P., hard pressed to find a candidate to oppose incumbent Democratic Delegate John A. Burns, a well-known public figure to head the ticket in the 1958 campaign.

In his kickoff campaign statement in Honolulu, 63-year-old Turner, who is making his first try for elective office, said:

"I am running for Delegate, and I may say I hope to be the last Delegate from Hawaii in its Territorial status.

"If the people of Hawaii see fit to send me to Washington, I realistically would hope that by mid-1959 my term as Delegate would be at an end with Hawaii's Statehood goal in sight."

The Honolulu Star-Bulletin editorially noted:

"... He certainly knows that in resigning as Secretary of the Territory to run against Burns he is taking a long chance. That he is willing to do so is another proof of that dedication to duty which has marked his life, and was most dramatically exemplified when he volunteered for combat duty in World War II and went on to command the famed 100th Infantry Battalion in World War II.

"Now, after five years as Secretary of the Territory and on many occasions Acting Governor, he is thoroughly familiar with the Territory and its needs ..."

## Sen. Tsukiyama decides to run for same post

**HONOLULU.** — Sen. Wilfred C. Tsukiyama, a veteran Republican once mentioned as possible candidate for Delegate to Congress to oppose John A. Burns, Democrat incumbent, last week ended all speculation by announcing his race for the Senate from the Fifth District.

First rumored to be retiring from politics due to his health, the 60-year-old Senator decided to seek re-election although he regrets that reapportionment has narrowed down his constituency.

Tsukiyama was president of the upper chamber three times since 1947. The McKinley High School graduate is an attorney in private practice. He was a city and county attorney for 12 years before World War II, and is veteran of World War I.

## Housing bias —

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lily. Linberg also said he hadn't spoken to Fisher since before the prospective sale to Oshima became known. He added that he hardly knows the Fishers and only spoke to them a few times.

East Oshima said that after consulting with his attorney, he decided to ask for a release from the purchase agreement, especially because the principal objector was next door.

### Second Attempt

His brother, Ronald, later in the same week confirmed a deal was made to buy the Donald E. Ahlgren home at 6132 S. Vincent Ave., since the other purchase fell through but admitted pondering the advisability of going through with the second proposed purchase.

Ronald Oshima said the family received a number of anonymous phone calls which raised questions in their minds about moving.

Ronald, an engineer for the Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., said there were eight calls between dinner Thursday and breakfast the following morning. All of them suggested they better not go through with the purchase. Some of them threatening, he said.

Harold Rapp, who lives across the street from the Ahlgren home at 6137 S. Vincent Ave., said there had been some discontent on the block Aug. 27 when the deal first became known. He said the discontent was based partly on the fact that Spring Co., which handled the transaction, had not consulted the neighbors.

### Opposition Expressed

Rapp added that he and his wife called on the Ahlgrens and expressed their opposition to the Nisei moving in. Rapp, a Honeywell grinder, said he has no racial prejudices but doesn't want the Oshimas in his block because "it is bad for property values." He added that he understood from his conversation with the Ahlgrens that they would back out of the deal, but the Ahlgrens were not available for comment by the press that evening.

Both brothers said they were considering the same thing that led them to cancel a contract to buy the Newton Avenue home. East explained that their mother would be home by herself most of the day and they didn't want her to be exposed to people who plainly didn't want her in the neighborhood.

Another brother, John, is chairman of the Central Mesabi Citizens Council (an FEPC agency) at Hibbing, Minn.

The same week, Mrs. Sanford Moore, a Negro employed as secretary with the Minneapolis Star and Tribune, said she was evicted from an upper duplex at 2621 Columbus Ave. because a neighbor pressured her landlady into it. She moved in last July, having just returned from New York City after five years.

## CALENDAR

Sept. 12-14  
Chicago—Weekend at Forest Beach.  
Sept. 13-14  
East Los Angeles—Overnight Outing, Presbyterian Conference Grounds, Big Bear Lake.  
Sept. 14 (Sunday)  
Portland—Bazaar.  
Tulare County—Fishing Outing.  
Sept. 16 (Tuesday)  
Venice-Culver—Board meeting, Dr. T. Shishino's office, 8 p.m.  
Sept. 17 (Wednesday)  
CCDC—Special meeting, Fowler JACL, hosts, 99 Cafe, 7:30 p.m.  
Sept. 19 (Friday)  
French Camp—General meeting.  
Sept. 20 (Saturday)  
Sonoma County—1000 Club Splash Party, Ives Memorial Pool, 8 p.m.  
Long Beach—General meeting.  
San Francisco—Auxiliary Fashion show, Fairmount Hotel, 12:30-2:30 p.m.  
Sept. 21 (Sunday)  
Pasadena—1000 Club luau, Tom Ito residence.  
Sept. 25 (Thursday)  
East Los Angeles—General meeting, International Institute.  
Sept. 27 (Saturday)  
Berkeley—Japanese movies, Berkeley H.S. Little Theater, 7 p.m.  
Chicago—Dinner meeting (tent.)  
D.C.—General meeting, YWCA, 8 p.m.; Dr. Osamu Shimizu, spkr.; "Interpretations of Japanese History."  
Oct. 2-3  
Puyallup Valley—Benefit movie.  
Oct. 4 (Saturday)  
West L.A.—Auxiliary "Jobs for Junior" dance, Santa Monica Elks Club.