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CALIFORNIA JUDGES DENMAN, GIBSON PROPOSED FOR SUPREME COURT POST

Washington

California Judges William Denman and Phil S. Gibson were suggested to President Eisenhower as candidates for the United States Supreme Court by the Japanese American Citizens League for the vacancy caused by the recent death of Associate Justice Robret H. Jackson.

William Denman is chief judge of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and Phil S. Gibson is Chief Justice of the California State Supreme Court.

Both jurists are eminently qualified by training and experience for promotion to the nation's higest tribunal, the JACL informed the President in a letter nominating them for consideration to the Supreme Court.

Experienced Jurist Sought

Both were recommended when it became known that the President was considering an experienced jurist for the post, rather than a political appointment such as those that have recently been made to the Supreme Court.

Both justices have outstanding records as advocates of civil and human rights and both have been sympathetic to the recent constitutional issues involving persons of Japanese ancestry.

In the federal field, Chief Judge Denman has been particularly outspoken on citizenship questions, while Chief Justice Gibson voted with the majority outlawing the alien land law of California in 1952.

Chief Judge Denman

Judge Denman is a native of San Francisco. A graduate of the Harvard Law School, he was admitted to practice in 1898. He was appointed by the mayor of San Francisco to investigate corruption in that city and made his report in 1910. He organized a state-wide movement for the non-partisan election of state judges and succeeded in securing its enactment in 1911. He also drafted the non-partisan election law for judges that is a part of the San Francisco City charter.

During World War I, he served as president of the United States Shipping Board and also of the Emergency Fleet Corporation. He was also the United States representataive to the Balfour World War Mission in 1917.

He was appointed to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in 1935 by President Franklin D. Roosevelt and was appointed Chief Judge in 1948 by President Harry S. Truman. He is author of a plan to separate the administration of the lower courts from the Dept. of Justice, for the creation of court administrator and 50 additional federal judges (including 20 judges at large) for the staffing of federal courts so their judges from time of commencement could press litigation to final conclusions.

Chief Justice Gibson

Justice Gibson was born in Missouri. Among his colleges, he attended the Inns of Court, London, and he has received honorary LL.D. degrees from Southwestern University and McGeorge College of Law.

He served with the 35th Division in World War I.

He was admitted to the California bar in 1923.

He was appointed Director of Finance in 1939 and also served ex-officio as chairman of the State Board of Control and the State Lands Commission. At present, he is a member of the State Emergency Council and the State Water Project Authority.

Warren Appointee

He was appointed Associate Justice of the California Supreme Court in Augt 1939, by the then Gov. Earl Warren and one year later was appointed Chief Justice to the State Supreme Court, also by Gov. War-

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Nat'l chairmen of JACL committees named by Inagaki

Los Angeles

Appointments of national chairmen to the various national committees of the Japanese American Citizens League were announced this week by National President George J. Inagaki.

In announcing the chairmanships, Inagaki explained that the function of these committees will be to implement the recommendations and decisions made at the 13th Biennial National Convention held here last month.

The national committees and chairmen are:

National Committee for Aging: Mike Suzuki, New York Chapter; Americanization: Paul Kashino, Seattle; Arlington National Cemetery: Ira Shimasaki, Washington, D.C.; Budget and Finance: Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa, Los Angeles; National Citizenship: Dr. George Furukawa, Washington, D.C.; Study Commission on Civil Rights: Wayne Kanemoto, San Jose; Constitution: David Yokozeki, Los Angeles; Evacuation Claims: Frank Chuman, Los Angeles.

Study Commission on Immigration and Naturalization: Dr. Thomas Yatabe, Chicago; Legislative-Legal: Harold Gordon, Chicago; Membership: Yutaka Terasaki, Denver; Nisei Veterans: Hershey Miyamura, Albuquerque; National Planning: Patrick Okura, Omaha; Program and Activities: Jerry Enomoto, San Francissco; Public Relations: Abe Hagiwara, Chicago; National Recognitions: Dr. Randolph M. Sakada, Chicago.

Memorial service

West Los Angeles

Memorial services for Nisei soldiers will be held at the local Gakuen Hall, Oct. 30, 7:30 p.m., with George Dote as genera chairman. The West Los Angeles JACL and the Japanese Community Council are inviting other groups to participate.

Many Japanese called for Nov. 11 mass naturalization ceremonies

JACL endowment fund in trust reaches $80,000

Venice

George J. Inagaki, National JACL President, this week publicly thanked all contributors who have given to the JACL Endowment Fund.

"The JACL is grateful for the confidence you have shown in the organization through your generous donation to the Endowment Fund," Inagaki expressed to all contributors upon the announcement that the current sum deposited with the endowment trust fund is $80,000.

National JACL Treasurer Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa called attention to the fact that more than $2,500 to be realized on interest is being placed in the JACL's regular operating fund as a demonstration of how the Endowment Fund will actually work.

Recent contributors to the Endowment Fund who have contributed $789 bringing the total to date to $80,092.61 is listed below:

CALIFORNIA

Anaheim—K. Momishi $25; Berkeley—Mrs. Sugino Fukumori $5, Mrs. Tomoko Hagihara $5, Mrs. Kano Imamura $5, Mrs. Haruko Iwamasa $20, Shonosuke Kato $10, Mrs. Kayo Shinoda $10; Hayward—Tom Hatakeda $44; Los Angeles—Mrs. Sumi Kashiwaki $200; Pacoima—Mutsuo & Kazu Sakamoto $100; San Jose—Masanori & Hideyoshi Tsutsui $50; San Juan Bautista—Kay Kamimoto $150; San Mateo—K. Oshima $15; Selma—Mrs. Shisuko Kobashi $25, Miyeko Gamow $5.

MICHIGAN

Detroit—Miss Marlene Sato $20.

PENNSYLVANIA

Glenside—Tsuneshin Kaname $50.

WASHINGTON

Fort Lewis—Major George Suda $50.

FIRST NISEI CALLED TO CANADIAN JURY SERVICE

Prince Rupert, B.C.

What may be a precedent for Prince Rupert County and the Province of British Columbia was established when local citizens were notified to be ready for jury duty for the Fall Assizes.

Frank Sadao Suga, Smithers contractor, believed to be the first Japanese Canadian ever to be summoned for jury duty in the province, was among those notified.

Suga was well-known in Prince Rupert where he lived prior to moving to Smithers.

Cleveland

Several Issei will be among 1,800 new citizens to be sworn in Nov. 11 at the Public Music Hall here. Tom Sashihara Howard Tashima and Lillian Hashiba are serving on the Citizens' Committee of Cleveland, representing the Japanese community.

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Washington

Many Issei are to receive their American citizenship during special mass naturalization ceremonies to be held throughout the country on Veterans Day, Nov. 11, reported the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League.

Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization, Joseph M. Swing, assured Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative, in a letter that all Issei petitions for naturalization filed before Oct. 12, 1954, would be processed and that those found eligible would become citizens in the special Veterans Day swearing-in ceremonies.

In replying further to the letter from Masaoka, Commissioner Swing said, "You may be interested in knowing that a large number of persons of Japanese extraction will be included in the ceremony to be held in the Hollywood Bowl, Los Angeles, California."

Several hundred Issei are now expected to become American citizens in the Hollywood Bowl swearing-in ceremony on Nov. 11, Veterans Day. Similarly, many other Issei throughout the country will also be participating in like naturalization services in their respective communities.

Upon receiving the Commissioner's letter, Masaoka declared that the reply from Commissioner Swing assures the JACL that Issei petitioners will receive every consideration for participation for early naturalization.

Masaoka had written to Commissioner Swing congratulating him on the "inspired project" for special mass naturalization services on Veterans Day. The Washington 'CL representative also urged the Commissioner to use this opportunity to clear up the large accumulation of Issei naturalization petitions.

Petitions Expedited

Commissioner Swing's reply to Masaoka included assurances that all Issei petitions filed before Oct. 12 would be processed immediately. Those found eligible for naturalization would be included in the Veterans Day ceremonies.

Thus, with few exceptions in complex and difficult cases, all Issei whose naturalization petitions were filed before Oct. 12 are expected to become citizens this Nov. 11. Issei who have not yet received notification to appear for the swearing-in ceremony should contact their local Immigration and Naturalization Service and inquire as to the delay.

As the organization most responsible for Issei eligibility for naturalization, the JACL is pleased to find that the Immigration and Naturalization Service will include all possible Issei petitioners in the Veterans Day program, Masaoka said.

(Through a special bill passed by the 83rd Congress and signed by the President, Armistice Day, Nov. 11, has been redesignated as "Veterans Day".)

Ex-Angeleno represents Hawaii at National Home Demonstration convention

Washington

Mrs. Thomas Tagami, Hawaii's delegate to the National Home Demonstration convention meeting Oct. 31-Nov. 4 at the Statler Hotel, will stress the citizenship program conducted by the ten Hawaiian Demonstration councils.

She will also attend a civil defense conference and tour the National Health Institute at Bethesda, Md., and the Agricultural Research Center at Beltsville, before returning to Maui.

Mrs. Tagami is the former Rose Sakimoto of Los Angeles, a graduate of Hollywood High School; resided in Bingham City, Utah, during the war years, moving to the Islands in 1947. The Tagamis have two children, daughter Dorothy on the St. Vincent's Hospital (Los Angeles) staff as nurse and son Ted, a junior at Univ. of Hawaii. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs Tohachi Sakimoto, brother Jimmy and sister Mrs. Edna Shigekawa, live in Los Angeles; Mrs. Maxie Kato in Ogden.

SONOMA COUNTY C.L. IN TRIBUTE TO WAR DEAD

Sebastopol

Some 250 attended the Sonoma County JACL chapter observances of Nisei Soldiers Memorial Day last Sunday at the local Enmanji Buddhist Church. The Rev. Y. Onoyama officiated.

Tak Kameoka was chairman.

Tacoma area Issei due citizenship on battleship

Seattle

Japanese aliens will board the battleship Missouri Nov. 11 at Bremerton to become United States citizens on the same deck where their mother country formally quit World War II.

District Immigration Director John P. Boyd said "several of the 80 petitioners seeking citizenship are Japanese" and all will be naturalized in special Veterans' Day ceremonies aboard the "Mighty Mo."

A federal court order to permit the event was presented by Boyd in Tacoma to U.S. District Judge George H. Boldt.

First Warship Court

The unusual ceremony reportedly will be the first time a federal court ever convened aboard a warship for a naturalization session.

A parade, originating in Tacoma, will proceed to Bremerton prior to the ceremony and all major civic and patriotic organizations will take part, with the public invited.

Special naturalization ceremonies, in which more than 50,000 persons will become U.S. citizens, are scheduled throughout the nation on the same day.

In Seattle, 400 new citizens will be sworn before Federal Judge William J. Lindberg in a ceremony at 2 p.m.

Maryknoll addition

Los Angeles

A two-story building consisting of meeting rooms and a kitchen will be added to the Maryknoll Hall, it was recently announced by Father Hugh Lavery, pastor.

Presence of Nisei student in group cause interest among Indonesians

Berkeley

Isao Fujimoto, a first year medical student at the Univ. of California, recently returned from a trip to Indonesia where he and four other students and a UC professor laid the basis of stronger cultural ties between that country and the United States.

The students, all members of the Cal-Indo organization at the Berkeley campus, reported that a student center, to cost $50,000, is being planned. Half of the money will be raised in Indonesia while the remainder will be raised by the local group.

Fujimoto's presence on the visitation caused considerable interest among the Indonesia students, his fellow colleagues noted.

During the tour to the southeast Asian country, Fujimoto, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Taichi Fujimoto of Madrone, frequently found himself "lost in the shuffle" when the Indonesians started introducing people to the Cal-Indo group.

The 21-year-old medical student said it wasn't intentional. "They usually glanced in my direction and took me for one of the local students," he explained.

"But when they heard me talk, they always realized they had overlooked me," he added.

The Nisei, who said he "hadn't even been as far south as Los Angeles" before he took the trip to Indonesia and eventually around the globe, said the student plan to meet with Asians and attempt to understand their problems we imperative.

TOKYO TOPICS

By TAMOTSU MURAYAMA

Yen devaluation

Everyone in Japan fears the government may devaluate the yen when Premier Shigeru Yoshida returns from his current trip. The rate is rumored to be ¥500 as compared with the ¥360 to $1 of today.

It has forced American businessmen to take a wait and see attitude in their purchase of Japanese goods. Some people are buying up American dollars for future gain. But most of the Japanese are busy trying to eke a livelihood, hardly giving thought to making money in speculation.



Wild rumors of further devaluation of the yen has quieted activity in business circles. Exporters and importers are complaining over this state of affairs. However, such rumor-mongering has been heard too often.

"This time, it's the sure thing," says a typical informer on the run.

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When the Pacific war ended, occupying American authorities set the initial exchange rate at ¥15 to $1. Korean nationals, however, started to cripple the economy through black market, dealing in get-rich-quick items, such as, cigarets, sugar and other basic commodities.

It would have been possible to maintain this 15-1 exchange rate, had not black-marketeering been so extensive. Then the Japanese fools played into their hands. The Communists heartily joined the scheme.

Then, the government had to fix a new rate of 50-1. But it did not last as black market activities were intensified. These were the days when so many "millionaires" were created among occupation personnel.

Then, the rate was dropped drastically to the present 360-1 exchange. For practical purposes, a 400-1 exchange raate is accepted today.

Admittedly, Tokyo is thus regarded as the most expensive city in the world. Imperial Hotel charges $10 (¥3,600) a day for ordinary rooms. Nikkatsu International Hotel charges from ¥5,000-12,600 a day. And if one eats his three meals there, the bill climbs to ¥17,500.

A hotel like the Statler in Los Angeles, where the JACL held its last national convention, would be charging ¥25,000 or more per day.

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As long as one holds a dollar bill in hand, it's a dollar. However, when it is exchanged to ¥360 and spent, you only have an item worth 20 American cents. When you realize this, there's a strange sensation like a mental tailspin.

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America convinced me as a land of abundance, reasonable economy and know-how.

So, what Premier Shigeru "One Man" Yoshida is going to learn in Europe and America is a matter of extreme interest. He should be able to do something worthwhile, instead of adding to the political turmoil and mud-slinging.

Japanese businessmen know mere devaluation of the yen will not help Japan's rehabilitation. It would worsen the situation, although foreign entrepreneurs here with the almighty dollar would be abeeted.

Devaluation would add more oil to the flames of anti-Americanism. Communists would immediately blame the American dollar would be abetted.
bling Japanese standards.

The Japanese today are like hysterical women—either a case of extreme love or hate. They cannot resume the middle road, so to speak. This characteristic is being demonstrated by politicians who fight and scream in the Diet.

Their heads must be devaluated—not the Japanese currency.

WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER

By Mike Masaoka

Voting Responsibility



THOUGH the elections are next Tuesday, there is still much doubt as to the eventual winners in most congressional and state campaigns.

Most of the polls point to a probable general Democratic victory, with optimistic Democrats announcing the lineup of committee chairmen and a legislative program for the new Congress. The GOP is far from disheartened, however, and with intensified campaigning in the last two weeks anticipate that they will be continued in power.

As usual, it is clear that the uncommitted or independent voters hold the balance of power in their hands. The party that gains most of these so-called independent votes will also garner the elections.

As pointed out in last week's Newsletter, in such hard-fought elections as this promises to be, the Nisei and the Issei votes may be the determining factors in such close contests as those indicated for California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Nevada, Arizona, Utah, New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming, Illinois, Ohio, Michigan, and New Jersey.

No suggestions were made last week that the Nisei and the Issei should vote as a bloc, for both parties have been rather sympathetic, of late, to the legislative aspirations of persons of Japanese ancestry in this country.

But the fact that the votes of the Nisei and the Issei could well determine which party will control the next Congress, which is obvious enough to the politicians, had to be made plain to the Nisei and the Issei in order that they might not only understand their grave responsibility as voters, but also appreciate the individual value of their respective ballots.

Every voter should remember that every ballot cast is doubly important, for it adds one to the total of the favored candidate while, in practical effect, subtracts two from the unfortunate nominee.

And, the fewer the votes cast in any election, the more important becomes the individual ballot that is cast.

All this adds up to the admonition that every qualified Nisei and Issei should get out and vote next Tuesday, Nov. 2, for his individual vote will be more important than usual and may even be decisive.

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In Memoriam

THIS SUNDAY, Oct. 31, is Nisei Soldiers Memorial Day.

Though it marks the tenth anniversary of the now famous rescue of the Lost Texas Battalion in the Vosges Mountains of northeastern France by the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, it is a day dedicated to all the Nisei war heroes who died not only in the defense of our country but also to gain for us—the living—the opportunity to be accepted as partners in the great experiment we call the American way.

That these heroic dead did not die in vain is witnessed in the welcome acceptance enjoyed by persons of Japanese ancestry everywhere in these United States.

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Reason for observance

THERE may be those who question the need for a special observance as this, saving that it is enough that we honor our Nisei war dead when other American soldiers are honored, as, for example, on Memorial Day and Veterans Day.

Why, they ask, should just Nisei soldiers be singled out for special glory by the Nisei and the Issei, when persons of Japanese ancestry are seeking complete integration into the American community.

To understand the reasons for and the meaning of Nisei Soldiers Memorial Day, one has to be, first of all, a Nisei evacuee who remembers what happened to him during the past decade.

Before World War II, eligible Nisei men were subject to the Selective Service on the same basis as other Americans. But, following the attack on Pearl Harbor, most of those then in the service were discharged and those on the rolls were reclassified as 4-C, a designation for aliens. Even before the evacuation, thousands of Nisei both in the United States proper and in the Territory of Hawaii, resented that designation and demanded that they be given an opportunity to fight for, and if necesary to die for, the land of their birth.

Then, for persons of Japanese ancestry on the mainland, came the evacuation, with all its heartaches and suffering. The tragedy of evacuation was allowed to happen because there was some question as to the loyalty of persons of Japanese ancestry to the land of their birth, as against the land of their parents. The only way in which proof of that loyalty could be demonstrated, in such a way that none could again question it, was on the battlefields of World War II.

So the Nisei, from behind the barbed wires of their relocation camps and from the Territory of Hawaii, demanded of their Government the right to fight. And, on the mainland, the JACL as an organization carried the demand to the White House, the Congress and the War Department.

When our Government responded to our demands, and authorized the establishment of a Combat Team that eventually became the 442nd and the use of Nisei intelligence troops in the Pacific, both on a volunteer basis, the response of the Nisei themselves was highly dramatic and inspiring.

The rest, of course, is military history.

The 442nd went on to win fame as the most decorated unit in American annals for its size and length of service, while the Nisei intelligence troops in the Pacific are credited with having shortened the war by many months and saving thousands of American casualties and millions of dollars.

But the price paid for that record was a costly one. More dead and more casualties, percentage-wise, than that of the average American group or unit. The stories of Nisei heroism on every battlefield of World War II would in themselves account for volumes that may never be written.

But their sacrifices, given willingly and usually volunteered, made possible all that we enjoy today: welcome acceptance, employment opportunities never even dreamed of before the war, complete elimination of discriminatory legislation, a future that we can look forward to with confidence. All this—and more—we owe to the Nisei soldiers of World War II.

Because no racial group ever before was denied the right to serve our nation in time of war; because no racial group ever had to fight for that right; because no racial group once given that right did more to prove, not only for the Japanese but for all peoples, that "Americanism is a matter of the mind and the heart, and not of race or ancestry"; and because with their lives they purchased an opportunity for—the living—to enjoy a kind of life they never knew, we today commemorate Nisei Soldiers Memorial Day and pay tribute to our war dead.

We do not want to ever forget what they accomplished for us, and we do not want others to forget it too. For the price that was paid was too high to be taken lightly or forgotten easily.

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Proposal: a monument

ON THIS, the tenth anniversary of the high-water mark, as it were, of Nisei gallantry in World War II, this writer who was privileged to serve with the 442nd, would like to propose that the Japanese American community consider the placing of an appropriate monument to our heroic dead in the Nation's capital, where among the Nation's heroes it would be in proper company as a constant reminder to all Americans that the slant of one's eyes does not reflect the slant of one's heart, that the cost of racial intolerance runs high, that all Americans are of a common patriotism.

Here, in Washington, there are many monuments—to individual heroes; to groups and units, like divisions and armies; to commemorate historic events, such as the raising of the American Flag on Iwo Jima.

But, to me, a Nisei, no monument could be more appropriate and in keeping with America's heritage than one especially dedicated to our own war dead, for their sacrifices which have gained so much should be forever enshrined in memory for all to see and marvel and to understand.

OPINIONS

Ethnocentric of all

(California) Fortnight

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"As a group, the Japanese Americans are the most ethnocentric of all on Boyle Heights. Outwardly, they appear proud and aloof—'striding like conquerors,' as one social worker put it. Inwardly, they are on guard, ready to fend off discrimination they have long suffered. They occupy a curious and contradictory position, in that they, especially the younger Nisei, are eager to 'fully Americanize,' yet stand apart because they feel others hold them to be different in appearance and culture."—Boyle Heights: California's Sociological Fishbowl, Oct. 20, 1954.

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VERY TRULY YOURS

By HARRY HONDA

'World prespective'

This is a case for "world perspective" in a truer sense . . . Because a Nisei does his part promoting Japanese-American goodwill, it does not follow he has the world in perspective. It may be that the Nisei eye is myopic on that part of the world from which his forbears came . . . "World perspective" deals with people everywhere, their history and how they think and feel today.

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The American way of life is rooted in civilization of Europe and the Near East. Only recent years have introduced the cultures of the Far East to these shores . . . We have always admitted Nisei, because of his quaint position as a product of both civilizations, is at an advantage promoting peace in the Pacific. Yet, he should not forget the peace in the Atlantic as well . . . The case for "world perspective" includes a working knowledge of America's role in the world—north, south, east and west.

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In the past half year, cool heads at the top level prevented a gamble with thousands of American lives in a war. We skirted the Indo-China fiasco. The Nine-Power Conference in London patched up the European Defense Community, which was rejected by France and almost spoiling eight years of military planning.

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World perspective also involves the place of the H-bomb in our thinking . . . Unlike wars of old, one carefully-dropped H-bomb can paralyze a nation, especially the smaller nations of Europe . . . It has forced these small nations to adopt a whole new attitude towards war in general, and against the U.S. and some of its people who are so fond of shaking the H-bomb scare at other people.

HONOLULU NEWSLETTER

Anti-Statehood Lure

LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

For several months, efforts by a small group of residents have been underway to try to sell the idea of commonwealth status to the people of Hawaii.

The commonwealth promoters in effect have told the people to abandon their fight for statehood and to turn their support to commonwealth.

They have not made much headway and probably will fizzle out eventually. But their arguments, in the meantime, are misleading and have confused some persons.

The commonwealth promoters hold out as "bait" the lure of tax exemption. They claim that commonwealth status will automatically give Hawaii's people relief from Federal income taxes to the tune of $130 million to $180 million a year.

This alluring argument has attracted some converts to the commonwealth idea. The hard fact is that the proponents of commonwealth have no assurance that such tax exemption is probable or even possible.

They cite the case of Puerto Rico and its exemption from Federal income taxes; they assert that what Puerto Rico has, Hawaii can also get.

They conveniently forget that tax exemption for Puerto Rico has nothing to do with her commonwealth status. Puerto Ricans have been free from Federal taxes for half a century; their homeland became a commonwealth only two years ago.

Puerto Rico could be exempted from Federal taxes because it was a non-incorporated territory. The U.S. Supreme Court has so ruled.

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No basis for tax-free Hawaii

But Hawaii is an incorporated Territory, a status which makes the uniformity of taxation clause in the U.S. Constitution applicable to Hawaii.

Therefore, it is highly doubtful, to say the least, that Congress has the power to make Hawaii tax-free.

Commonwealth proponents overlook the fact that the U.S. Senate has already rejected their proposition. By a vote of 60 to 24, the Senators turned down a commonwealth amendment to the statehood bill in the last session.

The question might very well be asked: Why should Hawaii, which pays more Federal taxes than any of 10 states, be granted a tax-free bonanza when the states are bearing their full share of the burden?

To be sure, Hawaii is denied full participation in national government—the right to vote for a President, to have Senators and Representatives in Congress, to elect its own state officers and other rights. But what the people want is not escape from taxation but equal rights with the existing states.

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Seek equality in benefit & responsibility

The people of Hawaii are loyal, patriotic Americans who demand no special favors or privileges. They ask only for the right to share in both the benefits and the responsibilities of full statehood.

Commonwealth promoters have made the limited headway they have partly because of the understandable frustration of the population.

For many years, Hawaii has knocked on the doors of Congress to be admitted to statehood; each time, the Territory has been turned down. The closer to the goal, the greater the expectation. So it was that a noticeable let-down in morale followed the failure of the statehood bill to pass in the last session of Congress.

It is, unfortunately, so easy to forget the tremendous progress the statehood drive has made over the years, not only in Congress, but among the American people generally, and in the American press particularly. Public opinion polls show an encouraging increase in the general support Hawaiian statehood bill several times; were it not for the tie-in of Alaska

The U.S. House of Representatives has approved the statehood bill severa ltimes; were it not for the tie-in of Alaska by the Democrats in the Senate during the last session, Hawaii today would be the 49th state.

President Eisenhower, in two recent speeches, has included Hawaiian statehood as an essential part of the program he plans to push in the next Congress.

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Worth the effort

Even if Congress goes Democratic, Hawaiian statehood has a chance, as part of a "package plan" including Alaska. The President, while not enthusiastic about Alaska, may accept both Hawaii and the northern Territory. This is, however, a matter of pure speculation.

Commonwealth proponents are busy in Alaska too, in their attempt to sidetrack the statehood drive there. They have even invited a leading commonwealth backer in Hawaii to speak in Alaska, which he has done but apparently with as little success as in Hawaii.

Despite the commonwealth distraction, Hawaii will be back in Congress next January with another burst of energy and ambition behind the statehood bill.

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IN HONOR OF

Leslie Nakashima of the United Press Tokyo Bureau was elected president of the newly-formed fraternal club, the Aikane Club, composed of 70 Hawaiian-born Nisei residents of Tokyo.

Richard K. Hirami, former Denver hotel operator, was ordained a missionary Oct. 17 by the Church of the Open Door, and will be assigned to work in Japan. A widower, he remarried in Japan, and is the father of Akira, Pat and Mrs. Sam Ariki, all of Denver.

Capt. Gary T. Kadani, Fresno, was named commanding officer of the newly-formed 395th MP Detachment (Res.), composed of 20 persons, including one captain, one lieutenant, 12 warrant officers, two sergeants, two corporals and two stengraphers.

Haruko Nakata, Bowles, who placed third in the Caruthers District Fair queen contest, received a $300 scholarship from the Fair.

Frank Toshio Okita, Seattle-born accountant now of Chicago, placed among the top nine in the field of 12,000 candidates in the autumn 1953 CPA examinations to win an Elijah Watt Sells honorable mention award, the American Institute of Accountants announced this week. An employee for the Internal Revenue Service, he was graduated from Ohio State University after discharge from the 442nd RCT medical detachment.

Hurricane 'Hazel' dampens Canadian Japanese farms

Toronto

Japanese Canadian-operated farms in the Bradford area were under water in the flood caused by hurricane "Hazel", the New Canadian reported last week. Damage was not extensive, but one farmer lost much of his equipment, including a tractor.

The Toronto JCCA and Buddhist Church here are contributing to the flood campaign appeal.

Seek refugee immigrants

Delano

Tsunekusu, Kawasaki camp manager of the Sierra Vista Farm here, flew to Japan last week to make arrangements to bring back refugee immigrants. About 250 are expected to settle in the Delano area.

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Two former presidents blocked move to intern Mexico Japanese

San Francisco

Mexico almost interned some 50 Japanese residents during World War II in line with the hemispheric security plan of the United States government, but two former Mexican presidents led a move to block the internment order, the Nichi Bei Times learned from a recent visitor here from Mexico City.

Sanshiro Matsumoto, Mexico City florist and one of the most successful Japanese residents in Mexico, left here following a week's stay here with his son George.

Matsumoto said that the wartime Mexican President Avila Camacho was ready to give the order to interne the Japanese following security suggestions from Washington, D.C.

Peru Interned Many

It was recalled that Peru acted on similar suggestions and sent several hundred Japanese and their families to internment camps in the United States.

Leader of the movement to put a halt to this plan was ex-President Lazaro Cardenas. He took a personal interest because his wife's sister was married to a prominent Japanese, Dr. Matsutada Noda.

Cardenas was joined by another ex-president, Pascual Ortiz Rubio, a close friend of Matsumoto.

Intercession Aids

As a result of their intercession, the Mexican government told the U.S. that adequate internal security precautions will be instituted, but no internment program was ordered.

Matsumoto and his son spent most of the time in the San Francisco area visiting nurseries. They left here for St. Louis to attend an orchid growers convention.

In addition to his flower shop which supplies floral decorations to most formal government occasions, Matsumoto operates eight farms around Mexico City, raising not only flowers and plants but also cattle and poultry.

Christmas Cheer

Los Angeles

Seeking to reach $2,000 this year by a Nov. 15 deadline, Christmas Cheer funds as of Oct. 17 began with $123, it was reported by Jim Higashi, finance chairman. Sumitomo Bank is contributing banking service for this Yuletide project of Club Service Bureau.

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Total as of Oct. 17	$ 123

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KNOWS RUSSIAN — Shinobu Higashi, Univ. of British Columbia graduate, received credit from Robert Eunson in his article, "How We Nabbed Russia's No. 1 Spy" (Saturday Evening Post, Sept. 25). Higashi, now with Tokyo bureau of Associated Press, who learned Russian while a prisoner of the Russians in Manchuria, was invaluable in his report of how the United States captured Yuri Rastvorov, top Soviet espionage agent in the Far East.

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Chicago Corner

SMOKY SAKURADA

(Regular columnist Smoky Sakuarada, in addition to working late as nights, is busy soliciting greetings for the 1954 PC Holiday Issue. Chicago JACLer John Yoshino previews the next chapter meeting of Nov. 12 with a timely discussion on education.—Editor.)

By JOHN YOSHINO

● Nisei parents are concerned about the quality of education their Sansei children are getting in the Chicago public schools these days.

This concern is being raised by intelligent Nisei parents, who are taking an increasing interest in what is going on in the community about the school question. Many are active on the citizens school committees. Others are taking leading parts in the PTA. Still other Nisei are right on the firing line—so to speak, by being teachers in the elementary and high schools of Chicago.

The Chicago JACL general meeting on Friday night, Nov. 12, will devote its program portion to a timely discussion of EDUCATION. The pan meeting in the Woodrow Wilson Room on the second floor of 116 S. Michigan Ave. will be in keeping with the observation of American Education Week throughout the Nation sponsored by the American Legion, and National Congress of Parents and Teachers. The week of Nov. 7-13 has been set aside to promote increased public interest in bettering the schools.

The Chicago JACL, in extending its reach into community affairs, hopes that many Nisei parents will set aside this evening to come to the meeting and engage in a lively discussion of ways and means of improving the school situation.

In talking to Nisei school teachers and parents, it seems that frequently voiced problems tie in generally with the school children voice about the schools in Chicago.

It is about overcrowding, inadequate facilities, poorly trained teaching personnel, lack of discipline and many other general complaints.

Southside families . . .

● Japanese families living in the south side of the city claim all of the above situations are even more strongly accentuated on the south side than in other parts of the city. They say it is for these reasons that many Japanese families are moving to the north side and the west-side.

Sociologists point out also the fact that from a cultural and racial angle the Japanese families have placed high values on education. Issei parents really sacrificed to give their children a good education—especially at the college level.

Today the question is frequently asked whether or not the Nisei parents of Sansei children still adhere to such beliefs.

Are they willing to sacrifice their own comforts and luxury in frugal living to put aside the money for their children to get a higher education?

Some Nisei parents say no; they don't bylindly go for that sort of thing. Despite all the talking that Nisei parents do about wanting better education for their children, it has been said that only a token few are really interested enough to join the PTA and other civic groups working for increasing new school buildings, better curriculum, higher standards for teacher selection and placement, higher salaries and better working conditions for the they don't blindly go for that the so very responsible job of getting our children off to a right start in life.

Working mothers . . .

● Another slant to the question is that many Nisei mothers are working and don't have the time to go to these afternoon PTA meetings. They claim they must make up for time lost in the relocation camps. Pressure here is economic. No one has said that there is a disproportionate number of Nisei mothers working in comparison with the general population.

The fact remains that all Nisei parents are vitally interested in the school question. The few who are vocal about it want to see if the JACL meeting might help find answers to some of these questions. We are, of course, very happy to have our meeting used to have the community come to grips with this question.

CHAPTER MEMO

Sacramento JACL: Miyo Sasaki, who made a successful tour of night clubs in the Midwest as a singer, has consented to appear as guest artist on the Nov. 27 "Your Stars of Tomorrow" revue. A Nisei combo has been engaged and all signs that a terrific stageshow is in the making appear, according to Bill Matsumoto and Mary Nakashima, co-chairmen.

Eden Township JACL: Films on Japan were shown by Albert Kosakura of Pan American World Airways at the last general meeting of the chapter at the San Leandro School with Minoru Shinoda in charge of the program. Dr. Frank Saito, president, was chairman . . . A pre-Christmas party for children is planned for early December. Mmes. Kazue Sakai and Jun Yoshioka are co-chairmen.

Berkeley JACL: Tom Yego of Penryn and Thomas W. Caldecott will speak for Republicans and Yori Wada of San Fracisco and a speaker from the Democratic National Committee will represent the Democrats at a political rally tonight at 2117 Haste St. The meeting is also sponsored by the Richmond-El Cerrito and Oakland chapters.

Downtown Los Angeles JACL: Nisei political advocates discussed the "Coming Election" at the chapter luncheon meeting at noon today at San Kwo Low. Speakers were Frank Chuman, George Maruya for the Democrats; Taro Kawa and John Maeno for the Republicans.

Fresno JACL: Seichi Mikami and S. G. Sakamoto presided last night at a public meeting explaining the issues and personalities for the coming Nov. 2 election. Naturalized Issei were expected to be present.

Placer County JACL: A political forum will be held this Sunday at the Penryn Buddhist Hall, 7:30 p.m., with speakers representing both major parties present. State propositions will also be explained. The newly naturalized Issei are expected to attend.

Mile-Hi JACL: Two prominent speakers, George Saunders for the Democrats and Charles Haskell for the Republicans, will address the chapter political rally tonight at the YWCA, it was announced by Tak Terasaki. Saunders, nat'l Sartoma Club president, was once candidate in 1940 for state governor. Haskell, an attorney, is state GOP chairman.

San Mateo JACL: Newly naturalized Issei citizens and Nisei public attended the regular chapter meeting this week at Sturge Presbyterian Church to hear pros and cons on the Nov. 2 election. John Yumoto explained issues in Japanese for the Issei. He is also instructing the last class in citizenship offered in Japanese at the College of San Mateo. The course is highly recommended for recent arrivals from Japan.



Two new Issei voters, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ogawa of Salt Lake City, meet candidates in the Nov. 2 general election for seat in the House of Representative at the JACL chapter meeting. Mrs. Reva Beck Bosone (left) is in a comeback-bid for the seat now occupied by Congressman William A. Dawson (third from left). —Terashima Photo.

Pasadena CL to honor naturalized Issei at dollar-a-plate dinner

Pasadena

A dinner in honor of local area Issei who have attended naturalization classes is being given by the Pasadena JACL at the Cleveland Auditorium, Saturday, Nov. 13, 7 p.m.

Frank Hammond of the Pasadena City Schools and Saburo Kido, wartime JACL president, will be the main speakers. Ken Dyo, PSWDC chairman, will greet the new citizens.

Preceding the dinner will be the posting of colors by the Pasadena Boy Scout Troop 41, which won first place at two consecutive County Fair Camp-O-Rals and another first at the Perry Post Field Day camp for Southland Nisei troops this year. Sei Dyo, scoutmaster, will lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dollar Per Plate

Tom Yamazaki will be master of ceremonies during the dinner program, introducing cabinet officers, speakers and guests. Mack Yamaguchi will emcee the entertainment portion.

Friends and relatives of those being honored are invited at a dollar per plate. Proceeds from a recent chapter sushi sale at the Interclub Council carnival are being used for the dinner.

Harris Ozawa, general chairman, is being assisted by Tom Ito, chapter president, and Florence Wada. The Chalons are serving dinner with other cabinet and chapter members.

Cleveland Auditorium is situated on Washington St., between Lincoln and Forest Avenues.

Oakland minister resigns

Oakland

The Rev. Kiyoshi Ii, pastor of the Sycamore Congregational Church here, has resigned his post and expects to return to Japan with his wife at the end of the year.

Dr. Dick Momii, Univ. of Colorado medical school graduate, who recently interned at Fitzsimons Army Hospital and served on the Sequoia Hospital staff at Redwood City, Calif., has joined the medical office of Dr. Thomas K. Kobayashi, 1227-27th St., Denver. Dr. Momii is a graduate of Ft. Lupton (Colo.) High School, married and has two children.

Venice Issei citizens to be honored Nov. 13

Venice

Some 65 Issei, recently naturalized, of the Venice-Culver City area will be honored at a dinner Nov. 13 at Stearne's Barbecue, starting at 6:30 p.m. by the Venice JACL. Ken Amamoto, chapter president, is chairman.

George Inagaki, national president, will be toastmaster. Civic dignitaries will be among those present to honor the new citizens.

Supreme Court—

* From Front Page

ren.

He is chairman of the Judicial Council and president of the Hastings College of Law Board of Directors in San Francisco.

Because of their ages (both in their 60s) and because Chief Justice Earl Warren is also from California, there is little likelihood that either of JACL's nominees will be appointed to the Supreme Court vacancy, it was pointed out, but JACL thought that they should be nominated because of their outstanding qualifications, which might overcome the age and geographical considerations that usually dictate such appointments.

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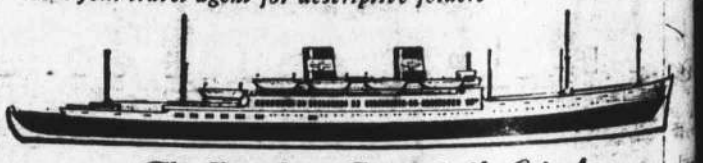
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HARUO ISHIMARU

Recently, MARVIN URATSU and his wife made a trip to Japan last summer for his company, the AMERICAN PRESIDENT LINES, and he wrote about his adventures in Japan for the Richmond-El Cerrito JACL Newsletter. Marvin is one of their active JACLers serving as vice-president of the Richmond-El Cerrito Chapter and works as a District Agent for Japanese business for the American President Lines, which has been conducting tours to Japan. It is a pleasure to have Marvin as our guest writer for this week.

By MARVIN URATSU

I am grateful for this opportunity to express a few words about our recent trip to Japan where my wife and I spent two weeks.

The ship on which we traveled, the SS President Wilson of the American President Lines, arrived in Yokohama on June 13. As I recall, the thing we remembered about Yokohama was the Japanese style luncheon at the Negishien Hotel, a Japanese style hotel, where we were impressed by the very polite and courteous services extended by the waitresses. Each time she would kneel down, open the *shoji*, enter, then kneel down again to close the *shoji*, then she would come to the table, kneel and serve us. After staying a few days in Yokohama, we moved to Tokyo.

I was in Tokyo almost three years ago and since that time new buildings and cars and tour buses have increased to the extent which was greatly surprising to me. There are so many cars in Tokyo now, there are parking problems and it also has one-way streets, which are as confusing as some of our own here.

In Tokyo we saw 45 minutes of a Kabuki play at the Kabuki theater—this was a memorable part of the night tour which we took of Tokyo. Also in Tokyo we tried the *sushi shops*. This was quite a novelty for us. We sat at a counter where the cooks deftly and quickly made individual *sushi* for us. The counter was lined with various *sushi* ingredients, and all we had to do was point to what we wanted next to try, and before we knew it, the cook had another *sushi* on our dish. They were delicious, too!

From Tokyo we went to Nikko, beautiful Nikko, known for its gorgeous vermillion shrines. At the Toshogu Shrine we saw the original carving of the three monkeys which symbolizes the wise saying, "See, hear, speak no evil." Not far away from Nikko is Lake Chuzenji, which is something like Lake Tahoe. The Kegon Falls was a beautiful sight — like Yosemite!

Fujiyama enveloped by fog

From Nikko we went back to Yokohama and then to Kamakura where we saw and entered the magnificent bronze Daibutsu. We drove on by Enoshima Island and on to Hakone. We visited the shores of Lake Hakone and we were looking forward to seeing Mt. Fuji from here since we had heard that Mt. Fuji looks most majestic from here. But unfortunately, we were unable to see Mt. Fuji because of the fog.

From Hakone we drove on to Atami via Kawana, known for its two beautiful golf courses and the fine Kawana Hotel. In Atami we had dinner at a Japanese style hotel. Here we were given *yukata* and we took a Japanese bath and after, wearing *yukata*, we enjoyed a typical Japanese dinner, including sitting on *tatami* floors. This *yukata* and eating dinner, wearing it after the refreshing bath was quite a thrill.

From Atami we went on to Kobe and we remember most vividly the *tempura* we had at one of the well known *tempura* shops. At this shop we sat at the counter and the cook on the other side of the counter prepared the various types of *tempura* in front of our eyes and right out of the frying pan he served the piping hot *tempura* onto our dish.

From Kobe we went on to the Takarazuka where we enjoyed the all-girl show. The Takarazuka show was not only colorful, but thoroughly Japanese and extremely enjoyable for us. The show we saw was centered on the old story of the old man who made flowers bloom by throwing ashes on the barren trees. From Takarazuka we went on to Nara where we saw the tame and sacred deer in Nara Park. They are so tame they would come to eat out of our hands. The sacredness of the deer was described to us in this manner: Long time ago there was a man who was caught killing one of these sacred deer and as a punishment he was buried alive in rocks.

From Nara we went to Osaka, where we saw the magnificent Osaka Castle built by Toyotomi Hideyoshi, some 370 years ago. We were also impressed by the canals for which Osaka is called the Venice of the Orient. From Osaka we went on to Kyoto where we saw the Imperial Palace grounds. It is here the next coronation of the Emperor will take place. We also visited a shop in Kyoto where beautiful cloissone articles were being made and sold.

Japan: Her problems

Wherever we went, the people were very nice and hospitable and wanted to know about America. The shops and department stores which we saw were stocked with all kinds of goods and on the surface there was prosperity.

However, on the more sober side, the fact that Japan is over-populated is obvious even to our untrained eyes. As a comparison, one might say that in the state of California, one can drive on for miles without seeing any people, but in Japan there is hardly a moment when human beings are not seen. We can get another idea of the congestion of Japan by just imagining half of the U.S. population or 80 million people living in the state of California.

There is also a very acute dollar shortage. This problem is not only true in Japan, but throughout the world.

There are two pressing problems. A solution that might alleviate the over-population problem is to encourage in every way possible the immigration of the Japanese people to the U.S., Canada, and the South American countries.

To alleviate the second problem, we might encourage freer trade between Japan and America, and, secondly encourage travel to Japan.

Being that I represent the American President Lines, you may think that I am being selfish in encouraging travel to Japan, but I do not think so. I believe you will agree with me that unless we do things to help the people in Japan, we as Americans stand to lose their friendship. If this happens and Japan turns to help the Communists, our way of living becomes periled. In short, by helping Japan we assure our own welfare.

National Conference on Citizenship granted federal charter; JACL only nat'l group representing Asians

Washington

The Japanese American Citizens League became a charter member of the National Conference on Citizenship recently when the quasi-public annual conclave was incorporated by the Congress of the United States as a federal corporation, the Washington JACL Office announced.

Immediately following World War II, in order to promote interest in American citizenship and to encourage better citizenship, the Attorney General of the United States, in cooperation with the National Education Association, called a conference of the leading national civic and patriotic organizations to discuss citizenship problems.

In the nine years of its existnce, the Conference has grown into an annual affair at which more than a thousand representatives from all over the nation meet to discuss various citizenship matters. All of the organizations are specially invited by the Attorney General.

Participants Since 1945

The JACL has been a participant ever since the first conference was held.

At the last Conference that was held recently in the Nation's capital, Dr. George Furukawa, National Citizenship Committee chairman, Miyeko Kosobayashi, chairman of the Washington chapter Citizenship Committee, and Tad Masaoka of the Washington JACL Office, represented the National JACL.

In the last Congress, in order that a permanent organization might be established, the National Conference on Citizenship was granted a federal charter. The JACL was invited to be among charter members. Miss Kosobayashi represented the JACL in the histoic organization meetings, voting on behalf of the National organization.

Purposes Defined

According to its federal charter, the purposes of the Conference are "to support and strengthen the efforts of people in maintaining the blessings of freedom and justice and in protecting and perpetuating the principles and ideals upon which this nation is founded, to develop a more thorough knowledge of citizenship rights and responsibilities, to inspire a deeper devotion to citizenship obligations, to promote a spirit of cooperation on the part of all citizens."

In accepting charter membership for the JACL, National President George Inagaki in Los Angeles declared that "this latest honor is another indication of public recognition of the great part played by the JACL in removing racial discrimination from our federal naturalization code. As the only national organization representing any Asian people in this country, the JACL responsibliities will not only be to persons of Japanese ancestry but also to other Asians as well."

Inagaki stated that the National Citizenship Committee, under the chairmanship of Dr. George Furukawa of Washington, D.C., will be requested to outline a program for the new Issei citizens of Japanese ancestry.

Program for Nisei

"Since we are primarily responsible for their naturalization, we are primarily responsible too for making certain that they understand and appreciate the full significance of that citizenship," he said. "At the same time, we Nisei also have much to learn about citizenship obligations and privileges and our National Committee should direct itself to an overall program of better citizenship for all," Inagaki said.

Ex-Californian joins Olivet Institute staff

Chicago

Lillian C. Kimura was added to the staff of Olivet Institute Community Center as group worker supervisor.

Miss Kimura whose home before the war was in Glendale, Calif., is a graduate of Chicago's Hyde Park High School and Univ. of Illinois. She is one of few professionally trained Nisei group workers from this area receiving her master's degree in social group work from Univ. of Illinois School of Social Work this summer.

Miss Kimura was once active with the Yu-Kye club as president and served on the cabinet of the Nisei Girls Inter-club Council in Chicago.



Thousand Club Notes

SHIG WAKAMATSU, Nat'l Chmn.

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● COACHELLA VALLEY: Tek Nishimoto and Toru Kitahara recently returned from a successful hunting trip in the High Sierras, bagging one deer apiece . . . The chapter reports 16 1000 Club members. Tom Sakai is membership chairman.

● MILE-HI: Ben Miyahara, chairman of the recent Mile-Hi JACL benefit held at the Yasui residence, reported that $130 was raised for the local JACL by the more than 25 participants. The card party benefit was held under the sponsorship of the regional 1000 Club, which is headed by James Imatani as regional chairman.

Chairman Miyahara expressed the hope that similar benefits could be held monthly to augment the local treasury. Among those attending were Dick Yanase, George Shiyomura, Irvin Matsuda, Hikaru Iwasaki, Dr. Harry Matsuyama of Scottsbluff, Nebr., Dr. Tony Kawano, Willie Hasegawa, Tosh Ando, James Imatani, Bill Kuroki, Dr. Mike Uba, Don Tanabe, Harry Sakata, Larry Tajiri, Tak Terasaki, Sam Kumagai, Tami Kumagai, Ben Miyahara, Min Yasui and others.

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Long Beach prepares for '55 Nat'l CL bowling meet

Long Beach

Preparations for the ninth annual JACL National Bowling tournament to be held here Mar. 4-6, 1955, will be further discussed at meeting next Monday with Mas Satow, National JACL Director, in attendance, it was announced by Easy Fujimoto, tournament director.

The meeting will be held at the local Japanese community center.

INAI SEVENTH NISEI KEGLER ROLLING 300

San Francisco

George Inai's 300 last week boosted the number of Mainland Nisei scoring a perfect game in bowling to seven. It is also believed to be the first in a regular sanctioned league play since American Bowling Congress dropped its all-white clause.

Those who have a 300 to their credit are George Kobo, Los Angeles; Frank Kebo, Chicago; George K i shida, Salt Lake City; Fuzzy Shimada, San Francisco; Bill Kobayashi, Costa Mesa; and Tok Ishizawa, Los Angeles.

L.A. Nisei vets slate Dec. 31 dance at Biltmore

Los Angeles

The ninth annual Nisei Veterans Association New Year's Eve dance will be held in the spacious Biltmore Hotel ballroom, being released for a Dec. 31 frolic for the first time. Highlight will be the selection of a girl "most typifying the spirit of the New Year". Miss Miyo Ishigami of Los Angeles was chosen the last time.

Dance tickets will be available from Nov. 1, according to Dr. Hideo Uba, NVA chairman.

Rolls Perfect Game



George Inai of San Francisco rolled a perfect 300 game in the Nisei Major League at Downtown Bowl Oct. 21, the first perfect game scored by a Nisei bowler in this country this year. By the time he struck five straight, word spread across the alleys. By the time he cleared the lane for the seventh time, all bowling on the floor practically came to a halt each time he took his mark. It was the first time a San Francisco Nisei did the trick since Fuzzy Shimada rolled his 300 three years ago.

Japan baseball series

Tokyo

Fukuoka Nishitetsu Lions and the Nagoya Chunichi Dragons are battling for Japan's 1954 professional baseball championships in a seven-game series beginning Oct. 30. It is the first time that none of the Japan series games will be played at either Osaka or Tokyo.

Mtn.-Plains CL bowling tournament dates set

Denver

Dick Yanase, athletic chairman for the Mile-Hi JACL, announced that the second annual Mountain Plains JACL Bowling Tournament will be held in Denver, on Thanksgiving weekend, Nov. 27-28.

All interested bowlers, particularly those out of town, were urged to get in touch with Dick Yanase, 849 S. Quieto Ct., WE 5-5293, or the JACL Office, 1225 20th St., AL 5-7227, for further information concerning the tournament.

Sports Notes . . .

Li'l Tokio Optimists are sponsoring four junior basketball leagues with schedules starting Nov. 26 at the Evergreen Competition is limited to boys between 9 and 12½ years of age in one league; through junior high school in the other. Dr. **Hideo Uba**, onetime Cardinal basketball ace, was named commissioner; assisted by **Tets Asato**, boys' work chairman.

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The San Francisco YBA Protos will defend their NAU AA basketball title this season. At least five teams are expected to be represented at the first league meeting set for Nov. 12, according to Hank Kuwada, league president.

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The Japan Boxing Commission set Nov. 25 as the date for the flyweight title fight in Tokyo between champion **Yoshio Shirai** and challenger **Pascual Perez** of Argentina. The bout was originally scheduled Oct. 26, but postponed because of an ear injury suffered by the Argentine while sparring. The fight may be cancelled, if the injury worsens within the next week.

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Hawaiian-born **Roy Higa** is prepping for his November bout with Shigeji Kaneko, holder of the Japanese featherweight title. If he fails in this bout, Higa pans to return to the Isands and hang'up his gloves.

Horace Mochizuki of Madera and Masako Kubota of Fresno are members of the Fresno Philharmonic orchestra as violinists. The group presented its first concert Oct. 21.

Wide support given to 'Yes on 5' proposition

San Francisco

A 40-year-old law, approved twice by voters at previous elections to maintain California shipping on an even keel with that of other ports and countries, is reaffirmed in State Prop. 5, exempting California-registered freight and passenger ships of more than 50 tons from local property taxation.

The State Committee for Prop. 5 announced the measure has "gained widespread support", including Republican and Democratic parties, and such organizations as the:

State Chamber of Commerce, California Real Estate Assn., California Manufacturers Assn., California Taxpayers Assn., Calif. State Federation of Labor, CIO, Calif. Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled American Veterans, Calif. Farm Bureau Federation and Associated Farmers of California.

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3-F Situation

TATS KUSHIDA

Finances, food and fun fill the bill for the final quarterly meeting of the Pacific Southwest District Council on Sunday, Nov. 14. The Hollywood JACL will be host chapter with the meeting beginning at 1 p.m. at the Hollywood Japanese Community Center (The H. freeway & Vermont).

Major agenda item will be the JACL fund drive and chapter quotas for 1955. Potluck will follow the all-afternoon session. The day's work will be topped off with an informal social on the terrific side.

If you know the emcee for the latter, the use of the adjective "terrific" can readily be justified. DANAR ABE, Hollywood's gift to lethargic gatherings, will be the uninhibited funmaker.

PSWDCers, please send reservation notices to the regional office by Nov. 10, if you want in on the post-meeting wingding.

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Long Beach-Harbor District Center

Last Sunday we attended the opening ceremony of the new Harbor Community Center in Long Beach. Sudden illness prevented the Issei leader, MOMOTA OKURA, from being on hand to receive an appreciation gift for his role in making the center possible. FRED IKEGUCHI, JACL prexy, emceed the program which included greetings from Mayor George M. Vermillion, past mayor and now Judge Lyman B. Sutter, Shin Nichi Bei publisher SABURO KIDO, the Sou'wester and others.

Mr. Okura, by the way, is the father of past national JACL veep KIYOSHI PAT OKURA of Boys Town, Nebr. Other Issei leaders were similarly honored Japanese movies including a chambara (with English titles) were shown to wind up the evening.

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Mayor of Larimer Street does it again

Last week we had an opportunity to sample some sukiyaki. The occasion was a press preview of the new Imperial Gardens sukiyaki restaurant just opened by entrepreneur GEORGE FURUTA.

Located right on Wilshire Blvd., on the southeast corner of Rampart, the new eatery has a number of rooms to accommodate a couple hundred gourments. For instance, the Bamboo Room—75; Cherry Blossom Room—50; a spacious cocktail lounge—50; and several tatami-style private booths.

A score of fourth estaters from Li'l Tokio vernaculars on hand for the spread were treated to a royal course of some pretty nifty culinary offering of the I-G's four cooks with the aid of ten kimono-clad maidens. And the well-equipped kitchen is really geared for Japanese cooking. The sukiyaki-tempura entree and accoutrements would stack up well in any league. The prices on the printed menu, which includes thirty dinner and a-la-carte dishes, aren't bad either. Of course, we guest gluttons got gratis invites.

Located in the Hershey Hotel-Apartments, the Imperial Gardens used to be the Officers' Club during the war. It now has a nice, quiet, Oriental atmosphere and it's a convenient spot to bring Hakujin friends. In case you didn't copy down the address from last week's ad, it's 2610 Wilshire Blvd. For reservations, call DU 7-3642.

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1000 Club roster grows

Four more 1000ers were reported from the Coachella Valley JACL this week by TOM SAKAI, 1000 Club chairman for the chapter. They are EDWARD KONO, MASAO SETO, TOSHIO SUGIMOTO and YUJI KITAGAWA.

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Los Angeles Newsletter

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HENRY MORI

★ During the first nine months of 1954, a total of 550 alien Japanese—360 males and 190 females—were naturalized under the McCarran Act of 1952 here, according to figures compiled by the local Japanese Consulate Office.

It is interesting to note that 350 of them just received their citizenship papers within the last two months when the Los Angeles Office of Immigration and Naturalization Service—by getting more examiners from Washington—was able to clear the backlog of petitioners.

The total number of naturalized persons within the three-quarter year period amounted to 5,040, of which 10 per cent were Issei. There were 18 swear-in days. August held an all-time record of 977 new citizens in a single ceremony, including 102 Issei men and 71 women at that time.

George Fujii, who gathered statistics for the Consulate Office, added that between May and September, there were 17 Japanese gaining citizenship in Santa Barbara; 13 in San Luis Obispo; 10 in Orange County; and four in New Mexico.

★ Hiroshi Hisago, 31-year-old El Monte-born Nisei, became the first person of Japanese descent to be appointed marshal of the Los Angeles Municipal Court. He is with the bailiff division of the Marshal's Office.

Marshal Hisago had been with the county sheriff's for seven years. Before his present duty, he was senior booking clerk in the jail division.

★ Maryknoll School made news twice this week.

The first is that construction on a $40,000 two-story building to provide a meeting place for its group and recreation rooms for its boy and girl scout troops, has started adjacent to the Maryknoll Auditorium at 222 S. Hewitt St. Additional $10,000 will be used for kitchen equipment and furnishings in the new edifice.

Magnanimous gesture on the part of assistant scoutmaster Ko Hoshizaki may enable Boy Scout Troop 145 to use his 80-acre property in the Malibu hills as camping ground, according to Attorney Elmer Yamamoto, troop committee chairman.

If the project is realized, the troop will become the first in the L.A. Area Council to have its own camping site.

★ Bond issues have a low percentage in passing. In recent years some 16 propositions have been drafted for public approval and only one has made the grade of two-thirds majority vote.

Support of Proposition A, a bond issue program to finance a new osteopathic facility at the County Hospital, is being urged by a group of Japanese American osteopaths.

Dr. Arthur A. Kawabe, first Nisei to intern there back in 1934, is one of the supporters. He says age and inadequate condition of the present facilities, built more than 50 years ago and used by the osteopathic group since 1928, make it mandatory to start construction on a proposed 500-bed facility.

We are not in position to make any outright endorsements or pitches but this and many other Nisei campaign committees, formed to boost interest in the coming election next Tuesday, indicate we have reached maturity, politically, at least.

Each election time we see more enthusiam expressed for such and such candidates, for certain proposals, or ordinances. This year, it has brought the naturalized Issei into the picture too.

From the looks of things, many of them appear more hepped on their new-found privileges than some of us who hold an apathetic view on odd-year polling.

Larry Tajiri--

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lor's disaffection is a major issue in the campaign.

In Montana, the veteran Democrat, James Murray, seems assured of reelection, although his GOP opponent, Rep. Wesley D'Ewart, has been running a vigorous race and invoking some of the specters of McCarthyism which, incidentally, is a dead or dormant issue in politics in most of the Rocky Mountain area. MOST NISEI political activity outside of Hawaii appears concentrated in California, where Japanese Americans are working for Gov. Goodwin Knight, the favorite, and his Democratic opponent, Richard Graves. There is more Nisei enthusiasm, among Democrats, for the candidate for lieutenant-governor, Edward Roybal.

Roybal, the first person of Mexican ancestry to win a seat on the Los Angeles city council, has been a strong advocate of full rights for economic and racial minorities. More than a hundred Nisei names appear on the letterhead of the Nisei for Roybal committee. There is also a Japanese American veterans committee for Roybal's opponent, the incumbent, Harold Powers.

In Chicago, Nisei committees have been formed to aid the candidacies of two incumbent Democrats, Sid Yates and Barratt O'Hara, both of whom are cognizant of special problems affecting Japanese Americans as a consequence of the Nisei's wartime displacement. Rep. O'Hara, incidentally, probably is the first member of Congress to hire a Nisei secretary, in this instance, Mrs. Mary Ono.

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WARTIME evacuation scattered the Nisei to the four corners of America, and Nisei will be voting this Tuesday in polls from New York to California.

Perhaps the most significant note of all, as far as Japanese Americans are concerned, is that this is the first national election for which several thousand Issei, newly naturalized through legislation effected by the legislative activity of the Nisei, will be eligible to vote, although some of these Issei have been residents of the United States for a half-century and more.

VITAL STATISTICS

Births

SACRAMENTO

MASUDA—Oct. 2, a boy to the Hiroshi Masudas.
TOMOYASU—Oct. 2, a boy to the Kazuto Tomoyasus.
YONAMINE—Oct. 4, a girl to the Shinsei Yonamines.

AUBURN

TAKUMA—Oct. 7, a girl to the Kay Takumas.

MARYSVILLE

WADA—Oct. 14, a boy to the Kazuo Wadas.

SEATTLE

HIRATA—Oct. 16, a boy to the Satoshi Hiratas.
HOSHINO—Oct. 15, a boy to the James Hoshinos.
KAWAGUCHI—Oct. 8, a boy Gary Kevin to the Roy Kawaguchis.
MATSUSHITA—Oct. 12, a boy to the Ted Matsushitas, Bellevue.
YABUKI—Oct. 14, a girl to the Harumi Yabukis.

ONTARIO, ORE.

MORINAGA—Oct. 13, a girl to the Kaz Morinagas.

SALT LAKE CITY

TSUTSUI—Oct. 10, a girl to the Jimmy Tsutsuis.

DENVER

DOI—A boy Gregory Shoichi to the Peter Dois (Amy Okugawa).

CLEVELAND, O.

ANDOW—Sept. 11, twins Steven Craig and Nancy Jeanne to the James Andows (Tomi Akiya).

Engagements

FUKUHARA-MABE—Grace to Hemmie, both of Denver, Oct. 3.
MATSUI-MISUMI — Alice to Jim, both of Watsonville, Oct. 3.

Marriage Licenses Issued

HIROSE-SAGARA—Kazuki, 28, and Matsuko, 24, both of San Jose.
MORIHIRO-URAKAWA—George, 30, and Elsie F., 23, both of Seattle.
MURAOKA-YOMOGIDA—Tom Takashi and Virginia Kazuko both of Sacramento.
TANABE-YAMASHITA — Masanori, 23, and Nancy Y., 19, both of Seattle.

Weddings

FURUKAWA-NAKAMURA—Oct. 22, Don and Mary, both of Denver.
HAMANAKA-IWAI — Oct. 17, Ken and Frances, both of Los Angeles.
HATAKEYAMA - MATSUMOTO — Oct. 2, James, Denver, and Frances Honolulu.
MAKIMOTO-KIMURA—Oct. 16, Tets and Helen, both of Cleveland.

Deaths

AKASHI, Taki, 65: Los Angeles, Oct. 19, survived by son Junichi.
ANAZAWA, Taiju, 63: Ogden, Oct. 12, survived by nephew Minoru (Pasadena).
GOTO, Kesayuki: Guadalupe, Oct. 16.
HANAMI, Shinshiro, 75: Rexburg, Idaho, Oct. 17, survived by wife Asa, sons Tsutomu, Yoshimi, Takeshi, Yutaka, Tosaka, daughter Mrs. Ekiko Ishino (Rio Grande Tex.), and four grandchildren.
HIGASHI, Denbei: Los Angeles, Oct. 18.
HONJIO, Kihichi, 67: Sunland, Oct. 21, survived by wife Noye, sons Kaz, Tadashi, and daughter Kiyoko.
KAGETA, Isaburo, 84: Loomis, Oct. 14, survived by wife, Yukiko, sons Joe, Frank, daughters Mrs. Mitsuko Nagaoka, Mrs. Sadame Kondo.
MATSUMOTO, Mrs. Sumi, 70: Walnut Grove, Oct. 14, survived by sons Kiichi, George, Bob, daughters Mrs. Kikuye Tokuyoshi, Mrs. Mabel Kobata and two grandchildren.
MATSUSHITA, Choji, 66: Chicago (at Los Angeles), Oct. 18, survived by five sons Harry Shigeru, Ray Minoru, Sho, Kikuji, Davis, daughters Tamiko and Ayako.
MURAKAMI, Wataru, 67: Los Angeles, Oct. 13, survived by wife Shizuyo, sons Kiyoshi, Yukio four daughters Kimiko, Tayeko, Mrs. Chiyoko Nishimura Mrs. Teruko Hori, an dsix grandchildren.
NAKATA, Kamezo: Los Angeles, Oct. 11, survived by wife Kamado, sons Morimatsu, Isamu, James, daughters Elsie Katsuye, Grace Hideko and May Kimiye.
OKAMOTO, Masu, 60: New York, Oct. 14, survived by niece, Mrs. Akira Hayashi and brother in Japan.
SAKANISHI, Tokuo, 68: San Jose, Oct. 14, survived by son Noriyuki, daughter Mrs. Haruye Santo.
SHIRAISHI, Junzo, 67: Salt Lake City, Oct. 13, survived by wife Yura, sons Dr. Joseph (San Jose), Toru (San Diego) and Mrs. Michiko Obayashi (San Diego).
TAKANASHI, Tatsunosuke, 71: Los Angeles, Oct. 9.
TANAKA, Haruo, 51: Gardena Oct. 18.
TANIGAWA Tamazo, 81: Florin, Oct. 16, survived by wife Shizuno, son Noboru.
TANIGUCHI, Mrs. Kame: Fowler, Oct. 13, survived by sons Sunato, Yoshitake, Taro, daughter Kimiko.
TOMOOKA, Kamejiro, 78: Seattle, Oct. 2.
TSUDA, Frank Hiroshi: Los Angeles, Oct. 7.
UYEDA, Mrs. Sumiye, 74: San Francisco, Oct. 19, survived by sons Henry T., John N., Robert Y., daughters Mrs. Mary Kazuko Niwa, Mrs. Maud Yakushi, Mrs. Kimi Matsuda and eight grandchildren.
YAMANI, Hanhichi, 76: San Fernando, Oct. 19, survived by five sons Fred Fumio Joe Michio, Bill Toshio, Jimmie Yukio Frank Masao, daughters Mmes. Matsuko Tani and Rose Tabuchi.
YOSHIMURA, Mrs. Yoshiko, 54: Los Angeles, Oct. 21, survived by husband Shuzo sons Sam, A/2c Katsumi, daughters 1st Lt. Kazuno (ANC), Amy, and Mrs. Mihoko Saito.

NISEI CO-EDS IN CANADA FACE SORORITY BAN

Vancouver, B.C.

Racial discrimination toward Japanese Canadian co-eds on the Univ. of British Columbia campus was recently evidenced by the Ubyssey, tri-weekly campus publication, when Nancy Underhill, president of the Pan-Hellenic society admitted invitations were sent only to Caucasian girls to join sororities.

Names of non-white girls are eliminated from the list used to issue invitations by the Pan-Hellenic Society, coordinating body which governs campus sororities. About 20 Nisei girls are enrolled at UBC.

Masu Okamoto, 60, dies; was oldest N.Y. Nisei

Pleasantville, N.Y.

Funeral services were held Oct. 17 for Miss Masu Okamoto, 60, aunt of Mrs. Akira Hayashi, and one of the oldest Nisei in the East. She died of heart attack Oct. 14.

Born in Hawaii, she was among early women graduates of dental hygiene at Columbia University, and joined the staff of Pleasantville Cottage School, operated by the Jewish Child's Care Association of New York.

She was the sister-in-law of the late Yasuo Muraoka, prewar newspaper publisher.

Seinan Art League

Los Angeles

The Seinan Art League open house will be held Oct. 28. Gompers Saijo, who illustrated the 1952 PC Holiday Issue, recently returned from a year's visit of Mexico, is inviting the public to visit his studio classrooms at 1506 W. Jefferson Blvd.

According to Saijo, registrations for classes commence Oct. 31, 1-4 p.m., with first class meeting Nov. 2, 7-10 p.m. The open house was earlier reported as being scheduled for Oct. 26.



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EDITORIALS

Voters' apathy

It is hardly necessary to mention names or call attention to the fact that a number of political campaigns have sunk to a low level of personal attack. The dailies have been telling the story day by day. It becomes even more vicious as election day nears.

What should be called to attention is the fact that such tactics discourage and disgust voters. It fails to inform the voters upon issues. It only shows to what lengths certain candidates are willing to go in order to gain public office.

Another discouraging thing is the extravagant, but vague, claims made by some candidates as to what he will do, if elected. Most voters are aware that, in practically every instance, some other official or agency holds a check-rein that may make promised performances impossible.

The Detroit Free Press publisher had a pertinent thought on low - blows in politics. "In campaign years, fairly able and reasonable men in public life become fascinated by the smear and fear technique and sneak in a few low-blows not visible to the untrained eye," he wrote. "The result is a triumph of emotion and ignorance with the result that large numbers of intelligent voters seeking information on the issues become disgusted and stay at home on election day."

The low-blow technique has ruined the debate by two opposing candidates who make it an instance for name-calling.

What the voters need is more constructive discussion of issues and less destructive attacks upon the character of the opponent. If informed and interested upon issues that will affect their lives, the voters will be more inclined to go to the polls and register their decisions.

It will be Election Day across the county next Tuesday. We trust the voters will mark the ballot because of what the candidate has done or can do because of his principles; not because he looked good on TV or appears "holier" than the other.

Nisei GI memorial

Ten years ago, the Frenchmen of Bruyeres hailed the men of the 442nd as their liberators. In a deeper way, we honor the Nisei soldier for liberating us from the stigma of racial discrimination, especially those who paid the supreme sacrifice.

FROM THE FRYING PAN — by Bill Hosokawa

Wyoming's War Years

Denver

AND STILL they write of the now 12-year-old evacuation. The latest work to come to our attention is a 24-page chapter, entitled Heart Mountain, in Prof. T. A. Larson's book, "Wyoming's War Years, 1941-1945" (University of Wyoming Press, Laramie, $6.50). The entire book is readable, and the Heart Mountain chapter is no exception. A dozen years of history have provided Larson a more detached view than was possessed by many another Wyomingite during the years that the Heart Mountain WRA camp existed.

"The Heart Mountain community," Larson writes, "certainly one of the most unusual in Wyoming's history, suffered extraordinary strains and stresses. It is possible to reconstruct the life of the city from the information preserved in the files of the 'Heart Mountain Sentinel,' weekly newspaper published at the Center.

"The first few months in Wyoming were tragic ones. The recollections of the injustices of evacuation were painful . . . The barbed wire fence and guard towers around their Wyoming homes were depressing. Accustomed to lush vegetation, they found no trees, no grass, only scattered desert plants, at Heart Mountain. Accustomed to comfortable homes, they found nothing in their new apartments except an army cot, a mattress, and a blanket for each person . . . The sandstorms, blizzards, high winds and prolonged cold were new and frightening to many."

Larson chronicles the efforts of the evacuees to make the camp more livable. Then he goes on to say: "Wyoming displayed little of its famous western hospitality in its dealings with the evacuees at Heart Mountain . . . Probably most persons in the state were disposed to judge Japanese-Americans on the basis of their individual merits, but as usually happens the fair-minded mostly remained silent while the white supremacy advocates made their views known . . ."

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THE FADING memory of controversy and tension, both in the camp and throughout the state was refreshed as I read Larson's account. He reviews the Dies committee attacks, the old "Denver Post's" so-called expose of pampering and hoarding (based on an eight-hour investigation of the premises by a sports writer), and other calculated efforts to discredit WRA and stir up public opinion against the evacuees. He notes, also, that the late Lester Hunt, then governor of Wyoming, told the senate military affairs committee that Heart Mountain had given civilian authorities "no trouble and very little concern." Unlike the hostile Sen. E. V. Robertson, Larson says, Governor Hunt had visited the center and found "their living standard was, to my way of thinking, rather disgraceful."

"An appraisal of the gains and losses associated with the Heart Mountain center," Larson adds, "leads to the conclusion that the state benefitted from having the center . . . Approximately 1,800 acres of virgin benchland was subjugated and made a permanent asset for the state; a section of canal was waterproofed; 6,375,818 pounds of crops besides pork, poultry, and eggs, were added to the state's wartime production; and much seasonal labor was supplied at a time when the need was desperate . . .

"The conclusion is inescapable that the state's Japanese guests were remarkably well behaved. The only instance of sabotage by a Japanese in the state occurred not around Heart Mountain but near Cokeville. Jenichi Sakai, Kemmerer Japanese, was arrested in August 1942 by federal authorities for venturing beyond the five-mile limit allowed enemy aliens. Sakai was apprehended on a stream near Cokeville—fishing! His sabotage against the state's trout population no doubt incensed some of the native fishermen, but the federal authorities were lenient and released him to the custody of John A. Reed, his Kemmerer employer."

Dr. Larson, incidentally, is head of the University of Wyoming history department and served in the Navy during the war.

VAGARIES — By Larry Tajiri

Election Prospects

Denver

BY TUESDAY midnight (Nov. 2), if the political pundits and prognosticators don't stub their collective toes again, the Democrats will be back in control of the legislative branch of our national government. Public opinion polls and newspaper and magazine surveys seem agreed that a Democratic victory of considerable proportions is in the making.

(This commentator is aware that he can be eating his words come Wednesday morning, just as we did back in 1948 when we accepted the general thesis that that doughty campaigner, Harry Truman, didn't have a chance, though we voted for him.)

Out here in Colorado, the consensus is that the Democrats will sweep the races for the two major offices at stake, with former Rep. John Carroll winning the election for the U.S. Senate over the GOP's Gordon Allott, and veteran Sen. Ed Johnson trouncing young Don Brotzman in the gubernatorial contest. The incumbent governor, Republican Dan Thornton, did not make the race for reelection, although he was the strongest candidate the GOP had.

Although it was long before the opening of the campaign, one of the few places where Carroll and Allott, the two contenders for Ed Johnson's senate seat, spoke from the same platform was a year ago at the convention of the Mountain-Plains JACL district council in Denver's Albany Hotel.

Carroll, then in private life, made a hard-hitting speech in which he urged the extension of our national economic and social blessings to the whole population, a theme which was consistent with his New Deal-Fair Deal political record. While in the House of Representatives, Carroll is remembered by the Nisei as one who supported actively the proposed remedial legislation, like the evacuation claims bill, to right wartime wrongs visited upon the Nisei.

Allott, Colorado's lieutenant-governor, is recalled as having come in to Denver over the Thanksgiving weekend from his home in Lamar, some 200 miles away, for the express purpose of addressing the JACL's regional meeting. He also revealed himself as an effective speaker, and also one cognizant of the responsibilities of democratic government. It is significant the Carroll-Allott race, though hotly contested, has been devoid to date of the sort of smear and fear techniques used in some races in other parts of the country.

IN COLORADO, as elsewhere in the Rocky Mountain states, the Nisei vote is too small to have much effect, unlike the situation in Hawaii where it is a major factor, and in certain west coast areas and in two Chicago districts where it conceivably could affect the outcome in an extremely close election.

In Utah, however, Nisei will be watching the efforts of two former Democratic members of the House to regain their seats. Mrs. Reva Beck Bosone, in fact, is conceded a very good chance of upsetting the incumbent, William Dawson; while the chances of Walter Granger to win back the seat he held for six terms were enhanced by last week's confession by Douglas Stringfellow that he had lied in representing himself as a war hero. The GOP hurriedly named a substitute but with only a few frantic days of campaigning remaining there was some doubt whether the party could recoup Stringfellow's blunder.

Both Mrs. Bosone and Granger, liberal Democrats, were hearty backers of the effort of the Nisei to win the full rights of citizenship for themselves and for the Issei. It is significant that both of these legislators voted for the Walter-McCarran bill in 1952 which contained the provision to remove race restrictions from naturalization, despite President Truman's disapproval (on grounds other than the Issei citizenship provision, which the President also supported).

Both Mrs. Bosone and Granger lost their seats in the Eisenhower landslide. One of Mrs. Bosone's acts during her last term in Congress was to obtain for the JACL an American flag which had been flown over the Capitol. This flag was sent by the JACL to the people of Bruyeres, France, and now flies over the JACL-sponsored memorial to the men of the 442nd Combat Team who died in the rescue of the "Lost Battalion" of World War II.

Elsewhere in the Rocky Mountain area, the Democrats' former Sen. Joseph O'Mahoney is favored in most quarters to defeat Rep. William Henry Harrison in the special race for the unexpired term of Democratic Sen. Lester Hunt, whose suicide shocked Washington earlier this year.

In neighboring Idaho, its touch and go between incumbent Sen. Henry Dworshak and Glen Taylor, who is attempting a comeback after repudiating the Democrats to become Henry Wallace's running mate on the Progressive party's national ticket in 1948. Tay-

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MINORITY

The Interior Department's program to give Indians full citizenship rights struck a snag when half of Oregon's Klamath tribe voted to remain wards of the government.

DECADE AGO

Oct. 28, 1944

President lifts martial law from Hawaii, restores privilege of habeas corpus.

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Ninety percent of 442nd combat team awarded Combat Infantryman Badges. War Department announces three DSCs to 100th Infantry men: Capt. Young O. Kim (Los Angeles), Pvt. Masao Awakuni, Pfc. Irving Akahoshi (both Honolulu).

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Twin Falls (Idaho) Grange condemns proposal for discriminatory against Nisei in Idaho. California State Grange oppose return of Japanese Americans to west coast, reaffirms 1943 position . . . State Grange in Vermont unanimously admits Nisei farmer into membership.

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Sec. of Interior Ickes describes Nisei colony rumors in Central Valley Project as "pure bunkum".

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JACL president Sab Kido and Teiko Ishida discuss Nisei problems with Gen. Bonesteel, Western Defense commander, in San Francisco.

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City of Portland seeks use of Nichiren Temple for recreation center.

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McWilliams declares west coast anti-evacuee drive does not express will of majority; noted author says objective of campaign against Japanese Americans now based on race prejudice, not on military consideration.

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Topaz evacuees find large meteor.

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Second time candidates of Japanese ancestry fail to file in Hawaiian elections. In 1942, several were nominated in the primaries but withdrew in the general election, presumably upon request of military authorities.

CALENDAR

Oct. 30-31 (Sat. & Sun.)
New York — JACL Carnival, Wederman Hall, 16th St. and 3rd Ave.

Oct. 30 (Saturday)
West Los Angeles—Nisei Soldiers Memorial service, Gakuen Hall, 7:30 p.m.
Washington, D. C. — Family night, Fairfax Hotel, dinner from 6:30 p.m.
San Mateo—Hallowe'en Social, Buddhist Hall, 2 S. Claremont St., 8:30 p.m.
East Los Angeles—"JAC'L Lantern" dinner-dance, Swalley's Restaurant, 7 p.m.

Oct. 31 (Sunday)
Placer County—Political forum, Penryn Buddhist Church, 7:30 p.m.
Washington, D.C.—Nat'l JACL Nisei Soldiers Memorial Day services, Arlington National Cemetery, 11 a.m., Orville Shirey, spkr.
Salt Lake City—Veterans' Memorial observance; SIC Cemetery, 2 p.m.

Nov. 1 (Monday)
JACL Bowling—Tournament committee meeting, Long Beach-Harbor District Community Center.

Nov. 7 (Sunday)
NC-WNDC—Quarterly meeting, Hotel Auburn, Auburn.
Placer County — Annual Goodwill Banquet, Auburn Armory.

Nov. 11 (Thursday)
Albuquerque — Issei Citizens Banquet, Franciscan Hotel.

Nov. 12 (Friday)
Chicago—Chapter election meeting; Woodrow Wilson Room, 116 S. Michigan, 8 p.m.

Nov. 13 (Saturday)
Venice-Culver—Isei diner, Stearne's Barbecue, 6:30 p.m.
Pasadena — Issei dinner-program, Cleveland Auditorium, 7 p.m.
Detroit—Chapter election meeting, box lunch social.
West Los Angeles—Benefit movies.

Nov. 14 (Sunday)
PSWDC—Quarterly meeting, Hollywood Japanese Community Center, 1 p.m.
Cortez—Striped bass fishing derby, Frank's Tract.

Nov. 16 (Tuesday)
Selma—Fishing derby, Frank's Tract, 6 a.m.

Nov. 20 (Saturday)
Chicago—10th Anniversary dinner-dance, Hotel Shorleand.
St. Louis—Fall Festival.

Nov. 25 (Thursday)
Gilroy—Thanigksving Day dance, 100F Temple.

Nov. 27 (Saturday)
Sacramento—"Your Stars of Tomorrow" talent show.

Nov. 27-28 (Sat.-Sun.)
Mile-Hi—JACL bowling tournament.