



During his recent whirlwind visit to Los Angeles, Crown Prince Akihito of Japan included a visit to Southland greenhouses prior to the banquet in his honor at the Ambassador Hotel on Oct. 1. As guest of George J. Inagaki, National JACL president, His Imperial Highness is shown in one of Inagaki's greenhouses in Venice. They are (left to right), Crown Prince Akihito; Yasuhide Toda, chamberlain to the Crown Prince; Consul General Kenichiro Yoshida, Inagaki, and Officer Stanley Uno of the Los Angeles Police Dept. —Toyo Miyatake Photo

I&N studies Issei WWI draft, alienage status

Washington — Officials of the Immigration and Naturalization Service were requested to review the problem of male Issei petitioner for naturalization and their World War I military status by Edward J. Ennis, counsel, and Mike M. Masaoka, representative, of the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League.

According to information received by the Washington JACL Office, many of the local field offices of the Service are holding that unless an Issei male applicant for naturalization served in World War I he is presumed to have requested and received an exemption for military service and is, therefore, ineligible for citizenship.

Ennis, one-time general counsel of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, and Masaoka argued that this interpretation of the part dealing with World War I draft status and naturalization was arbitrary, contrary to facts, and against congressional intent in enacting the so-called McCarran-Walter Act last year.

The section of the 1952 Act in controversy requires that an application be made for exemption on the grounds of alienage and that exemption be granted on the ground of such alienage, Ennis explained.

"Nothing in the text or the history of this section supports its application to persons who as a class were not subjected to military service by Congress in World War I because they were non-declarant aliens and, as far as Japanese aliens were concerned were racially ineligible to become citizens or declarants for citizenship," the JACL counsel declared.

The provisions of the section dealing with military service was enacted in the light of the stricter provisions of the World War II Selective Service regulations and were not intended to be retroactive 35 years to World War I, Ennis said.

"In the case of Japanese aliens, it would be particularly harsh to construe their failure to serve in the armed forces as

an application for exemption on the grounds of alienage within the meaning of the 1952 law. They were not only excused from serving as non-declarant aliens but, in addition, they are not even eligible to be declarant aliens or to be citizens.

"Moreover, not until the Act of June 24, 1953, was the racial bar to naturalization removed for those veterans of Japanese ancestry who had actually volunteered and served in World War I.

"Consequently, during World War I, even a Japanese alien who volunteered for Service had no assurance that he would ever become a citizen of the United States," Ennis argued.

"Surely it cannot be said that Japanese aliens, racially ineligible for citizenship even if they volunteered for service, were consciously waiving a potential right to future citizenship by accepting a classification relieving them from military service in World War I," he concluded.

After listening to the arguments presented by the JACL representatives, the assistant commissioner in charge of naturalization agreed to restudy the situation and their interpretation of the law. They declared that they hoped to have a decision on the matter within two or three weeks.

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23 Nebraska Issei naturalized

North Platte, Neb.

Twenty-three Issei residents here were sworn in as American citizens recently through the Naturalization district office in Omaha. The new citizens are:

Maki Kumagai, Shigemi Okamoto, Richi Ugai, Nako Kuroki, Chozo Kumagai, Takehiko Miyoshi, Haraye Yamaki, Tsuta Kushihashi, Hana Hayashi, Eijiro Hayashi, Takeyo Miyoshi, James Wada, Tomokichi Kamino, Gosaku Wada, Mrs. Hug Wada, Hugh Wada, Matsuno Katayama, Naoye Matsutani, Ima Yamagida, Sao Kamino, Chiyo Fujimoto, Gijin Fujimoto, John S. Wakimoto.

Greeley, Colo.

Ten Fort Lupton Issei and one from Brighton, Colo., were admitted to United States citizenship Sept. 29 at the Weld County district court. Ordinarily, two naturalizations hearings are held in this court, but the hearing last week was extra because of the large number of applications.

District Judge Donald Carpenter presided.

The new Issei citizens are: Hideyo Hisamoto, Hide Iyama, Tomi Kiyota, Torayo Konishi, Yakuji Matsushima, Hatsumi Murata, Taneji Sunata, Tsuruye Sunata, Kaoru Urano and Ayano Yasuda, all of Ft. Lupton, and Shizu Tanabe, Brighton.

BANDITS SLAY U.S. OFFICIAL, HUSBAND OF COLORADO-BORN NISEI

Mexico City

Mexican army troops seized more than 240 persons over the weekend in a mass roundup of suspects in the bandit-slaying of a U.S. State Department (Point 4) official, and finally narrowed the list down to seven mountaineers.

Dr. Ralph B. Swain, 40, of Benton, Ill., entomologist assigned to Managua, Nicaragua, was shot to death before the eyes of his horrified Nisei wife and two children Saturday in a robbery attempt in the mountain wilds 130 miles south of Mexico City.

Mrs. Susan Noguchi Swain of Hliff, Colo., said four masked bandits, their faces covered, stopped their car on the Pan-American Highway and demanded 2,000 pesos. Swain protested he carried only traveler's check and no cash. When he reached for an inside pocket, one of the men fired a shotgun into his chest, killing him instantly.

Puebla State Gov.—Gen. Rafael Avila Camacho ordered army cavalry and infantry detachments, police and vigilantes into the mountain region to capture the killers "dead or alive". Swain was returning to his post by automobile.

The Colorado-born Nisei told police the gunmen stopped the car at gunpoint. She and her children, Tomi Alfred, 12, and Ralph, 10, fled after the shooting, and later given medical treatment at the state capital of Puebla. Semi-hysterical, she was unable to give more details or a complete description of the bandits.

U.S. Consul General William Ailshie and Dr. Ross Moore, Point Four director in Mexico and personal friend of the Swain family, drove to Puebla to bring them to Mexico City.

Mexico City

Two sandled Mexican peasants were paraded before Mrs. Susan Swain Monday night but she was unable to identify them as members of the gang which killed her husband in the Saturday holdup. The Swain boys watched and listened intently, but argued with their mother they could not identify either of them.

The men themselves denied any part in the shooting and were among suspects rounded up by Mexican troops.

Shortly after the line-up, Franklin Gowen, U.S. Embassy counselor, and Oscar Rabasa, head of the Mexican Diplomatic Service, called on Mrs. Swain. Rabasa presented formal condolences of the Mexican government for the shooting, which occurred as the Swains were returning to Nicaragua after a vacation in Mexico.

Mrs. Swain was born in 1916, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Minosuke Noguchi, now living in Sterling, Colo. It was understood the body of her late husband has been cremated and was scheduled to arrive by air at St. Louis, Mo., last Wednesday, accompanied by Mrs. Swain and her two boys.

U.S. DEPORTS SALT-WATER WETBACKS

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

"All's well that ends well" for two young Japanese stowaways who risked their lives to reach America.

Harry Y. Arij and Koichi Kurokawa, both 22, have been ordered deported to Japan for making an illegal entry into this country. They jumped ship and swam 10 miles through shark-infested waters on the night of Aug. 21, shortly before the ship was to dock in Honolulu.

But the two Japanese university students are not bitter about the deportation order. They were given six month sentences by a Federal judge. The jail sentences were suspended, however, on condition that they return to Japan on the first transportation available.

The two youths say they hope to reenter this country—legally, the next time—a year hence. They have been offered full scholarship privileges at Midland College, Nebraska, a Lutheran college. The two were baptized as Lutherans while waiting for trial in Honolulu last month.

"We want to let the people of Hawaii know we appreciate everything they have done for us," Kurokawa said last

week at the U.S. Immigration station here, where they are being detained until sailing time Oct. 21.

By coincidence, the ship that will take them back to Japan, the American President liner Wilson, is the same ship from which they leaped into the Pacific and swam for eight hours in the dark to reach the island of Kauai. One was found unconscious on a reef the next morning; the other reached Honolulu undetected before he gave himself up to immigration authorities.

Their risky adventure received much publicity. The two said they stowed away, after being refused student visas in Japan, because of their desperate desire to see America and

how democracy works.

Although they were generally praised for their swimming feat and motive, local public opinion was divided over whether the couple should be allowed to remain in this country. Critics argued that no exception should be made in their case, that the law which they broke by their illegal entry should be enforced.

Sympathizers raised a fund to pay for their passage back to Japan. But since the pair will be deported at Government expense the money, totaling \$1,058.75, will be deposited in a bank here. It will be given the youths to further their education, if and when they come back to the U.S. with student visas.

A court-appointed Nisei attorney of Honolulu, Clesson Chikasuye, failed in an appeal to Washington to intervene in the case. The two youths changed their pleas of innocent to guilty and were sentenced on Oct. 1 by Federal Judge J. Frank McLaughlin.

The Judge commented, "I'm not too sure either they or a number of people in Hawaii understand the seriousness of the offense." He added: "I

can see no particular difference between the Mexican wetback and the Hawaiian salt water wetback who tries to get into this country illegally."

The stowaways agreed that they were given a fair trial by Judge McLaughlin. "He is a fine man," Kurokawa said.

Their attorney said he would go to work immediately to try to get the youths student visas. Immigration officials said unofficially the two have a good chance to get such visas.

SAN JOSE YOUNGSTERS IN ART EXCHANGE

San Jose

A collection of 125 pictures drawn by San Jose school children is on its way to Japan for circulation among schools in Nagano prefecture.

Pictures were executed in crayon, water colors, calcimine and finger paints by elementary and junior high school students.

The "good neighbor" gesture was brought about by K. Mine-ta, who acted as guide and interpreter last year for a group of visiting Japanese who were invited by Governor Warren to tour California.

15th Anniversary reunion

Seattle

Lefty Ishihara and Shiro Kashino were announced as co-general chairmen of the 15th Anniversary 442nd RCT reunion here in 1958, it was decided at a recent Nisei Veterans Committee meeting. Both attended the 10th anniversary reunion in Hawaii.

Washington Newsletter

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MIKE MASAOKA

Chief Justice Warren . . .

When California Governor Earl Warren was sworn in last Monday as the 14th Chief Justice of the United States (not just of the Supreme Court since the presiding officer of the nation's highest tribunal is also the administrative head of the entire federal judicial system), persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States must have experienced mixed emotions. For Earl Warren's record as Attorney General and Governor, as it relates to the Japanese, runs the gamut.

From the public official probably most responsible for influencing General DeWitt's order for the arbitrary evacuation of all citizen and alien Japanese from the west coast in 1942 to the chief executive who appointed Nisei John Aiso to the Los Angeles municipal court bench three weeks ago exemplifies the extremes of his prejudices in this regard.

Japanese Americans are hopeful that this 11-year period represents the maturing of a once-expedient politician into a statesman worthy of the chief justiceship. All signs indicate that he has.

As Chief Justice, Earl Warren will preside over many historic legal battles in the Supreme Court that may well alter our way of life and our concepts of individual and government responsibility. In the presently closely divided Court, it may well be that his vote will be decisive in the great constitutional issues now pending before the tribunal.

Foremost among the 40 cases already accepted or set down for argument beginning the week of Oct. 12 are those relating to segregation. Others relate to Alabama's suit to declare void the congressional statute giving certain coastal states, including California, the so-called tidelands, to various aspects of gambling, to the status of baseball as an interstate operation, to matters of internal security, and to the powers of the federal government in various economic fields.

One distinguished Washington writer hazards the opinion that the appointment of Earl Warren as Chief Justice will have more influence on the future of civil rights and liberties in this country than any other decision of the present administration.

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There are those who say that because the various state courts have nullified the alien land laws and the privilege of naturalization have been extended to the resident alien Issei, there are no prospects for test cases of general concern or applicability insofar as the Japanese are concerned in the immediate future.

This is a false and dangerous assumption, for as long as there are laws that touch upon the daily lives of persons of Japanese ancestry, so long will there be possibilities that the arbitrary interpretation and administration of these same statutes may have to be challenged in the courts.

Though there are no cases on the present Court docket involving individual Japanese litigants, it is not difficult to conceive of several cases that might be appealed to the Supreme Court in the not too distant future.

One of the most interesting might be another effort to test again the constitutionality of the entire wartime evacuation program.

Unless the Attorney General removes prewar Japanese organizations from his list of prescribed organizations, his authority to arbitrarily designate defunct associations may well be questioned. The many uses to which this list is presently being put, which are far removed from the original reasons given for the publication of the designations, may also be subjected to a test.

Those who believe that the Evacuation Claims Act is not being properly administered, that many items that Congress intended to be compensable should not have been classified as non-compensable by the Department of Justice, that the standards for valuation are not sound, that recourse to the courts itself is possible, are some of the problems that may cause litigation.

Questions relating to the interpretation and administration of the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 may well be answered by the courts. Such matters as eligibility of certain Issei for naturalization, for re-entry permits, for adjustment of status, for suspension of deportation, all come to mind. Immigration problems relating to stranded Nisei and Issei and the issuance of visas could certainly be issues for litigations.

The return of wartime vested property of the Japanese and the rate of exchange for yen debt claims are also possibilities for appeals to the Supreme Court.

There are probably many more legal questions directly involving Japanese litigants that may be appealed to the highest court in the foreseeable future, so the attitudes of a Chief Justice are very important to persons of Japanese ancestry, as they are to all Americans.

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As a matter of fact, and no one should ever forget it, in the complex life of today, practically every decision of the Supreme Court in some way or another affects our manner of living.

Under the administration of Chief Justice Warren, we trust that our courts will continue to be the bulwarks of our liberties, without regard to the temper of the times or the public pressures. Equal justice under law must remain the guiding light, else the torch of freedom may be extinguished.

Hello Hawaii

Jane and Jimmy, age 8 and 9, were watching the atomic explosion at Yucca Flat on television. James broke the silence after the huge explosion. "Boy,

they sure don't care what they do in Nevada, do they?"

Jimmy explained loftily, "Don't be silly. They have to make a place to put Hawaii when it gets to be the 49th state!"

—Future



MASAOKA

IN HONOR OF:

DSC medal awarded to Hawaiian Nisei now civilian at Eniwetok

The Distinguished Service Cross, the nation's second highest military decoration, has been presented to **Atsuo Miura**, 24 of Wailuku, Maui, in recent ceremonies at Eniwetok.

The presentation was made by Maj. Gen. P. W. Clarkson, deputy commander for the U.S. Army, during an inspection trip to the atomic proving grounds. Miura, now a civilian employee at Eniwetok, was cited for actions June 12, 1952, while a corporal with Co. F., 180th infantry Regt., 45th Div., in Korea.

The citation reads as follows:

Renunciant regains U.S. citizenship

Los Angeles

Sadami Martha Kozuki was declared to be a national of the United States and entitled to all rights and privileges in a judgment handed down in the U.S. District Court.

Mrs. Kozuki (nee Harada) was born in Fresno in 1921 and a resident here at the time of evacuation. She was sent to Tule Lake WRA center. While at Tule Lake and because of terrorist activities of extreme elements there, she renounced her citizenship in 1944. After release from the center, she went to Japan in 1946 with her husband.

In 1951, she applied at the U.S. consulate at Kobe for an American passport, but the consulate denied her application on grounds she had lost her citizenship by renunciation at Tule Lake. Mrs. Kozuki filed action against the Secretary of State through her attorneys, Chuman, McKibbin & Yokozeki, for declaratory judgment of U.S. nationality, alleging her renunciation was made under duress.

In September, 1952, she was admitted to the U.S. under a certificate of identity to prosecute her action. She is residing with her husband at Parlier.

Naturalized Denver Women acknowledge CL services

Denver

Twenty-three Issei women who became naturalized American citizens earlier this month made a joint contribution of \$70 to the Denver Mile-Hi JACL chapter on Sept. 21.

Individual donations were collected by Mrs. Shin Iguchi and Mrs. Tatsuno Oka, who explained that the money was given in appreciation for JACL interpreter services on June 22 and 23, for assistance at the citizenship ceremony on Sept. 1 and for the Citizenship Day service on Sept. 17.

Mrs. Misao Uba, Mrs. Tatsuno Oka, Mrs. Noye Kawakami, Mrs. Misayo Mizoue, Mrs. Hatsuko Menda, Mrs. Frances S. Kondo, Mrs. Tsuyoko Sally Suyama, Mrs. Matsu Koshi, Mrs. Tsuki Shinto, Mrs. Mitori Goto, Mrs. Hisako Kuroda, Mrs. Yoshie Saita, Mrs. Kuni Kitutaka, Mrs. Tomo Ida, Mrs. Some Kosuge, Mrs. Ichiyo Uyeno, Mrs. Yoshie Maeda, Mrs. Kimi Nakayama, Mrs. Shika Tokunaga, Mrs. Yoshi Mori, Mrs. Toki Takeuchi, Mrs. Iguchi and Mrs. Tsuyo Saito.

● The Bank of Japan will not issue 1,000-yen notes to prevent inflation.

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PERSONAL PIFFLES: Active in the Twin Cities (Minneapolis-St. Paul) JACL chapter is our old pal, Harry J. Takagi who some, we predict, will rise to the presidency of the National JACL.—"Main Street", Northwest Times, Seattle.

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MAY RAISE STORM: If the first installment of James Michener's "Sayonara: A Japanese Romance," in the current issue of McCall's magazine does not raise a storm among American women, then we're way off the beam. In dramatic form it tells why American servicemen have preferred to marry Japanese girls. The magazine also went way out on a limb in defying one of the oldest taboos in magazine publishing: printing a story about miscegenation or intermarriage. Possibly the editors considered it a "calculated risk."—"Informal Lines", Hoku-bei Shimpo, New York.

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FT. LUPTONIANS SAY: The Colorado Times, in its Sept. 29 edition, wrote that Tom Yanaga, who has been charged with burglary, grand larceny and arson in the \$3,000 theft, was a prominent Nisei leader in the community of Fort Lupton, having been a member of the JACL and Young Buddhist Association.

However, since the story was published, both organizations have sent in a flurry of angered remarks wanting a retraction, saying Yanaga was "not a member".

Seishiro Nakamura, president of the Tri-State Buddhist Church relayed a statement upon the request of the Ft. Lupton church, indicating that Yanaga was not a Buddhist, and had changed religions.

The human mind is hard to please. If Yanaga had performed a meritorious act, then all organizations would have claimed him as an ardent member regardless whether he was or not.—Colorado Times.

● Christmas parcels for servicemen overseas should be mailed between Oct. 15 and Nov. 15. Boxes addressed APO or FPO must not exceed 70 lbs or 100 inches in length and girth.



Giichi (Smily) Yoshioka, (left) president of the Hayward Optimists and hands his son Vernon, president of the Hayward Flying Kilroys, a trophy for winning first place in the junior scale model competition in Western Air Modelers statewide flying meet two Sundays ago at Hayward Airport. A record-breaking list of 201 boys flew 369 different model planes in the day-long affair, sponsored by the Hayward Optimists and Hayward Area Recreation District. The meet was the first in a series of area events commemorating the 50th anniversary of powered flight. —Cut courtesy: Hayward Review

TOKYO TOPICS:

Forgotten tales of Manjiro, first Japanese in U.S., being uncovered

By TAMOTSU MURAYAMA
Japan Bureau, Pacific Citizen

Miss Emily V. Warinner, former managing editor of the Friend, will remain in Japan until the end of October, on a special assignment to complete her research studies on John Manjiro Nakahama at the request of the U.S. Navy Dept.

John Manjiro Nakahama was the son of a fisherman in Kochi prefecture, who was rescued by a crew of the John Howland out of New Bedford, Mass., after 12 days adrift at sea. He was then only 14 years old. He was first taken to Honolulu, then to Fairhaven, Mass., in 1841 by Capt. W. H. Whitfield.

Incidentally, the late Pres. Franklin D. Roosevelt's grandfather was Warren Delano of Fairhaven, owner of the ship captained by Whitfield.

In 1933, President Roosevelt wrote to Dr. Nakahama, son of John Manjiro:

"When I was a little boy I well remember grandfather telling me all about the little Japanese boy who went to school in Fairhaven and who went to church from time to time with the Delano family. I myself used to visit Fairhaven, and my mother's family still owns the old house.

The name of Nakahama will always be remembered by my family and I hope that if you or any of your family comes to the United States that you will come to see us."

However, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt declared that she knew nothing about the name of Nakahama during her recent visit to Japan.

Manjiro was the only Japanese to join the Gold Rush in California. He went to California in a covered wagon from the East with faint hopes of returning to Japan. He visited San Francisco in 1860 as an official interpreter to Admiral Kimura Settsu-no-Kami of the Kanrin Maru, whose diamond jubilee was observed by the San Francisco JACL. Admiral Kimura was prominently remembered with other Japanese who made early-day contributions to Japan-America rela-

Anti-Nisei propagandist may enter Japan election

Tokyo

Former New York resident, Mrs. Ayako Ishigaki, wife of an artist, and currently prominent with her anti-U.S. and anti-Nisei articles in the Japanese press and radio, is reportedly preparing to enter the next election of the House of Councillors.

A nice-looking woman with a very broad and liberal mind, judging from her writings, she was known as May Tanaka while writing in America. She returned to Japan a few years ago.

In recent months, she has been trying her best to paint a gruesome picture of America and the Nisei, presenting to the Japanese public a miserable and shoddy report of America.

Miss Warinner was very much surprised to hear of the Kanrin Maru Diamond Jubilee. It may be about time to get ready for the Centennial celebrations.

It is a splendid gesture on the part of the U.S. Navy to give such aid to complete the Manjiro studies although it seems to be a task for some Nisei to continue.

Miss Warinner, in one article, says:

"At Honolulu, Manjiro presented Chaplain Damon with his personal samurai sword and a copy of his translation of Bowditch. In the chaplain's study, Manjiro wrote a letter to Capt. Whitfield—his first communication with his benefactors in ten years:

"I wish for you to come to Japan; I will now lead my Dear Friend to my house, now (that) the port (is) opened to all the nations. I found our friend Samuel C. Damon. We was so happy (with) each other (that) I cannot write it all. When I get home I will write better acct. I will send to you sut my clothe (my suit of clothes). It is not new, but only for remember(ing) me. I remain you(r) friend, John Manjiro."

Forgotten romances and interesting episodes of the early days when Japanese-American relations began are once again being revived by these historians.



Two of Monterey County's newest citizens, a husband and wife team who took their naturalization tests together recently are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Eizo Teraji, 63 Monterey Rd., Salinas. They're proud to be citizens and they're proud of the framed copies of the Declaration of Independence and American flags which they received from the Salinas Elks Lodge during ceremonies. Teraji, 59, came here in 1913, and now raises 52 acres of celery. Mrs. Teraji came to the U.S. the same year. They have two sons, Henry, 27, a veteran of the Army of Occupation in Germany, and William, 25, a Marine Corps veteran.

—Salinas Californian Photo

Shy Medal of Honor winner made honorary Arizona citizen at fete

Phoenix

A shy, quiet Medal of Honor winner from New Mexico was honored last Saturday night and made an honorary citizen of Arizona. Sgt. Hiroshi Miyamura of Gallup and his wife, Terry, were feted at a banquet given by the American Legion Post 29 of Glendale, the Glendale C. of C., and the Arizona JACL.

The groups invited the Miyamuras from his Gallup home because they wanted to pay respect to the man who downed between 50 and 60 Chinese Reds while covering his buddies' escape. For that action in North Korea on Apr. 24, 1951, he was nominated for the Medal of Honor.

Atty.-Gen. Ross Jones, acting for Gov. Howard Pyle, made the 28-year-old Nisei an honorary citizen of Arizona.

Among the friends the Miyamuras visited were the Estsuo Hiroses, 6834 N. 24th Dr., former Gallup residents. He also held a reunion with his World War II buddies of the 442nd RCT.

Of his stay in the PW camp, Miyamura told reporters the Communists subjected prisoners to heavy indoctrination courses. They lectured and gave them topics to discuss among themselves. "But we only studied when the guards were watching," he said.

He said he has no sympathy for the so-called progressives who have accepted the Communist doctrine. He said there were some among his prisoner group, mostly young, "who believed everything the Reds told them. You couldn't tell them differently."



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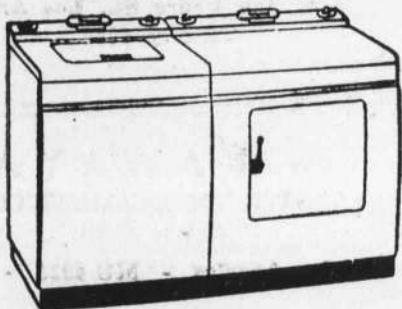
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Another heat record has been broken! On Sept. 28, the mercury rose to 91½ at 3:30 p.m. The next day, it was 99.2 at 2:30 p.m., the 41st day of 90° plus weather in 1953.

Around Chicago . . .

The Friday Club is sponsoring a series of half-hour lectures by Georgia Craven on Japanese art this month at the Art Institute from 12:30 to 1 p.m. On tap Oct. 14 is "Japanese paintings in the Art Institute" in Gallery H6; Oct. 21, "Our Japanese print collection" in Gallery H5; Oct. 28, "Influence of Japanese prints on western artists" in Gallery 42 . . . The Art Institute women's board will present some oldtime unforgettable films with unusual short subjects at its Fullerton Hall. The schedule: Oct. 27, 8 p.m., "Destry Rides Again," and Nov. 17, "Camille" . . .

Gov. Stratton and Atty.-Gen. Castle requested a report of Chicago violations of safety and health laws. They seek action in Chicago slums at the next legislative session . . .

Henry A. Kruse succeeds Wilfred Sykes as chairman of the Chicago Housing Authority . . . Melinda, the year-old elephant at Brookfield's children's zoo, has fractured bones in both hind legs. She came from Sumatra recently . . . Northwest Airlines inaugurated a non-stop Chicago-Portland flight . . . Chicago JACL held its golf tournament last Sunday at the Silver Lake course. The chapter will have its gigantic annual carnival Oct. 24-25 at Olivet Institute, 1441 N. Cleveland. Funds will support the Midwest JACL Regional Office and local chapter activities.

Personals . . .

The Rev. Yohaku Arakawa of Chicago's Nichiren church, 1620 N. La Salle, flew to Japan Sept. 23 to visit his sick mother in Nagoya. During his expected two-months absence, the Rev. S. Aoyagi will conduct services . . . The Skyleens annual "Blue Gardenia" dance will be held Nov. 7 at the McCormick YWCA, 1001 N. Dearborn. Bids at \$1 are being sold by members . . . The City Widens informal "Hallowe'en Hop" will be a bang-up affair Oct. 31, 8 p.m., at the Larrabee YMCA, 1508 N. Larrabee St. On the committee are James Sugita, Setsuko Miyasaki, Mas Miyaji, Rose Fujimoto, Kazie Ozima and Nobu Watanabe. Admission is \$1 . . . Gene Wakabayashi, 4212 S. Berkeley Ave., formerly of Tacoma, will marry Peggy Hikida of Seattle come Nov. 1. She works for a wholesale jewelry firm; Gene is a radio-engineer for Stewart Warner Electric Co., and is treasurer of the City-Widens. The couple will live here . . . Robert George, formerly a teacher at Amache WRA center and race relations man at Milwaukee, is now associated with the National Conference of Christian and Jews . . . Betty Kono, 11 S. Eastern Ave., Joliet, (40 miles southwest of Chicago) is a public health nurse for the Will County Health Dept. Last year, the former Santa Barbara (Calif.) girl received a master's degree in nursing at the Univ. of Washington . . . Rose Fujimoto, 826 E. 52nd St., is a busy City Winder, a loyal CLer and Dorcas member. Formerly of Watsonville (Calif.), she is supervisor of periodical records at the Univ. of Chicago library . . . The Mike Hagiwaras, 5632½ S. Maryland Ave., are proud parents of their second child, Maureen Esther, born Sept. 11. Brother of Abe, Chicago chapter president, he is an active Nisei Veteran and CLer. He is engaged in real estate and co-owns Stah Sandwich Shop, 67

MT.-PLAINS CL DISTRICT MEET SET NOV. 28-29

Denver Mountain Plains JACLers will reserve Thanksgiving weekend—Nov. 28 and 29—for a district conference to be held in this city with the Mile-Hi JACL as the sponsoring organization.

A special attraction to be held in conjunction with the two-day meeting will be a Mountain Plains JACL invitational-open bowling tournament for all Nisei men.

The bowling meet will be directed by John Sakayama and Hooch Okamura, co-chairmen, with the Bowl-Mor Lanes as the locale.

The Denver JACL, under Pres. John Noguchi, will be in charge of social events for the Mountain Plains conference. George Masunaga, district chairman, will direct business affairs of the meeting.

JACLers from Texas, Nebraska, Montana and other states are expected in Denver for the November affair.

CHAPTER MEMO

Chicago JACL: "Eyes into the Future," a 16mm. colored movie story of atomic power, will be shown at the Oct. 16 general membership meeting through arrangements completed by Dick Sato of Argonne National Laboratories.

Detroit JACL: The chapter trophies in the Detroit (Summer) Bowling League for high averages went to David Izumi and Dorothy Kuroda and the team trophy went to Rose Leong and her team composed of Ray Higo, David Izumi, Wesley Kubota and Kiyo Matsui.

ELA & SWLA: Both the Southwest and East Los Angeles chapters co-sponsor the Oct. 30 "Spook Social" for Hallowe'en at International Institute, 435 S. Boyd Ave.

Downtown Los Angeles JACL: Some 50 students are enrolled in the chapter naturalization class taught by Eiji Tanabe at the Hobart Blvd. School. Assisting with enrollment were: Harry Fujita, pres.; Lily Otera, Merijane Yokoe, Grace Morinaga, Kei Uchima, Dave Yokozeki and Blanche Shiosaki.

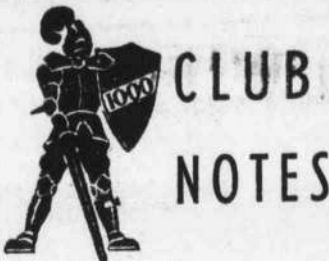
Chicago's Inaugural

Chicago Dr. Frank Sakamoto, chairman of the Chicago JACL eighth annual Inaugural Ball, announced bids for the semi-formal occasion are available from CLers at \$5. The dance will be held at the Sherry Hotel, 1725 E. 53rd St., on Nov. 28, from 9 p.m.

E. Adams. His wife is the former Jaine Oi of Los Angeles . . . Marian Mizuno, 2300 N. Seminary Ave., past president of the Skyleens, is now treasurer of her senior class at Waller High . . . Bob Hirai, 914 W. Newport Ave., CLer and bowler, will move to San Diego for permanent residence the middle of this month. The Cooperative Investors had a farewell dinner in his honor at Como Inn last Saturday.

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CLUB NOTES

San Francisco The National JACL announced this week the new and renewing memberships in the 1000 Club received during the month of September as follows:

FIFTH YEAR Dr. Harry Kita, Salinas, Calif.; George Mikawa, Venice, Calif.; George S. Ono, Los Angeles; Dr. Randolph M. Sakada, Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe, Chicago; Akiji Yoshimura, Colusa, Calif.

FOURTH YEAR Fred Ikeguchi, Long Beach, Calif.; Tom Nakamura, Sanger, Calif.; Dick Nishi, Sacramento.

THIRD YEAR Dr. William T. Hiura, Kumeo Yoshinari, Chicago; Dr. Shigeru R. Horio, San Francisco; Frank W. Sakada, Dayton, O.

SECOND YEAR George Abe, Masato Moyishima, Selma, Calif.; Fred Aoyama, Reno; Marjorie Meyer, New York; Arthur Morimitsu, Shigeno Nakano, Dr. Frank Sakamoto, Chicago; Dr. George M. Miyake, Fresno, Calif.; Yukio Okamoto, White Bear Lake, Minn.; Fumi Utsuki, Culver City, Calif.

FIRST YEAR William Hoshimiya, Yukio Kumamoto, San Francisco; Dr. Isaac Iijima, St. Paul, Minn.; Noboru Kato, A. Ike Masaoka, Frank Matsuoka, Fred M. Moriguchi, Venice, Calif.; Mrs. Kay Kushino, Henry Omachi, George Yanagita, Minneapolis; Ruth Nakaya, Tosh Noma, Harry J. Suzuki, Chicago; Harry Shinozaki, Milwaukee; Izumi Utsuki, Culver City, Calif.

Cleveland PTA group hears talk on Nippon dolls and festival

Cleveland Speaking on Japanese dolls and festival customs, Mrs. Katsuichi Satow described her Japanese childhood and exhibited 14 dolls she brought to this country 25 years ago as a young missionary student at a recent Fairview Park School PTA meeting.

"Every child is given a set of dolls at birth," explained petite Mrs. Satow. "These are brought out for display one day each year, Mar. 3, which is known as Girl's Festival Day."

"Boys have a similar festival day, May 5. Their dolls are more military in style."

She has a fragile pair of dolls made for her as a wedding gift. Another handcarved group, with each doll measuring no more than ¼-inch high, was given to her as a farewell gift. Soon after her arrival in the states, she married Katsuichi Satow, young missionary student from Idaho.

The Satows with their two children moved to Cleveland eight years ago. Their son Simon, a graduate of Western Reserve Medical School, is an interne at the U.S. Public Health Hospital in Boston. Hiroko is a senior at West High School.

Cleveland Jr. Matrons: Organized last year with help from the Cleveland JACL, Sachie Tanaka is president of the club which is planning a costume Hallowe'en party for children, Oct. 25, 2-5 p.m. at the Euclid-30th Methodist Church. Others on the cabinets are:

Midge Fujimoto, vp.; Janice Kaku, Mae Shirasawa, secs.; Sally Taketa, treas.; Yuki Nakaji, pub. Retiring officers are: Masy Yamauchi, pres.; Kaz Yamada, vp.; Kiyo Tashima, Mae Kanno, secs.; Kay Furukawa, treas.; Mae Nakagawa, pub.

Citizenship award goes to doctor

Philadelphia To commemorate the formation and signing of the Constitution, the city of Philadelphia honored over 2,000 of its new citizens at Independence Hall, actual site of the signing and adoption of the document in 1787.

Ushers in native costumes seated guests. Representing the Japanese were Mmes. Tome Kaneda and Fuku Thurn.

Karl I. Zimmerman, district director of the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization, presented the Citizenship Award to Dr. Y. Vincent Yoshida, obstetrician on the staff of St. Vincent's Hospital and Doctor's Hospital. He is also active in Catholic organizations.

Dr. Yoshida expressed his gratitude for the long-sought privilege of citizenship, while the audience interrupted with bursts of applause.

Earlier in the day, Yosuke Nakano, a partner of a local construction engineering firm, represented new citizens on a TV program. The Japanese who recently attained citizenship were featured on Citizenship Day, Sept. 17, through cooperation of the Philadelphia JACL chapter with the sponsors of the day's events, the Philadelphia Bar Ass'n.

Bon Voyage: Miyo Shitamae of Philadelphia, whose engagement to Joe Ike was announced recently, was honored at a surprise shower Sept. 27 at the home of Mrs. William Sasagawa by Yoshi Tamaki. The honoree was scheduled to leave Oct. 8 to join her fiancée in Frankfurt, Germany, where they will be married. He is a technical representative for Philco Corp. in government work. Long active in the Philadelphia JACL, she was a visiting nurse.

Clyde Shimabukuro, shoe store manager at Wailuku, Maui, was elected president of the Territorial Federation of St. Francis Xavier Clubs at its 10th annual convention in Hilo.

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SOCIAL NOTES

WLA Ladies Guild: Mrs. Sumi Oshinomi will demonstrate Chinese cooking at the Oct. 21 meeting. The West Los Angeles group will also hold an election.

Detroit Mr. & Mrs. Club: A variety show was presented Sept. 19 featuring 14 numbers including a finale hula dance by Helen Fujiwara accompanied by Yo Kasai, Art Morey, Pete Fujioka, George Ishimaru, Roy Kaneko and George Matsuhiro.

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SPORTSCOPE:

Crown Prince roots for California as Bears dumped by Ohio State

Crown Prince Akihito of Japan viewed his first game of American football last Saturday at Berkeley, politely rooting for the losing California Bears in a nationally-televised game with Ohio State. He was often puzzled but keenly interested throughout. He clapped mildly for the California touchdowns and received a running explanation of the game's mysteries in Japanese from Prof. Susumu Nakamura, who teaches Japanese and Tibetan, and Ken Ishii, former member of the Japanese consulate general office and now a senior in political science...

Shirai to Defend Title Oct. 27

World flyweight champion Yoshio Shirai of Tokyo will defend his title against Terry Allen of England, former champion, on Oct. 27. The match was originally scheduled for Oct. 9, but set back because of an injured eye Shirai suffered in a surprise seven-round TKO defeat handed in a tune-up bout at Osaka last month by Leo Espinosa, of the Philippines...

Last Saturday's nationwide TV bout between Honolulu Wildcat Phil Kim and Arthur Persley of Red Cross, La., ended in a similar manner of the Shirai-Espinosa match... While it wasn't stopped by the referee, the Korean American welterweight's manager, Eisho Toyama, threw in the towel at the bell starting the seventh round to give the veteran Negro jabber an upset victory...

MORE BOXING NOTES: Top ringside seats for the Shirai-Allen fight will cost \$3,600 (\$10), according to International Promotions and Yomiuri Shimbun, promoters of the Oct. 27 world title bout at Tokyo's Korakuen baseball stadium. A crowd of 20,000 is expected... A blasting bantam from El Paso, Jose Coto, registered a unanimous 10-round decision over game Tommy Umeda in the Tuesday feature at the Olympic Aud in Los Angeles...

Lodi High Fullback Sparkling

Nobi Tamura, a fullback for Lodi (Calif.) High School, is a consistent scorer. Last Saturday, he tallied two of them in the 14-6 win over Merced High in the Lodi Grape Bowl... Lodi trailed 6-0 at the first quarter and Lodi's running attack clicked when a pass brought the ball to the 5, when Nobi rammed over from the 1 on the third down... Three minutes later, Lodi recovered a Merced fumble on their 25. Tamura made the end zone on a 15-yard scoot. Last week, the hustling Nisei carried the ball 12 times for 49 yards—a commendable 4.1 yard average per carry...

INTRODUCING: San Jose State Frosh dropped the season opener, 20-6, last Saturday bowing to East Contra Costa JC at Concord, Calif. The Spartababes has one of its best frosh turnouts in recent years. Wes Nakasora had a starting assignment at center... Watsonville High's lightweight team appears to be fairly loaded with Nisei talent. At quarterback is Akio Idemoto, one of the best passers in the Santa Clara Valley league. Susumu Matano and Gordon Iwanaga are starting halfbacks while Hiromi Takemoto, a good safety man, does the kick-offing. On the line are Paul Hiura, tackle, George Yoshikado and Susumu Nagai, guards... Elk Grove (Calif.) High School in the Solano County Athletic League scored a 12-0 win in a practice tilt over Rio Vista. Jun Miyano swept right end for 20 yards and the first Elk Grove score... Probably the heaviest Nisei gridders in prep circles is Jim Nagaoka of Gardena High, a 220-lb. tackle... George Kitagawa tallied twice on TD aeriels for San Mateo High last Friday night in the 27-7 rout handed the Monterey Toreadores... Akira Nakata tallied the lone Belmont High score in the 19-6 loss handed from Lincoln High as Los Angeles preps opened their season last week. Ben Nakatani also started for Belmont... Veteran Ken Matsuda started at lefthalf for Westchester High in the 40-13 romp over Culver City.

A unique "beat the pro" tournament at Cleveland's Willowick course saw the Fairway Club, comprised of 76 Nisei, victorious recently. Gordon Alves, Willowick pro, shot a 38-38-76; but of the 37 Nisei entrants, 17 had netted 76 or better. Larry Shimamura led with his 97 (32)-65. Even two girls were among the leaders: Setsu Uyesugi 116 (44)-72, and Dorothy Kawasaki 113 (40)-73. Harvey Ohmura won low gross honors with an 84 and netted 71... The affair was stirred up by Alves and his assistant pro, Kimbo Yoshitomi, who works days at Acacia Country Club and teaching at nights. A 37-year-old San Franciscan, Kimbo hopes to return to California some day to operate a golf club primarily for Japanese Americans. He has been helping Alves the past four years... Yoshitomi hit an 80 in the unique tournament.

Ervin Furukawa of Seattle was the king of Nisei golfers in the Pacific Northwest last week after defeating Kuni Nakamura, defending titleholder, for the 1953 Puget Sound Golf Club championship in a 36-hole playoff at West Seattle. Furukawa won 4 and 2, copping his third title this year. He won the club's annual tournament and the Northwest Nisei Open.

100 GOLFERS VIE FOR CHICAGO JACL TROPHIES

Chicago Cold winds didn't deter some 100 golfers last Sunday when they competed in the Chicago JACL's third annual tournament at Silver Lake golf course.

Bob Takami shot a 78 for low gross honors. Dr. Roy Morimoto won the "A" flight trophy with a net 73. Aki Tani won the "B" flight with a net 72, while Mrs. Noby Takaki won the women's flight. Complete prize winners are:

- "A" FLIGHT
73-Dr. Roy Morimoto (7), Mike Hori (9), Tom Yokoi (15).
75-Dr. George Hiura (8), Dr. Bill Hiura (13).
76-Roy Nakagawa (10).
77-Sut Kuroda (9), Sumio Nishi (13), Clyde Wada (14).
78-Walter Heisted (10).

- "B" FLIGHT
72-Aki Tani (25), John Okamoto (27).
73-Roland Joichi (21), Tom Teraji (25).
74-Fred Fujita (16), Dick Takaki (17), George Noda (18).
75-Frank Noda (21), Joe Makino (27).
76-Harry Tokumatsu (17), Ben Nagata (19).

- WOMEN'S FLIGHT
76-Noby Takaki (30).
82-Jane Fujimoto (35).
83-Mae Kurose (40), Alice Tanahashi (39).
86-Marion Yoshioka (13), Tazy Domoto (25).
87-Alice Higashiuchi (14).

The 1000 Club trophy was

Rocky Mountain, Intermountain bowlers invited

Denver Nisei bowlers of the Intermountain and Plains areas are invited to compete for trophies and cash prizes at a Mountain Plains JACL bowling tournament to be held Nov. 28 and 29 at the Bowl-Mor lanes in this city.

The invitational open handicap event will be sponsored by the Mountain Plains JACL district council in conjunction with the JACL conference to be held in Denver Thanksgiving weekend.

John Sakayama and Hooch Okamura will be co-chairmen. Events will include singles, doubles and team events for men, with a "ragtime doubles" as a special added attraction.

Entries will be accepted up to Nov. 7. Individuals and teams interested in applying may obtain further information by writing to the Mountain Plains JACL Regional Office, 1225-20th St., Denver 2.

North-South judo journey Oct. 18

San Francisco The annual North-South judo tournament will be held here Oct. 18 with a top Los Angeles Area team coming north to compete against the best judoists of Northern California.

A team of some 20 experts is expected to meet the Northerners at Kinmon Hall, 2031 Bush St., with the program scheduled to start at 1 p.m. Last year, the Northern squad won the team title in matches held at Los Angeles but lost the individual elimination championship.

won by Jack Kawakami. Dr. George Hiura and Tom Masuda were top contenders. Harold Gordon, National 1000 Club chairman, was in charge of the feature which employed the Peoria handicap system to determine the winner.

THE SOU'WESTER

TATS KUSHIDA

THE UNSUNG HEROES of JACL are the chapter presidents and their cabinets who bear the backbreaking onus of unthanked leadership, who must give the most time and do most of the arid work, who are the silent target of squawks and brickbats, and who, more often than not, at the end of their terms, swear "that's all I can take—no more JACL for me!"

Fortunately, they don't fade away but instead, like "Ole Man River", just keep rollin' along with JACL.

While a prexy's life is a rough one, there is a silver lining. Without exception, he grows in stature, becomes a bigger, better and greater man for having given himself to the community, his other reward being the self satisfaction that he has been of some service to his fellow men, and in some way, however small, has enhanced their status and, incidentally, his own.

Non-JACLers may not understand this because good JACLers, in our book, are a peculiar temper of people who go by the philosophy, "What can I give or do" rather than "What's in it for me?"

THE SOU'WESTER WAXES poetic this week because we latched on to a hunk of iambic pentameter that seems to fit the situation so well. From Thomas Gray's "Elegy in a Country Churchyard"—

Can storied urn, or animated bust,
Back to its mansion call the fleeting breath?
Can Honour's voice provoke the silent dust,
Or flattery soothe the dull cold ear of Death?

In a recent column, we urged more testimonial affairs as a device to pay tribute or give recognition to those who merit it—while they are still living.

While a testimonial banquet can't be held for all of these good JACL leaders, we can at least give them recognition in this column. At the risk of inadvertently omitting a few names, the Sou'wester herein salutes the chapter presidents and other JACL bulwark we have come to know since arriving in Los Angeles on Thanksgiving Day four years ago.

Arizona: John Tadano, Masao Tsutsumida, Carl Sato, Mas Inoshita.

Coachella Valley: Tom Sakai, George Shibata, Jack Izu, Mas Oshiki, Henry Sakemi, Elmer Suski.

Downtown L.A.: Dr. Tom Watanabe, Frank Chuman, Harry Honda, Dr. George Kambara, Harry Fujita.

East L.A.: Bill Takei, Lynn Takagaki, George Akasaka, Akira Hasegawa, Edison Uno and Sam Furuta.

Gardena Valley: Paul Shinoda, Henry Ishida and Ryo Kōmae.

Hollywood: Arthur Ito and Nobu Ishitani.

Long Beach: Fred Ikeguchi, George Mio, Mas Narita and George Nakamura.

Orange County: Hitoshi Nitta, Bill Okuda, Ken Uyesugi, Frank Mizusawa, Elden and Henry Kanegae.

Pasadena: Ken Dyo, Dr. Tom T. Omori, Jiro Oishi, and Tom Ito.

San Diego: The late Dr. George Hara, Moto Asakawa, Mas Honda and Paul Hoshi.

San Luis Obispo: Masuji Eto, Hilo Fuchiwaki, Karl Taku, Patrick Nagano, Kazuo Ikeda and Haruo Hayashi.

Santa Barbara: Tad Kanetomo, Lillian Nakaji, Ikey Kaki-moto and Aki Endo.

Santa Maria Valley: Harold Shimizu and Harry Miyake.

Southwest L.A.: Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa, Tut Yata, Dick Fujioka and Mack Hamaguchi.

Venice: George Mikawa, Fumi Utsuki, George Inagaki, James Yasuda and Kiyo Nishi.

Ventura: Tomio Yeto, Nao Takasugi, Toby Otani, Taro Inouye and Izzy Otani.

West L.A.: Elmer Uchida, Sho Komai, Dr. Kiyoshi Sonoda, Richard Jeniye and James Kitsuse.

CERTAINLY AN IMPOSING array of JACL and Nisei leadership! Sakemi, Chuman, Yata, Mizusawa, Nishikawa and Dyo served as district council chairmen, while Nishikawa, Chuman and Inagaki became national officers, and Honda the P.C. editor. Our cordial thanks to them all for making our job at the regional office more pleasant and worthwhile.

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EDITORIALS

Chief Justice Warren

President Eisenhower appointed a second-generation Scandinavian American who was born in Li'l Tokio (before it was such) as Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court last week. He was sworn into office last Monday.

Even before Earl Warren, four-time governor of California, donned the judicial robes, there was some repercussion on the appointment. Be that as it may, the fact remains that the popular governor, who has won primary elections in both major parties in his gubernatorial campaigns, is following suit of the choice of President Eisenhower in the 1952 election.

Eisenhower was a man who never held any elective political position until the people elected him to the position of Chief Executive. He was a man with integrity, honesty, possessed of a middle-of-the-

road philosophy and experienced in administration. Gov. Warren is also a man of equal characteristics—integrity, honesty, of a middle-of-the-road philosophy, experienced in administration with a wide knowledge of law, even though lacking in judiciary know-how.

In this day and age of specialists, one is led to think specialists or technicians are the only ones capable of handling a situation. As complex as society has become, we still cannot forget that we are human. At times we feel the age has been cluttered with too many skilled technicians and specialists. They are so narrow in thinking that they forget the wider horizon of humanity as a whole.

The appointment of Earl Warren as the new Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court only recalls the days of the Founding Fathers, when none of them were skilled in molding the Nation we have inherited today, but who were imbued with the spirit that all men are created equal and endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights.

Vagaries . . .

The last time we saw Dick Akagi he was working on a short story at night after work hours last December at the National JAACL's Washington, D.C., office. Since then Dick, who was Midwest regional director of the JAACL before he went to Washington as Mike Masaoka's assistant, has resigned from JAACL work.

We were wondering the other night what Dick was doing but now we know that he, and a dozen others of Japanese ancestry, are going to be quite busy for the next year or so on Broadway as members of the cast of John Patrick's comedy drama of U.S. occupation troops on Okinawa, "Teahouse of the August Moon." The play, adapted from Vern Sneider's novelette, opened in New Haven on Sept. 23 and word already has reached the Broadway ticket brokers that "Teahouse" will be a hit. Tickets are selling through March 21 which means that the Maurice Evans production should play at least a year or more.

Dick Akagi plays a villager on the island of Tobiki, along with Frank Ogawa, Jerry Fujikawa, Lawrence Kim and Norman Chi.

The major native role, however, that of an interpreter named Sakini who is wise in the ways of both the east and the west, is taken by the stage and film star, David Wayne, while John Forsythe, Harry Jackson, Paul Ford and Larry Gates play the parts of members of the American occupation who attempt to bring democracy to this little island community.

Forsythe's love affair with Lotus Blossom, a young geisha girl, is in the idyllic manner with the American officer going off into the sunset and leaving the native girl behind, but there is no betrayal for their love is unfulfilled. Mariako Niki, a girl from Tokyo with some stage and screen experience, is Lotus Blossom and received critical huzzahs at the pre-Broadway premiere.

Among the other players in the cast are Naoe Kondo, whose role is that of an old woman; Mara Kim, daughter; Moy Moy Thom, Joyce Chen and Kenneth Wong, children; Saki, Lady Astor; Kame Ishikawa, ancient man; Kaie Deei, Mr. Sumata; Kikuo Hiromura, father; Chuck Morgan, Mr. Hokaida; Haim Winant, Mr. Seiko; William Hanson, Mr. Oshira; Kuraji Seida, Mr. Omura; Yuki Shimoda, Mr. Keora; Shizu Moriya, Miss Higa Jiga; and Vivian Thom, Mary Anna Reeve and Miss Kondo, Ladies League members.

Yuki Shimoda is the choreographer, while Dai-Keong Lee wrote the music.

"August Moon," which will open on Broadway on Oct. 10

From the Frying Pan . . .

Denver

As this is written, the season's first frost is being predicted for Denver. So it's autumn again, and where has the summer gone? Where have the years gone? Just about this time ten years ago we were sweating out WRA clearance to leave Heart Mountain and go forth to seek our fortunes in the wide, cold world. Ten years? Ten whole years already?

It must be so. Pete, our third-born, started kindergarten last month. Two more years and all four of the offspring will be trudging to classes each morning. No wonder there's been an increase of the gray with the black in the thatch; no wonder it's becoming harder and harder to put in an 18-hour day.

by Larry Tajiri

"August Moon," in the opinion of those who saw the New Haven tryout, will be a major success on the basis of its laugh content alone. When word of the audience reaction to the first night performance got around, the production drew capacity houses the next four nights.

Film companies which were trying to buy James Michener's forthcoming novel, "Sayonara," and lost it to Joshua Logan, are certain to be interested in "August Moon," which means that Nisei film players will be in demand one of these days in Hollywood.

Once sidestepped as a dramatic theme, the interracial love drama has come to the theater in "South Pacific," "The King and I" (to stretch a point in the relationship of the King and Anna), "August Moon" and the forthcoming musical, "Sayonara—A Japanese Romance." It may be time for the sponsors of the proposed musical from the Donn Byrne novel, "Messer Marco Polo," to dust off their libretto and put back into production the story of the Italian traveler to Cathay and the beautiful Mongol princess. Shirley Yamaguchi was rehearsing the role some two years back when the entry of the Chinese Communists into the Korean war made the sponsors wary of putting a production with a Chinese background before an American audience which, incidentally, was an unwarranted fear.

The current interest in Oriental backgrounds is somewhat reminiscent of the World War I period in Greenwich Village when some young performers whose names are now synonymous with the theater were making their debuts with the Provincetown Players and the Washington Square Theater (which grew up to be the Theater Guild of today) in such productions as "Bushido," in which a girl named Katherine Cornell had her first New York role, Rita Weiman's "String of Samisen" in which a young dancer named Michio Ito appeared.

The New Haven reviews for "August Moon" were matched in the Boston press the last week when the production opened in Boston for a two week run at the Schubert prior to its Broadway premiere. Yuriko Kikuchi and Michiko Iseri are in their third year as the leading dancers of "The King and I" and it looks now that Dick Akagi and the score of other players of Oriental descent in "August Moon" will be busy playing the people of the village of Tobiki in Okinawa for a long, long time.

School Days

Pete, like his older brother, takes a rather dim view of school. He tells me his troubles in what he calls "private-private" sessions. Oh, he likes painting, all right, and cutting out things in colored paper is pretty good fun. But he doesn't like singing. Everybody sings too loud and there's just too much of it.

Well, what else is there that he likes? He likes the teacher. Her name is Mrs. Dickson and she's nice. He likes clambering over the jungle gym when it's time to go outdoors. He likes drinking milk in mid-afternoon and he likes games—stuff like holding hands and rowing a boat, and flying an airplane.

Well then, isn't school a pretty good place to go, all things considered? Pete guesses so, except for one thing. What's that? A boy named Robert who slugs Pete in the back every time the teacher's not looking. Why doesn't Pete slug him back? Because the teacher will scold him if she sees him. Actually, I think the reason is that Pete is a bit overwhelmed by Robert's aggressiveness and doesn't want to take a chance of really getting popped in the snoot. But one of these days Pete's patience will be extended too far. He will overcome his fear and shyness and go after his tormentor with both fists flving.

I am waiting for that day.

Our Mike is an eighth grader now and getting along pretty well, I guess. He still has trouble with his long division but his grades are

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respectable otherwise. He gives his father a bad time by asking for an explanation about such mysterious objects as transitive, intransitive and complete verbs.

Shucks, I never could figure out grammar. I handle it by the "sound" and "feel," like an oldtime pilot flying by the seat of his pants. But how are you going to explain that to the teacher when she wants a clear definition and specific examples.

Studies come a bit easier for Susan, now a proud fourth grader. She must be something of a teacher's pet because she's forever being sent on errands. One of her almost-daily chores is to run over to Mr. Santopietro's room to see if he can eat lunch with Mr. Weaver. Matter of fact, it's become such a regular thing now that she doesn't even have to ask Mr. Santopietro. As soon as she enters the doors, he says yes or no, and Susan dutifully carries the message back to Mr. Weaver.

Ah, school days!

DECADE AGO

October 9, 1943

Nisei troops go into action on Italian front; get first taste of battle in mountains above Salerno gulf. Veterans amazed as Nisei battalion go smiling into battle.

Hoodlums terrorize 185 evacuee residents of War Food Administration's Provoo labor camp; fair play and protection promised. Utah Gov. Maw condemns attack.

Very Truly Yours . . . by Harry K. Honda

Crown Prince

For the past four weeks, the presence of Crown Prince Akihito in the United States has electrified the Japanese American community along a carefully planned itinerary. . . . Even communities missed by the itinerary were stirred by the "oversight" of the persons responsible for the trip or by the consequence of difficulties necessarily entailed in a very tight schedule. . . . In Los Angeles, where the greatest concentration of persons of Japanese ancestry exists, the tumultuous ovation reaped by the imperial dignitary on the corner of First and San Pedro (a corner visible from the Pacific Citizen office) from thousands of residents was imperishable. Only minutes before, there were elderly Issei men and women, attired in their best dark suits or black dresses, who had patiently waited for several hours along the curb, calmly chatting. . . . But at 3 o'clock, the first chorus of "banzai" from spectators on either side of First Street a block west of San Pedro Street signaled a spontaneous ripple of paper flags—the Stars & Stripes and the Hinomaru. . . . His Imperial Highness, propping himself on top of the front seat by this time, held his head true, acknowledging the applause and cheer with a gentle gesture of his arm as if returning the salute tendered him by the excited crowd which, by this time, had deserted from the curb and milled on to the middle of the street. . . . Secret Service men and police officers flanked the car. . . . Photographers, press and amateur alike, were crammed into areas almost too close for focus. . . . The surging mass of men and women couldn't be checked. . . . At one point, the motorcade paused. The Crown Prince accepted a bouquet of American Beauties from kimono-attired Nisei Week Queen Judy Sugita and her court. . . . The feverish flutter of flags appeared like a magic carpet for the 19-year-old heir apparent of the Japanese

Throne. . . . Further down the same street were lined uniformed children of Maryknoll School — Sansei youngsters who will recall this day they cheered a royalty as do some of us (when very young) stood on the same curb when Crown Prince Akihito's uncle paraded by.

As the motorcade hurried on, the crowds melted away. . . . Many elders were misty-eyed — overjoyed at the privilege of being able to see a young man who will be the next Emperor of their motherland. . . . Many sacrificed a day's work to be in line. . . . People who have seen Nisei Week crowds later wondered what East First Street might be had it been a Saturday or Sunday. I surmise San Francisco wondered where all the Japanese Americans came from at the civic affair planned at Sigmund Stern Grove. . . . In Honolulu, it should be even more impressive.

As George Inagaki, who had the good fortune of accompanying the Crown Prince through his own greenhouses in Venice on an unscheduled visit, remarked: "So many of us who have been schooled in the American democracy take the presence of any royalty lightly, yet upon meeting and seeing the Crown Prince, a certain swell in spirit and a reverence for the traditions of Japan take deeper meaning. . . . The few who were allowed to be associated with the Crown Prince's entourage in some capacity experienced a brand of excitement seldom matched even by the presence of a President. . . . They were in communion with history that goes back some 2,600 years. They were awed by the majesty of a teen-ager who has been trained since his youth to be the personified symbol of a nation. . . . It stirred all to do their utmost to keep the bridge of peace across the Pacific always open."