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**POURING:** The Japan-America Society of St. Louis is planning to sponsor a tour of the St. Louis Children's Choir July 24-Aug. 3. Thirty-six hometown children, ages 10-17, will sing in Tokyo, Kyoto and sister-city Suwa. They will be accompanied by 10 adults. Executive director of the Japan-America Society, **Chad MacIlvaine**, raised \$70,000 in the past year for the barnstorming tour. It was discussed by honorary Japanese consul **Carl Beckers** and the society's chairman, **George Sloan**, and president, **George Newton**, at a lunch on Friday in the Wheelhouse of the Lt. Robert E. Lee.

Later, RCGA president **Jim O'Flynn**, the host, toasted the success of "Joruri," the Japanese opera that had its world premiere performance the night before at Opera Theatre of St. Louis. Composer **Minoru Miki** and the New York bureau chief of Yomiuri Shimbun, **Shigeo Motoelke**, and the music critic from Tokyo's Asahi Shimbun, who had skyed here directly from Japan for the premiere, were among the dozen guests with opera theater executive director **Charles MacKay**. While in Japan, MacIlvaine, with his wife, **Beth**, both of whom lived there while he was senior vice president and deputy head of Bank of America's Asia Division, will scout a site for a future retirement home.

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