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BY THE BOARD:

Brotherhood Week and prejudice

Almost weekly, the Pacific Citizen presents a story with some kind or form of discrimination and we are all quick to anger. Have we taken inventory of ourselves lately? Brotherhood Week will be observed nationally on Feb. 17-24, so it is timely this is presented.

How many times have you been asked the question, "Are you prejudiced?" What was your answer? Let's face it, we all have a certain amount of prejudice, and sometimes it is so deep-seeded that we are unaware that it exists. May we list some types of "prejudice"?

Prejudice "against an individual" usually starts with what seems like a convincing piece of disagreeable behavior by the object of our prejudice. As a result, we form a fixed opinion as to his character, his ability, his value and what to expect from him. We label him as stupid, contemptible or tricky, and no amount of evidence to the contrary can change our opinion. In order to justify ourselves, we focus only on the points about him which we do not like. We cannot believe that he might improve or that he may have some hidden, saving grace. That our unswerving opinion of him may be crushing what is really valuable in him, or that we have inexorably shut him out from making a valuable contribution to anything as far as we are concerned, escapes our notice.

Prejudice "for and against groups" is just as unreasonable as prejudice "for and against individuals." It is found everywhere and affects such widely divergent kinds of groups as institutions of learning, racial groups, sexes, those who are poorer or richer, age groups, professions and groups from certain localities. Prejudice against institutions of learning brings to mind the widespread assumption that every Harvard man is a snob who exhibits the most offensive kind of affection, vanity and intellectual pretension. Any Harvard man would have a hard time proving that he did not fit the caricature these

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SEE BOOST IN JAPAN QUOTA OF IMMIGRANTS

WASHINGTON.—President Eisenhower's immigration message to Congress of Jan. 31 includes a number of proposals which would substantially enlarge Japan's immigration quota, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League reported this week.

The Executive message also urged Congress to pass legislation to aid more than 500 Japanese orphans now in the United States on parole, to liberalize adjustment of status procedures for Japanese visitors and students who marry while temporarily in the United States and to provide administrative authority to grant relief from deportation in certain hardship cases.

Although specific nationality quota increases were not cited in the Presidential message, the Washington JACL office noted that his suggestions closely parallel last year's recommendations which would have increased Japan's annual quota immigration up to 563. The present quota for Japan is 185 per year.

To increase quota immigration, the President recommended that the annual maximum of 154,857

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Masaoka to speak at Philadelphia fete

PHILADELPHIA.—The Philadelphia JACL celebrates its 10th anniversary this year with a gala dinner and installation of 1957 board members at the International Institute, 645 N. 15th St., on Saturday, Feb. 23, 7 p.m. Mike Masaoka of Washington, D.C., will be the guest speaker.

Bill Sasagawa, EDC chairman, will be toastmaster. Sim Endo is in charge of the dinner.

To be installed are Warren Watanabe, chmn.; Dick Horikawa, Dr. Eichi Koiwai, Y. Nakano, Jack Ozawa; Martin Barol, sec.; and Mary I. Watanabe, treas.

The chapter has already opened its membership campaign by including the 1957 membership card with its January newsletter, which was circulated late last month. Philadelphia chapter dues were announced at \$3.50. Mary I. Watanabe, treasurer, is in charge of the drive.

The 1956 board was headed by Sim Endo. His year was prominent by gains made in all departments: chapter membership, 1000 Club memberships, and special events.

College Scholarship plus guarantee of job with Oregon bank won by Ontario lad

ONTARIO, Ore.—A four-year college scholarship plus a \$4,000 annual salary position upon graduation with the sponsors of its unique World-College program, the United States National Bank, has been won by William Sugahiro, June '57 senior of Ontario High School.

The Work-College program was started by U.S. National Bank in 1950 to provide the bank with new leaders. It is open each year to outstanding high school senior boys in cities where U.S. National Bank branches are located.

The selection is made on the basis of teachers' and principals' recommendations and final interviews and tests given by the bank.

Last Monday William started to learn the job which he will fill on his graduation from high school. After his graduation he will work a year at the bank before entering college. Then he will enroll at an Oregon college or university of his

Nisei hopes for U.S.-Japan ties told to new envoy

RACIAL DISCRIMINATION SCORED BY LUTHERANS

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J.—The National Lutheran Council, embracing five million Lutherans and eight Lutheran denominations, last week declared public institutions should be open to all people on "equal terms without restrictions and reluctance".

The resolution condemning racial bars was adopted at the council's annual meeting and drawn up by a committee headed by the Rev. Charles B. Foelsch, president of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, Berkeley, Calif.

I. I. director swears in Dayton cabinet

DAYTON.—The Dayton JACL installed its 1957 officers, led by Mas Yamasaki, and honored its new Issei citizens at its annual dinner on Jan. 13 at Pappy's Kitchen.

Miss Evelyn Bassett, director of the International Institute, was guest speaker of the evening and administered the oath of office.

Hideo Okubo, outgoing 2nd vice-president, was honored as the outstanding member of the Dayton chapter and presented with a gift.

New citizens recognized at the banquet were Shoji Okino, Mmes. Yukiko Landis, Ume Taguchi and Teruko Yukawa.

Ex-EDC chairman moves to job in Pasadena

PHILADELPHIA.—Tets Iwasaki, first president of the Philadelphia JACL in 1947 and subsequently Eastern District Council chairman in 1950-51, has left for Pasadena, Calif., where he joined the Consolidated Engineering Corp., the chapter newsletter reported.

Iwasaki had been with Atlantic Refining the past 12 years in the research and development group. For the last two years, he was one of two engineers responsible for working on and maintaining an electronic computer. In the Penn State extension at Abington.

His wife, Michi, and three daughters, Marcia, Jeanne and Diane will join him in June when school is out. Marcia will be entering Whittier College in the fall.

Masaoka confers with MacArthur II, newly U. S. ambassador to Japan

WASHINGTON.—In order that he might understand Nisei reaction to Japan-United States relations and problems, the newly designated ambassador to Japan, Douglas MacArthur II, was called upon by Mike Masaoka. The new envoy was scheduled to leave for his Tokyo post yesterday.

Masaoka reported on his recent two month visit to Japan, with particular emphasis on improved trade relations between the United States and Japan. He also reported on the need for a more enlightened immigration policy toward Japan, as well as problems relating to Okinawa and the Bonin Islands.

The Nisei spokesman explained that while the Japanese American Citizens League was primarily concerned with the problems of persons of Japanese ancestry in this country, it was also involved in immigration matters especially those affecting families and relatives of Nisei and Issei in this land.

He stated that Nisei with a special concern for Japanese-American relations were considering the organization of a national committee or organization to make known their feelings as Americans of Japanese ancestry on many of the significant problems concerning re-

lations between the two Pacific nations in order that the United States and Japan might continue as free world partners in this troubled world.

Masaoka declared after his meeting with the new Ambassador that he is confident that the former State Department counsellor would prove to be an able representative of this country in his latest assignment.

At the same time, he disclosed that he has discussed his recent visit to Japan with White House, State Department, Defense Department, and Congressional officials.

TOKYO.—U.S. Ambassador John M. Allison flew to Washington on Feb. 2 for consultations before taking up his new post as envoy to Indonesia.

Allison came to Tokyo in May 1953 as America's second postwar ambassador to Japan.

JACL URGES EARLY ENACTMENT OF CIVIL RIGHTS BILL THIS SESSION

WASHINGTON.—As the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Civil Rights began four days of hearings on pending bills on the subject, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League urged favorable and expeditious consideration of this vitally needed legislation.

JACL repeated its "often expressed endorsement of the past 10 years" in a letter addressed to Emanuel Celler, (D., N.Y.) subcommittee chairman, and be enacted in this session of the 85th Congress to provide equal rights and equal opportunities for all Americans."

As with other organizations whose views on civil rights are well known because of personal testimony in other years, and in order to permit early consideration of the legislation, JACL was requested by the subcommittee chairman to submit a letter rather than personally testifying on the subject.

(The Celler civil rights bill is HR 2145; while the Administration-sponsored measure introduced by Rep. Keating is HR 1151.—Editor.)

Mike Masaoka, Washington representative, wrote that while JACL would prefer civil rights legislation such as that introduced by Representative Celler because of its greater and more specific safeguards, it takes the position that "if political realities dictate congressional consideration of only a 'minimum' program," such as that proposed by the President in his State of the Union message, such a "minimum" program should be enacted "lest once again all efforts for civil rights be frustrated. We would be opposed," the letter explained, "to any maneuvering for political or partisan gain that would result in the defeat of all civil rights legislation in this Congress."

The JACL letter continues: "Ten years ago, the President's Commission on Civil Rights issued its historic report 'To Secure These Rights.' In the decade since that Committee found practice far behind the professions of the 'American Heritage,' substantial progress has been made toward the goal of 'freedom and equality' for all. But, significantly, almost all of the progress has been made by the courts and by administrative actions. With only a minor exception or two, the Congress has failed to enact any meaningful human rights legislation in the past 80

years.

"The shameful record of what is, and has transpired in the past few years in one part of our nation against certain of our fellow Americans, and the lawless disregard of the mandates of the Supreme Court of the land by some elements of our population make it imperative that the Congress assume its responsibilities and speedily enact legislation to protect the lives, the properties, and the votes of all Americans everywhere in the United States," the JACL declared.

"As the victims of hate and hysteria during another recent epoch when our democracy tolerated racial persecution," the JACL letter recalled, "we Americans of Japanese ancestry know from bitter experience the fear of mob violence and the threat of the loss of our franchise.

"We are especially mindful, therefore, of the urgent necessity in these troubled times for effective statutes and efficient enforcement to eliminate lawlessness

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Gardena post to host VFW national Nisei meeting

GARDENA.—The seventh annual National Nisei VFW convention will be hosted by the local Nisei Memorial Post 1961, over the Washington Birthday weekend, Feb. 22-24, it was announced by Paul T. Bannai, convention chairman.

Registration will be held at the Gen. Rosecrans VFW Hall. General meeting will be at the Western Club Cafe on Feb. 22, 7 p.m. Tours and social programs are also scheduled. Participating are eight other Nisei VFW posts from California.

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From the Frying Pan

by Bill Hosokawa

Denver, Colo.

GRAND OLD PARTY—One of the grand old customs brought to this country by the Japanese, and carefully preserved, is the "shinnen enkai" or New Year's party. There's nothing particular noteworthy about New Year's parties except that "shinnen enkai" legitimately can be held anytime during January. And if everybody is so busy going to various one of these parties that they cannot squeeze them all into the calendar, it's perfectly okay to schedule them well into February.

Main objective of these parties is to eat more than you should of rare dishes you cannot afford at other times, and drink as much as you can. This helps all hands to forget the past year's disappointments and celebrate the triumphs. Also insures that the new year gets off to a rousing start. Fine old Japanese custom.

ZOO BROWSING—Ever since our family became too refined to eat the end slices of bread (actually the tastiest part of a loaf), we toss them into a large paper sack and keep them for expeditions to the zoo. The ducks, elk and buffalo go for them and here in Denver it's perfectly legal to feed them. The other Sunday, when it was frigid out, there was nothing very exciting on TV. The bread sack was only half full, but the younger kids insisted it was time to go feed the animals. So I went, taking along a couple of neighbor children whose parents were delighted to get them out of the house for a while.

Browsing through the zoo in sub-freezing weather was great fun for the youngsters, especially little Billy who still has trouble with the king's English. Later, when we asked him about it, he declared he was most impressed by the big, white "colder bear" who, frankly, didn't seem to be bothered by the chill at all.

PIONEER TALES—My dad was a great story teller. He had a wonderful knack for recounting tales of his own experiences. I can remember listening with rapt attention in boyhood as he told about coming to America back in '99. His accounts of misadventures with the English language were hilarious. There was heartache, too, when he spoke of hunger and loneliness, and of the bullies and human vultures who made life miserable for the immigrants.

But as I grew up, and therefore better able to remember, the stories somehow failed to register. Perhaps he had quit telling them. More likely, I in adolescent wisdom quit listening. That was most unfortunate, because now I would have a treasurehouse of information if I could remember the details of my dad's first years in America.

All this came back to me the other night as I listened to a gray and wrinkled Issei reminisce about coming to the United States a half century ago. He remembered with astonishing clarity his fears as the time came to face the immigration officers at the port of entry. There was an older Japanese aboard ship, a fellow who had been to America previously, gone home to Japan for a visit and was coming to the states for a second time.

American immigration officials are crooked, just like everyone else, this man told his shipmate. The only way to make sure of being allowed to land is to bribe them. Now, if you fellows will give me your money, I will arrange to pay them off, and all of you will be able to get ashore. And so the immigrants pooled their meager resources and turned the pitiful treasure over to this fellow, who promptly pocketed it all. Of course my Issei friend didn't discover this until later when he was a far wiser man.

VARIED TALES—Interspersed with the stories of Issei courage and sacrifice, there are many less lustrous tales like the one above. We're inclined to be told—and remember—only the more noble ones. But the other kind deserve to be put on the record, too. Won't someone do it before it's too late?

TOKYO TOPICS: by Tamotsu Murayama

Russia wooing Japan

Tokyo

The wooing of Japan's hand into the Communist orbit has begun through press, radio, periodicals and meetings. This is the serious situation which has arisen since the renewal of diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union last year.

The Japanese Foreign Office has already agreed to allow some 70 members to staff its embassy in Tokyo. Thus, Russia's communistic activities to spread its dangerous ideas are expected to be more widely propagated.

Meanwhile, left-wing organizations here have commenced their all-out campaigns to spread its influence and power. Labor groups are becoming stronger, even to the point of waving the red flag.

One of the unfortunate circumstances in domestic Japan is the strength of the Japan Teachers Union, most powerful of the red flag-waving movements. They have been abandoning their classes to join left-wing demonstrators. The group also recently announced its proposal to ban in the schools the singing of the national anthem as it praised the Emperor. Many of the teachers are carrying this out already. Some have refused to hoist the Japanese flag at school.

How far the Japanese teachers in the union plan to extend their activities is unknown, but its effect upon the school children is definitely taking. The younger generation of Japan does not care to show proper respect to the Emperor.

Red China's campaign

Red China is heavily engaged in propaganda work in Japan. Their monthly magazines and pictorials printed in the Japanese language are attracting great segments of the population. Many are circulated among labor and communistic groups in order to raise their own funds, although at the outset, such publications were available free of charge.

The Soviet Union is also busy in this field with beautifully edited publications printed in both Japanese and English. Lately, more propaganda material is flooding the country for distribution to labor leaders and their families.

Radio programs beamed to Japan from Peiping and Siberia have been stepped up also. Timely press comments are heard in the local

broadcast band—its source many times unknown until the station announcement.

In the field of Japanese culture, the Soviet hand is beginning its play by introducing Japanese poetry and art in their monthly publications. Many of these beautiful books are being sent to left-wing leaders directly from Moscow.

Nippon youth sought

Student groups are engaged in organizing small public meetings, often times offering sweets and gifts to the children attending. Acting as public relations agents for the Japan Communist Party, they show slides and movies at these functions with an aim at entertaining but cleverly sandwiching in propaganda items.

Believed to have tremendous funds for their activities in Japan, the Red-influenced Japanese are setting up long-range programs to attract the Japanese youth. How far they have succeeded has been noted in the disrespect now shown by the children toward the Emperor.

What appears tragic at this moment is the apparent helplessness of Japan to cope with the rising tide of communistic propaganda.

(Tamotsu Murayama has been informed by the U.S. embassy in Tokyo that the State Department has reinstated his American citizenship. He can be issued a limited passport, which is only good for returning to the United States, "at any time", as long as no act of expatriation is committed in the meantime.—Editor.)

SMOGLITES: by Mary Oyama

Yet, ah! that spring —



"Should vanish with the rose—that Youth's sweet Manuscript should close—" etc. All the nostalgic foregoings was prompted after a congenial chat we had some time ago with actor Teru Shimada, while gathering some biographic data from him.

During the course of our chat we got on to the subject of how wonderful Market Street and the Ferry Building seemed in the old days when one was young, broke (really penniless), but full of that "wonder of youth" which made the whole world seem so strangely beautiful. No other flowers in the world could have been more lovely or colorful than those in the stands at the entrance to the Ferry Building. That wonderful old building and pier from which it was such a thrill to watch ships pulling out for Japan, or from which to catch the old ferry boats from S.F. to Oakland across the Bay!

"Ah me," we sighed reminiscently, "remember how one would walk for blocks and blocks down one side of Market Street to the Ferry then back up on the other side of that same old Market, just peering in all the shop windows and the fascinating sights within? We never ever bought a thing as we were all just kids or poor young students; but it was wonderful just to conjecture what we WOULD but IF we only had the MONEY! And all those shops in the Ferry building seemed so full of beautiful things—beyond our purses, unattainable, but most tantalizing to see."

To more jaded and sophisticated eyes these same items might have been simple knick-knacks or even plain junk, but to our youthful eyes they were indeed a fairyland fantasy. Nowadays when tempted to become impatient with our offspring as they harass us at the airport (in a "buy me this", "get me that" dither), we wonder if everything looks as wonderful to them.

Gee, remember when—

In our unsophisticated country days, we only saw movies but once a year on the rare occasions when we went to town on very special holidays; so anything like a really big-time like a stage performance

in a large theater in "The City" (S.F. to you), complete with vaudeville show, was a SOMETHING.

Once a kind Issei friend, Mr. Inai of Vacaville, took five of us little girls: Sis and I, his daughters Josie and Helen, and Mary Obata, all the way to S.F. for a memorable vacation. How he ever managed to cope with five giggling, chattering girls is beyond comprehension, but he shepherded us efficiently and well in a tour which included: Muir Woods, the "inclined railway" up Mt. Tamalpais, the Cliff House, and an out-of-this-world visit to the old Orpheum theater.

Wide-eyed little country girls that we were, the chorines in the vaudeville show with their dazzling and abbreviated costumes seemed the most beautiful creatures ever seen. Their dances held us in breathless fascination. We were truly "sent" to another world.

Back at the hotel, we kids felt very adult because Josie's father allowed the three of us who were not his daughters, a whole room to ourselves. We could play "ladies", visit Josie and her sis in their room, and even sneak in surreptitious readings of frowned-upon (if not forbidden) movie

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VERY TRULY YOURS:



She found out

BY
HARRY
K. HONDA

● The past weekend was one when airplane crashes came in flurries... The midair collision over San Fernando Valley is still reverberating in the hearts of Southlanders, who have just about gotten accustomed to mysterious blasts that rattle windows and rock homes caused by jet planes breaking the sonic barrier... At least three students of Pacoima Jr. High School have died in addition to the crew members of the Douglas DC-7B and pilot of the F-89 Scorpion. Radio man aboard the DC-7B was a 29-year-old Nisei, Roy Nakazawa of Los Angeles, who studied his radio at Cleveland. The particulars of this tragedy are well known by now, but what we'd like to relate today are the afterthoughts of his mother, who lives in Torrance.

● Mrs. Nakazawa, who is known by friends to have a friendly and congenial disposition, had one big concern in mind other than the death of her son after hearing reports on television that an "R. Nakazawa" or "R. Nakagawa" (it depended on which report the newscaster chose to read) was among those killed in the crash last week... She had not been informed officially by the Douglas office that her son was killed in the early afternoon, though she was resigned to this stroke of ill-fate since it appeared unlikely another Nisei lad would be working as a radioman for Douglas as was her youngest boy... That evening, a Nisei co-worker at Douglas came and explained what had happened as best as he could determine... After learning the routine that was employed that day in checking out a plane before delivery, she was comforted by the thought that nothing Roy did or didn't do could have caused the accident... She was perturbed over the prospect that the tragedy of so many maimed and killed school children might have been associated with some part of Roy's responsibilities while aloft... She found out that Roy was a member of the test crew whose turn it was that day to run the DC-7B through its final factory flight. She found out Roy, at least, was no way responsible for the calamity that dropped out of a clear-blue sky.

● Captain of this crew was William C. Carr, son of the Pasadena realtor William Carr, who provided property to Mike Masaoka in testing the constitutionality of the California alien land law and who has been a staunch but publicity-shunning benefactor of Japanese Americans.

● Seeing Tats Kushida walk out on San Kwo Low's exotic and terrific New Year party was never expected. Reason? Ask him!



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VAGARIES: by Larry S. Tajiri



Civil rights & liberties

It had been too many years since we'd seen Carey McWilliams, and when we learned he was to lecture in Denver, we jumped at the opportunity to hear and see an old friend again.

In World War II years, when American hysteria reached such heights as to result in the total exclusion of all Japanese Americans from the West Coast, Carey McWilliams' voice was the strongest and sanest of all. His books, particularly PREJUDICE - Japanese Americans: Symbol of Racial Intolerance, were a prime reference source in all our years with the Pacific Citizen in Salt Lake City. Currently, as editor of The Nation, his main concern is, as it has always been, the civil rights and civil liberties of the people. (We learned, incidentally, that there is a difference between civil rights and civil liberties—civil rights concern those discriminations against individuals by reasons of race, religion or ethnic origin; civil liberties are those rights granted constitutionally—free speech, the right of assembly, etc.)

His topic this evening was to be the status of civil liberties today, and it was gratifying to note how many persons are still vitally concerned about this problem. It was apparent the sponsors of the lecture, the American Civil Liberties Union, were totally unprepared. The first thirty minutes of the lecture was marred by a constant shuffling of feet, by the scraping of metal as additional folding chairs were brought in to accommodate the overflow crowd.

BATTLE OF SEGREGATION WON

McWilliams' survey of the general state of civil liberties was, on the whole, encouraging. It is his belief that the segregation battle in the South is clearly won as a result of recent decisions of the Supreme Court. What remains to be done will be in the manner of a mopping up operation to bring these decisions into effect. An "intensification of resistance" has been exhibited in numerous Southern towns and cities, he said, but the areas of disagreement are being steadily narrowed.

He touched upon other situations and cases, both legal and social, but he dwelt longest upon two general aspects of current American life which, though elusive in character, are kind of like a creeping paralysis in our society: the decline of the non-conformist and its twin, and contributing evil, a phenomenon which he called "budgetism."

Carey McWilliams has a quiet platform manner, witty and gently satiric, but he did not conceal his real concern over the complacent acceptance of conformity in thinking and action, as exemplified by an almost universal desire for two toned cars, split level houses and other physical manifestations of conformity to the norm. This conformity extends to complacency over civil and political transgressions because they are "sensitive" subjects, and the independent thinker has no place in today's climate of normality.

'BUDGETISM'

Economic and social stresses, too, he said, contribute to the conformist nature of our society. The phenomenon of "budgetism," a term McWilliams credits to Fortune magazine, is a major aspect of life today but one of which most of us are unaware; it is, simply put, the fact that practically no one has any control over the spending of his own money. How true this is can be very simply shown in the fact that practically everyone is already committed to monthly payment on a long-term home mortgage, to credit payments on appliances and cars, all of which will have to be replaced at regular intervals as prescribed by society.

We were sorry that more Nisei were not present to hear McWilliams, though we were sure this was partly due to the scarcity of publicity prior to the lecture. We would like to think that the Nisei, with solution of their own major economic and social problems, have retained an interest in the larger issues of civil rights and civil liberties. On the other hand, there is the thought that Japanese Americans have so well overcome their problems and become so immersed in the daily activities of their families and their communities that they feel no need to hear a lecture on civil liberties. In a sense, that return to normalcy was their most urgent need for many years, since it represented to them reacceptance by the American public.

We thought about this little contradiction of ideas as, after the lecture, we slunk into our two-toned car (thankful for once that it is after all just a Ford), and went home to our little house with the twenty-five year mortgage, a house already splitting at the seams and which we hope to sell someday soon so we can get a split-level with more space and a finer, bigger, fatter mortgage than ever.

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Introduce bill banning bias in public housing

SACRAMENTO. — Assemblyman Byron Rumford was reappointed chairman of the Assembly Public Health Committee by Speaker Luther E. Lincoln last week.

Rumford has introduced a bill forbidding discrimination in public housing.

The bill provides that any housing which has received federal or state or public funds in its acquisition, construction, repair or maintenance shall be classed as publicly financed housing.

Those persons who borrow money from the federal government for tract development and receive assistance anywhere along the line would be affected by this measure, it was added.

Negro refused service at barber shop granted \$200 damages by Stockton court

STOCKTON.—A Tracy restaurant and tavern owner who was refused a haircut last June 16 because he is a Negro was awarded \$200 damages on Jan. 30 by Municipal Judge Bill L. Dozier.

Granted \$100 damages for violation of Civil Code Sections 51 and 52, and another \$100 for personal humiliation, was Archie Manley, who is a deacon of his church.

Defendants in the action were Robert and Pete Murrillos, owners of Murrillos Barber Shop at 625 Central, Tracy.

Manley, who sued for \$2,950, testified during his trial Jan. 25 that, after waiting his turn in the shop, he started to get into a chair, and was refused service by Robert Murrillos.

Judge Dozier rejected a plea of Robert Murrillos that he had not been trained to cut the hair type of a Negro. The judge said it is not a good defense under the statute and that a barber who has been licensed must learn to cut a Negro's hair.

The judge took the occasion to issue an indictment against racial discrimination, terming it "un-Christian, unfair, and not based on a provable scientific basis of differences in mentality or character, destructive of our national productive capacity and injurious to our influence in world affairs."

Colorado editor lauds Issei-Nisei

(Roy Inouye, JACL leader in San Luis Valley, in southwestern Colorado, brought the attention of this editorial in the La Jara Ledger-News of Dec. 7, 1956, to Tats Kushida when he was on tour of Arizona-Colorado JACL chapters recently. Readers interested in securing the full text of the Congressional Record in which Congressman Walter Judd of Minnesota pays tribute to the Japanese American Citizens League on its 25th anniversary may obtain same by enclosing a self-addressed stamped envelope to JACL Headquarters, 1759 Sutter St., San Francisco 15, Calif. — Editor.)

Your editor today perused material from the Congressional Record, being a tribute to the Japanese American Citizens League on its 25th anniversary. The tribute was the extension of remarks of Hon. Walter H. Judd of Minnesota in the House of Representatives.

The member of Congress from Minnesota paid high tribute to the industry and accomplishments of the Japanese American Citizens League in their loyalty to this country at a time when most Americans were steeped in hatred after Pearl Harbor.

Says Representative Judd in part: "Because these Americans with Japanese faces looked like the enemy, and because hate and hysteria were fomented against this segment of our population, all persons of Japanese ancestry, through no fault of their own, became suspect in the minds of their own government as well as their neighbors."

The Congressional Record recounted how many of the Japanese Americans immediately and voluntarily joined our armed forces and went to war to preserve the freedom they had learned to enjoy here.

The Japanese American Citizens League, abbreviated (JACL), has utilized the tools of representative government in such an effective manner that they are today a model that can be well emulated by others seeking justice and equality of treatment.

The American people now know and welcome Americans of Japanese ancestry. And in every state of the Union these Japanese American citizens are accepted by their neighbors and are completely as-

JACL support for San Francisco FEPC ordinance presented before city fathers

SAN FRANCISCO.—JACL's support of the fair employment practices ordinance for the city and county of San Francisco was presented by Masao Satow, national JACL director, at a public hearing at the City Hall on Jan. 30.

He joined other clerical, business and professional leaders who urged its enactment at the third hearing before the board of supervisors.

After identifying himself and the organization which he represents, Satow told the supervisors, "We heartily endorse the proposed Fair Employment Practices ordinance for the city and county of San Francisco and urge your favorable

consideration.

"Americans of Japanese ancestry know the discriminations because of race that lead to frustrations, stifle ambitions and crush human spirit. Today, we enjoy some semblance of acceptance in American life, but it has been a long, hard pull.

"Our experiences these past 15 years have taught us that putting democracy into practice requires some doing on the part of all citizens and their elected officials.

"We believe this Fair Employment Practices ordinance is simply another way of strengthening our democracy. We feel it is not enough to have to wait until a member of a minority gets a lucky break, or that we get some consideration for a job simply because of manpower shortage. Such practices leave us untested as to what may occur in the pinch of hard times.

"Members of our group have been given the run-around in trying to join certain labor unions. Others, rather than risk the uncertainty of their reception in private industry, have looked to civil service for jobs commensurate with their skills, feeling that in this area they would get an even break.

"A Fair Employment Practices ordinance would also assure our younger people they would have an equal opportunity to show what they can do in whatever field they might prepare themselves; instead of being limited to certain fields, or having to readjust their lives later as many of us older Japanese Americans have had to do in our time.

"Democracy is not a gamble. It has been amply demonstrated that all people can work and live together productively and harmoniously if given the chance.

"We support the Fair Employment Practices in keeping with the motto of our Japanese American Citizens League — 'Better Americans in a Greater America.'

Harry J. Kelley, member of the Michigan State FEPC, explained to the board that the law worked out well in his state, the 11th state to adopt such measures.

Edward Howden, executive director of the Council for Civic Unity, presented statistical data and reported on a survey which showed employers were prevented from hiring members of minority groups because of opposition from employees or fear of customer bias.

Satow will join with Kenji Tashiro and Tom Nagamatsu at the statewide FEPC hearing at Fresno tomorrow.

Error in magazine article cited to PC

"Frontier" magazine, in its February, 1957, issue carries the story of the Tokyo Rose trial, authored by William A. Reuben.

The Pacific Citizen is mentioned in the article, stating a poll of "ten reporters on the Pacific Citizen—official publication of the Japanese American Citizens" was taken at the trial. The error is "non-sequitur", Reuben pointed out to the Pacific Citizen last week before the magazine was sent to its subscribers.

The poll referred to in Frontier was an article published on the front page of the Sept. 17, 1949, issue of the Pacific Citizen, which reported an informal poll taken among 11 men and women at the press table covering the trial for the various news services and papers. They had voted 9-1 with Mrs. Iva Toguri d'Aquino as innocent of the charges, while one did not vote.

Actually, the Pacific Citizen had only one reporter covering the trial.

Reuben, who has served as publicity director for the American Civil Liberties Union, is the author of books on the Rosenberg spy case and conviction of six Trenton Negroes.

WEST L.A. BRIDGE

The West Los Angeles Bridge Club meets tomorrow, 8 p.m., at the WLA Buddhist Church basement. Koya Iwamoto is instructor.

NAT'L DIRECTOR'S REPORT: by Masao Satow



Jr. JACLers show how

The Northern California-Western Nevada District Council started the year in fine fashion last Sunday with one of the most successful and spirited meetings ever. Under leadership of president Percy Masaki and general chairman Bill Matsumoto, members of the Sacramento Chapter, the Women's Auxiliary and the Junior JACL left nothing to be desired in the way of hospitality and good arrangements.

What really made the meeting and added enthusiasm and interest was the participation of the Junior JACLers. The newly organized Sacramento Junior JACL staged a luncheon and fashion show that would have done credit to any group. Featured were the fashion designs of one of their own members, Ron Shimono, and the clothes made and modeled by the Junior JACL girls. Twin brother Sab Shimono, Junior JACL president, did all right himself in organizing and presiding over the Junior JACL Workshop. There was a good representation of Juniors from the Placer County and Sequoia chapters as well as younger people from the other chapters. No doubt this meeting will serve to encourage other chapters to sponsor younger people in their communities.

We have watched with interest the active program of the Orange County Jays (Japanese American Youths), and we now find that the St. Louis Chapter has sponsored a similar group of Jays under the advisorship of former Chapter president Rose Ogino.

Thanks to One Thousand Clubber Wesley Kato for closing the Lanai Restaurant to the public and turning over the entire facilities to the JACLers. DC chairman Akiji Yoshimura did a smooth job in gaveling his first business session. Our top JACLer Dr. Roy Nishikawa had to work overtime, addressing the Junior JACL assembly, adding words of wisdom to the DC business session, and giving the main talk at the banquet, but Roy doesn't mind talking if it's about JACL. Mamoru Sakumi did an impressive job as banquet toastmaster. Incidentally, Mamoru's law partner is Nat Colley, who addressed our November DC meeting.

We were happy to present Bill Matsumoto, "Mr. Sacramento to JACL," with a sapphire pin in recognition of his loyal devotion to JACL. A topnotch insurance man, Bill also finds time to support every worthwhile endeavor in the local community, tries to keep his waist down by golfing and bowling regularly.

INTERMOUNTAIN AREA

The first quarterly Intermountain District Council meeting was highly encouraging with the best attendance ever. The 28 below cold in Ontario, Oregon, prevented IDC Chairman and his Snake River Valley delegation from getting out of town, so Vice-Chairman Mas Yano took over. Reports from the chapters indicated a variety of program activities, and practically every chapter promised an increase in membership for this year.

For the Salt Lake and Mt. Olympus chapters, it was two days in a row. More than a hundred JACLers braved the icy cold wind that swept off the snow covered Wasatch Mountains for their initial joint meeting. Our more serious contribution to the meeting was offset by the hilarious charades in ten different groups under the direction of personable Dot Mukai, and the balance of the evening gave the Mt. Olympus members a chance to show off their new steps learned at the Chapter's dance class a few hours previous.

President Joe Nishioka took us back to Idaho Falls for a local telecast interview, speak for our dinner at the chapter meeting, and then alternately jig and tank up on "anti freeze" to brave the 20 below weather. As we and other visiting JACLers inevitably do, we wound up gabbing over tea at good natured and bighearted Mary Katow's restaurant.

Idaho Falls is a friendly town, attesting to the active participation of our JACLers there in all the activities of the whole community. Joe Nishioka was named Idaho farmer of the year, and is a wheel in the Junior Chamber. Sam Sakaguchi is vice-commander of the Legion Post, and anyone who doesn't know Sud Morishita and Eke Inouye is a stranger in town. Fred Ochi is the town's sign painter, but his sideline of water color painting is much in demand. Fred was president of our San Mateo Chapter prewar.

Before we left the Falls, we helped to ease several locales for the IDC Convention and National 1000 Club 10th Anniversary to take place in November, which will be one of the real highlights of our JACL year.

NC-WN CHAPTER OF THE YEAR

We were able to stay in town long enough to get our own San Francisco Chapter affair and install prexy Jack Kusaba and his executive board as well as the officers of the Women's Auxiliary. Winning the NC-WN Chapter of the Year award for the second time in three years gives San Francisco a real rep to uphold, but the new officers seems equal to the task. Yo Hironaka, Women's Auxiliary president, is one of our long time JACLers. She along with Mrs. Willie Hoshiyama (Fumi Yaki) did all the secretarial work for National Headquarters just prior to evacuation, and then moved to Salt Lake with the office when help was scarce and desperately needed. Husband Taxy Hironaka is also a staunch JACLer and has served his time on the S.F. Chapter executive board.

Our good friend Don Glover of the S. F. Urban League was good enough to oblige and serve as main speaker. Don has the interesting but difficult task of opening up new job opportunities for his people. He is one of the most respected leaders in the human relations field in the Bay Area.

RICHMOND - EL CERRITO

Hard working George Sugihara was installed as president of the Richmond-El Cerrito Chapter in a well attended nice affair. Former Richmond Mayor John Sheridan spoke interestingly of his visit to Japan to attend the Conference of Pacific Coast and Japanese mayors. A sudden illness as he was about to leave Japan left him stranded, but this gave him a chance to get intimately acquainted with the Japanese people which he has never regretted. Current Richmond Mayor Al Cannon, whose tour of duty with the armed services took him to Japan, felt right at home, but complained of the lack of chopsticks. Smooth talking Marv Uratsu did a bangup job as toastmaster. Marv carries over his p.r. know how with American President Lines into JACL which makes him such an asset for us.

Continuing need for good public relations for Issei-Nisei stressed by Dr. Roy Nishikawa in NC-WNDC winter meeting talk

SACRAMENTO.—"Good public relations for Japanese Americans is an ever continuing job, and JACL will continue to work on this as one of its primary objectives," National JACL President Dr. Roy Nishikawa of Los Angeles told an overflow banquet of 300 JACLers and guests here Sunday. The banquet and dance climaxed the spirited and well-attended first quarterly meeting of the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council hosted by the Sacramento chapter.

Dr. Nishikawa also commended the newly organized Sacramento Junior JACL which sponsored a luncheon and fashion-show as well as a Junior JACL Workshop during the afternoon which drew 100 younger people. "We look to you for JACL leadership in the future," he said.

In a gesture of warm hospitality, Mayor Clarence Azevedo presented the key to the city to District Council Chairman Akiji Yoshimura. Other distinguished guests included State Senator & Mrs. Earl Desmond, Senior Assemblyman & Mrs. Roy Nielson, County Supervisor & Mrs. James R. Garlicks, and Mr. & Mrs. Helmer of the Sacramento Union. Toastmaster chores were ably handled by attorney Mamoru Sakuma.

San Francisco JACL was named Chapter of the Year for 1956 in recognition of its all around program of activities, highlighted by a tremendous membership effort and hosting the 14th Biennial National Convention. The Cortez Chapter was awarded second place, and third place went to Sonoma County. John Enomoto, chairman of the Chapter of the Year project, made the presentations.

Bill Matsumoto, who served as general chairman for the quarterly meeting, was taken by surprise with the presentation of a sapphire studded JACL pin for his loyalty and efforts in behalf of JACL for the past 15 years.

Officers of the Sacramento Junior JACL were installed by National Director Mas Satow: Sab Shimono, pres.; Edwin Tanaka, Anne Hoshiko, v.p.; Christine Asoo, rec. sec.; Marilyn Araki, Shirley Hiraga, cor. sec.; Yuji Kaneko, treas.

The District Council in its business session went on record supporting the Fair Employment Practices bill now before the State

Phil Matsumura re-elected prexy

SAN JOSE.—Phil Matsumura, re-elected to serve again as president of San Jose JACL, was installed recently during a dinner meeting of the chapter at Red Coach Inn in Los Gatos.

Others installed at the event were: Harry Ishigaki, 1st v.p.; Kenzo Ishimaru, 2nd v.p.; Toshiko Ishimaru, rec. sec.; Wayne Kanemoto, treas.; Dollie Kawanami, cor. sec.; Norman Y. Mineta, publicity.

Dave M. Tatsuno gave the members of the cabinet their oath of office. Eichi Sakauye was emcee. Matsumura was presented with a clock-radio for his services as president last year. Tom Mitsuyoshi made the presentation.

Norman Mineta is also president of the North San Jose Optimists, city's sixth such group and most recently chartered.

Gardena Valley JACL plans bridge, dance class

GARDENA.—Organization of a dance class and a bridge class for Gardena Valley JACLers will be discussed at the next chapter meeting, Feb. 15, 7:30 p.m., at the Gardena Baptist Church. It was announced by Frank Kuida, president.

Ed Nakamura is expected to chair the second dance class while Ronald Shiozaki will chair the bridge group. Yoshiko Kobata and Sally Sato are to co-chair the forthcoming installation dinner-dance.

A get-acquainted program follows the meeting with Sam Taniguchi, social chairman, in charge.

legislature, pledged support to encourage the Junior JACL movement, heard a report by National 1000 Club Chairman Kenji Tashiro of Orosi as well as a message from National JACL President Dr. Roy Nishikawa.

The noon fashion show featured original designs by Ron Shimono, a member of the Sacramento Jr. JACL and made by the girls who modelled the fashions: Christine Asoo, Anne Hoshiko, Nancy Dote, Jo Ann Kimura, Colleen Masaki, Jean Mishimi, Phyllis Morimoto, Laura Nikaido, Carol Ouye, Irene Takata, Carol Takata, and Jane Takahashi. National JACL 1956 Convention Queen Sharon Nishimi also modelled and coached the girls. Sachiko Koike served as commentator. Jane Takahashi and Ron Shimono coordinated the program.

Members of the JACL 1000 Club wore colorful derby hats to add a festive air to the day.

Wesley Kato, Sacramento 1000 Clubber and general manager of the Lanai closed the restaurant for the day and turned over the entire facilities to JACLers.

Selma chapter hosts Feb. 9 CCDC session

SELMA.—The first quarterly session of the Central California JACL District Council will be hosted by the local chapter at the Selma Japanese Mission hall this Saturday, Feb. 9, 8 p.m., it was announced by CCDC Chairman Tom Nagamatsu.

Revision of fund quotas for the national budget is among the items on the agenda, it was revealed.

A report on the state committee on FEPC meeting being held earlier in the day at Fresno will also be made.

The CCDC is also planning to push the Jr. JACL program.

INTERMOUNTAIN DISTRICT CL-ERS HOSTED BY SALT LAKE CITY CHAPTER

SALT LAKE CITY.—With the Salt Lake chapter acting as hosts, the first quarterly session of the Intermountain JACL District Council for the year convened at the Newhouse Hotel on Jan. 27.

A record delegation was in attendance from all the chapters in the district council with the exception of Snake River Valley, which was unable to attend because of weather. (Ontario, Ore., hub of Snake River Valley, had the worst snow storm in 15 years that weekend, strangling all traffic.)

Mas Yano of Salt Lake, district 1st vice-chairman, presided at the business session in the absence of chairman George Sugai of Snake River.



1000
CLUB
NOTES

SAN FRANCISCO.—With a total of 62 memberships received during the month of January, 1957, National JACL Headquarters announced the current 1000 Club memberships at 1,127 as compared with 1,146 members for Dec. 31. New and renewing 1000ers for the second half of January are as follows:

NINTH YEAR
D.C.—Mike M. Masaoka.
EIGHTH YEAR
Salinas—James Y. Abe.
Downtown L.A.—Sho Iino.
SEVENTH YEAR
Idaho Falls—Yukio Eke Inouye.
D.C.—Mrs. Etsu Masaoka.
Santa Maria Valley—Harry Miyake.
SIXTH YEAR
Idaho Falls—Charles Hirai.
Downtown L.A.—David Y. Nitake.
FIFTH YEAR
Downtown L.A.—Harry K. Honda.
Gresham-Troutdale—Masayuki Fujimoto, Newton N. Takashima.
FOURTH YEAR
Portland—James K. Kida.
Southwest L.A.—Viola Nakano.
THIRD YEAR
San Francisco—Dixie Hunt.
Denver—J. Zensuke Kanegaye.
Idaho Falls—Todd Kuwana, Sam Yamasaki.
Livingston-Merced—Sammy Y. Maeda.
Seattle—Mrs. Kiyo Motoda.
San Diego—Tom Mukai.
D.C.—Mrs. Elizabeth Murata, Dr. Leo Nakayama, Hisako Sakata.
SECOND YEAR
Marysville—Mrs. Shizue N. Baker.
Chicago—Max Joichi, Louise Suski.
D.C.—Ruth Kuroishi.
Detroit—Dr. James T. Mimura.
Downtown L.A.—Teru Shimada.
Pocatello—Frank Tominaga.
FIRST YEAR
D.C.—Motoko Togasaki.
Idaho Falls—Eli K. Kobayashi.
Cincinnati—Yoshi Shimizu, Ben T. Yamaguchi.

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If it's time to renew your 1000 Club membership this month, remit directly to National JACL Headquarters, San Francisco.

Idaho Falls JACL plans for IDC confab; 1000 Club 10th ann'y to be celebrated

IDAHO FALLS.—Plans for the Intermountain District Council convention to be held here in November were discussed this past week when national JACL director Mas Satow of San Francisco visited with the local chapter at Jack's Famous Chicken Inn.

Satow emphasized the role of the 1000 Club, whose 10th anniversary will be observed at the IDC convention in Idaho Falls where the idea first was conceived.

Support from national headquarters in making the convention worthwhile and pleasurable for 1000ers and IDC CLers was also assured.

While here, Satow appeared as a guest on "News and Interviews with Jack Gobble" over KID-TV, which has a viewing audience of an estimated 275,000.

AIDS 'MARCH OF DIMES'

IDAHO FALLS.—The local JACL contributed \$108.60 to the local "March of Dimes" drive recently. It was raised by voluntary donations from chapter members at a dance.

FOWLER JACL PLANS FEB. 8-9 MOVIE BENEFIT

FOWLER.—The local JACL chapter will sponsor a benefit movie program at the Fowler Buddhist Church this weekend, Feb. 8-9, 7 p.m. Harley Nakamura, chairman, said proceeds will be used for this year's community activities.



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On its way to sign up 1,500 members, details were mapped out by Southwest Los Angeles JACL membership committeemen, who recently met at the home of Bill Harada (front, left), 3941 - 2nd Ave. Others are (left to right) John Shiokari, Arnold Hagiwara and George Fujita, membership vice-president; back row—Kay Iizuka, Terumi Yamaguchi, Christine Sumi, Ethel Yoshino, Lillian Orida; and Tom Shimazaki, executive vice-president, who was instrumental last year in the chapter's record-setting count of over 1,200 members. Kunio Mayeno Photo.

PACIFIC SOUTHWEST DISTRICT CHAPTER CLINIC TO ATTRACT 100

Over 100 officers from among the 18 chapters in the Pacific Southwest JACL District Council are expected to participate in the fourth annual PSWDC Chapter Clinic this Sunday at the Shonien. Registration under Ellen Kubo will begin at 9:30 a.m. with the morning session slated to begin at 10 a.m. Coffee and refreshments will be served by a committee headed by Mary Arikawa. A lunch hour from 11:30 a.m. will be under the chairmanship of Mabel Ota, which will be followed by a two-hour business session by the District Council presided by chairman David Yokozeki. Two afternoon sessions will conclude the clinic program.

The dinner program under chairman Jim Yamamoto will be held at the Thistle Inn on Glendale Blvd. and will feature Los Angeles County Supervisor Kenneth Hahn

as guest speaker.

The package registration will be \$5, according to registrar Kubo, and will include registration, lunch and a steak dinner. Finance chairman is Tats Minami.

Many past chapter presidents and other leaders will cooperate with the host chapter, the SWLA JACL, in providing leadership for the various clinic sessions, announced Tut Yata, clinic chairman. Meanwhile, chapter president Kango Kunitsugu reported that JACL national director Mas Satow of headquarters in San Francisco, national president Roy Nishikawa of Los Angeles and other JACL board and staff members will participate.

East Los Angeles JACL has named Roy Yamadera and Fred Takata as co-chairman of the PSWDC convention to be held in the third weekend of May.

Twin Cities UCL installs new officers, honors newly naturalized Issei citizens

MINNEAPOLIS.—Before 83 persons attending the Twin Cities UCL recognition and installation banquet, Shig Wakamatsu of Chicago, national JACL 1st vice-president, spoke on the future of the Japanese American Citizens League and what roles the local and national groups should play to carry out the program.

Wakamatsu also paid tribute to Mas Teramoto, who during his term of presidency in 1952 of the Twin Cities chapter, did much to augment the Issei Americanization program.

Fifteen Issei, who received their U.S. citizenship this past year, were recognized and each introduced by Chester Fujino as follows:

Mmes. T. Sugimura, T. Fujimoto, A. Saito, H. Endo, M. Kosobayashi, F. Tsuchiya, S. Ohno, K. Tanigawa, S. Nishida, Y. Sakamoto, M. Shijo, Mr. & Mrs. I. Murakami, Mr. & Mrs. S. Tsurusaki. Scrolls of appreciation were presented by the chapter to Marie

Kallio, supervisor of Adult Americanization courses, and to Teizo Yahanda, who assisted many Issei attain citizenship.

Abe Hagiwara, MDC chairman, of Chicago installed the 1957 officers headed by Henry Makino, assisted by Emi Takato, 1st v.p.; Tom Ohno, 2nd v.p.; Al Tsuchiya, treas.; Sumi Teramoto, rec. sec.; Hatsume Akaki, cor. sec.; Emi Nomura, hist.; and George Yoshino, 1000 Club chmn.

Outgoing president Tom Kanno commended his 1956 board for the fine support he had received. On the board were Henry Makino, 1st v.p.; Jim Takata, 2nd v.p.; Al Tsuchiya, treas.; Miyeko Ito, rec. sec.; Helen Fukushima, cor. sec.; Jeri Tsurusaki, hist.; and Fred Ohno, 1000 Club.

The Rev. Andrew Otani gave the invocation, while the Rev. Y. Wada made the benediction. Henry Omachi was toastmaster. Tomo Kosobayashi was banquet chairman. The affair was held at the Park Terrace Restaurant.

TWIN CITIES CHAPTER STARTS MEMBERSHIP PUSH
MINNEAPOLIS.—Tom Ohno will head the 1957 UCL membership drive starting this month with hopes of bettering the 1956 roll of 200 member. Chapter dues will be \$3 per person, \$5 per couple, \$1.50 for 1000ers.

Mile-Hi movie benefit

DENVER.—The Mile-Hi JACL participated in a movie benefit last week at the Vogue Art showing of "The Magnificent Seven", recent Venice Film Festival Award winner. JACLers were selling tickets from which 25 cents was to be retained by the chapter. Tickets sold at the box office were not retained.

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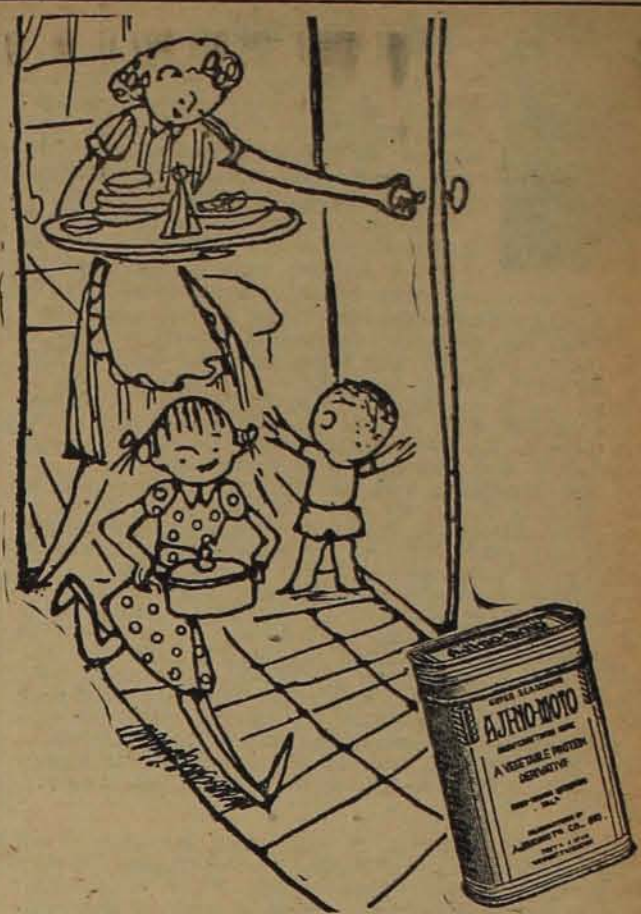
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Steve Nakaji named Venice-Culver head

CULVER CITY.—At the first board of directors meeting of the Venice-Culver JACL held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hayashida on Jan. 9, the election returns were posted.

Steve Nakaji was elected president and will be assisted by Louis Kado, 1st v.p.; Betty Yumori, 2nd v.p.; Martha Chikasawa, treas.; Jane Yamashita, rec. sec.; and Dr. Tak Shishino, 1000 Club chmn. Louis Kado was placed in charge of the membership drive, which is currently underway with a goal to surpass last year's 180.

Officers were sworn in by Tats Kushida at the joint installation dinner-dance with West Los Angeles JACL last week. Dr. Shishino is the outgoing president.

THE NORTHWEST PICTURE: by Elmer Ogawa



'Take 10 (min.) . . .'

As the deadline approaches, it's possible to get in a tizzy of frantic frustrations, especially when one loses his notes on new JACL personalities and this writer's meat-headed memories of a pleasant evening are alarmingly lacking in details.

At such a time one can take a walk and speculate on the possibility of attacking the problem from a new angle, or just light up the ol' pipe with a highly recommended mixture and just sit and reflect on the vicissitudes of a misspent youth.

There was one time that stopping to reflect on a trying situation over a pipe full was a big help. We were packing a sleek fat buck out of the hills in southeastern Alaska. After about six hours the load was getting sort of heavy, and when a fellow slips or trips over things that get underfoot, it's best to lie there for a while and recoup enough energy to arise with the beastly load and carry on.

After the umpteenth spill, the question arose something like this: "Say, ol' feller, are you quite sure you know where you are? Shouldn't you be out at the spot where the skiff is beached, by this time? Well, no use getting excited about it. Just light up the Congo pipe and take a good break."

Upon climbing a scrubby tree and taking a compass bearing on a point that appeared to be the location of the morning jumping off point, everything worked out fine in couple of hours. But the lone wolf nimrod missed the tide. By then the tide was rushing through the skookumchuck the wrong way. If explanations are in order, a skookumchuck is a bottleneck entrance to a fjord or expansive bay through which the tide rushes with considerable speed, and in some skookumchucks the ride is quite exciting, like shooting the rapids. If there's a moral to this, guess it's to light up the pipe and take it easy.

A pretty good collection of pipes went the way of all things during War II, either getting lost or broken. Finally there was one left, a Sassini from London. It was the favorite, although the bowl was cracked from long hours of high temperature usage. In the end we left it on a train at 5 a.m. one morning at a jerk-water stop called Millsap, where your boy detained to take a bus to Camp Wolters near Mineral Wells, Texas.

TALE OF ANOTHER PIPE

In connection with that transfer, it was the only time we ever saw a set of Army SPECIAL ORDERS which designated subject person by racial origin. The orders read, "ELMER OGAWA, Japanese-American; — will proceed" and followed by the usual jargon about drawing transportation, meal vouchers, and proceeding to a new station. It was in '45 after VE Day, and the camp was training a battalion of assorted draftees from Hawaii, and as I learned later, one Company commander had put in a request for a tough sergeant who could be "da kind" to handle a bunch of dead-end kids who were causing his ulcers to ulse. We weren't exactly the tough kind who could, but the situations that developed would fill the "Beetle Bailey" comic strip for weeks, but that's another story.

This is the point where the yarn comes to a multiple forked crossroad and could go off on many tangents, but we can't resist mentioning that this motley battalion which included blonde Caucasian kids who loved sashimi, held a near monopoly on all the boxing titles in the entire camp. Of the seventeen titles starting with "senior Heavyweight," "Junior Heavyweight" and on down to the feather classes, fourteen of the championships were held by the Hawaiian battalion.

One night after the PX beer parlor had closed and a bunch of the guys were homeward bound over the main drag, a little guy of Korean extraction named Herbert You (that's the way he spelled his name), reached down to his ankle and reached to floor a six foot Texan who had called him a "Jap." He wasn't even on the boxing team. As friends clustered around the Texan, we immediately gave scam orders to Herbert You, describing how to get to his barracks before the MPs caught up. He said, "I know YOU—you Sergeant OGAWA! You Okay by me." The ol' sarge took some of the back streets himself, and forever after, possibly through the operation of the grapevine, got to be a popular guy with the recruits, and never again did they pull some of the gags they did when yours truly was a new instructor in the camp.

Since becoming a civilian, we don't remember ever exchanging reminiscences with anyone who knew that the Army had a numerical code which appeared with a man's serial number on the battalion roster published monthly; and told whether he was White, Colored, Chinese, Japanese, and on down through nine classifications which included American Indian and Filipino. That, also is another story which must bow to the limitations of time and space.



Willie Funakoshi (left), president of the Los Angeles Japanese American Optimist, presented Joe Itano a plaque for being designated the "Optimist of the Year." — Cut courtesy Shinichi Bei.

Higashino shoots 77 for NCWN golf trophy

SACRAMENTO. — Eighty golfers cavorted in the NC-WNDC golf tournament here last Sunday in connection with the first quarterly meeting of the year. Tom Higashino of Sacramento won low gross honors with a 77.

Nobi Sugioka of Placer County shot a 79-16-63 to win low net followed by Paul Ichiuji of Monterey, 88-21-67.

The tournament was chaired by Tak Tsujita.

Pocatello CL starts '57 with carnival, bigger membership

POCATELLO.—Plans for the Feb. 16 chapter carnival at the local American Legion Memorial Hall were revealed at a recent general meeting by George Shiozawa and Bill Yoden, co-chairmen of the annual fund-raising project.

Bigger and better prizes have been ordered and new games are to be introduced at the affair, which is to open at noon. Committeemen for various booths have been notified, in the meantime, to assure the success of Pocatello JACL's community relations program.

"The enthusiasm displayed thus far indicates that this carnival should be listed as a 'must' for the Nisei in Idaho," the co-chairmen agreed.

The general meeting was held at Stan's Grill in Blackfoot, where it was preceded by a baked ham dinner arranged by Hero Shiozaki, vice-president. Jean Cook was elected recording secretary, replacing Agnes Wada whose resignation was accepted.

Andy Christensen, prominent in many Blackfoot civic groups, was introduced by Novo Kato, chapter president. The guest speaker told of the city-wide projects undertaken by civic organizations including the Airport Park, which will have a picnic ground, nine-hole golf course and fish pond.

An intensive membership campaign with a goal of 200 was also announced by Bob Endo, membership chairman. Last year's total was 154. The increase is expected from the ranks of naturalized Issei.

Assisting in the campaign are Kaz Endow, Frank Tominaga, Guy Yamashita, Ace Mori, Mike Yamada and Ronnie Yokota.

200 attend Eastbay installation dinner

BERKELEY.—An impressive installation ceremony was conducted by Haruo Ishimaru, former San Francisco JACL regional director, for officers of four Eastbay Area chapters at the Claremont Hotel on Jan. 27. Close to 200 attended the dinner-dance affair.

Ed Howden, director of the San Francisco Council for Civic Unity, was the guest speaker. Other prominent guests attending were Mayor Raymond P. Kranelly of Alameda, Mayor Clifford E. Rishell of Oakland, Assemblyman Byron Rumford, Assemblyman Carlos Bee; members of the Alameda County Board of Supervisors, Francis Dunn, Chester Stanley, Leland Sweeney, Emanuel Razetto, Kent Pursell; Henry Kato of Fremont and their wives.

Chapters participating were Alameda, Berkeley, Eden Township, and Oakland.

Paul Yamamoto, outgoing Berkeley chapter president, was master of ceremonies. Jiro Nakaso, his successor, was in charge of general arrangements.

Easy Fujimoto slaps sensational 736 scratch series at Gardena keg meet

GARDENA. — Highlight of the two weekend Gardena Nisei Handicap Bowling tournament was Easy Fujimoto's sensational 736 scratch series composed of 265-227-244, which was part of the 1334 doubles with Tad Yamada here last Saturday.

The one-time Long Beach JACL chapter president and director of the JACL national tourney at Long Beach also won the all-events with 614-736-567-66—1983, five pins above Kaz Meifu who came in with a 138 handicap.

Metro Bio Lab overtook the 3104 posted a week earlier by Harvester Market to win the team events with 3135. On the winning squad with its 330 handicap were Tets Shimamoto 546, Mickey Asamoto 506, Ben Nishinaka 553, Harley Hata 587 and Ken Watanabe 613.

Name Oakland coed as JACL keg queen

BERKELEY.—Katherine Kitajima attractive coed from Oakland Jr. College, was selected queen for the National JACL Bowling Tournament, which is being held at the Albany Bowl Mar. 5-10.

Serving on the court are Mary Yeda of Alameda, Julie Sugita of Berkeley and Sumi Shimada of Richmond-El Cerrito. The four girls represented chapters in the Eastbay area which are co-hosting the bowling classic with the Eastbay Nisei Bowling Association. Eden Township chapter is also a tournament co-sponsor.

The court will reign from the pre-tournament mixer on Mar. 5 to the awards banquet-ball at the Claremont Hotel here Mar. 10.



Cathy Okamura danced on an illuminated drum and skillfully performed an acrobatic feat with a water glass to win a trophy in a Sacramento Valley TV variety show competition.

TALENTED SANSEI DANCER WINS TV PROGRAM TROPHY

TURLOCK. — Cathy Okamura, 9, was presented a trophy as two-time winner in Gene Nelson's Valley Varities show telecast on Jan. 20 on Sacramento's TV station KSET. She becomes eligible to enter the finals at a later date.

She presented an acrobatic specialty number to win on her first appearance Jan. 6, and won again the following week in competition with other talented youngsters. She is a pupil at the June Jane Ripley McVey School of Dancing here. Her father, George S. Okamura, is an active JACLer and commander of the Ballico American Legion Post 668.

Third game was a high 1047.

George Hamamoto won the singles with his 657-68-725, passing a 680-40-720 posted by Jack Takahashi. Nori Kinoshita was third with 621-84-705.

Hal Ishizawa-Jim Okura copped the doubles with 1210-126-1336. Mari Uyemura and Chick Uyemura, wife-husband, took the mixed doubles with 1143-128-1271.

The high game award was won by Jim Sakata's 267.

Boise Judo boosters elect 1957 officers

CALDWELL, Idaho. — The Boise Valley Judo boosters club recently met at the Midway Lunch to elect Y. Ikuta as its 1957 president. He is being assisted by J. Hamada, v.p.; Mrs. Chickie Hayashida, sec.; and Roy Abe, treas. Serving on the 20-man advisory board are:

Steve Hirai, Tom Arima, Home-dale; Roy Yamamoto, Marsing; George Nishitani, Tak Ninomiya, Caldwell; Tom Kimura, Y. Yamamoto, Midway; Harry Hamada, Wilder; Yutaka Tamura, Bill Nishio, Middleton; Tom Takatori, Parma; Hank Suyeira, Emmett; Leon Hales, Joe Kinatader, Mr. Koyama, Mr. Hirahara, Jim Furushiro, Fred Furuyama, Tad Yoshida, Jack Takagi, Nampa.

NAMPA, Idaho.—LeRoy Abe of Caldwell, member of the Boise Valley Judo Club, took top honors in the second annual Boise Valley judo tournament held Jan. 26 at the Lincoln School gym. George Nagasaka of the same club won the grand championship in the black belt division.

Salt Lake won team honors with 44 points. Hank Ogawa, fourth-dan from Ontario, Ore., pitted against five black-belt men in a feature attraction threw all five.

O.C. JAYS in busy slate for Feb. 21-23 weekend

SANTA ANA.—A good variety of activities marks the February calendar for the Orange County Japanese American Youths, which is anticipating the three-day weekend on Washington's Birthday.

The O.C. JAYS are sponsoring a roller skating party at the Long Beach Palace Rink on Thursday, Feb. 21, 8 p.m., with tickets being sold at the box office that night.

So that excitement of getting together doesn't subside, a snow hike will follow on Feb. 23 at Snow Valley, depending upon conditions by then.

The same group recently enjoyed a "Fun Night" at the Anaheim Western Jr. High School gym with a night of basketball and volleyball followed by hot dogs, potato salad and refreshment at the home of member Jane Asari.

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LOS ANGELES NEWSLETTER: by Henry Mori



Silver Beaver awardee

Paul Shinoda, past president of the Gardena Valley JACL, last week was bestowed the Silver Beaver—highest award given in recognition for service by the Boy Scouts of America.

Shinoda, 43-year-old community leader in Torrance, was among the 18 "surprised" scouts who were honored by the Los Angeles Area Council at its 42nd annual banquet held at the Biltmore Hotel.

His wife, nee Hamako Fujisawa of Los Angeles, said she knew about the award early last month and it was her duty to see that Paul made the banquet on Jan. 29.

"It was certainly nerve-racking to keep such a secret, especially when it was one of Paul's dreams to see just how much he could contribute to scouting on the Council level," Mrs. Shinoda later confided.

Shinoda organized the Cub and Boy Scout troops at the Torrance First Baptist Church and served as their scoutmaster. Mrs. Shinoda is also very active, currently serving as den mother of Cub Pack 728-C at Fern-Greenwood School.

The awardee, a graduate of Univ. of California at Berkeley, was born in Oakland. A lifetime scout, Shinoda distinguishes himself in other community work—like JACL—the YMCA and PTA from which he was recently given a lifetime membership.

He was honored also by the Gardena Valley Chamber of Commerce one year as one of the ten Nisei leaders of that community. The family attends the Gardena Valley Baptist Church where the Rev. Eishi Hirose (prewar Kashu Maimichi man) is pastor.

THREE SONS, THREE DAUGHTERS

The Shinodas have six children: Paul, Jr., 19; David, 17, who was one of the city's five finalists in the Los Angeles Hi-Y Boy of the Year competition; Carol, 15; Michael Daniel, 9, a Cub Scout; Irene Itsuko, 6; and Roxanne, 4.

The new Silver Beaver holder is one of the Shinoda clan operating the San Lorenzo Nursery. He becomes the second person of Japanese ancestry to gain this top recognition from the L.A. Area Council. In 1955, Frank Tanaka of East Los Angeles who serves as scout commissioner and institutional representative for Koyasan Troop 379, was similarly awarded. In the San Gabriel Valley Area Council, silversmith Harry Osaki of Pasadena was a recipient in 1955. Another JACLer with this coveted award is Bro. Theophane Walsh of Maryknoll Troop 145 in the L.A. Area Council.

PILOT'S FATHER AIDED NISEI

William G. Carr, 36, test pilot on the Douglas DC-7B transport which crashed on the playground of Pacoima Jr. High School Thursday last week was among the five airmen—including one Nisei—who perished in the disaster, after it had collided with a Scorpion F-89D jet some 25,000 feet above sea level.

Ironically, points out Tats Kushida, he was the son of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Carr of Pasadena, friends of the Nisei for many years. The elder Carr was responsible for instigating the Masaoka escheat test case, involving the California Alien Land Law, which is now off the statutes. The Carrs have assisted Japanese since the outbreak of war during evacuation, after fighting all the way in vain protesting the mass ouster by the government. In the words of many Nisei who know the Carr family, they are unanimous in declaring that Carr, Sr., never believed in publicity when it came to doing what he believed was right. The Carrs are champions of minority rights and have gone beyond their personal gains to provide proper housing for all on an equal basis; sometimes making themselves rather unpopular with lily-white residents of Pasadena. Carr is a realtor and has another son, John.

The Carrs are supporters of the JACL and the Shonien project, contributing annually. One of Carr's closest friends is attorney James Mitsumori, Downtown L.A. member. He joined with Kushida in declaring: "Why does it have to happen to such a nice family as the Carrs?" We don't know either.

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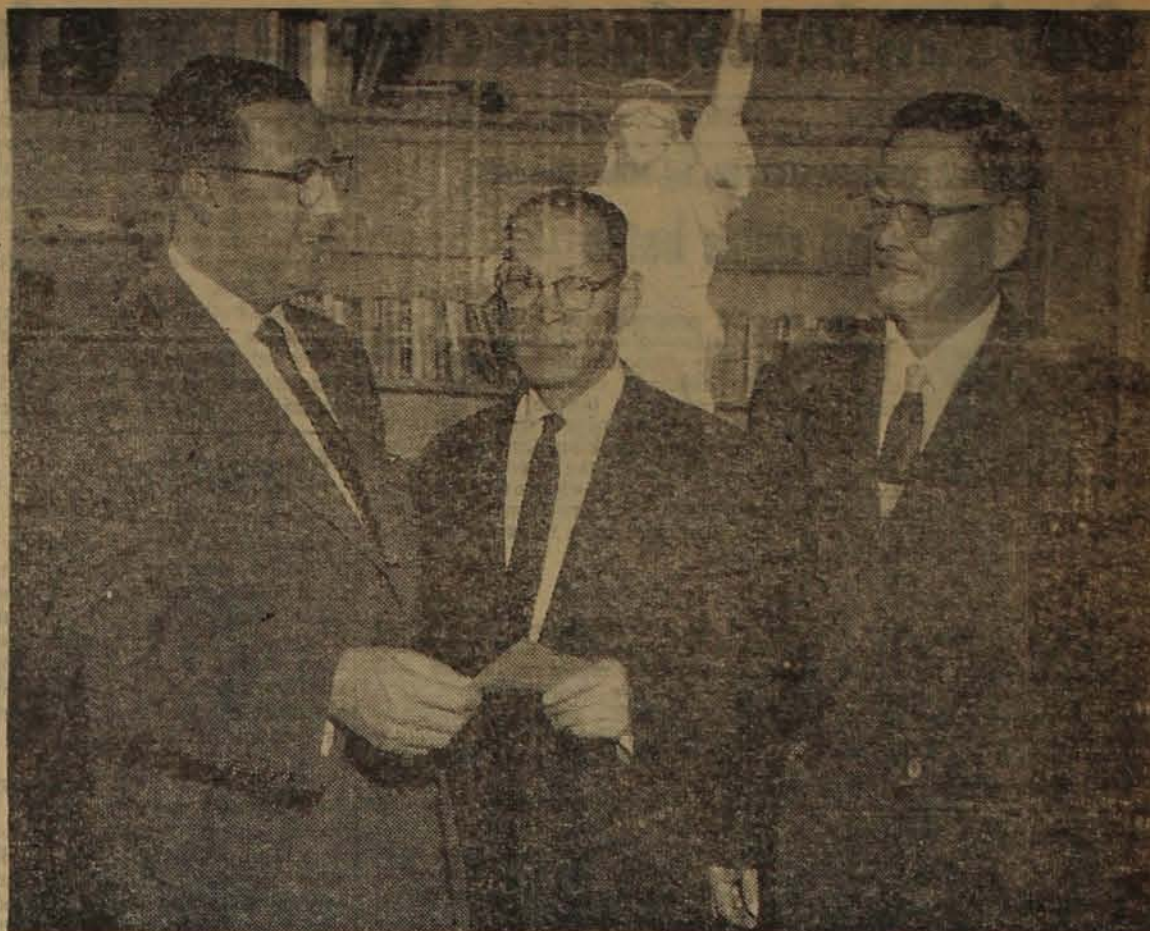
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Southern California's Japanese American community officially became the first nationality group on the west coast to qualify as a group founder of the American Museum of Immigration, to be built at the base of the Statue of Liberty. Samuel G. Engle (left), producer at 20th Century Fox, accepted a check for \$5,610.50 from Katsuma Mukae-da (middle) and Shigematsu Takeyasu. Engle is chairman of the Greater Southern California Committee for the museum. Mukae-da, Downtown Los Angeles JACL vice-president, and Takeyasu, 1956 president of the So. Calif. Japanese Chamber of

Commerce, were co-chairmen of the Li'l Tokio drive, which was supported by 16 Kenjinkai groups, the Japanese Women's Association, JACL chapters, L.A. Buddhist Church Federation and Japanese Christian Church Federation. The sum was contributed by 884 donors, many made in memory of valorous WW2 Nisei soldiers, among them being Pfc. Sadao Munemori, first Nisei to receive the Medal of Honor. The museum will honor contributions of more than 75 nationality groups to the history and culture of the United States.

—Cut courtesy: Shin Nishi Bei.

Salt Lake Auxiliary discusses plans for 1957 calendar, committees picked

SALT LAKE CITY.—The 1957 officers of the Salt Lake JACL Auxiliary assumed their official duties at a delightful luncheon held Feb. 3 at the home of Mrs. Tomoko Yano, newly-elected president. Hostesses for the affair were outgoing officers, Mrs. Midori Watanuki, Sue Kaneko and Mrs. Yano.

Approximately 20 members were present to help map out a calendar of events for this year. Committees for the various activities were chosen for the following events:

A program in March to acquaint old and new members with advantages of the Blue Cross-Blue Shield plan, which is open to any member of the Salt Lake JACL. Hostesses: Mrs. Kiyo Oshiro, Mrs. Midori Watanuki and Mrs. Mary Shiozaki.

More activities with the whole family participating—among them a roller skating party, bowling,

and perhaps a swim class for women. Committeemen: Mmes. Betty Gikiu, Grace Kasai, Helen Kurumada, Marge Nishikawa, Miki Yano and Tomoko Yano.

Annual potluck dinner for the husbands either in April or May. Committeemen: Mrs. Josie Hachiya, Sumi Kanzaki, Tama Kojima, Doris Matsuura, Mary Nakai and Connie Okuda.

A canyon party in August. Committeemen: Mrs. Amy Doi, Chiye Aoyama, Rae Fujimoto, Alice Kasai, Tomi Murakoshi, Lily Sekino and Maurea Terashima.

Under "miscellaneous" are educational lectures, classes on Japanese cooking and tips on nutritional diets. Women assigned to this committee are Mrs. Jeanne Konishi, Sue Kaneko, Shiz Sakai, Chic Terashima, Lessie Yamamoto and Hats Yoshimoto.

Membership dues for this year will be \$2 per person.

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magazines. We probably would have smoked had we found any cigarettes in the room. As circumstances were however, we were content with lolling on the bed and giggling.

Tribute to an Issei

Memories of these old days returned poignantly when Josie (now Mrs. Josephine Hattori of San Francisco) made mention in her holiday card that her father was getting on in years. Rather belatedly, we sent him a card recalling the childhood kindness and attendant memories bestowed upon us. As children we girls may have taken his kindness for granted, but now as an adult parent, we cannot help but marvel at his generosity and thoughtfulness.

We always remember Mr. Inai as an urbane, sophisticated, gentlemanly man, hardly cut out to assume the rugged role of a farmer's life, which was his line for many years and creditably. We still feel though, that had he chosen life in the metropolis, he could have been a man of letters and a true urbanite. As in his old clean-shaven appearance and neat bow-tie, all of which fits in with what we remember well of an affable personality with a ready, casual wit.

As our Issei friends become older, some in failing health, others in crochety spirits, still others as lonely widows or in restless dependency upon their children, it is easy for us to forget that once they too were: young, adventurous in spirit, and full of the wonder of life. So rather belatedly, to some of our Issei friends who painted golden days upon our childhood calendars: "Thanks for the memories!"

VITAL STATISTICS

Births

LOS ANGELES
DOBASHI, Masao (Shizue Nishijima)—girl Elizabeth A., Dec. 27.
HARRIS, Willie (Clara H. Terasawa)—boy Kenneth W., Dec. 28.
HIRAKAWA, Fred S. (Alice Y. Arakawa)—boy Morris Toshio, Dec. 24.
HIDEHARA, Kiyoharu (Michiko Miyagi)—boy Terry Michi, Dec. 20.
ICHIMURA, Richard (Ruby Kasai)—girl Jo Anne, Dec. 27.
INOUE, Katsui (Kimiko Toyota)—girl Sally Kimiye, Dec. 26.
INOUE, Tatsui (Riyoko Miki)—girl Betsy Ann, Dec. 25.
JO, Wilfred T. (Gail Akiko Higa)—girl Lauren Naomi, Dec. 24.
KOZUKI, Matsunobe (Keiko Yoshida)—girl Vickie Michiko, Dec. 23.
MASADA, Yamato (Michiko Takahashi)—girl Carol Toshiko, Dec. 25.
MATSUDA, Yasuo (Betty Tamako Yamada)—boy Kyle Minoru, Dec. 12.
MORRIS, John L. (Kimiko Morris)—girl Theresa M., Dec. 20.
NAGATOSHI, Fred G. (Tatsuko Yoshimura)—boy Rodney, Dec. 27.
OKANO, Fusao (Toshie Sakai)—boy Keith Mitsuo, Dec. 12.
SUGI, Sachio (Sachine Ryono)—boy Shungo Gary, Dec. 24.
TSUBAKO, Rido (Edith Y. Yoza)—girl Lee A. Yoshie, Dec. 26.

STOCKTON

FUJIKAWA, Hiroshi—girl Kathryn, Jan. 1, Lodi.
ITO, Kazuo—boy, Dec. 26, Acampo.
OKUHARA, Keizo—girl, Dec. 14, Lodi.
NAKAO, Joe—boy, Dec. 10, Thornton.
SAKODA, Shigeo—boy, Dec. 11, Acampo.
SHINMOTO, Takeo—girl, Dec. 4, Walnut Grove.
TOKUNAGA, Atsushi—boy, Dec. 14.
TOYOFUKU, Keyozo—girl, Dec. 10.
SAN JOSE
EGAMI, George—girl Dendy L., Jan. 4.
KATO, Tadaaki—girl Nancy Yukiko, Dec. 13, Saratoga.
KODA, Ronald Y.—boy Ronald P., Dec. 26, Campbell.

MASUDA, Takao T.—girl Robin D., Dec. 13.
MATSUMOTO, Ray M.—girl Vera L., Dec. 15.
NISHIGUCHI, George T.—boy, Dec. 27, Irvington.
ONISHI, Tokio—boy Steven Kiyoshi, Jan. 3, Campbell.
SAKAUZE, Eichi—girl Janice Naomi, Jan. 4.
SUMIDA, John—girl Janet L., Dec. 31, Santa Clara.
WATANABE, Walter Y.—boy, Dec. 26.
YONEDA, Akira—boy Ken Y., Dec. 15.
SAN MATEO COUNTY
KATO, Roy—boy David K., Dec. 13, San Mateo.
NITTA, Hakuzo—boy, Dec. 22, Palo Alto.
YOSHIMURA, Taro—boy Stanley L., Dec. 19, Redwood City.
SAN FRANCISCO
FURUTA, Stanley—girl, Dec. 10.
HARADA, Chikamitsu—boy, Dec. 12.
ISHII, Yoichi—girl, Dec. 19.
KIMURA, George T.—girl, Dec. 6, Daly City.
MISUMI, Jiro—girl, Dec. 11.
NAKAZAWA, Yutaka—girl, Dec. 19.
NAO, Isamu—boy, Dec. 6.
NONOMURA, Yuko—boy, Dec. 3.
OTOSHI, Satoru—boy, Dec. 16.
SEKINO, Tom—boy, Dec. 30.
TATEHARA, Kiyoshi—girl, Dec. 17.
TSUJIMOTO, Fred H.—boy, Dec. 29.

Deaths

INOUE, Takara: Chicago, Jan. 7—sons Hideo, Tadao, Kiyoshi.
IWAMOTO, Ted T., 34: Los Angeles, Jan. 10—wife Yoshiko, mother, Taka, brothers Noboru, Tom, Akira, sister Takako.
NUMATA, Chizue, 58: Los Angeles, Jan. 10—husband Jinzaburo, sons Julius K., Kay Katsui, daughter Aayail.
YAMAGATA, Shinichi, 71: Long Beach, Jan. 9—wife Asako, sons George K., Henry K., daughters Mmes. Margaret T. Nakamura, Helen Y. Koyama, Mary S. Ishii.

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Civil rights battle

Washington
The biennial congressional battle for civil rights formally began this week (Monday), when a House Judiciary Subcommittee opened four days of public hearings on the various civil rights legislation pending before it.
Actually, the opening round was fired several weeks ago when Brooklyn Democrat Emanuel Celler, chairman of the parent Judiciary Committee, named himself chairman of Subcommittee No. 5, appointed subcommittee members who are known to be favorable to this type of legislation, and then referred all civil rights bills to his own Subcommittee.

There are four New Yorkers on the Subcommittee. In addition to Celler, they are Lester Holtzman, a New York City Democrat, and Kenneth B. Keating, ranking minority member of the full Judiciary Committee and the Administration's spokesman on civil rights and immigration matters, and William E. Miller, Republicans from upstate. The other three members are Newark, N.J., Democrat Peter R. Rodino; Denver, Colo., Democrat Byron Rogers and Ohio Republican William M. McCulloch.

Southern opponents have charged that the Subcommittee is stacked against their point of view.

And, when the Chairman announced that there would be only four days of hearings, with those who testified last year requested to file letters or supplementary statements in lieu of personal appearances, the charge of "gag rule" was also raised.

The Chairman's position was that the question of civil rights had been so thoroughly considered over the past many Congresses, with voluminous testimony taken at so many public hearings, that there was no need for extended hearings at this time. Furthermore, by incorporating the testimony on the Administration's proposals last year, which are identical to those again requested by the President in his State of the Union message, the Chairman hoped to give as much time as possible to the opposition, if they desired that much time.

The Subcommittee will consider two types of bills, as we understand it. One is the so-called "minimum" program as urged by the President, the other is the more comprehensive approach developed by the Chairman. Since both were considered last year and the President's program approved by the full Judiciary Committee, it seems rather clear that once again the Administration's four-point bill, as introduced by Congressman Keating, will eventually be reported.

The Administration's suggestions include a bipartisan commission on civil rights, establishing a civil rights division in the Department of Justice under an Assistant Attorney General, authorizing the filing of civil suits to protect civil rights, and providing additional safeguards for the right to vote.

Again, as last session (1956), after some parliamentary tactics of delay, the House will probably approve the President's civil rights program.

Then, the real battle begins, for it is in the Senate that these bills traditionally die. But, this year, in spite of the fact that Senator James O. Eastland of Mississippi remains as Chairman of the powerful Judiciary Committee that must report these bills before the Senate may consider them, there is some hope that a least the Administration's "minimum" program may be reported and passed by the Senate.

Missouri Democrat Thomas C. Hennings, chairman last year and this of the Constitutional Rights Subcommittee, has already tried to persuade the parent Judiciary Committee to set deadlines for the consideration and voting in Committee on some civil rights bills. Up to this point, he has not been successful but he plans to continue his activities until he is. At least his what his supporters say.

Since his Subcommittee last year reported out four bills—primaries included for increased safeguards in voting rights, lynching outlaws, Justice Department division for civil rights created, and protection against bodily attacks extended to Armed Forces personnel—it is expected that some human rights bills will be reported by the Subcommittee, though this session there will be real pressure from the Republicans that the Administration Bill be approved to avoid a Conference with the House to compromise the respective versions, which will give the opponents another opportunity to delay and to emasculate civil rights.

Southern Democrat Sam J. Irvin of North Carolina and Omaha, Nebraska GOPer Roman L. Hruska have been added to last year's Subcommittee — Hennings, Joseph C. O'Mahoney of Wyoming and Olin D. Johnston of South Carolina, Democrats, and William Langer of North Dakota and Arthur V. Watkins of Utah, Republicans. But it appears that there are the necessary votes for reporting some civil rights bills again this year because the two new members cancel each other out as far as political philosophies are concerned.

If civil rights legislation is reported by the Judiciary Committee and is scheduled for Senate debate, at least a token filibuster but more probably a real, last-ditch one will have to be overcome before any bill is approved.

Yes, the fight has begun but the outcome is still very much in doubt, with the Senate being the key to success—or failure as always.

Lest there be any question as to the difference between civil rights and civil liberties, it should be made clear that by civil rights we mean those rights commonly denied because of race, color, religion, national origin, or ancestry, as distinguished from civil liberties which are generally those other rights protected by the Constitution, particularly the first ten amendments.

If any question the need for civil rights, let him read the eloquent complaint of a Negro student more than a generation ago: "If you discriminate against me because I am uncouth, I can become mannerly. If you ostracize me because I am unclean, I can cleanse myself. If you segregate me because I am ignorant, I can become educated. But if you discriminate against me because of my color, I can do nothing. God gave me my color. I have no possible protection against race prejudice but to take refuge in cynicism, bitterness, hatred and despair. I am a Negro-American. All my life I have wanted to be an American."

WASHINGTON. — Disappointed in the slowness of the Evacuation Claims program and the poor response to the liberalized administrative procedures for renunciants to attempt to regain citizenship, Asst. Attorney General George C. Doub will visit the West Coast beginning Feb. 19 to personally investigate both situations, the Dept. of Justice notified the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League and officers of the Committee on Japanese American

Immigration—

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quota immigrants be increased by 65,000 by changing the base year from 1920 to 1950. The additional quota numbers would then be distributed among the various countries in proportion to the actual immigration into the United States since the establishment of the quota system in 1924 up to July 1, 1955.

In addition, the President urged that unused quota numbers be pooled on a regional basis, Asia, Europe, Africa, and the Pacific Oceanic areas. Within these regions, the unused quota numbers would be issued on a first-come, first served basis, without regard to the country of birth within the region.

However, the proposed regional pool of unused immigration quota numbers would be available only to aliens who could qualify for preference status under present law — persons having needed skills or close relatives in the United States.

Enabling legislation was also requested which would provide for the admission of orphans adopted or to be adopted by American citizens. Because of the oversubscription of the 4,000 orphan quota of the Refugee Relief Act of 1953, more than 1,000 additional orphans have entered the United States on a parole basis. The President has asked Congress to authorize the permanent admittance of these orphans, more than half of whom are Japanese, according to the estimate of the Washington JACL office.

Under present law, an alien temporarily admitted into the United States cannot have his status adjusted for permanent residence if he marries an American citizen within a year of his arrival. A number of Japanese students and visitors have been in this category and the President's recommendation to repeal the year requirement would benefit such cases in the future.

The President has also requested Congress to provide the Attorney General authority to grant relief from exclusion and deportation for aliens who have close relatives in the United States, to veterans and functionaries of religious organizations in certain hardship cases.

SO. DIST. YOUNG ADULT BUDDHISTS ELECT OFFICERS

Noboru Ishitani of Los Angeles was elected chairman of the So. Dist. Young Adults Buddhist Association, composed of five Buddhist churches in the county. A rally is scheduled next Monday night at the West Los Angeles Buddhist Church to prepare for the Western YBL Conference to be held Feb. 15-17 at Lodi.

LETTERS

'This is Your Life'

Editor: Having met Mike Masaoka during the 442nd's training at Camp Shelby and having followed his career since the war through the pages of your fine publication, we had spoken of him as being worthy of being an honoree of "This is Your Life". Therefore you can easily understand our pleasure on Jan. 2 when Mike appeared on that program.

And I further want to commend "Pacific Citizen" for its splendid report on that program in its Jan. 4 issue. Congratulations and continued success for your fine paper.

AMY B. TOLMAN
Picayune, Miss.

Evacuation Claims.

Assistant Attorney General Doub is in charge of the Civil Division of the Justice Department which has jurisdiction over both matters. He will be accompanied by Enoch E. Ellison, chief of the Japanese Claims section, who is directly responsible for the operations of both projects.

The Justice Department officials plan to meet with attorneys for the remaining evacuation claims and to discuss procedures to speed up the final determination of the remaining claims under the provisions of the Lane-Hillings amendment that was passed by Congress last summer at the request of JACL and COJAE. They also plan to meet with their own departmental attorneys in Los Angeles and San Francisco to consider ways and means to expedite the Evacuation Claims program.

They will also investigate the desire and the efforts of Nisei renunciants to regain their citizenship under the liberalized administrative procedures announced last August. Up to this point, the response has been so poor as to indicate lack of interest in these liberalized procedures.

Doub and Ellison are scheduled to meet with the attorneys representing evacuation claims in Chicago on Monday, Feb. 18, beginning at 10 a.m.

They will meet with attorneys representing claimants in Los Angeles on Tuesday, Feb. 19, in San Francisco on Thursday, Feb. 21, and in Seattle on Tuesday, Feb. 26. All meetings will be held in the United States Attorney's office for the various districts and all meetings, except for the Chicago one, will begin at 2 p.m.

Civil rights—

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against our fellow Americans because of race, color, creed, or national origin, and to guarantee to all citizens the right to the ballot.

"Moreover, because of our ancestry, we are painfully aware that the indignities to which some of our fellow Americans are subjected are being cited by the communist enemy as the criteria of our regard for the nations and peoples of Asia; with the objective of alienating them from the support of the free world.

"That all Americans may walk the land in peace and dignity is but the simple justice to which every American is entitled, regardless of his racial origin or religion. And, as this justice delayed is a denial of his birthright as an American, JACL respectfully urges this subcommittee and this Congress to act expeditiously to speed the day when the civil rights of every citizen are secure and every American may, as a matter of right, enjoy 'equal justice under law'." the letter concludes.

CALENDAR

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Feb. 9 (Saturday)
San Jose—Dodge Ridge snow trip.
Coachella Valley—Installation picnic, Painted Canyon.
CCDC—Winter meeting, Selma Japanese Mission Church, 8 p.m.
Parlier—JACL Membership party.
Feb. 10 (Sunday)
PSWDC—Chapter clinic, Southwest L.A. hosts.
Gresham-Troutdale—Annual Bazaar, Community hall.
Feb. 15-16-17
Chicago—Skiers' weekend trip at Caberfae, Mich.
Feb. 15 (Friday)
Sanger—Potluck supper, 6 p.m.
Gardena—Gen'l meeting, Baptist Church, 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 16 (Saturday)
Pocatello—Carnival, American Legion Memorial Hall, 12 n.
Gilroy—Installation dinner, Capri, Morgan Hill, 6:30 p.m.
Feb. 21 (Thursday)
Orange County — JAYS skatefest, Long Beach Palace Rink.
Feb. 22 (Friday)
Ventura County — Installation dinner, Colonial House, Oxnard.
Feb. 23 (Saturday)
Orange County — JAYS snow hike.
Philadelphia — 10th Ann'y Installation, International Institute, 7 p.m.; Mike Masaoka, spkr.
Pasadena—Installation dinner-dance, Carpenter's Santa Anita.
Feb. 24 (Sunday)
PNWDC—Winter meeting, Portland JACL hosts.
Portland — Chapter installation, Multnomah Hotel.
Mar. 5 (Tuesday)
East Bay area—Nat'l JACL Bowling pre-tournament mixer.
Mar. 6-10
Nat'l JACL bowling tournament, Albany Bowl.
Mar. 8 (Friday)
Philadelphia — Board meeting, Y. Nakano residence.
Mar. 15 (Saturday)
Alameda — Benefit movie, Buddhist Hall.

By the board—

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people have created. Prejudice in favor of institutions of learning, or organizations, recalls how often women have said, "Oh, we will have so much in common—I'm a Smith girl, too."

Many individuals have prejudices against JACL—is it because of an individual or personalities, that keeps you from becoming a member?

Prejudice "against one or the other sex" is still another form of group prejudice. We hear that men are domineering, brutal and inconsiderate. On the other hand, women are said to be back-seat drivers, parasites, inconsiderate, vain and self-centered. Certainly no one trait is found exclusively in either sex.

Now what kind of thinking underlies all those prejudices? While many mechanisms might be identified, six can be distinguished clearly: Difficulties in evaluating ourselves; comparing ourselves with others, thereby adversely affecting our self-esteem; achieving superiority by disparaging remarks; improperly using inductive reasoning, that is, taking the part for the whole; inertia and feelings of weakness; and neurotic cynicism. Neurotic pride and feelings of superiority result from inadequate self-evaluation.

Most of us, if we can't get just the kind of job we want most, tend to feel abused. If we are out of work for a time, we are bitter. We become convinced that some enormous injustice has been perpetrated on us.

No one group and no one person has a corner on any quality, good or bad. They are pretty evenly distributed. But most of us maintain some prejudices. We can't just drop them off though we may wish to. We can however, try to discover where they lie and their source within us. We can attempt to grow self-reliant enough not to need such props.

It has been said that God was color blind when he made people. Are you?

You are wondering now — why I'm on the soap box. Chapters throughout the United States are now busy working on their membership drive. Let's all wash away our prejudices against any individual or groups whom you do not like. Join the JACL! Not because of what it offers you, but because of what you can offer it.

— Lily A. Okura
Secretary to Board