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President's Corner

By SHIG WAKAMATSU

Ye editor has asked that we jot down some thoughts as we bid farewell to a passing decade and welcome in the new. As the year 1959 draws to a close, we are well aware that we have experienced a most fantastic decade and that we have somehow come through it safely. In view of the awesome events that developed in the 50s, there is, of course, the thought of thankfulness that they have not turned out badly.

For the Nisei Americans, there are special reasons for this feeling of thankfulness. The passing decade has brought a fulfillment of a dream—our full acceptance as first class citizens in our Republic. The passage of the JACL-sponsored Walter-McCarran Immigration and Nationality Act in 1952 will stand as one of the high points of this experience. To the challenge of this responsibility comes the second high point that was reached just this year when Congressman Daniel K. Inouye from the new State of Hawaii was elected to serve as the first of our group in the Congress of the United States. Congressman Inouye symbolizes for us our coming of age as full participants in the American stream of life.

As we look forward to a new decade, the Nisei are reminded that the challenges of citizenship are continuous. Effective organizations are necessary, as well as individual efforts which help make our society a better one for ourselves and our children.

To this end, the JACL has established the 1960-70 Planning Commission, the objective goal of which are to evaluate our present program, to indicate which

portions would likely be of greatest importance, and to submit concrete suggestions for its effective accomplishment. The co-operation of all our members is required in this process for we look to them for new ideas and fresh approaches.

Above and beyond the objective and detailed job of arriving at what our future program should be are subjective considerations. An example very close to home is the effort to carry on the good works of our Issei parents and to build the strongest possible foundation for our Sansei generation. We are thinking not only in terms of economic foundation, but also in terms of the necessary set of values which would enable our young to hold their own as useful citizens. While the standards of learning, industriousness, sense of civic responsibility, and the excellent disciplines of our cultural heritage have their roots in the home, the encouragement of an organized society. That, in essence, is the core of our JACL youth program.

In this connection, the Nisei are now entering the years of full productivity and strength. One of the results of our study should reveal the extent and purposefulness of our collective will with respect to JACL as an organization. For one of the real contributions that we can make as parents is to build the JACL into a much stronger organization in terms of staff and financial resources. It would be a contribution which will have its influence for decades to come in the lives of our future generation.

May we join the National Board and Staff in wishing all of our readers a most joyous holiday season.

Ye Editor's Desk

THERE IS ENOUGH space here to briefly mention that through cooperation of the R. W. Ernest Printing Co., where our Holiday Issues are published, one of the neatest editions in PC history was possible. It is the printer who can well appreciate the mitered rules that separate the straight matter from the display advertising. We sincerely believe that the "new look" makes for faster reading.

Before we call it "30" for 1959—we pray the blessings of the Christ Child born this day nearly 2,000 years ago for you and yours.

14 NISEI AND THE MARAUDERS

BY AKIJI YOSHIMURA

In the late summer of 1943 certain events took place, which were to shape the military lives of some 3,000 American troops, among them 14 Nisei GIs and their officer of mixed American and Japanese parentage.

First: The Quebec Conference of Allied Leaders authorized the creation of an American ground combat unit for the China-Burma-India theater, the first such troops to fight on the Asiatic continent since the Boxer Rebellion.

Second: A call for volunteers for an undisclosed mission was issued to all infantry units in the continental United States, the Caribbean Defense Area, and in the South Pacific Combat Zones.

Third, and striking closer to home, the names of 14 or more Nisei graduates of the Military Intelligence Language School, Camp Savage, Minnesota, were being screened and investigated to establish their qualifications for what we were soon to learn was a "dangerous and hazardous mission."

The first indication that something big was brewing happened in mid-August of 1943 when the school brass swooped down on the Ft. Snelling barracks where the graduates were billeted and awaiting assignment. There was a flurry of activity, conferences and other rather obvious attempts to be secretive. At the time, I was engaged in the rather dull pastime of translating a field manual on the operation and maintenance of a Japanese artillery piece with 1st Lt. William A. Laffin. One day Lt. Laffin began asking me rather personal questions about the state of my health, marital status, language proficiency, interests, etc. At first I thought it was a warm and friendly concern of an officer for his enlisted man, but I soon discovered that his interests in me was more military than personal.

In due time I found myself eloseted in a small room with Lt. Laffin, where he offered the opportunity to volunteer for a secret and hazardous mission. In spite of myself, I must have managed to utter a feeble, "Thank you, sir. Yes sir," because before long I discovered my name on a list of 14 EM with orders to report to the Port of Embarkation, San Francisco. Leading the contingent of Nisei volunteers was Lt. William Laffin, a former Ford Motor Company executive in Japan, who had been interned after Pearl Harbor and repatriated to the United States on the exchange ship Gripsholm. Lt. Laffin (later Captain) was killed in action in the Battle of Myitkyina in Northern Burma in May 1944.

Roll Call of Nisei

In immediate charge of the Nisei linguists was S/Sgt. Edward Mitsukado of Honolulu, a former court recorder and writer. Well read and intellectual, Eddie was a warm and compassionate leader, whose only notable fault was chronic forgetfulness. Eddie was the first among the seven Nisei of this group to win commissions via OCS and field promotions. Answering to the roll call were the following Nisei volunteers.

Thomas K. Tsubota, a former bank employee, affectionately known as "Kewpie." A topnotch

drillmaster, his somewhat detached and military demeanor belied a deep and abiding concern for the welfare of the men under his immediate command.

Herbert Y. Miyasaki, Pauilo, Hawaii. Stocky, confident, a vigorous personality. A walking Chamber of Commerce for the then hoped for 49th State, whose strong provincialism was the cause of many heated discussions on the merits of the paradise of the Pacific as a state.

Robert Y. Honda, Wahiawa, Oahu, who took a reduction in grade in order to accompany this team. A graduate of the U. of Hawaii; a man of few well chosen words; a philosopher. He is credited with the classic remark, spoken in the pidgin English of the Islands, "War, good fun, eh?" This statement, we hasten to add, was made while the ominous sounds of battle were still distant rumblings.

Roy K. Nakada, Honolulu, a regular diamond in the rough. Size almost kept him out of the service, but managed to talk his way into uniform—not, so he confessed because he aspired to be a soldier but because he couldn't face his friends who had given him such a warm sendoff. A graduate of the U. of Hawaii; glib; equally at home in the rough and tumble of barracks chatter or a lively discussion of eggheads.

Roy Matsumoto, Los Angeles. Slight of build, unobtrusive. We never suspected that he would be one of the great heroes of the campaign.

Ben S. Sugeta, Los Angeles. Big, Brawling, a complete extrovert. A graduate of a middle school in Japan, whose renditions of "Mori No Ishimatsu" became a regular feature of our frequent "social events."

Grant Hirabayashi, Kent, Washington. One of the top students of the top class at Camp Savage. Gentle, soft spoken, neat. Grant broke an arm during training in India, but refused Gen. Merrill's offer to relieve him of his assignment. He fought through two-thirds of the campaign despite his inability to digest "K" rations which was our steady diet for three months.

Jimmy Yamaguchi, Los Angeles, Calif. A competent linguist with a flair for Oriental proverbs. An orator of considerable talent in the Japanese tongue.

Russell K. Kono, Hilo, Hawaii. A Sansei and son of a World War I veteran. Tall, husky of build. A law student at the U. of Michigan before volunteering for the service.

Henry Goshio, Seattle, Washington. Aggressive and articulate, he earned among other things the nickname of "Horizontal Hank" because of being pinned down so many times by enemy fire while serving with the Intelligence and Reconnaissance platoon.

Calvin Kobata, Sacramento. Eternally gay, with a contagious kind of happiness which infected and inspired the team. Although a qualified and outstanding linguist (middle school in Japan, Junior College in California), Cal always subordinated his personal achievement to group effort.

Howard Furumoto, Hilo, Hawaii. Young, intense and impulsive. Golden voiced Howard, for-

mer Oratorical champ of the Territory of Hawaii, was a student of veterinary medicine at Kansas State when he volunteered for Camp Savage.

Completing the list of 14 was the writer, who for reasons best known to him and his teammates was always bringing up the rear. I shall never cease to wonder how one with such a limited language ability (one prisoner accused me of speaking Japanese with a Western accent), and a physical and moral coward to boot, managed to stumble into such fast company. After some 16 years, it is difficult to recall experiences and emotions. Someone once asked me "Why did you volunteer?" I would be the first to admit that it wasn't heroics. In fact, there were times in Burma when, if it were physically possible, I could have kicked myself for having been such an impetuous fool. Nor was I on a great crusade "to make America a better place for Japanese Americans to live in," because I never regarded my stint in uniform anything more or less than a right and a duty.

Perhaps the most impelling reason, presumably shared by all the other Nisei volunteers, was the feeling that the war was passing us by at Ft. Snelling and we wanted desperately to be caught up in it somewhere, somehow. Once the decision was made, however, each of us vowed privately, because we never discussed it as a group, to serve our country not just well but better than any other American.

Mistaken for a PW

Our journey in quest of adventure and excitement took us across the Pacific aboard the USS Lurline, a Matson luxury liner converted into a troopship. Assembled on board the ship were highly trained infantrymen from the various training centers in the States and jungle trained volunteers from the Caribbean area, who comprised the first two battalions of the unit which was to be later assigned the

highly improbable number 5307 Composite Unit, Provisional.

A third battalion of battle tested troops joined the outfit at New Caledonia and Brisbane, Australia. We found that the majority of our fellow passengers were from the Midwest, New England and Southern States. Many had never seen a Japanese, and I suspect that a few had misgivings about sharing passage on an escorted ship with Japanese whatever their nationality. I recall this incident that occurred as the ship passed under the Golden Gate bridge and headed towards the high seas, which indicated to us a need to orient our fellow passengers. A strange GI approached and asked in a rather clumsy but seemingly sincere effort to be friendly, "Say, how're things in your country?" Without hesitation I replied, "It looks pretty good from here." Then, noting his confused expression I proceeded to explain to him that this was also my first trip away from the United States. Apparently, he had the notion that we were former prisoners of war who had a change of heart.

One of the most common questions asked of us was, "What do you think the Japanese will do to you if they capture you?" Our stock answer was, "I don't know what they've planned for us, but they'll haf to run like hell to catch us."

And then, there was the GI who asked us to say "Lala Palooza." He had read somewhere that the Japanese had trouble with the letter "L" and with typical American resourcefulness had planned to use the tongue twister to determine whether the unseen adversary in the jungle was friend or foe. Our California English shattered his well laid plans.

During the voyage the Nisei lectured to the troops on the Japanese enemy, their weapons, tactics, physical and spiritual training. By the time we disembarked at Bombay, India, we



Brigadier General Frank Merrill, commanding American infantry troops in Burma during World War II, is between his Nisei interpreters: Tech. Sgt. Herbert Miyasaki of Hawaii, and the author of this story, Tech. Sgt. Akiji Yoshimura of California. The U.S. Army Photograph was taken at Naubum, Burma.

had convinced the uninformed and even the skeptics that we were American in thought, speech and action.

At Deolali, a British Cantonment, and at Deogarh in Gwalior Province, our training was begun in earnest. Combat training in long range penetration tactics included forced marches, river crossings, night problems, weapons and range work, all highly intensified by the prospect of a dangerous and arduous mission. The Nisei, in addition to brushing up on their Japanese, pored over maps and intelligence reports of the North Burma area and participated in the daily training problems of the infantry. We were fast becoming an integral part of a combat unit as rifleman-interpreter, both roles which were to prove equally important in the campaign.

Going to Battle

The battle situation at the time the Marauders had its final bivouac before crossing the point of no return is noted as follows:

The Japanese 18th Division, the famed "Kurume Shidan (Div.)," which played vital roles in the fall of Singapore and the capture of Burma, had a stranglehold on the Hukwang and Mogauung Valleys through which the proposed Ledo Road was to be built to link with the old Burma Road. In order to build this land supply route to China, it was necessary to first clear the North Burma area and capture the town of Myitkyina and its all weather airstrip.

By now the rumors of the out-house variety were flying fast and thick. We wanted to believe the one about "the outfit being scheduled for a single strike behind the lines, followed by air travel stateside for a month furlough." Commented one realist, "Yeah, those that are left can be flown back in a P-38." The War Department had estimated in advance 85 per cent casualties.

Merrills Marauders, so named by a Time Correspondent James (Continued on Page A-4)

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Behind the hunkering Indian houseboys at the CBI Army rest camp at Khanspur, India, are (standing from left) Edward Mitsukado, Akiji Yoshimura, Grant Hirabayashi, Russell Kono and Herbert Miyasaki. Hunkering is quite a feat for Nisei GIs.

Marauders

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Shepley, was ordered to make a series of raids behind enemy lines disrupting communications, destroying enemy strongholds, and in general confusing and harassing the Japanese, while the American trained Chinese Division exerted pressure with frontal attacks. To achieve these objectives, it was necessary for the Marauders to operate in complete secrecy, with bold, swift movements in and out of enemy held territory.

Troops were supplied by air-drops, which is difficult at best and in this case further complicated by combat columns (six in all) operating independently in simultaneous attacks on separate targets. Because of the limited number of desirable "drop areas," it was necessary at times to clear several acres of jungle in order for the planes to successfully unload the cargo of 5-day supply of K rations per man, feed for the animals, medical supplies and ammo.

To escape enemy detection, the Marauders marched for days without food; hacked their way through the heavy undergrowth; clambered over mountains; and waded through leech infested streams. One battalion waded neck and waist deep in a stream for almost a full day, crawled into holes dug into the sheer banks that night, then launched an attack in the early morning hours catching the Japanese by complete surprise.

Nisei G-2 in Action

Because of the nature of the mission, no prisoners were taken. Where then did the Nisei fit into the plan? The Nisei linguists were called upon to accompany reconnaissance patrols. In certain situations, they were sent out beyond the perimeter of defense on listening posts to pick up

scraps of information dropped by the Japanese who conversed loudly secure in their mistaken belief that the Americans could not understand a word they were saying. On occasion they interpreted on the spot oral commands given by the platoon or squad leader during the Banzai attacks.

Once, when the outfit stumbled over a telephone wire, the Nisei with the aid of the communications personnel tapped the lines and gathered valuable information about enemy disposition and movements. And, of course there were always the diaries, battle orders and other documents to be quickly read and translated for information of immediate tactical value.

On the Marauders' first mission, a strike on the village of Walabum where the Japanese were dug in. Hank Goshio distinguished himself both as a rifleman and an interpreter. Under heavy enemy fire, Hank interpreted the oral commands, pin pointing the area of attack, thereby making it possible for the platoon to anticipate and shift its firepower to meet the onslaught.

In another area with the 2nd Battalion, Honda, Matsumoto, Nakada and Sugeta were crouched over a telephone wire tap, interpreting the communication between elements of the 18th Division. Matsumoto overheard the conversation which disclosed the location of an enemy ammunition dump, which was subsequently destroyed by the U. S. dive bombers. Although under heavy enemy fire, the four Nisei remained on the job gathering intelligence as to movements, disposition and the equally important negative information on reinforcements.

By the time the Marauders withdrew to less violent areas, they had accounted for 800 enemy dead and forced a major

withdrawal of the Japanese. This was accomplished at the cost to the Marauders of eight men killed and 37 wounded. However, midway through the second mission, which were two deep penetrations into enemy held territory of from 30-40 miles behind the lines, fatigue, enemy guns and many and varied diseases of the jungles began to take its toll.

Of the Nisei Tsubota, who had been marching despite fever and pain was finally forced out the campaign. Nakata, too, fell heir to one of the tropical diseases and was evacuated to a field hospital in Northern India. Meanwhile, Mitsukado, Hirabayashi, Kono and Yamaguchi were performing outstanding services translating documents at a road-block at Shadazup. They were all eventually decorated for meritorious achievement.

While the Marauders made maximum use of the element of surprise, they were constantly exposed to counterattacks and envelopment. Near the end of the second mission, after the primary objectives had been accomplished, the 2nd Bn. was surrounded on Npum Ga Hill by the Japanese and cut off from elements of the 3rd Bn. The 1st Bn. was five days march away, recuperating from a highly successful thrust on Shadazup. For 15 days the battle raged around Npum Ga, which was later named Maggot Hill because of the enemy dead and our own pack animals decaying in the hot and humid Burma weather. The only water hole near the base of the hill changed hands a number of times, and it was finally necessary to drop plastic bags of water, along with rations and ammo, to the beleaguered members of the 2nd Bn. On Easter Sunday, 1944, elements of the 3rd Bn. broke through to effect the rescue, while the 1st Bn., which had made forced marches to reach the scene of the battle, made diversionary attacks to the west and south.

'Horizontal Hank'

Once again we were to discover that the Nisei had distinguished themselves on this battered and bloodied hill. It was here, perhaps more than any other time during the campaign that Goshio earned his nickname of "Horizontal Hank." Marauders of the 2nd Battalion were high in their praise of Honda, Matsumoto and Sugeta who time and again, crawled out on listening posts inviting enemy detection, as well as, fire from friendly forces.

On one of these risky excursions into no man's land, Matsumoto learned that the Japanese planned an attack the next morning in a given sector. With this information, the perimeter was alerted and elaborate preparations made. Came dawn and the attack. The first wave charged and fell under a murderous discharge of weapons at close range. The second wave hit the ground,

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but Matsumoto forced them on their feet again by screaming, "Charge, Charge!" They charged directly into a devastating fire of automatics and machine guns.

But for the Marauders, too the Battle of Npum Ga Hill had been disastrous. The original strength of the outfit was now down to approximately 1,400, and there remained yet another and most difficult mission to achieve the capture of the airfield at Myitkyina.

Ahead loomed the Naura Hkyat, the 6,100 foot pass of the Kumon range, and at best 15 days of climbing and crawling over steep, slippery trails. It was a desperate race against time, the monsoon season, and the fast deteriorating stamina and spirit of the Marauders. For this mission, the Marauders were joined by two regiments of Chinese. Among the Nisei, Hirabayashi, Honda and Sugeta were evacuated because of fever and fatigue.

Capt. William Laffin, leader of the Nisei linguists and doubling as the Unit Intelligence Officer (S-2), led a small advance party of Marauders and native

Kachins to survey and prepare the trails leading over the Kumon range. Our brief farewell meeting at the unit HQ at Naurum was the last time that I was to see Capt. Laffin alive. Quiet, soft spoken; he was a man of considerable courage and a highly disciplined soldier under fire. (Despite the disparity in our military rank, we had always enjoyed a warm, personal relationship.) News of his fate at Myitkyina came as a great shock to me, and the few minutes I was able to spend at his gravesite near the airstrip seemed a totally inadequate tribute to a fine officer, leader and friend.

Mission Accomplished

The Marauders, its ranks riddled by disease and fatigue and further depleted by skirmishes along the trail, in a final magnificent drive captured the airfield on May 17. With the strip secured, fresh Chinese regiments were flown in by transport planes to consolidate the gains and relieve the Marauders.

For most, this had been the last ounce of effort. It is estimated that only 200 Marauders remained of the original outfit, who could if necessary carry on for a few weeks longer. But, this was not to be the end. The Jap-

anese at Myitkyina regrouped and began threatening the airfield.

The situation became critical and a number of Marauders who were still recuperating in hospitals in Northern India were declared fit for duty and returned to combat. This resulted in a complete breakdown in morale of an outfit that had successfully executed three daring missions behind the lines; fought through five major and 30 minor engagements; marched through and over 700 miles of impenetrable and impossible terrain; and cleared the North Burma area of the seasoned troops of the crack 18th Japanese Division.

For the Nisei Marauders, however, there was little time to brood over the justice of military decisions. Except for those evacuated for hospitalization, the Nisei continued to serve as interrogators and translators for the new (and green) replacement troops (American) who were committed to battle in a desperate effort to relieve the situation.

Serving with the replacements was like joining the original outfit in San Francisco all over again. One day, Kono and I were conversing in English when a strange GI approached, listened to our discussion for quite some time before inquiring, "Are you Chinese?" We replied in the negative and allowed that we were Japanese Americans. After a moment of thoughtful silence, he shook his head and said, "Geez, you're a lot better looking than I tho't you'd be."

It takes a lot of patience to dispel the strange notions that the comic strips and hate movies have implanted in the young American minds. On another occasion, Kono, Miyasaki and I were bathing a short distance away and out of sight of the bivouac area. Naturally, we had little on our person to identify us as American soldiers. Once again an unidentified GI approached, and again the same

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Marauders

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question. Again we responded in the negative, but this time omitting the fact that we were Americans. We watched the color drain from his face and a "Oh, please God! Say it isn't so!" expression replace the open, friendly countenance. We hastened to correct the omission.

Marauders No More

In mid-August 1944, after the fall of Myitkyina seven months after the Marauders began their historic drive into the jungles, Mitsukado, Miyasaki, Kobata, Kono, Yamaguchi and the writer were finally relieved of their duties. The other Nisei who had since recovered from their various ailments, were serving with G-2, Northern Combat Area Command in Northern India. By this time, the Army had invoked the provisional feature of the 5307 Composite Unit, Provisional. The outfit was no more, and the Nisei Marauders were without a home. Only the Combat Infantryman's Badge, which was a rarity in a Theater where American ground activities were primarily support; the Presidential Unit Citation Ribbon; and the Unit shoulder patch, which though never officially approved

but was worn by the Nisei with the Marauders' characteristic disdain for regulation and formality, linked us with the outfit which was once described in a postwar issue of the Infantry Journal as "the most aggressive, toughest and bravest outfit to fight in the Far East in WW 2."

Eventually the Nisei were assigned to the Southeast Asia Translation and Interrogation Center (SEATIC) in New Delhi, India. In the meantime, Major General Frank D. Merrill, former commanding general of the Marauders, had been made Deputy Theater Commander with Headquarters in New Delhi. The General promptly promoted T/ Sgt. Edward Mitsukado to 2nd Lt. Mitsukado, AUS. Miyasaki, Kono and Honda were ordered to Officers Candidate School at Ft. Benning, Ga. Hank Goshu, who for a time had served with the Office of War Information, was returned to the United States for medical care. Thomas Tsubota was also shipped state-side for further hospitalization. Nakada, Furumoto, Hirabayashi, Matsumoto, Yamaguchi, Kobata, Sugeta and the writer were transferred to China where they with other Nisei linguists formed the Sino Translation and Interrogation Center (SINTIC).

Nakada, Furumoto and the writer were to later receive field commissions, while all others held the rank of M/Sgt. by the end of hostilities. Several participated in surrender negotiations and ceremonies in Chin-kiang and Nanking, China.

In total, the Nisei volunteers had been awarded a Legion of Merit, 14 Bronze Star Medals and Clusters, and seven of the original 14 were commissioned. More important to the Nisei Marauders than the medals and the gold bars, however, was winning the confidence, respect and trust of their fellow Marauders and other American troops in the CBI Theater. The late General Merrill wrote for the Ex-CBI Round-up (a theater publication being perpetuated by CBI vets)—"As for the value of the Nisei group, I couldn't have gotten along without them. Probably few realize that these boys did everything that an infantryman normally does plus the extra work of translating, interrogating, etc. Also they were in a most unenviable position as to identity as almost everyone from the Japanese to the Chinese shot first



The bearded GI is Sgt. Roy Matsumoto, who participated in the rescue of the 2nd Battalion at Phum Ga Hill, one of the major battles fought by the Merrill Marauders.

and identified later."

More recently ex-Marauder Charlton Ogburn, Jr., author of "The Marauders" which has received excellent reviews, writes of the Nisei—"All of us, I suppose, when we are moved to reflect upon what human beings are capable of, find that certain images come to mind as illustrations of surpassing achievement. One that will always leap to mine is a composite recollection of Nhpum Ga, and of no part of it more than the heroism, moral as well as physical, of those Nisei . . . What was unspeakably hard for the others can only have been harder still for them. Some had close relatives living in Japan, all had acquaintances if not relatives held in concentration camps in the United States on the grounds that persons of Japanese descent and feature must be presumed to be disloyal. To help justify the unhappiness we were enduring most of us could tell ourselves that the survival of our people and of the country our forefathers had fought and died for was worthy of sacrifice; for them here was only the value of an idea."

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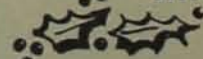
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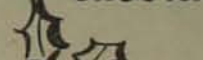
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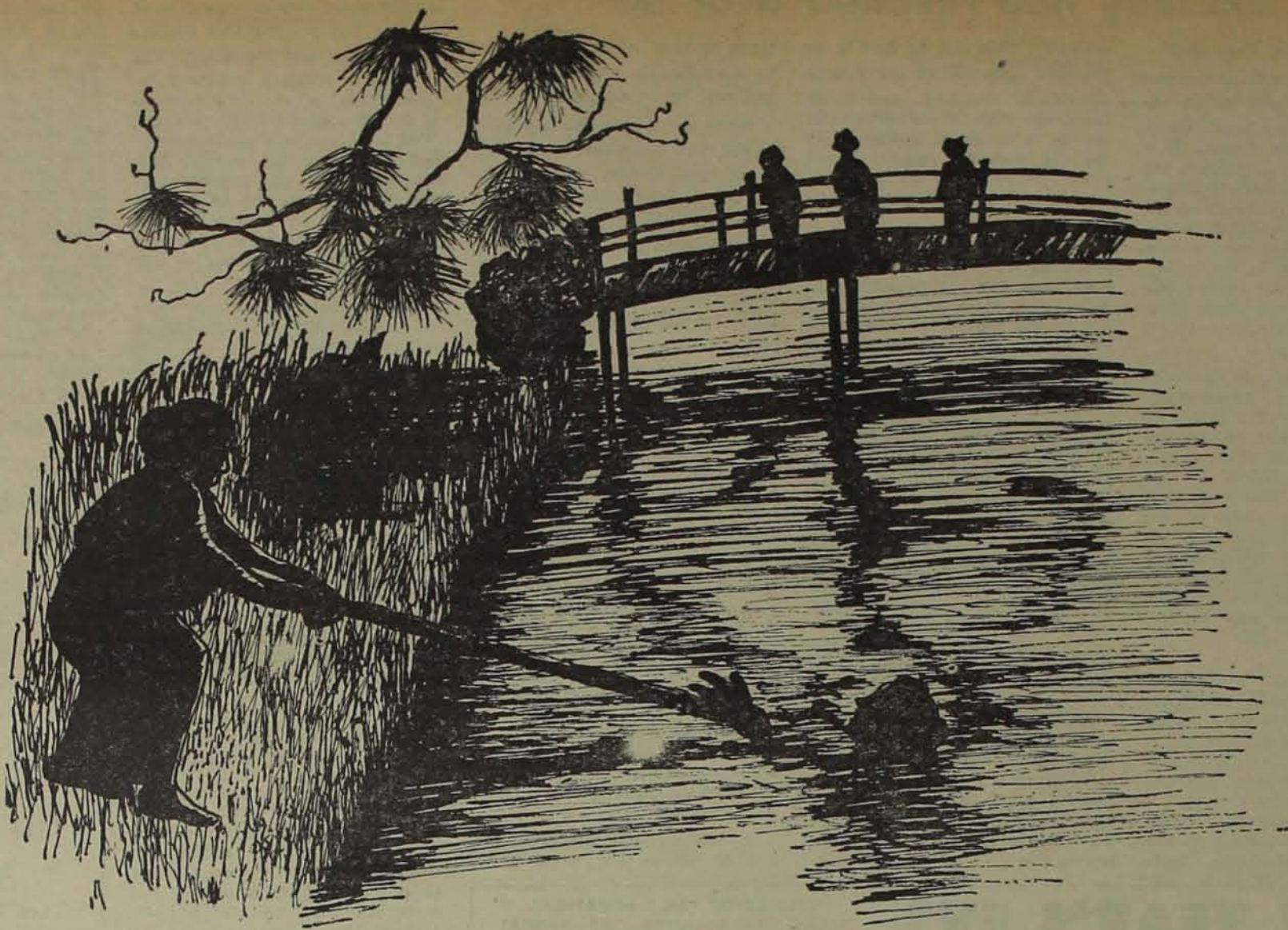
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THE OLD WOMAN MADE A BUSINESS OF RESCUING DROWNING SUICIDES.

Business of Rescuing Drowning Suicides

By Kan Kikuchi

(Translated from the Japanese by Take and Allan Beekman)

ACCORDING to the record books the suicides of Kyoto, too, have been fairly numerous since ancient times.

In every age the struggle for survival is more fierce in the capital than in the country. When unbearable misfortunes came and assailed their lives many dared to die. In time of severe famine within the capital, and within its suburbs, a man who had lost his beloved wife and children, and had become separated from his kindred, would kill himself. If we try to count the officially unreported deaths arising from a fit of anger, deaths to which people were driven by duty, deaths from despair of unrequited love, they are endless. Besides, during the rule of the Tokugawa clan—from 1603 to 1867—there was such a thing as lovers suicide by mutual agreement—with even two dying at one time.

It seems as if, first of all, the most simple method of committing suicide is by drowning. A person who gave a little serious thought to suicide would notice this, even without looking at the

statisticians' suicide records. But in Kyoto there was no good place for drowning. Of course one can not die in the Kamo River—even in the deep places it is only about four feet in depth. So the ill-starred, legendary lovers, Oshun and Denbee, died on Mount Toribe. Most died by hanging. Indeed, there was no such thing as being run over by a train.

But those who really wanted to leap to death hurled themselves from the Kiyomizu Temple which, high on a mountain, is on the brink of an abyss. So the expression, "With the feeling of jumping off the platform of Kiyomizu," as a term for taking desperate measures, is not factually incorrect. But even those who wanted to emulate them recoiled when they saw, or heard rumors of, the bodies striking and breaking upon the rocks in the valley below. But those who would be satisfied with nothing but death by water, like Ohan and Choemon—undone by a night of love that violated their relationship of ward and guardian—had no recourse but to find their way as far as the Katsura River to the south of the city, or to cross Mount Osaka and come to Lake Biwa, to the north; or to go to Hirosawa Pond in the Saga District. But for those lovers bent on mutual suicide who wanted to enjoy to the full the short time left before death, perhaps, even this long distance was not too much of a trial; but people who wanted to get free of the world without loss of time did not have leisure to walk five or ten miles. So, generally, they hanged themselves. Children gathering pasania acorns in the forest of Shogo Temple, or in the nearby Tadasu Forest, were

often surprised to see corpses dangling in mid-air.

In spite of this, suicide among the people of Kyoto continued to frequently occur. Even when all freedom is wrested from us, at least the freedom to commit suicide still remains. Even people in prison still commit suicide. With supreme self-command, by holding his breath, a person can still commit suicide, even with hands and feet bound.

Anyway it is a fact that there was no good place for drowning oneself in Kyoto. But, though suffering this inconvenience, there had been suicides in Kyoto all the time. Despite the lack of a suitable place for drowning oneself the suicide rate, when compared with such places as Osaka and old Tokyo, did not seem to be low.

Near the turn of the century Governor Makimura of Kyoto commenced drainage construction and drew water from Lake Biwa to Kyoto. This construction project, together with providing good water transportation, and providing good water service to the people of Kyoto, also provided them a good place to drown themselves.

The drainage is about 20 yards wide, but it is a fairly good suicide spot. No human feels particularly good if he thinks of his corpse wallowing at the bottom of a deep sea and being jostled by fishes and such. Even though he is to die, in his heart, he wants to be found at an appropriate time and given a funeral. For this the drainage is a splendid place. From the Keage District the drainage passes through the Nijo section of Kyoto and, following along the edge of the Kamo River, it flows

into the Fushimi District. The water is clean and it is about ten feet deep everywhere. Besides willows have been planted on both banks and, at night, the blue gas lights smoke. The merry sounds of music from the gay quarter of the Pontocho District can be heard across the Kamo River. Mount Higashi quietly reposes in the rear. On rainy nights the blue and red lights of both banks are reflected on the water. This beautiful canal night scene arouses a kind of romance in the hearts of the suicides and they come to think death not too fearful and, many times, bewitched they jumped in.

But at the moment of leaping down, pulled by his own body weight to the surface of the water, the most resolute suicide would utter a scream. This is a moan of instinctive yearning for life, and dread of death. But already he can do nothing. After sending up a cloud of spray and sinking, everyone comes to the surface once, and, at that time, there is nothing in his heart but the instinct to try to save himself. He frantically clutches the water, thrashes the water, gasps, moans, struggles. In the meantime he weakens, loses consciousness and dies; but if, at this time, a rescuer should throw a rope, or something, most will grab it. When grabbing this, neither his former resolution to drown himself, nor the regret that will follow being rescued, occurs to him. He has only the strong instinct of wanting to live. We must not laugh at the inconsistency of a suicide asking for rescue or grabbing a rope.

THE number of unnatural deaths a year in the drainage, when they are numerous,

even exceeds 100. Within the drainage basin the best death spot is the lonely wooden bridge just by the Butoku Temple. The current running down the side of the incline, still maintaining its momentum, flows around Okazaki Park. And this bridge is at the place where the stream starts to branch from the park. On the right hand side, in the forest of Heian Shrine, the gas lights gleam lonesomely. On the left hand side is a row of lonely, shut-up houses. Thus not too many people pass by. So there are many, who choose to commit suicide by drowning, who jump in from the railing of this bridge. To jump in from the bridge, rather than from the bank, seems to gratify the latent theatricalness in the hearts of those who choose to commit suicide by drowning.

But alongside the drainage, about ten yards downstream from the bridge, there is a hut. And when someone hurls himself from the bridge, without fail, a short old woman comes dashing out of this dwelling. When the drowning from the bridge occurs before 12 o'clock there is, generally, no deviation. She always has a long pole. And she always thrusts the pole out—aiming towards the moaning. Often there is a response; if there is not, chasing after the splashing and moaning, again and again she sticks out the pole. For all that it might, finally, without any response sometimes drift downstream and be lost; but, generally, there is response to the pole. While she is hauling this in there is sure to be a good

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... the old lady had rescued over 50

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fellow, mingling with the crowd of curious, who will go on the errand to the police booth which is about 350 yards distant. If it is in winter a fire is kindled, but in summer it is relatively simple—they are made to cough up the water, and the body is wiped dry—generally they revive and, in most cases, go to the police. When the police give them a few words of admonition about their misbehavior, commonly, they mumble an apology.

For saving a life, in such circumstances, the government, after the passage of a month or so, grants a reward of one yen fifty sen, together with a certificate of merit. When the old woman receives this she first offers it on the altar of the family gods, and, kneeling before the god shelf, she claps her hands two or three times in prayer; after that she goes to deposit in the savings department of the post office.

WHEN the Fourth National Exhibition opened in Okazaki Park the old woman set up a tea booth in the present place. It was a small shop that sold candles and Mandarin oranges but, because it had a fair profit, she continued business as usual even after the buildings of the Exhibition were gradually clear-

ed away. This can be said to be the sole memorial of the Fourth Exhibition. She had been living together with a daughter left her by a deceased husband. As the old woman's meager hoard grew the hut has advanced to become the present snug dwelling.

When there was a suicide by drowning from the bridge for the first time, the old woman could do nothing. Even when she cried out at the top of her voice people rarely came. When someone luckily came, the person who had chosen to commit suicide by drowning had been swallowed up by the fairly turbulent water of the drainage and had disappeared. In such a situation, looking at the dark surface of the water, she prayed faintly to Amida Buddha. But the suicides she observed in this way were not just one or two. Once in two months, when numerous twice in one month, she heard the suicides' shrieks. It was like the moan of the dead in Hell, and the timid old woman simply could not stand it.

At last she decided to try to effect the rescues herself. With considerable courage and ingenuity, using the clothes pole, she rescued a 22-year-old man. He was a chicken-hearted fellow who tried to atone through death for having spent 50 yen of his mas-

ter's money. When admonished by the police he mended his ways, and said he would go to work.

When about a month had passed she was summoned by the City Prefectural Office, and presented the reward money. At that time one yen fifty sen was a great sum to her. After mulling it over she deposited it in the postal savings that was, at that time, beginning to flourish.

After that the old woman rescued people with all her strength. And her method of rescue gradually became perfected. When she heard the shrieks and splashing she immediately sprang up and dashed to the rear. She took in hand the pole that was leaning there, and, couching it in the position in which a fisherman spears a carp, she glared at the surface of the water, and dexterously stretched on the pole before the floundering suicide. When the pole came before their eyes it may be said that there was not one, who had chosen to commit suicide by drowning, who did not grasp it. She hauled in with might and main. When a passing man helped the old woman she was displeased. She felt as if her prerogatives were being infringed upon.

In this way she has, from the age of 42 to her present 57,

saved more than 50 lives. So such a thing as the procedure of getting the reward had become very simple, and the money was granted in about a week's time. The official of the City Prefectural Office would laugh and say, "Old lady, you've done it again," and hand over the money. She, too, was not deeply impressed as she had been in the beginning; she accepted it, saying "Thank you," as if receiving rice-cake money from a customer in her tea booth.

When world conditions were good and, for two or three months there was no one who chose to commit suicide by drowning, she felt, somehow, as if something were lacking. When her daughter teased her for such a thing as yukata cloth for a bath-dress the old woman would say, "The next time I receive one yen fifty sen."

It was then the end of June and in an ordinary year it would have been the season for those who choose to commit suicide by drowning, but somehow no one jumped in. Every night, lying in bed beside her daughter, the old woman strained her ears. So when it reached around 12 o'clock, and she thought it was not further use, she would say, "No luck tonight, either," and close her eyes.

She thought it was a very good thing to save those who chose to commit suicide by drowning. So often, even when talking to the customers in the shop, she said, "As for myself, I, too, have already saved so

many human lives that I can go to Paradise." Of course no one denied this.

BUT there was just one thing with which she was dissatisfied. That was that the people she saved did not thank her too well. Before the police they bowed their heads, but hardly any had any particular thanks for her. Moreover, there was not one who came to thank her later. In her heart she felt, "After all the trouble to which I put myself to save them they are unfeeling." One night she happened to save a 17-year-old girl. When the girl regained consciousness, and learned that she had been rescued, she wept bitterly. At last,

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Business of Rescuing Drowning Suicides

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when the policeman persuaded her to accompany him to the police station, and they were about to cross the bridge, she caught him off-guard and again leaped into the water. But, strange to say, the girl again clutched at the pole the old woman extended, and was saved.

The old woman looked at the girl's retreating figure, being led away by the policeman for the second time, and said, "Well, well, no matter how many times you jump in you still want to be saved!"

Even when she neared 60 as soon as she heard the splash and the shrieks she never failed to extend the pole. And, also, among the suicides there was not one who had rejected a grasp on the pole. They grasped because they wanted to be rescued—that is what she thought. She thought that, since she was saving those who wanted to be saved, there was nothing better than this.

THIS year, when spring came, there occurred a crisis in the old woman's tranquil life of ten odd years. It was caused by the personal affairs of her 20-year-old daughter. The daughter was

somewhat coarse-featured, but she was fair-skinned and winsome.

In accordance with Japanese custom, in circumstances such as hers, where a male heir was lacking, the old woman expected to adopt a son and wed him to her daughter, and, with the 300 and some odd yen savings as capital, to enlarge the shop. The person she had in mind, after he returned from military service, was the second son of a distant relative. This was the old woman's hope, and she looked forward to it with pleasure. But the daughter completely betrayed the mother's wishes. The girl had fallen into a liaison with a strolling actor, called Sentaro Arashi, who had been performing, since February of this year, at a small playhouse, called Kumano Theater, on Kuma Boulevard, below Second Avenue. Sentaro cunningly enticed her to take out her mother's saving account book and she drew the money from the post office; and he, taking along the daughter, fled to whereabouts unknown.

Nothing was left to the old woman but shock and despair. There was less than five yen

worth of merchandise in the shop, and only a few articles of clothing left. Nevertheless, if she continued with the tea booth, as she had until now, she would not be able to make a living. But for her all hope was gone.

For two months she waited for news from her daughter, but in vain. She no longer had the strength to continue living. She thought of death. After thinking it over, night after night, she finally decided to drown herself. And she thought of freeing herself from the intolerable feeling of despair and, in addition, to teach her daughter a lesson. As the spot for drowning herself she chose the bridge that was near the home in which she had lived so long. She thought, "If I throw myself in from here no one will interfere any more."

One night she stood on the usual bridge. One by one the faces of the suicides she had saved floated into her mind, and all of them seemed to wear a kind of queer, ironic smile. But, owing to the fact that she had seen many suicides, to commit suicide seemed to her like an every day affair, and she did not feel much fear. Staggering and, as if slipping from the railing, she cast herself down.

SUDDENLY, when she regained consciousness, the policeman and the crowd of curious were standing around her. This was the same group that she always used to make. But it was only the position which she took that was changed. Among the crowd of curious there were even some who thought it strange that the usual old woman was not beside the policeman.

With an indefinably disagreeable feeling, as of shame and as of resentment, she looked around. But besides the policeman, where she should always have stood, there was a dark complexioned man of 40. When she realized that it was that man who had rescued her, she felt such bitterness that she would have liked to have come to grips with him. Irritable and intense anger, such as one might feel upon being shaken awake when at the point of falling into a pleasant slumber, filled her heart.

The man, as if completely oblivious to such things, was telling the policeman, "A moment more and she would have been dead." These were words she recalled telling the policeman, herself, many, many times. Within the words pride in having saved a human life brimmed over.

When she realized her old body was exposed to view she hurriedly covered her front, but her heart seemed to burn with rage and shame. The policeman, with whom she was well acquainted, said, "It's too bad when you, who should be doing the rescuing, do this yourself." Unheeding, as if to escape, she dashed into her house. The policeman entered behind her, and reproved her misbehavior, but that was something which she had heard so many times that it made her sick of hearing. Then she suddenly realized that a great number of busybodies, headed by that 40-year-old man, were curiously peeping in the front door, which had been left open. Like a maniac she ran to it, and violently slammed the door.

SINCE then she lives lonely and dispirited. She has not even the strength to kill herself. It does not look as if the daughter will return. The dreary days stretch out like mud.

That long laundry pole still leans at her back door. But we no longer hear reports that the suicides jumping from that bridge are rescued.

DATeline . . . BETHLEHEM

So you only know what you read in the papers! Then you must surely know and have read the account by that inspired reporter St. Luke, heralding the "good news" of the birth of Christ. That's right. Luke was a saint and a reporter. Every year on the 25th of December, the New York DAILY NEWS and countless other newspapers throughout the country turn over their editorial pages to him. He wrote the account of the things that transpired on the First Christmas.

A good reporter, he names names and places. Here's a sample of his copy: "And Joseph also went from Galilee out of the town of Nazareth into Judea to the town of David, which is called Bethlehem . . . together with Mary his espoused wife, who was with child . . . and she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger." He quotes angelic witnesses: "This day is born to you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord, in the city of David." The simple shepherds in the field got the word. How they felt, what they said to each other and what they found is a matter of historical record. " . . . They feared with a great fear" . . . the shepherds said one to another: "Let us go over to Bethlehem and let us see this word that has come to pass . . . and they came with haste: and they found Mary and Joseph, and the infant lying in the manger."

Here we are in the twentieth century celebrating an event reported way back in the first half of the first century of the era that is dated after Him Whose day it is. If you are of those who know only what you read in the papers . . . you must know that CHRISTMAS IS HIS BIRTHDAY. And when you see the throngs crowding the shopping centers at Christmas time, you cannot but admire the influence of a tiny infant whose birth in a small rural place—Bethlehem—can cause traffic jams twenty centuries later!

Breakdown and analyze the descriptive phraseology of the Nativity accounts as reported in your local newspaper from the wires of the international press. Study the leads, note the captions, check the details. And don't forget the men behind the news. Not one of them claims divine inspiration. The majority of them are honest, reliable and trustworthy. They are trained

reporters with a job to do . . . to get the news . . . the facts, and report them objectively, with speed and accuracy, to you the reader. Prejudiced, distorted and erroneous reporting would not be tolerated by a press that claims integrity. No editor with a respect for truth would print such copy. Study the press releases from the Holy Land under the DATeline—BETHLEHEM. On the spot reporters give you up-to-the-minute reports during the Christmas season of the events that transpire. You may read leads like the following: "Birthplace of Redeemer's birth" . . . "Birthplace of the Prince of Peace" . . . "Pilgrims from many nations knelt before the manger in the Church of the Nativity tonight to celebrate the birth of Christ."

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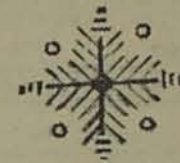
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1921
Sept. 27—Seattle Progressive Citizens League organized.
1923
May 5—Fresno American Loyalty League organized.

1929
Apr. 5-6—Seven chapters: San Francisco, Seattle, Stockton, Los Angeles, Placer County, Fresno and Brawley organize national Japanese American Citizens League in San Francisco.

1930
Aug. 29—First biennial National JACL Convention meets in Seattle.

1931
March—President Hoover signs Cable Act amendment, allows equal treatment of Oriental women with other women—citizens in U.S.

1932
July 27-29—Second biennial National JACL Convention meets in Los Angeles.

1934
Aug. 31-Sept. 3—Third biennial National JACL Convention in San Francisco; 20 out of 24 chapters represented. Organization establishes national council, election of national president and cabinet on two-year basis.

1935
June 25—President Roosevelt signs naturalization bill for World War I veterans of Oriental ancestry.

1936
Sept. 4-7—Fourth biennial National JACL Convention in Seattle; oppose California anti-alien land and corporation laws, established \$100,000 Endowment Fund.

1937
June 21—JACL incorporates under California law.—Material support given to aid campaign for Hawaiian statehood; JACL units organized in Utah, Idaho and Colorado.

1938
Aug. 28-Sept. 5—Fifth biennial National JACL Convention in Los Angeles, 42 chapters organized; naturalization for Issei first sought by JACL.

1939
Dec. 2 — Intermountain District Council organized at Idaho Falls with five chapters represented.

1940
Aug. 28-Sept. 2—Sixth biennial National Convention in Portland, 43 out of 50 chapters present. First resolution in favor of FEPC and in protest to racial discrimination in armed services and political organizations passed by JACL.

1941
May—"Japanese American Creed" by Mike Masaoka placed in Congressional Record by Sen. Elbert Thomas of Utah.

Sept. 1—JACL appoints Mike Masaoka as national secretary, first full-time paid staff personnel.

October—JACL sends Togo Tanaka of Los Angeles to testify before House Immigration Committee, Washington, D.C., on dual citizenship bill and stress Nisei loyalty to U.S.

Dec. 7 — Pearl Harbor bombed. JACL Headquarters in San Francisco on 24 hour service day to assist all persons of Japanese ancestry; pledge unequivocal repudiation of Japan.

1942
January—JACL protests reclassification of Nisei to 4-C (enemy alien category) by Selective Service, Chap-

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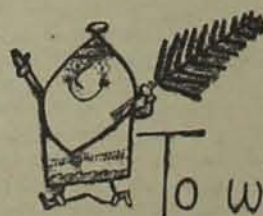
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East Los Angeles JACL embarks on 11th Year

Embarking upon its 11th year, the East Los Angeles JACL chapter was led by the 1959 cabinet and board sworn in at the joint installation dance of the Los Angeles JACL Coordinating Council.

The cabinet was headed by Roy Yamadera, who has now completed 2½ terms as president, assisted by Frank Okamoto, 1st v.p.; Mas Hayashi, 2nd v.p.; Rose Shinmoto, 3rd v.p.; Mikie Hamada, treas.; Dorothy Katano, cor. sec.; Doris Kakumitsu, rec. sec.; Jim Higashi, auditor; Hiro Omura, pub. chmn.; Shiz Miya, hist.; and Ritsuko Kawakami, 1000 Club chmn.

The 1959 Board of Governors included Sam Furuta, Mable Yoshizaki, Cy Yuguchi, Akira Hasegawa, Ken Utsunomiya, Anson Fujioka, Mrs. Mary Mittwer, Henry Onodera, Choyei Kondo and George Watanabe. The Mimeo Memo was edited by Roy Yamadera with the assistance of Linda Ito and Frank Okamoto.

Representatives on PSWDC committees were Sam Furuta, International Relations, Jim Higashi, legal-legislative; and Hiro Omura, youth. Roy Yamadera was elected for a two-year term on the PSWDC Executive Board at the convention in May at Long Beach.

Yamadera received the Sapphire Pin from National Director Mas Satow at the PSWDC Chapter Clinic held in San Diego in February. Roy also served as the chairman of the LA JACL Coordinating Council, served as co-chairman of the 13th annual National JACL Bowling Tournament in March at the Holiday Bowl and since East LA was in charge of the Awards dinner-dance at the Statler Hilton, many members were kept busy from the middle of 1958 to the final days of the Tournament. Each of the Coordinating Council chapters received over three hundred

dollars as their share of the net profits.

Youth Program

As a part of the chapter youth program under coordinator Hiro Omura, five high school students were sent to the annual HiCo conference in San Bernardino the early part of this year. Four young people were also sponsored to the PSWDC two-day convention in Long Beach in May. During the Thanksgiving holidays, the chapter sponsored for the second straight year the Maryknoll Boys' basketball team in the Long Beach Invitational Tournament. The chapter also provided chaperones for the many Teen Age dances held at the International Institute throughout the year.

In April the chapter membership drive was culminated under chairman Mas Hayashi with a dinner-dance in a New Chinatown restaurant. On Easter morning our annual Easter Egg hunt for the kiddies was held at Belvedere Park. This year's Egg hunt was ably handled by Board member Mable Yoshizaki who obtained eggs from McDaniel's and Von's markets in the Bella Vista area. Over 100 kiddies participated and had a wonderful time.

In June the annual Family Picnic was managed by the Board at Belvedere Park where many former members came out to meet the new and had a good time with plenty of food and games. In July the chapter participated in the Nisei Week Festival. We were fortunate to have Rose Matsui, a UCLA student and daughter of chapter member Roy Matsui, reign as Miss East LA this year. She was introduced at the fifth annual Emerald Ball at Old Dixie. All of the many responsibilities that go with entertaining a candidate in the Nisei Week Queen contest was capably handled by Mable Yoshizaki, who spent many hours tak-

ing Miss East LA all over the city. The cabinet feted Rose at a swimming party and a steak bake at Tom Ito's pool in Pasadena prior to Nisei Week.

Summer Activities

Also in July the annual deep sea fishing derby was held under this capable direction of veteran "Isaac Walton" Sam Furuta. Twenty-four hardy fishermen came home laden with bulging sacks of yellowtail, barracuda and bonita. The champion's trophy, donated again by Fred Kubota of Fred's Shoe Repair and Key Service won by Roy Yamadera last year, was taken by Bill Yamachika, former champion skindiver.

In August some 50 members had a bang-up beach party at Newport Dunes through arrangements of chapter social chairman Rose Shinmoto. In that month the ELA-ers also joined the Long Beach chapter at their Beachcomber's Barbecue at Royal Palms in San Pedro. Last year ELA hosted them at a luau at Kono Hawaii. September saw resumption of monthly general meetings and an outing at Crystal Lake.

The month of October was a busy one for East LA. The weekend of the 10th and 11th the chapter manned a teriyaki booth at the International Day of the International Institute. Forty chapter members headed by Sam Furuta, Hiro Omura and Frank Okamoto made and sold beef teriyaki and turned over \$331 to the Institute to be used in their many services for the ethnic groups in the community.

On October 22, through contacts made by program chairman Frank Okamoto and president Roy Yamadera, Inspector Noel A. McQuown of the LAPD spoke and exhibited a display of home made weapons which were taken from delinquent teenage gang

members. Sgt. Brown and Officer Broome of the Georgia St. Juvenile Division also spoke on the problem and a police film on delinquency was shown.

High Brow Act

At the annual Halloween dinner-dance at the swank Shangri La Restaurant in Pico Rivera, members and friends witnessed some high brow entertainment which included a brand new "first" in JACL circles. It was the debut of an act that should go a long ways and maybe stay there. It is hard to believe but the three top chapter officers performed the dying swan act, costumed in leotards and all, of the famous Tchaikowsky ballet Swan Lake.

This act was repeated at the PSWDC Luau put on by 1000 Clubbers Nov. 21 at Kono Hawaii. A large part of the success of this act is due to the hard work of Mable Yoshizaki, Mikie Hamada and Ritsuko Kawakami who combined in the costume, make-up and choreography departments. The act even has its own special announcer in the person of Sam Furuta.

On the night of Nov. 14, the fifth annual Issei Appreciation Program at Tenrikyo Hall was ably emceed by Jim Higashi, Issei residents of the community who look forward to this event enjoyed an evening of movies and live entertainment. Lucky holders of winning tickets won

various merchandise prizes.

Ladies of the chapter made sandwiches which added to the enjoyment of the guests during intermission. The program also included presentation of cash gifts to the three eldest men and women among the Issei. The committee headed by general chairman Roy Yamadera included Mable Yoshizaki and Ritsuko Kawakami, reception; Yamadera and Sam Furuta, donations; Frank Okamoto, Hiro Omura and Mas Hayashi, stage; Mikie Hamada, finance; Rose Shinmoto and Dorothy Katano, refreshments. Programs were printed and donated by Hide Katayama of Toyo Printing Company.

Early in the year, there is an old and new cabinet get-together. The 1958 and 1959 cabinet members had a good time this year at the Moulin Rouge.

On Dec. 5 East LA sponsored a Christmas Cheer benefit dance at Old Dixie featuring the music of Aaron Gonzales and his orchestra, a current rage of the Nisei dancing public. Net dance proceeds were turned over to the worthy project sponsored each year by chapters of the LA JACL Coordinating Council and headed this year by general chairman, Jim Higashi. The dance committee was headed by chairman Rose Shinmoto, assisted by Frank Okamoto, Hiro Omura, Shiz Miya, Mikie Hamada, Dorothy Katano, Bud Mukaye and Roy Yamadera.

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A Unique Role for a Unique State

Hawaii: Bridge to Asia

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

HONOLULU — The curtain is down on the first act of Hawaiian statehood but another act is about to open.

The victory celebration that started on that triumphant day when Congress passed the statehood bill March 12 is all over. All those who had a part in the victory have congratulated themselves on the outcome.

The shouting has died down; so have the speeches, the parades and the testimonials.

Now comes the sober appraisal—whither Hawaii? What role does Hawaii choose to play in the future?

There is not much doubt among Hawaii's people that the best is yet to come, that the future holds much more promise than the past.

The past has been eventful, filled with robust romance and plentiful progress, as the islands moved from a feudal kingdom, a constitutional monarchy, a republic, an American territory, to a sovereign state of the Union.

Bridge in Asia

People here are painting bright pictures of the future Hawaii—a booming tourist paradise, a still more prosperous economy, a mighty military bastion, and, above all, a "bridge to Asia."

Tourism is changing the face of Waikiki. Skyscraper hotels and large apartment buildings are lining the world-famous beach to accommodate the throngs of visitors arriving by ships and planes. Statehood has "sold" Hawaii to new millions of Americans.

With tourism has come new money for other sectors of the economy. A new oil refinery, a steel mill, and manufacturing plants of various kinds are rising rapidly.

Hawaii wants and needs diversification. Sugar and pineapple are still the basic props of the agricultural economy, but they are not expanding.

The military continues to be the largest spender, bringing more income to the state than sugar and pineapple combined.

More than anything else, statehood is pointing up the unique place of Hawaii as a meeting place of the East and the West—blending the cultures of the Orient, the Occident and Polynesia.

In recent months this specialized role has been talked about extensively. The islands are being referred to more and more as a "showcase of democracy," the "crossroads of the Pacific," the "gateway to Asia," and the "East-West bridge."

Years ago, a few forward-thinkers envisioned Hawaii in the role of a voice for America in speaking to the peoples of Asia. They foresaw the splendid opportunity for Hawaii to act as



Governor William F. Quinn, Hawaii's first elected Chief Executive, and his children watch troops march by in a parade to commemorate Hawaiian Statehood Nov. 27.

Parade in Honolulu was one of many events for the formal observance.

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Governor William F. Quinn, center, is assisted by Fred Ida and Dick Oguro in placing a wreath at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific in Honolulu. Ida is President of the 442nd Veterans Club and Oguro is Presi-

dent of Club 100 — Nisei veterans' groups. Ceremony on November 26 opened a four-day formal celebration of Hawaiian statehood.

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the "go-between" for the United States and the Asian and Pacific world.

Statehood Sets Stage

But the visionaries were ahead of their times; the circumstances were not right.

Now, the stage is being readied rapidly for Hawaii to carry out this dreamed-of mission. Statehood helped erase the image in some Asian minds that Hawaii was a "colony" doomed to this subservient status because of a population made up mostly of people of Asian descent.

With statehood has come the opportunity for Hawaii to send to Congress spokesmen of their own choice. In the first state election last summer, a Chinese-American, Hiram L. Fong, was chosen one of two U. S. Senators. A Nisei, Daniel K. Inouye, was elected Congressman.

Both have made goodwill tours of Asian countries, and both have made a tremendous impression abroad. They have studiously avoided being labeled as the spokesmen for Nationalist China or for Japan. They have stressed instead their role as American legislators from Hawaii who want to become better acquainted with Asian peoples in order to perform their official duties in Washington more effectively.

In the realm of people-to-people relations, Hawaii is building hopes for an International Center for "East-West interchange." It is a project with vast potentialities. It would epitomize all that has been said about Hawaii's unique and advantageous location in the East-West confluence.

It would translate volumes of words into a living monument to statehood.

The International Center

Basically, the proposed International Center would combine an International College and a technical training agency at the University of Hawaii. The College would draw Asians to Hawaii to study in an environment conducive to easy rapport with the local population.

It would offer high-quality academic work with the added attraction of having the visiting scholars live in a community where harmonious race relations is the accepted—and only—way of life.

The University of Hawaii already enrolls students from many lands, but the projected International College would bring together a larger student body of Asians with a program specially tailored to their needs.

The technical training portion of the proposed center would bring together at the University a wide assortment of government and private resources available to visitors. An agency already exists for this purpose—the In-

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Washington Newsletter

By MIKE MASAOKA

Farm Workers from Japan

TOKYO—Nisei Americans concerned with the alleged statements of returning Japanese farm workers after three years of supplemental agriculture work in California may be interested in the official views of the United States Embassy, which carefully investigated the situation.

These views are summarized by newspaper reporter W. B. Swim and carried as front-page news in the Asahi Evening News, Nov. 13.

U. S. Gives Views on Farm Contract Issues

The American Government, following thorough checks, believes that complaints voiced by returning Japanese farm workers do not imply a serious, over all damage to the program under which they are sent to work in the United States, or a serious criticism of it.

This was the strongest impression gained in a lengthy interview with Ernesto D. Marques, officer in charge of the U. S. Immigration and Naturalization Service in Japan, which helps run the program.

American officials have completed a thorough check of the attitude of young farmers who have returned to Japan after finishing their three-year contracts and have made frequent visits to the farms where they were working in the United States.

After explaining the background of the program under which young Japanese farmers are sent to work on California farms for three years, Mr. Marques stated that he is firmly convinced that it is not only giving a welcome opportunity to 1,000 farm workers here each year but also winning friends for the United States.

Some controversy arose recently when the first two groups completed their three-year contracts and returned to Japan. Press interviews indicated that conditions for them had not been perfect and that they had some complaints about the treatment they received in the United States.

Mr. Marques readily admitted that this group, having been the first under the program, had

the disadvantage of being "pioneers."

Most, if not all, of the adverse conditions which sparked their complaints were corrected years ago, he stated.

Immigration officials visit all the Japanese contract workers frequently to inspect their living and work conditions on the spot in California, he explained.

The Japanese workers are afforded an opportunity to voice any complaints and Immigration Service officers see to it that employers live up to all conditions of the contract under which the Japanese are hired.

In addition, Immigration Service personnel aid the Japanese Council for Supplementary Agricultural Workers in briefing young farmers here when they are selected to go to the United States. The Immigration Service pre-examines them at the time they receive visas from the State Department.

A movie showing members of the first group on the job in California has been made and is used to show the men what living and working conditions will be like before they leave Japan.

More recently an Immigration Service officer, who speaks and reads Japanese well, has made extensive personal checks of farmers in the first group who have returned to their homes. Interviews reported in local newspapers concerning their experiences have been collected and translated. These stories reveal that the young men appreciate the chance they had and believe

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Sugimoto leads Monterey through banner year

MONTEREY — Aki Sugimoto, 1959 Monterey JACL president, kept things well in orbit as he led the local chapter to another "banner" year of activities.

The kickoff was the annual New Year's Eve dance at the fabulous San Carlos Hotel Pacific Room. Here 255 celebrants from the peninsula area, together with their relatives home for the holidays, kicked off 1958 and welcomed in 1959 in fine style, leaving many with a heavy hang-over to be long remembered.

As this article is being written—again the chatter and small talk are about the preparations and planning of the 1960 affair. Renewal of old acquaintances will be on the agenda, highlighted by fun, dancing and merry making.

January and February of 1959 were busily spent installing new officers at a dinner at the Casa Munras, recruiting new members and renewing the old.

The Sugimoto administration was out to beat the previous year's membership mark and by the end of February and the conclusion of the drive—this had been done.

March was a quiet month with everyone concentrating on their individual income tax reports and getting ready for the spring festivities. April brought the Spring Potluck with 250 adults and children overflowing the local hall. Delicious foods prepared by excellent chefs were presented and the evening's entertainment was concluded with games for many happy winners.

Youth Movement

In May, the local chapter reacted to the National JACL youth movement and in conjunction with that program, plans were made and carried out to send a youth delegation to Oakland for the second quarterly district council meeting.

With spring came the sound of play ball, so here again the local chapter sponsored the junior baseball program instituted for the purpose of preparing the youngsters for Little League play. It was quite an instructive program with all the former Minato stars reappearing on the diamond to teach the youngsters.

The month of June brought graduations for the young ones and for the members of the local auxiliary it was the first flower arranging class. It also brought home the news that this chap-

ter would be host to the third quarterly meeting in August.

July brought anxiety and anticipation as the locals prepared to host the August DC meeting. President Sugimoto opened his home to the DC board members as they met prior to the meeting for preparation of the agenda. Monterey Peninsula's Miss JACL, Miss Emi Sanda was the official hostess for the board dinner which followed. Many committees worked hard preparing for the 250 delegates and boosters who arrived for the two day affair on Aug. 8 and 9.

Miss JACL 1960 was judged and crowned on Saturday night, Aug. 8, with the meeting and banquet held on Sunday. The DC meeting was a great success as Monterey received a record turnout.

Miss Linda Yatabe of San Francisco was crowned Miss JACL of 1960. Some 400 delegates, well wishers, friends of the eight young queen contestants were on hand to witness

the candlelight ceremony, with Disk Jockey and Jazz Authority Jimmy Lyons doing the M.C. honors.

With 150 delegates present, the ensuing meeting at the Casa Munras proved to be quite fruitful.

Climaxing the two days was the banquet. The guest speaker for the evening was National JACL resident Shig Wakamatsu.

In August too, the annual trek to Big Sur took place with barbecue chicken on the menu. Although dampened by rain for the first time, luckily, the lunch had been consumed. Whew! Busy August was finally over.

Vacation Days End

September brought back to school days with moans and groans from the young ones. For the chapter it meant a junior basketball clinic for young boys and for the rest it meant that vacation was over.

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Very Active Year Nears Finale

Monterey Peninsula Auxiliary anticipates Christmas luncheon

MONTEREY — A very active year is nearing its climax for members of the Monterey Peninsula JACL Auxiliary, with traditional holiday season parties—a Christmas luncheon at the exotic Outriggers Restaurant on famous Cannery Row and helping the Monterey Peninsula JACL with refreshments at the New Year's Eve dance.

At the 1959 helm was Nobuko Takigawa, president. Assisting her were Sachi Oka, v.p.; Yoshiko Miyamoto, sec.; Dorothy Suzuki, treas.; Chizu Sanda, hist.; and Jean Esaki, Sunshine Girl.

During the year, Mrs. Oka provided much of the refreshments served during the monthly chapter board meetings. What board meeting could finish without refreshments? And credit must be given to our president for her efficient manner in handling the various projects and problems that faced the Auxiliary.

Review of 1959
In February the first meeting

of 1959 was held. The art of Japanese flower arrangement was demonstrated by Mrs. Thomas Tanimoto and classes were arranged for the members who were interested in learning this art. Chairman for the meeting and the subsequent lessons was Ruby Tabata.

Also during this month under the leadership of Yoshi Esaki, the Auxiliary assisted local Red Cross in their annual drive for funds.

The April potluck dinner for the chapter was co-chaired by Takeko Enokida and Meiko Yoshida, assisted by Fumi Menda, Esther Higashi, Mitsuye Kanaya and Kiyoko Kadani. The tables were decorated by Joanne Nishi and Kaye Tanaka.

This year's annual Mother's Day luncheon was held at Rancho Del Monte in Carmel Valley. Ida Shintani took care of the arrangements and decoration.

The Auxiliary, represented by Fudge Kodama and Viola Uyeda, worked together with the VFW Auxiliary in the purchase and wrapping of the prizes for the

June community picnic games. Also, during the month of June, the flower arrangement class displayed the results of their newly acquired skill.

Saving Eggshells

July found the members saving eggshells for cascarones, filling and decorating them for the Coronation Ball in August. The board members with the able assistance of Grace Yokagawa and Mabel Sugimoto served a salmon dinner to the directors of the Northern California District Council, who met in Monterey.

August was a busy month for the Auxiliary. Although, many worked hard before and during the District Council meeting, special commendation must be given to Nancy Nakajima and Viola Uyeda for the beautiful ballroom decorations. The "spread" for the ball by Ruby Tabata and committee members Cedar Tabata, Mamie Honda, Mabel Sugimoto, Grace Yoko-

gawa, Sachi Oka and Meiko Yoshida; Anita Higashi, Elsie Katahira, Takeko Enokida for the cascarones; Fudge Kodama, who was responsible for the young girls who participated in the impressive candlelight coronation ceremony; Junko Watanabe and Machi Yokota, aided by "juniors" Bertie Tabata and Sharon Ninomiya, took care of the registration desk.

For the annual barbecue at Big Sur, Jean Esaki and Reiko Miyamoto were in charge of the food preparation.

Members enjoyed a garden tour in September. Responsibility of the tour was in the capable hands of Evelyn Ogawa and her committee of Grace Yokogawa, Ida Shintani, Cedar Tabata, Fudge Kodama and Margaret Sato. The artistic programs were made by Nobuko Takigawa.

Japanese Etiquette

Under the sponsorship of the Auxiliary, classes were begun in October for those interested in Japanese etiquette.

The November potluck dinner was co-chaired by Emma Sato and Oskey Miyamoto. Serving on the committee were Harkie Honda, Sakae Gota, Lily Kageyama, Lily Uyeda, Hiroko Manaka and Fumi Kodani.

Banner Year

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the lull and the quiet. Preparations were made for the jaunt to Reno as the members try to decide how they would make the journey.

The fall potluck was a diners' delight as casseroles of many varieties were offered to another full house. Three Thanksgiving turkeys were given away. The entertainment for the evening was the showing of "Go for Broke," which was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

On Nov. 6, 31 members of the San Benito-Salinas-Monterey JACL chapters enplaned for the overnight trip to Reno and the third quarterly meeting. What a trip and some meeting it was, as we surveyed our meager belongings on our return. The casualties were many stiff arms, blood shot eyes and empty pocket books.

President Sugimoto looks back on 11 long months and sighs in relief as he sees the end of his reign on Dec. 31.

Already the ballots are made to select the 1960 board members, with campaigns in progress to boost their favorites for the vacant presidential seat.

It has been a busy year for all of us. As we write this to meet the Pacific Citizen deadline, we wish you, one and all, a happy holiday and the best to come in the year of 1960.

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SACRAMENTO IN SIXTY

By Shig Sakamoto

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

The Sacramento JACL chapter, members of the 1960 National JACL Convention Board, and friends in Sacramento extend to readers of the Pacific Citizen a very MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR.

With the passing of the holiday season, 1960 approaches us and that means host city Sacramento's 1960 National JACL Convention is just around the corner. Have you made your plans yet? If not, do so right away and remember, consider the family vacation plan.

Convention dates are Tuesday, June 28-July 2, Saturday. This means five days of entertainment, business meetings, outings, banquets, sporting events, dances and, of course, meeting old friends and new. The time of your life is in store for you. There's no better way to spend your vacation with your entire family enjoying the same privileges.

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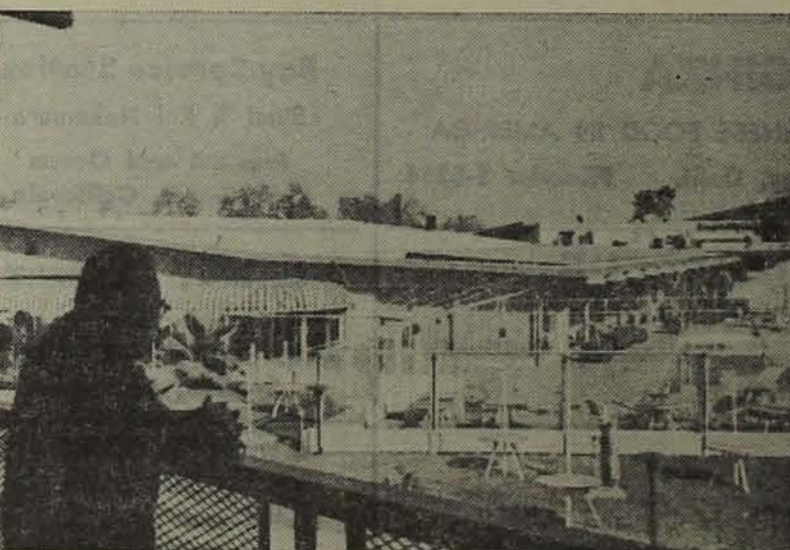
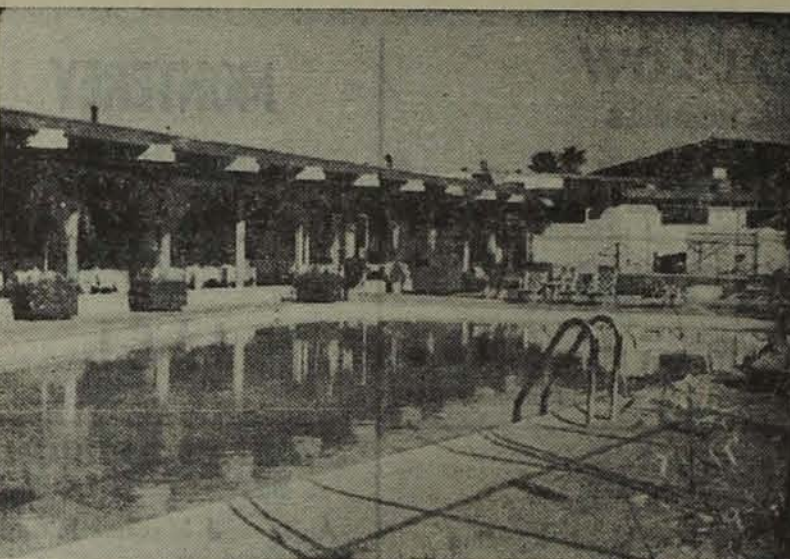
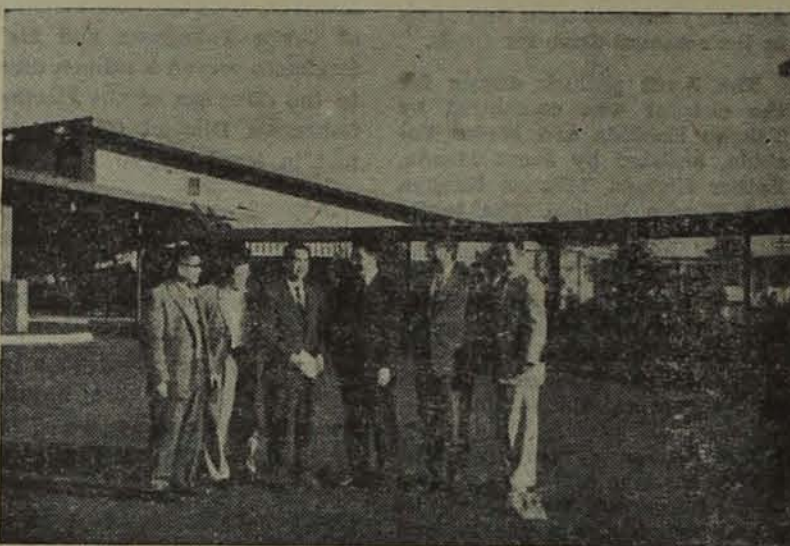
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1960 Convention Site



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IDENTIFICATION OF PICTURES

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1. Partial front view of Hotel El Dorado, site of 1960 National JACL Convention.
2. Partial view of main entrance to Hotel El Dorado. Left to right: Kay Hamatani; Toko Fujii; Mas Satow; Shig Wakamatsu, Richard Matsumoto, Sacramento JACL President; and Sterling Sakamoto.
3. Hotel El Dorado swimming pool facing room.
4. Partial view of inner court of Hotel El Dorado. Dr. George Takahashi to left.
5. Hotel El Dorado. Partial view of one of several dining rooms.

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Cortez JACL Goodwill with Public High

By Irene Yamamoto

BALLICO.—The good spirit of the officers and members of the Cortez Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League has prompted the utmost abilities of all and thus this organization has been successful in serving its community well through the years.

Anxious to continue the good will of the chapter in the community, a joint meeting of the new and old cabinet members started off the new year. Heading this new cabinet was Frank Yoshida, president, assisted by Harry Kajioka, v.p.; Helen Yuge, rec. sec.; Alice Taniguchi, cor. sec.; Sab Okamura, treas.; Lucille Kumimoto, Edith Yotsuya, social; Irene Yamamoto, hist.

Susie Asai, Mark Kamiya, Young Peoples Club adv.; Ernest Yoshida, Boy Scouts; Al Morimoto, Ballico Recreation Commission; Nogi Kajioka, 1000 Club chmn.

Again the chapter allocated parts of the annual Fishing Derby proceeds to various service organizations locally.

The chapter took the initiative in the following drives: Polio, Red Cross, Cancer, Boy Scouts, as well as its own membership. The chapter also assisted in the non-citizen Iseei with their alien registration in January.

Highlighting the month of January was the installation dinner in the Carriage Room of the El Patio Restaurant in Modesto.

Jack Noda of Turlock, past national 2nd v.p. was the installing officer. Mr. Muench, sociology professor at Modesto Junior College, was the guest speaker.

Because of his long-time and rewarding association with the Nisei in California, Muench chose to tell of "My Nisei Conversion." He told of his many experiences with the Japanese. The trials of the evacuation following Pearl (Continued on Page 20)

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1. Conference in Executive Room with President and Executive Secretary National JACL: (Left to right) Bill Matsumoto, convention chairman; President Wakamatsu; Sterling Sakamoto, publicity chairman; Dr. George Takahashi, assistant chairman; George Tambara, committeeman; Richard Matsumoto, Sacramento JACL President; Kenji Mizutani, committeeman; Percy Masaki, committeeman; Mrs. Gladys Masaki, committeewoman; Norine Ishikawa (hidden), committeewoman; James Kubo, committeeman; Kay Hamatani, committeeman; Executive Secretary Satow; and Toko Fujii, assistant chairman.

2. Partial view of main lobby of Hotel El Dorado.

3. Partial view of main banquet room facing stage, Hotel El Dorado.

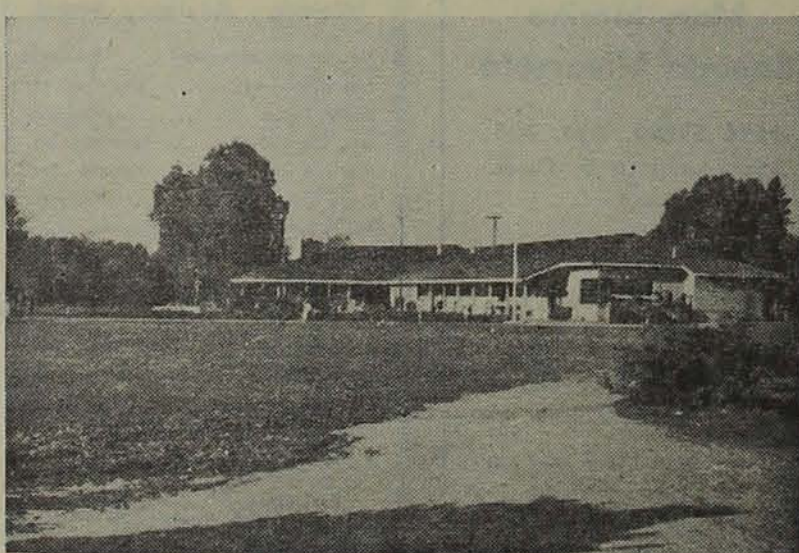
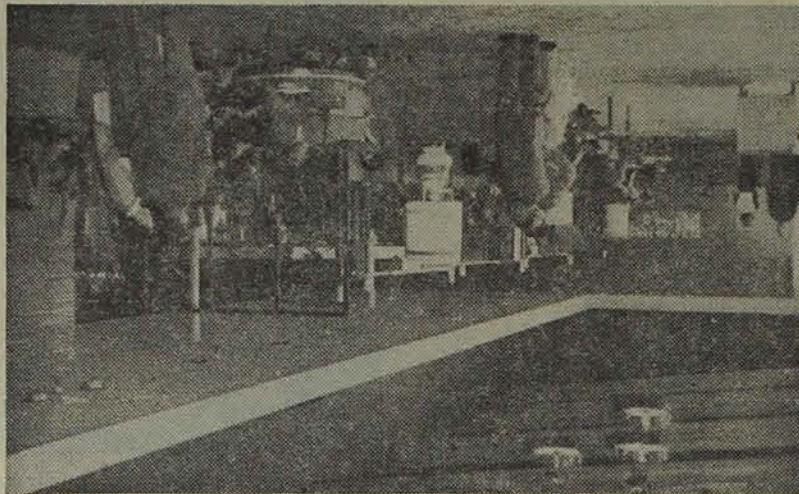
Left to right: Executive Secretary Satow, Richard Matsumoto, President Wakamatsu, Sterling Sakamoto, and Bill Matsumoto.

4. Clubhouse of Haggins Oaks. 18 plus 9 golf course located within five minutes drive from Convention site.

Two day tournament will be played at Haggins Oaks and Bing Maloney Golf Courses. Bing Maloney Golf Course has 18 holes and is located within 15 minutes drive from Hotel El Dorado in South Sacramento.

5. New additions to Hotel El Dorado.

Busy Sacramentans



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SACRAMENTO IN SIXTY

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BUSINESS, GOVERNMENT CENTER—Sacramento is headquarters for California's government and scores of federal agencies; McClellan Air Force Base and other major military establishments are also situated here. It is the commerce center for Sacramento Valley and the processing area for the agricultural, mineral and lumber products.

MOUNTAINS—Within two hours' easy driving are the breath-taking Sierra Nevada mountains, world famous Lake Tahoe, Donner Lake and hundreds of other fun and vacation spots beckoning those who love the outdoors. Whether its summer play or winter sports, the Sierras offer limitless facilities.

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THE SACRAMENTO STORY

Sacramento's richly storied past is in itself an important chapter in American history. Captain John A. Sutter chose the Sacramento area to establish a colony for his countrymen from Switzerland. The year—1839.

Sutter's Fort, built between 1839 and 1844, stands today as one of America's most fascinating historical attractions. The discovery of gold on January 24, 1848 in Coloma, which is close to Placerville, El Dorado County, quickly brought evil days to Sutter and his fort.

Sutter's son, who had been deeded the family property near the Embarcadero, laid out a town . . . calling it Sacramento City. This was April, 1849. Sacramento became California's permanent Capitol in 1854 and by 1869 the State Government moved into its new Capitol Building. The construction of the Central Pacific Railroad (now Southern Pacific) over the Sierras (1863-69) was completed only after Sacramento's "Big Four"—Charles Crocker, Callis P. Huntington, Leland Stanford and Mark Hopkins—secured the much-needed financing. Since that time Sacramento has climbed steadily until today it ranks as one of the nation's fastest-growing communities.

MAJOR POINTS OF INTEREST

State Capitol, Governor's Mansion, Sutter's Fort, Crocker Art Gallery, California Junior Museum, California State Fair, William Land Park, Memorial Auditorium, Indian Museum, Pony Express Building, Stanford-Lathrop Home, Huntington Locomotive and Saddle Rock Restaurant are some of the many fine points of interest to visitors to our fair city. In recreational facilities, 10 bowling alleys, seven golf courses, six public swimming pools, riding academy, ice skating and roller skating, baseball park (Sacramento Solons of the Pacific Coast League) many theatres and zoo are available.

All this, is Sacramento. Sacramento provides: HISTORY, CLIMATE, RECREATION, TOURS, EDUCATION AND INDUSTRY. All this when you visit our town during the National JACL Convention. This is all planned for you, your family and friends as part of the family vacation plan.

CLIMATE

The Convention dates, June 28-July 2, come inside the peak summer season for Sacramento. Although the area admittedly has a number of warm summer days, the evenings are always cool and it boasts one of the lowest humidity ratios among other major cities in the nation.

Surrounded by the Coastal Range on the west, the Sierra Nevada on the east, the Siskiyou Mountains on the North and Tehachapi Range on the south, the Sacramento Valley enjoys year-round mildness and abundance of sunshine. Summers are dry, with warm days and pleasant nights, while the so-called rainy season during winter months is usually accompanied with moderate temperatures.

Even the rainy season is not that damp. During the three winter months, when half the year's total rainfall occurs, each month averages only 10 rainy days.

Prevailing winds in Sacramento are southerly throughout the year, flowing from the ocean over the Coast Range at the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta and receiving a southerly deflection off the Sierra Nevada Range.

Contributing to Sacramento's "livability" during the summer months is an extremely low humidity. The average winter has but eight days when the thermometer descends to the freezing point. In an average year, there are 230 days of clear weather and 72 days that are partly cloudy. Thunder is heard in Sacramento perhaps four times a year, and snow is virtually unknown here. Heavy fog occurs, on the average, 19 days per year, and then mainly during the early morning hours.

By any standards, Sacramento is a pleasant place to

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Linda Yatabe

No JACLER is going to mind being subject to
Her Royal Highness, Queen Linda

By MIYUKI KOBAYASHI

Linda Yatabe, National JACL queen, is an uncommonly attractive girl.

Personally, I think she is beautiful, but she and her family were so disturbed about my using that word, I had to change the opening sentence so they would stay on speaking terms with me.

Linda is tall (5' 5½"), slim (118 pounds), graceful, with a magnificent carriage that can only be described as regal.

She is young (18), intelligent, a high freshman at the University of California.

What kind of girl is Queen Linda? I'll tell you what she is not. She is not vain in the least, seems quite unaware of her good looks. She was, in fact, somewhat taken aback when the San Francisco JACL Queen Contest Committee approached her about being a candidate for the local crown. She hesitated, she was coaxed, she finally agreed. She entered the competition, and emerged victorious; went to the Monterey District Council meeting as San Francisco's choice, and there walked away with the national title.

Linda is completely natural, puts on no airs, has a nice, easy manner. This may come from her mother (the former Miyo Kinoshita) who has the same unaffected poise. Linda's father is Jim Yatabe (cousin to Dr. Thomas Yatabe), a pleasant, retiring sort, owner of a cleaning establishment in the Sunset District. The rest of the family is made up of Philip, a frightfully bright thirteen-year-old, and Peggy, 11, who vaguely resembles her lovely sister.

Having duly made an appointment, I visited Linda in her comfortable home at 362 27th Avenue. The appointment was particularly necessary in view of the fact that she is at home only once or twice a month; she lives in Berkeley at Ritter Hall, a co-op residence, with 36 other girls, nine of them Japanese, four Chinese. Revealing my unabashed ignorance about co-ops, I requested enlightenment.

"In a co-op," Linda explained, "each girl has a specific duty to perform, putting in five hours a week. Mine happens to be the dinner dishes. Last semester I had breakfast dishes. Some do the dusting, the cleaning, serving, etc. There are three floors at Ritter. I share my room with two other girls. Some share with three others. Each term you are allowed to select your roommates, and, as you get more seniority, you can eventually have just one."

I asked her about her classes, what did she major in, what was her goal.

"I want to be a physical ed teacher," she said simply. "I'm majoring in P. E."

I gave her what I considered a scrutinizing look. "No!" I declared, registering disbelief. "You just don't look the type."

"Because we expect physical education instructors to be big, brawny, faintly masculine types, don't ask me why, and you certainly are the farthest removed from that of anyone. You look as though you would be a model, or a movie star, something on the glamorous side, anyway."

She laughed. "Well, I have no interest at all in those things though I enjoyed modeling in the Auxiliary fashion show. I like sports, I like the outdoors. My favorite hobbies are swimming, horseback riding, playing basketball."

"What about dancing?"

"Oh, of course, I love to dance. Especially jitterbug."

"To get back to your courses now, what do you take?"

"Physiology, psychology, English, Art 10—that's art appreciation—soccer and hockey."

"What about dates?" I inquired. "You limit them to weekends, I imagine."

"That's right," she agreed.

"You, no doubt, have hordes of admirers. Is there anyone in particular?" Maybe I was getting too personal. I changed the question to, "What are your views on going steady?"

"I don't believe in it," she stated firmly. "While you are young, you should try to meet as many people as you can instead of limiting yourself to just one person."

I couldn't quarrel with that.

I wondered if she might have a pet peeve, so I asked her.

"Oh, I do," she answered quickly. "Slouchers."

"Slouchers?"

"You know, people who slouch. A lot of people tend to if they think they're too tall. I used to slouch myself. But I decided it didn't look good, so ever since, I've tried to carry myself as tall as possible."

She was sitting besides me, and was sitting beautifully erect, making me feel like a crumpled rag. I sneakily straightened up a little.

"Let's go back to the day you were born," I suggested. "Where? When?"

"San Francisco. May 16, 1941."

"Do you have any special chums? People you grew up with or something?"

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MISS LINDA YATABE
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By THOMAS TOYAMA

FOWLER.—Except for the hot summer months of July, August and September when most of the members are engaged in fruit and grape harvesting, the Fowler JACL this year offered service to the community and membership each month.

The chapter was headed by George Teraoka, president; assisted by Kazuo Hiyama, 1st v. p. (pres.-elect), Tom Mayebo, 2nd v. p.; Tak Ideta, cor. sec.; Joe Yokomi, rec. sec.; Jitsuo Otani, treas.; Tom Shirakawa, ath. mgr.; Frank Sakohira, del.; Harley Nakamura, alt. del.; Thomas Toyama, pub.

On the board of governors were George Shimoda, Tiyo Yoshimura (City of Fowler representatives); Seiichi Kageura, Takeo Fujikawa (Southwest); Roy Kato, Chuck Ideta (Southeast); Tak Sugimoto, Bill Hashimoto (Northwest); Roy Yosako, Frank Kimura (Northeast); Kay Taniguchi and Larry Ashida (Iowa District).

The chapter opened the year assisting aliens file their annual address reports in January.

Jitsuo Otani was head of the 1959 membership drive that began in February. To help meet local and national fund quotas, a movie benefit was sponsored during the month with Tom Horii in charge.

March Dinner Meeting

Mrs. Nina B. Martin of the Fresno Better Business Bureau was guest speaker at the March dinner meeting at Bruces Lodge, where 40 members were in attendance.

The chapter-sponsored community picnic in April was held at Burris Park. Tom Mayebo was picnic chairman.

Fowler High graduates were honored in May. Joyce Okamura, now attending Fresno State College, won the 1959 Fowler JACL scholarship, which is open to all students of Fowler High.

Sports were the main interests in June with four youths participating under chapter colors at the San Francisco JACL Nisei Olympics. They were shotput and discus man Tom Sano, 50-100 yard sprinter Shigeru Tokubo, and two 660-yard runners George Sakamoto and Tad Nakamura. The chapter placed second in the Central California District Council softball league, ostensibly for men 30 years and up. Tom Shirakawa was team manager. George Tanaka and Masao Sakoda shared mound duties with Bill Hashimoto and Kazuo Namba catching. On the bases were Tom Shirakawa, 1st; Meso Nakamura, 2nd; George Yamamoto, 3rd. Roy Kato was shortstop; Dick Iwamoto, roving short. In the outfield were Mikio Uchiyama, Setsu Kikuta, Joe Yoshimura. Forming the bench strength were Tiyo Yamaguchi, George Miyasaki, Thomas Toyama, Frank Kawano, Tom Nagata and Hideo Kikuta, all outfielders.

Protest Use of 'Jap'

When the local newspaper used the term "Jap" in an October story, the chapter protested. The paper publicly apologized, pointing out no derogatory intent was present and added that it would not knowingly distress community feelings, let alone two of its Nisei employees on the staff.

The annual Fowler Ball Festival in November found the chapter participating in the parade with a decorated car designed by George Shimoda and Kay Hiyama. Two past presidents Tom Shirakawa and Mikio Uchiyama, incumbent president George Teraoka, and Kazuo Hiyama, president-elect, rode in the car with Janice Takahashi, "Miss Fowler JACL." Irene Hiyama wearing

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Relaxing at home with her parents is 1960 JACL Convention Queen Linda Yatabe sitting between Mr. and Mrs. Jim Yatabe and her younger sister.

Her Royal Highness

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Her eyes lighted up. She has eyes that don't need lighting up, they're so bright anyway, with such nice, curly lashes.

"My best friends are Jean Baba and Florence Maki, both sophomores at City College. Then there's my cousin, Kay T. Takahashi, who's a junior at Cal. She stays at Ritter, too. And Louise Okubo who goes to Heald's College."

"What schools did you attend?"

"Raphael Weill grammar school and George Washington high school. Did you know—" she radiated enthusiasm, "Johnny Mathis is a graduate of George Washington. When I was a low senior, he came back and sang at a special assembly for us."

I asked her if he were her favorite vocalist.

"I like him very much," she replied, "but I like Nat 'King' Cole a lot, too."

I discovered that she also likes, in addition to the people and the hobbies already mentioned, the following: pizza, Jackie Gleason, Errol Garner, the color blue, and sewing.

Linda is a definitely wholesome type, the kind any young man would be pleased to take home to mother. She was a Girl Scout until last year; is a member of the Pine Methodist Church where

she sings in the choir; she was president of the Jr. Methodist Youth Fellowship a few years ago.

She has traveled a bit in her short life. Among the places touched, some while she was still an infant: Pomona Assembly Center, Heart Mountain, Topaz (these were more or less unavoidable), Detroit, Tulsa, New York, Chicago. She has also been to Canada.

As I rose to leave, the clock on the wall caught my eye, mainly because it was one of those outsize pocket-watch affairs, with chain and all. My gaze traveled on to the three JACL trophies standing nearby.

"Well, it won't be long now," I murmured. "You'll be in the thick of fulfilling your role as National JACL queen."

She smiled, pensive. "I wonder exactly what all is involved."

I looked at her, so attractive in her simple flowered cotton blouse and lavender wool skirt. I could see her, gloriously majestic in a ball gown.

"You'll make out all right," I said.

How could she help it—that personality, that poise, that serene, regal beauty.

Youth will be served, and I have a feeling no JACLer is going to mind being a subject of Her Royal Highness Linda Yatabe.

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Service is Basic Reason for JACL Existence

Text of Speech given by PATRICK OKURA

Mt. Plains District Convention, Denver—Nov. 28, 1959

If you will recall, the principal speaker at our Mt. Plains District meeting last November was none other than your illustrious Toastmaster, Bill Hosokawa, recipient of the Nisei of the Biennium Award for 1957-58.

To be asked to follow in the footsteps of such a person is indeed a tremendous task and I feel extremely honored and elated to be here this evening.

It makes one feel especially grateful and rather humble when your own group, your own people who know your many weaknesses and short-comings, as well as a few of your strong points, showers such an honor and expresses their desire to hear you speak.

I am certain I express the sentiments of the other seven individuals who are also being honored this evening for their contributions, not only to their local group, to JACL, but to the community at large. I feel doubly honored when I realize that I was asked as a fellow recipient to speak for all those being honored tonight, and I accept this privilege with great humility.

Your Convention Committee has asked that I speak to you on the subject, "Nisei in Community Affairs," or the role of the Nisei in our ever expanding community.

THE blast that fell on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941 actually opened the doors of opportunity for service for many of us.

I recognize that many of my fellow colleagues in JACL will probably take issue with me on this point; however, I sincerely believe that the war, evacuation and the hardships we endured at that time was part of our destiny.

I also realize that hind-sight is much clearer than foresight, but when you look back and review our situation prior to 1942, there was very little opportunity for recognition, for status, for an opportunity to make use of our talents, actually for over-all acceptance which is fundamental and necessary if we are to be of service to our fellow-man.

We, the Nisei, because of the diligence, perseverance and high moral standards of our parents, were endowed with a sense of values and moral fortitude. We owe a great deal to our immigrant parents for our present day success.

In my personal life, I am certain that my very stern father and my warm understanding mother, as well as the encouragement of my own siblings, gave me the necessary ingredients to make me a worthwhile citizen. It was also my father's continuous drive and tremendous sense of community consciousness that instilled in me the desire to be of help to my fellow man and my community. Even to this day, he is still active in community functions in the Long Beach area and I was pleased to see the Long Beach Harbor District JACL honor him recently in their 10th and 20th Anniversary celebration.

I can't help but bring my loving and devoted wife, Lily, into the picture at this time, because without her support and mutual interest in community affairs, I could not have achieved whatever success I have attained. She is my severest critic, yet has the warmth and love to accept my faults and praise my virtues.

I feel that I would not be mistaken if I categorically stated that the other seven individuals who are being honored tonight could point to such specifics as far as their backgrounds are concerned.

THE matter of moral values, moral character, the sense of right or wrong is something I see every day in my work as Chief Probation Officer of the Juvenile Court in Omaha. I would be more correct to say the lack of these qualities as I handle 200-250 youngsters, both boys and girls every month in our Juvenile Court in Omaha. The juvenile delinquency records will bear me out that the Nisei were well trained, not only by precept,

but also by concept by our Issei parents.

Despite the handicaps of language and customs we were taught some basic moral values of respect, obedience and honesty. I wonder if the Nisei parents are doing as well by their children.

Aside from my parents and my wife, Lily, the one other person who has influenced my life, was the late Rt. Rev. Msgr. E. J. Flanagan, better known



K. Patrick Okura, principal speaker at 1959 Mountain-Plains JACL District Convention, addresses 250 people jammed at the Top of the Park, Park Lane Hotel, Denver, November 28.

throughout the world as Father Flanagan. After being "rescued" out of the Santa Anita Stables by this great humanitarian with an offer of employment for both Lily and me, we spent six wonderful years with this great man until his untimely death in 1948.

Before the WRA program was

inaugurated and in operation, Father Flanagan had a program of his own, helping evacuees out of the Assembly and Relocation Centers in 1942 and 1943. It was partly through his inspiration and encouragement that the Omaha Chapter was organized in 1947.

After Father Flanagan met Mike Masaoka and Masao Satow in 1947, he agreed to be our principal speaker at the 1948 National JACL Convention in Salt Lake City, but his death in May of 1948 in Berlin, Germany, wiped away an opportunity for our JACL membership at large to meet this wonderful Saint.

After 16 years of employment at a place, such as Boys Town, some of the philosophy of Father Flanagan and Boys Town can't help but rub off on you and shape your life and outlook on being of service to others.

The motto, "He ain't heavy Father, he's my brother," reflects the thinking of all of us who had the privilege of working with the late Father Flanagan. I am certain you would be interested in knowing that their were approximately 25 Nisei and Issei on the staff at Boys Town during the past 17 years.

IT is a psychological fact that the majority of us have a deep fundamental desire to be recognized and to be accepted and to achieve certain goals. The desire

to be recognized is as deep-rooted as the desire to survive. It is one of our basic human drives.

The majority of us become involved in community service in order to fulfill this basic need. This is all well and good, however, if this is primarily for our own selfish motive and nothing else, then it is quickly recognized for what it is and the community usually frowns on such endeavors and the individual begins to show

However, in the majority of instances, even if the initial thought was a personal one or for personal gain, as one becomes involved in various programs, or endeavors of community service, you begin to realize that giving of one's self to benefit others, is a truly satisfying experience and does something to you internally—then and only then can we say we are making a true contribution to our communities and to society at large.

If we can channel this basic drive and put it to proper use, we will have made a contribution to our fellow man.

The Nisei as a whole seem to be imbued with a greater drive than many other groups, so if our leaders can set the proper pattern and provide means and ways to harness this energy, we will have made a distinct contribution to the communities in which we reside.

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WE are all aware of the part that JACL has played in our lives and in our destiny. The JACL Story was so ably summed up by Congressman Walter Judd of Minnesota on the occasion of our 25th Anniversary of the founding of our National Organization when he stated,

"Seldom can the history of a people be identified with a single organization. But uniquely and unmistakably, the annals of persons of Japanese Ancestry on the United States mainland during their most crucial and tumultuous quarter century, when their destiny in this country was secured for all time to come, is the story of JACL. Indeed, had it not been for the JACL, with its skillful use of the tools of democracy, it is doubtful that those of Japanese ancestry on this land would enjoy the healthy and promising status that is theirs today as integrated and loyal Americans . . ."

Our program for the past two decades has been one of emphasis on our rights as citizens. The stress has been on our first motto of Security Through Unity.

Of all Americans, out of our experience with bigotry and prejudice, we have learned that our own rights were insecure as long as the rights of every other American are not secure.

Our past has been largely occupied with fighting to win for ourselves a place of acceptance in these United States.

Now that we have gained that security and attained that position of acceptance in all areas of endeavor, it is time that we took a good look on the other side of the coin and consider the responsibilities, obligations and duties that should go hand in hand with all the rights and liberties which we so dearly fought for and cherish.

It is only through fulfilling these responsibilities that we can fulfill our destiny as Better Americans in a Greater America which is our other motto in JACL.

Many of our Nisei are doing this very thing on an individual basis and are making worthwhile contributions to their own respective communities. On city, county and state and national levels, we find Nisei names making an indelible impression of the pages of history and winning many laurels in every field of human endeavor.

In every issue of the Pacific Citizen, week after week, we read of the increasing number of our fellow Nisei, both men and women, rendering a service beyond the call of their day to day duties, and winning for themselves as well as for all Niseis the respect of their fellow men.

I SINCERELY believe that service is the basic reason for our existence, both on a local chapter, as well as on the National level.

JACL must continue to serve our members, our fellow citizens, our communities and our Country.

Individual chapters should become more aware of the role they can play as an active community organization and become part and parcel of the fabric that make up our communities, whether large or small.

Because of the widespread distribution of our chapters, as well as the rural and urban location of our individual chapters, the 1960-70 Planning Commission will have their work cut out for them. However, since every District Council Chairman is a member of this Commission, I feel confident that the specific problems that are inherent in the makeup of our individual chap-

ters will not only be recognized, but given special consideration when the policies are finally formulated.

In the meantime, each chapter should give consideration in outlining their programs and goals for the coming year with a thought toward a community project, and/or active participation in a service for the benefit of all the citizens in the community.

I am quite confident that your respective communities are looking for leadership from your JACL leaders and members in all areas of community service. Local chapters can become part of a Community Council and assume their share of community responsibilities and obligations in all fields of service.

On an individuals basis, we can take an active, as well as a vocal part in organizations other than JACL, to help make each community a better place to live, for themselves, as well as for their children.

There is a crying need for lay board members for every known social service and character building agencies in every community. This is but one small area in which we can direct our time, talents and energies, and receive in return the warm feeling of having given of one's self for the benefit of many others.

I can't help but emphasize the tremendous potential that exists in our Nisei groups if they will only recognize the needs of others

and do something concrete about it. We are uniquely qualified in the field of service, whether it be social, educational, welfare or political.

Our experiences during the dark days following World War II made for character and maturity and assisted us to acquire the proper temperament to be leaders of men.

In our daily contacts in whatever business or profession we might be engaged in, we should do all within our power to carry the ideal of service to others. Carrying it to the community at large is of primary concern.

We will find our personal path

to peace, but more will be accomplished if we can convince other Niseis to travel with us. A significant part of the impact of JACL then, is the extent of its influence beyond the group itself.

IN closing, I would be amiss if I did not acknowledge during this Thanksgiving season our thanks to our Creator for the many blessings which we all enjoy in this land of abundance and above all for the people with all their goodness and understanding which so far outweigh their shortcomings, their envy, their deceptions. Thank God for life itself, without which the universe would have no meaning.

PROBLEM OF AGING

Challenge of Today

By GEORGE NAKAMURA

SSA Field Representative

Only within the last few years has the problem of the aging been brought into proper focus. People are becoming aware of the increasing number of middle-aged and older. In fact, there are almost 50 million men and women who have passed their 45th birthday. More than 15 million of these people are over the age of 65.

Since 1850, average life expectancy at birth has increased from 40 years to 70 years—thirty whole years. Technological advances in the midst of rapid industrial growth have shortened the work week from 70 to 40 hours since 1850. More people now have more free time than ever before. Those who retire can look forward to a dozen years when their time is wholly free. The era of working from childhood to death has passed. However, with this more free time the question presents itself as to whether these added years can be looked upon as meaningful, useful and enjoyable.

That is the challenge facing every community in our country.

Basic to the approach to this challenge is the conviction that these retired years can be, and should be, a truly rich experience. The traditional idea that old age is necessarily a period of progressive deterioration and dependency has less and less validity today. The great majority of men and women now alive should be given the opportunity to live as healthy, independent and useful members of our community.

For you as an individual or as a member of a group, aging and our approach to it offers an opportunity to be of genuine community service. And for all of us, it provides the best assurance that we, too, shall be able to make the most of our later years.

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Chapter feels its diversified program has 1960-70 appeal

SANTA ROSA—Articles containing some excellent thoughts have appeared in the Pacific Citizen regarding the future role of JACL chapters in the next decade.

Members of the Sonoma County Chapter feel that this challenging question has been answered specifically but partially by its diversified slate of activities presented during 1959.

The very successful conclusion of JACL's major legislative program formulated at the 1946 national convention justifies the continued existence of the Citizens League in its present national form. The Sonoma County membership is of the feeling that one can never foretell what the future may bring, and asserts the need remains for National JACL be ready to combat racial prejudice or discriminatory legislative practices that may arise.

At the chapter level, we feel the national organization should definitely remain in its present form and even not be made a part of the discussion of JACL's future in the next decade.

Focus on Chapter Work

We believe the focus as to JACL's aims and goals for the 1960-70 period should be on the chapter level.

Sonoma County members now feel it is time for chapters to stop hanging on the coat tails of our District and National organizations insofar as local program and activities are concerned. Therefore, we had planned a program of activities with the

widest appeal possible to the membership this year.

In setting forth objectives of this nature, one must bear in mind that chapter objectives may differ in kind depending upon the geographical location of the chapter.

Furthermore the nature of chapter activities depends upon the needs of its membership; the desires of the Japanese community and the general community itself.

A program outlined by the National Planning Commission may be successful in a metropolitan area but a complete failure for a chapter located in a rural area. We believe that all these factors must be considered by the commission in spelling out JACL's goals for the next ten years.

In a Rural Community

The Sonoma County Chapter for one is located in a rural community with its membership residing in four counties and is regarded as one of the two county-wide organizations for Japanese Americans in the region.

To prove our point as a chapter, the group began its membership campaign in early December of 1958 under the capable and experienced leadership of Edwin Ohki. Many local veteran JACL members said it was one of the earliest, shortest and most successful campaigns in the chapter's history. A total of 322 members was signed up in this most streamlined and systematic membership drive.

Major burden of this project

fell upon three vice presidents of the chapter: Lloyd Ellis, George Yokoyama and Martin Shimizu. Assisting them were the following committee members (many of whom have assumed this same task for over 10 years): Beth Yamaoka, Jim, George and Sam Miyano, George Kawaoka, Greg and George Hamamoto, Jim Murakami, Tak Kameoka, Pat Shimizu, Min Matsuda, Hiro Taniguchi, Johnny Hirooka, Ruyuo Uyeda, Charles Yamamoto, John Arishita, Tom Mukaida and Ed Ohki.

After the membership drive, the chapter turned its attention of time and effort to other objectives.

On the legislative front, the chapter directed communications to state and congressional representatives, urging passage on the state FEPC bill and statehood for Hawaii.

Assistance to Students

During 1959, the Sonoma County Chapter performed several community service projects in which considerable publicity was received in local publications. Formulated in late 1959, the chapter's first Pioneer Memorial Scholarship was offered to local high school seniors without restriction as to race, color or creed. First winner was a student of Japanese ancestry—William T. Akutagawa, now enrolled at Santa Rosa Junior College.

For the past several years, the chapter has been a member of the Adult American Friends

Service Committee, composed of 15 area organizations. The objective of this group is to raise funds each year for the foreign student exchange program, sponsored by the Analy High School World Affairs Club. Mrs. Pat Shimizu has most capably represented the chapter to this council for many years. While this project requires our financial support, we feel this program is worthwhile.

The third phase of our objectives, and by far perhaps the most vital to the existence of any chapter, was providing service to the membership and the Japanese community.

The chapter during the year established a chapter blood bank for its members. While this project is still in its infancy from all indications it will be a most successful endeavor. This project is under the guidance of a permanent committee composed of Mrs. Anne Ohki, chairman; assisted by Dr. Tets Fujii and Martin Shimizu.

Programs for Membership

The fourth objective was to provide activities for its membership.

First activities of 1959 was the annual and traditional potluck installation dinner at which time Edwin Ohki was installed as chapter president while Mrs. Florence Kawaoka and her staff of Women's Auxiliary officers were initiated. George LeBallister, who was named the outstanding citizen of Sebastopol,

performed the installation rituals of the 1959 officers.

The annual JACLer of the Year awards were presented to George Yokoyama and Tak Kameoka. The chapter community service award was won by George Okamoto. Each honoree was presented an engraved plaque from Frank Oda, retiring president. The year-round striped bass fishing award was won by K. Narahara. Entertainment by the Santa Rosa Boys Club Drill Team concluded the evening's festivities. This affair is eagerly awaited by the Issei and members as it provides an opportunity for everyone to get together for a social evening following the installation.

New Event: Crabfeed

Always on the lookout for a new event, the chapter next scheduled a crab feed on Friday, Feb. 20, with George Kawaoka and Jim Miyano in charge. Due to the storms prevalent at the time and the inability to obtain the crabs necessary for the affair, it was almost cancelled until chapter president Edwin Ohki came to the rescue by obtaining 300 lbs. of shellfish from a source still to this date unknown. Over 135 persons were in attendance at this dinner held at the local Memorial Hall.

The chapter next presented a benefit movie on March 20 at the local Hall with Tak Kameoka in charge. Proceeds from this fund raising affair were allotted for the chapter's first Pioneer Memorial Scholarship. The response from the community was overwhelming.

During these months members of the JACL bowling league traveled to various bowling tournaments held in the Bay area and Northern California.

On May 26 the judges of the Pioneer Memorial Scholarship met at the Green Mill Inn for dinner to select the first award winner. The panel of judges consisted of two members from the Sonoma County Superintendent of Education's office, Dr. Tets Fujii, Jim Murakami and Ed Ohki.

Four days later the chapter was represented at the Memorial Day services held at the Golden State National Cemetery with the San Francisco Nisei VFW and District Council chapters as joint sponsors.

Bowlers Support Chapter

For the bowling enthusiasts of the membership the annual awards dinner took place on June 13 at the Green Mill Inn. The Albers Milling foursome composed of Hank Kagawa, Lloyd Ellis, Martin Shimizu and

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George Kawaoka captured the title of the winter league and presentation of team and individual trophies were made. While bowling is the primary interest of these members their support of JACL and its program has been a tremendous assist to the chapter. Here again, as a necessary and vital part of the chapter program, the group has been given support in every way possible.

The next event staged by the chapter was the skating party to honor the graduates of this area at the Redwood Roller Palace, Santa Rosa, on June 15. Under the capable chairmanship

of Mrs. Florence Kawaoka, a large group of youngsters and even adults joined in the merriment.

With the approach of the summer months, there was no let-down of activities insofar as the chapter was concerned. The annual community picnic took place on Sunday, July 5 at Doran Park. A large crowd of 400 enjoyed the outing, which featured the usual activities and a free drawing for many prizes. The outing was planned by a committee headed by Ed Ohki and assisted by Martin Shimizu, Jim Miyano, Lloyd Ellis and the Women's Auxiliary.

The annual 1000 Club swimfest next took place on Sept. 5 at the Ives Memorial Pool with chapter 1000 Club chairman Frank Oda in charge. A large crowd attended this final summer event of the year.

Another benefit movie was held at the Local Memorial Hall with Tak Kameoka in charge. The proceeds applied toward the many chapter activities for the remainder of the year.

Striped Bass Derby

The following day a well planned bass fishing derby took place at Nelson's Fishing Resort in Napa. Over 140 fishing enthusiasts from the Bay Area and Northern California participated in the derby. George Hamamoto, in charge of this derby, was re-

sponsible for the initial deposit toward the chapter's scholarship fund for 1960. Hamamoto was assisted by Jim Miyano, George Kawaoka, Rue Uyeda, Frank Yamaoka and George Yokoyama.

The annual Nisei G.I. memorial service took place at the Buddhist Church on Sunday, Oct. 25 with Kanemi Ono as chairman. Assisting were Tak Kameoka, George Yokoyama and George Kawaoka.

At the request of those members interested in fishing an-

other derby took place on Sunday, Nov. 29, at Nelson's Fishing Resort with Ed Ohki serving as derby chairman.

The final event for the year was another derby at the same locale the last week of December to ring down the many activities sponsored by the Sonoma County JACL.

Support from Community
All of these activities planned throughout the year would not have been possible without the

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SONOMA COUNTY AUX'Y SCORES SUCCESS ON 3 HUMDINGERS

PETALUMA.—The year 1959 rings down the curtain to conclude the fifth year of activities for the Sonoma County JACL Women's Auxiliary. Through the efforts and assistance of Vi Nakano and Mrs. Joyce Enomoto of the San Francisco JACL Women's Auxiliary, our group was organized in the early part of 1955.

Since the formation of this organization, each passing year the membership has witnessed more activities with greater participation and attendance.

Indeed it has been a challenge for each succeeding auxiliary president to lead the young matrons toward more and different activities.

Most Successful Event

Perhaps by far one of the most successful events of 1959 given by the Women's Auxiliary was the family recreation night held on Saturday evening, April 11, at Rose Bowl in Santa Rosa. The object was to provide an opportunity for the whole family to participate. There were 15 teams composed of wives and husbands with the fifth bowler on each team being a youngster. Many of the wives and youngsters turned in better scores than the more experienced males. Prizes were given in many categories to add interest to this affair.

The second affair, which was acclaimed a success by the membership, was the annual sukiyaki dinner held at the Memorial Hall on Saturday evening, Aug. 28. Over 120 persons registered for the affair to partake of the delicious sukiyaki dinner prepared by the auxiliary members.

The third and final affair, which has attracted greater attendance each year since the formation of our organization, is the traditional community Christmas party. Each year many variations to this event are added by our aspiring ladies. While this party is primarily for the youngsters, the adults reap just as much fun and enjoyment. Preparation for this event gets under way in early August to assure no detail being overlooked. The highly successful holiday affair was under the direction of Suzy Hirooka, Anne Ohki and Mary Hamamoto.

Traditional Events

While these three events have been acclaimed most successful

during this year, the Sonoma Auxiliary ladies did not rest on their laurels based on past achievements for they continued their unrelenting program of activities throughout the year.

As in the past years, the 1959 officers of the Sonoma County Chapter JACL Women's Auxiliary were installed jointly with the chapter officers at the annual installation and awards dinner held on Saturday night, Jan. 10, at the local Memorial Hall. Mrs. Florence Kawaoka was installed as president assisted by Clarine Sunada, v. p.; Shiz Kawaoka, rec. sec.; Faye Uyeda, cor. sec.; Chiyo Miyano, treas.; and Anne Ohki, Mary Hamamoto, co-social chr.

Under the leadership of these capable officers, the Auxiliary members lost no time in carrying out the 1959 program. On Friday, Feb. 20, the ladies assisted the chapter at their highly successful crab feed.

On March 20 and 21, the ladies sold refreshments at the chapter's benefit movies to add to the auxiliary fund. It is worthy of note to acknowledge the donations made by the faithful group since the members made all of the various types of confections sold at this fund raising event. Without their generous contributions the many affairs planned by our auxiliary would not have been possible.

The night of April 11 was the highly enjoyable recreation night which was under the most capable chairmanship of Suzy Hirooka.

On the evening of April 14, Mrs. Pearl Brians, a noted cake decorator, demonstrated cake decorating techniques to the auxiliary members. An unusually large crowd turned out for this educational demonstration and lecture.

Tea Party

Next on this ambitious calendar was the Japanese bride's tea presented on the night of May 22 at the local Memorial Hall. Under the co-chairmanship of Mmes. Chiyo and Jean Miyano all Japanese brides residing in Napa, Marin and Sonoma counties were invited. Travel movies were screened by Greg Hamamoto, followed by games. A late buffet supper, the menu which consisted of many delectable Japanese dishes were served. The success of this affair cannot be overstressed as it provided

the many guests an opportunity to mingle and meet socially with other brides and our members.

The graduates social was next on the program which in the past was sponsored by the chapter. This event was in a form of a roller skating party held at the Redwood Roller Palace in Santa Rosa on the night of June 15. Over 100 graduates and members were in attendance to enjoy the evening on wheels. Mrs. Kawaoka, auxiliary president, was in charge.

In July the auxiliary members took charge of the games that were held at the community picnic held on the 5th at Doran's Park. This was followed by the most successful sukiyaki dinner held in August.

Once again on Sept. 26 and 27 the members made and donated various specialties to the food sale conducted in conjunction with the chapter's Japanese benefit movies. The sales held on these two evenings were a complete sellout.

Following a month's rest in November the ladies held their annual pot-luck dinner on Saturday, Nov. 21. The gathering began with a pot-luck dinner served at 6:30 p.m., followed by an evening of social relaxation. The annual Christmas party closes the year for the Sonoma County Women's Auxiliary.

Mrs. Kawaoka, president, has been an inspiration to those of us who have observed the many activities planned during the year. To the small but most faithful group of feminine JACLers a tribute is due them for their devotion and loyalty to the JACL. Many of the auxiliary members hold office in other community organization, PTA, bowling and other interest groups, yet they make time to expend toward JACL affairs and at the same time maintain a happy household.

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The Kaneko's: Citizens of Three Generations

California's first naturalized Issei
Sworn in 1896, pioneered in Riverside

By HENRY MORI

For the Southland's Japanese American population, April 10, 1953 can be marked as a historical date.

On that memorable day, a handful of community's Issei leaders was naturalized American citizens under the Walter-McCurran Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952.

Federal Judge Ernest E. Tolin presided over the court in a special ceremony in which Downtown JACL chapter president Gongoro Nakamura was among those sworn in the first of the local Japanese aliens to receive the status of an American citizen.

In this Oriental group, there was an artist, a doctor, a real estate broker and a Li'l Tokio businessman.



Shinsei Kaneko, who immigrated to America in 1888, is regarded as California's first naturalized Issei, having been sworn in 1896 at San Bernardino.

But this is not the story of these men who were naturalized — after many, many years of legislative struggles by community leaders and politically influential men in Washington.

This is the saga of a young Japanese from Gumma Prefecture who "took the first boat leaving Yokohama" to live in democracy and freedom. His fight for naturalization did not come easily—but he did get it, strangely enough! in California where racial discrimination against Orientals was a fact and not a myth.

Here, Shinsei Kaneko braved the strange land after shaking off the feudal yoke of his family ties which he, being the oldest, were to follow had he stayed in Gumma.

Kaneko was a ward of the Konryuji Temple of the Zenshu sect in the northeast section of Tokyo. Although studying to become a Buddhist priest, Kaneko's heart was never in it. He set out to the big city of Tokyo to find new adventure. It was there he met a Protestant clergyman and embraced Christianity. He wanted to come to the United States. Through the efforts of the minister his dream came true in 1888 when Kaneko was still 28 years of age.

From all available records, Kaneko is believed to be the first Japanese alien to become naturalized in California. It happened on Mar. 27, 1896, in the superior court at San Bernardino.

The Kaneko Story is revived and relived through his adult grandchildren who make their home in Southern California.

"Grandfather and his wife worked hard as cook and housekeeper for a wealthy family in Redlands," recalled Robbin Kaneko, one of the many grandchildren surviving the late Mr. First Citizen.

Kaneko senior did not stop just being a houseboy. When his eldest son, George W. Kaneko was only 12, he sent for him from Japan.

"My grandad had patriotism running through his veins even before landing on this side of the Pacific ocean," commented young Robbin. He cited examples:

The one time Buddhist student changed his first name to Ulysses, to fit his monicker with that of President Grant. He altered or rather added an initial "W" to his son's already given name, George.

"That was my dad's name. The 'W' stood for Washington," Robbin explained proudly.

Kaneko senior, with the help of his son, worked hard. In a matter of a few years, the naturalized citizen took out papers for his son, George, and then the latter's wife, who was graduated from Christian Normal School in Tokyo.

The Kanekos soon acquired a hotel in Riverside which Mr. Citizen named the Golden State. They became landowners, operated restaurants and Kaneko soon was identified as a wealthy ranch owner.

While this Japanese American family was amassing riches from hard work on once-arid land, Kaneko's deep desire to win citizenship for others under his employ burned continuously. Someday, he thought, he could contribute and share his privileges of citizenship to those who came to America to find new opportunities.

He foresaw the discriminatory legislation being rigged in Sacramento. And he sensed that soon the hysterical cries of "yellow peril" would bury the ambitions of the new pioneers.

There were times when Kaneko held meetings for the Japanese farm hands. He told them to study the English language hard and file for first papers. He had faith in America's sense of fair play and justice. In California, though, his voice was but a small echo. In 1897, Kaneko's spirit was dampened, An

anti-alien law virtually closed all legislative gates to citizenship, at least in the west coast.

Grandfather Died in 1918

Kaneko's contribution to America as a successful businessman cannot be denied. He gave employment to many of persons of his own race. His son, following in his father's footsteps, pioneered many ventures. He and his wife, who came to these United States in 1903, raised a family of six sons and six daughters in their lifetime. "Father died in early January of 1941," Robbin said, but his words expressed somewhat of a relief, too. He was 63.

"Father could not have been able to take Pearl Harbor and the war that followed between the United States and Japan. He had such faith in peace between the two nations and Dec. 7 probably would have killed him, spiritually, if not physically."

Robbins said remorsefully that his grandfather passed away as a result of a heart ailment in 1918 in Hollywood. He was only 58.

Unlike millions of those who are citizens by birth and take their inherited privileges as "a matter of fact," Robbin's mother, now in her late 70s, takes her American rights seriously. She has never missed an election since she received her papers in 1904. During her family's confinement at Granada Relocation Center in Amache, Colorado, Mrs. Callie Kaneko made sure that she got her absentee ballot.

What of the present generation of the Kaneko family?

Robbin, whose unusual name was taken from a Robbin D. Skeely of Riverside whose property his grandfather had purchased in the heydays of the 1900s, confesses "some of that pioneering spirit of his forefathers has rubbed off."

A very devoted churchworker, Robbin just finished a financial drive with his team of volunteers for Centenary Methodist Church building fund. In the brief campaign, he and his hard working crew were able to account for \$180,000 in contributions, mostly from the Nisei families.

In keen observance, and no doubt in the mannerism of his grandfather, Mr. First Citizen, Robbin expressed faith — this time in the present generation.

"You know, this church campaign renewed my faith in the second generation. (He, by virtue of his father's citizenship would be a Sansei)."

He candidly remarked, "They have it," he said, as if to assure himself that "all is not lost in the present."

His sentiments today were that now with alien Japanese eligible to become Americans un-

der Federal law the responsibility of Nisei parents is to raise their families properly and provide the nation with best of future citizens.

Somehow, Kaneko admits that the alien Japanese were better parents all around and we still have much to learn from them.

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PACIFIC NORTHWEST

As the oldest district council (although the original membership by chapters has not been ascertained), it was organized Sept. 7, 1931.

1937-38—Mamuro Wakasugi	1949-50—Kaz Yamane, Roy Nishimura
1939-40—Mamuro Wakasugi	
1941-42—Tom Iseri	1951-52—Roy Nishimura, Harry Takagi, Kaz Yamane, Bob Mizukami
1942-46—Evacuation, Reactivated Dec. 1, 1946, Mac Kaneko temporary chairman.	
1947-48—George Minato	1953-54—Dr. Matthew Masuoka
Chas. Shimomura, George Minato.	1955-57—Dr. Kelly Yamada
	1957-59—Henry T. Kato

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-WESTERN NEVADA

Originally organized Aug. 31, 1935, as the Northern California District Council, it has traditionally thrived as the largest of district councils from the standpoint of chapter membership. When it first met in Fresno in 1935, there were 15 chapters represented.

1935-36—Walter Tsukamoto	1946-48—Cosma Sakamoto
1937-38—Dr. Harry Kita, Saburo Kido	1948-49—Tad Hirota
1939-40—Saburo Kido, Henry Miturai	1949-51—Robert C. Takahashi
1941-42—Tom Shimasaki	1951-53—Masuji Fujii
1942-46—Evacuation, Reactivated June 27, 1945, Roy Takagi, organization chairman.	1953-54—Giichi Yoshioka, Tom Yego, Jack Noda
	1955-57—Yas Abiko
	1957-58—Akiji Yoshimura
	1958-59—Jerry Enomoto
	1959-60—Yone Satoda

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

Youngest of the district councils, having been formed on March 2, 1949, its history actually dates back to 1935 when four chapters in the area comprised the Central California Region of the Northern California District Council.

1950-51—Johnson Kebo	1955-56—Jin Ishikawa
1951-53—Kenji Tashiro	1957—Tom Nagamatsu
1953—Tom Nakamura	1958—George Abe
1954—Hiro Mayeda	1959—Dr. James Nagatani
	1960—Fred Hirasuna

PACIFIC SOUTHWEST

Formed after the 1934 convention as the Southern District Council, it was comprised of seven chapters: San Diego, Brawley, San Gabriel Valley, Los Angeles, Santa Maria, Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo. When it was reactivated in 1947, there were 11 chapters present including Arizona to call for a change in the district's name to encompass the Great Southwest.

1936-37—John S. Ando	1947-48—Henry Sakemi
1937-38—Lyle Kurisaki	1948-49—Frank Chuman, Frank Mizusawa
1938-39—Henry J. Tsurutani	
1939-40—Kiyoshi Higashi	1949-50—Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa, Ken Dyo
1940-41—Dr. Yoshio Nakaji	1951-53—Tut Yata
1941-42—Fred Tayama	1953-54—Ken Dyo
1942-46—Evacuation, Reactivated Dec. 21, 1946, Karl Taku, temporary chairman	1955-59—David Yokozeki
	1959-60—Kango Kunitsugu

INTERMOUNTAIN

As the only district council to remain in continuous service during war years, when the Pacific coast district activities were suspended by evacuation, its wartime record is proudly recalled as it singlehandedly supported National Headquarters when operating funds were at their lowest in 1943-44. Its predecessor, the Intermountain Nisei Convention was organized in 1932 of high school-college students.

1939-40—Mike M. Masaoka	1950-51—Joe Saito
1941-43—William Y. Yamauchi	1952-53—Yukio Inouye
1944-45—Mamuro Wakasugi	1954-55—Jim Ushio
1946-47—Shigeki Ushio	1956-57—George Sugai
1948-49—Ken Uchida	1958-59—Masami Yano
	1960-61—Joe Nishioka

MOUNTAIN-PLAINS

Organized in 1947 as the Tri-State district council, comprising chapters in the states of Colorado, Wyoming and Nebraska, it soon had chapters outside the original area seeking membership and the title was changed to present its true scope. No other district boasts the geographical expanse as this district: Montana to Texas between the Rockies and the Missouri-Mississippi.

1948-49—Bessie Matsuda Shiyo-mura	1952-53—George Matsunaga
1950-51—K. Patrick Okura	1954-55—Floyd Koshio
1952-53—George Masunaga	1956-57—Robert Horiuchi
	1960-61—Minoru Yasui

MIDWEST

Organized in 1947 with six chapters in the Middle West, its creation depicts the dispersal of persons of Japanese ancestry during the war years to various well known metropolitan areas.

1947—Mari Sabusawa Michener	1953-54—Harry Takagi
1947-48—Henry Tani	1955-56—Abe Hagiwara
1949-50—Noboru Honda	1957-58—Kumeo Yoshinari
1951-52—Shig Wakamatsu	1959-60—Joe Kadowaki

EASTERN

Organized in 1947, the district serves the Eastern seaboard areas where persons of Japanese ancestry are living in politically strategic areas from the standpoint of presenting a truly national effort.

1947-48—Tom Hayashi	1953-54—Ira Shimasaki
1949—Ina Sugihara	1955-56—Bill Sasagawa
1949-51—Tetsuo Iwasaki	1957-58—Charles Nagao
1951-52—Aki Hayashi	1959-60—William Marutani

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they have benefited from the program.

Mr. Marques explained that selection and briefing of the first group was not as expertly done, because of lack of knowledge as to what conditions would actually be, as for later groups, who benefited from experiences of the first group.

Also, in California employers were not as well prepared to receive the first group of Japanese as they were later groups, again because the program was then new.

Conditions of which the earliest arrivals in California complained were quickly remedied, he stated. The complaints that members of the first group voiced upon their return to Japan recently, he believes, referred to conditions during the first few months of their three years in the United States.

Because of the newness of the program and inexact knowledge of just what awaited the laborers in California, some of the first group apparently felt that they were going not as workers but in a category similar to exchange students to learn modern American agricultural methods. Because they were not given an opportunity to operate tractors and other farm machinery. Briefings for later groups pointed out that their contract as working as tractor operators

Again, the earliest group contained some who, although coming from farm areas, had spent some time in cities and grown soft. More careful screening of later groups eliminated such workers, who had caused some complaints on the part of their employers.

The initial group also included a large number of graduates of colleges and agricultural schools, who could learn little they did not already know by employment as workers on American farms. In later groups young farmers were sent who could learn something from their experience in addition to earning and saving large sums of money.

The significance of the program, Mr. Marques pointed out, is that it is an exchange in which needs of both nations are met.

The American farmers are able to hire workers for their fields in a labor-short area.

The Japanese farmers are given a chance to earn money they could not otherwise obtain, and to learn something of American farming practices as well. In addition, this program gives

them valuable experience which can be useful later as they become leaders of their farm communities in Japan or as they join in the emigration program in the emigration program can countries.

Mr. Marques recalled that several of the returning group were eager to show off the Spanish they had learned while in the United States. With this added knowledge, they feel, they will have a better chance of being selected for the emigration program, he stated.

The American employers are required to provide at least four hours per week of free school

classes in languages, agricultural methods, techniques and processes, or other courses for the Japanese workers.

In concluding, he pointed out that even the most perfect selection and briefing system combined with the most strenuous checks of employers could never eliminate all complaints in a program in which thousands of individuals are involved.

He feels that at least ninety per cent of even the first group look back on their California experiences with pleasure and fond memories and would jump at the chance to go to the United States under the program if they had the choice to make again.

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Several months of close cooperation and liaison activity by Gene Takahashi and Henry Tanaka, co-chairmen of the Civic Affairs and Public Relations Committee, with TV Station WEWS personnel, culminated in bringing many local Japanese talents and personalities into Norman Wain's one-hour television "Dance Party" spotlight on Feb. 14.

Opening the show with the familiar "Dance of the Raccoons," the Cleveland Sho-jo-ji dancers, under the direction of Mrs. Peggy Tanji, captivated the hearts of the TV viewers.

"These Sansei youngsters from six to ten years of age . . . are Cleveland JACL's best ambassadors of goodwill . . . they constitute one of the best public relations program in action we have ever seen . . . really makes you proud of your heritage," wrote former National JACL President, Roy Nishikawa, after having seen the Sho-jo-ji dance group at the MDC Convention of 1958.

2,000 Japanese-Americans

The delicate touch of Japanese decor by Tak Yamagata formed an impressive background for the many performers who were able introduced by Mrs. Vi Takahashi. MC Wain's interview with Joe Kadowaki, Cleveland JACL Chairman, revealed that approximately 2,000 persons of Japanese ancestry reside in the Greater Cleveland area.

Kadowaki made known that one of the main interests and concerns of the local chapter is in programs involving civil rights, civic affairs, public relations and intergroup relations, especially on the community level. "This program," he added, "was organized as a public education service to help promote better understanding of Cleveland's residents of Japanese ancestry."

The talented performers on the show were well received by the studio audience, and the many telephone calls to the station indicated the viewers reacted very favorably. Among the calls was one who said he was ashamed of how ignorant he had been of the Japanese culture.

Whether through serious mediums or hilarious means, the Cleveland JACL works to keep spreading goodwill throughout the community. Before a capacity crowd of 300 young Jewish adults of the Park Synagogue in Cleveland Heights, the JACL combined talents with the Hawaiian Club to present a review of songs and dances. All arrangements were made through Joe Kadowaki, who has become well-known as one of the best shimmy artists of all times.

Misleading Article

While large scale JACL efforts are being well accepted by the community, there appeared in Newsweek an article titled, "Disguised Blessing." The presentation of information in this article, which rationalized that evacuation was a blessing in disguise, that the success and good fortune of the Nisei are the direct result of this experience, was grossly misleading and had disregarded many important facts.

In order to avoid our less informed neighbors from believing such fallacious interpretation, Gene Takahashi stressed in his letter to Malcolm Muir, Editor-in-Chief of Newsweek, that "no doubt some good fortune has befallen the Nisei population in general, but we would like to

think that their fortunes to date, as well as their destiny, will be 'in spite of' their World War II experience instead of 'because of' it." He continued to point out how much many had really lost, and what could never be recovered. He stated, "... not all Niseis share the feeling that time spent in a concentration camp can qualify as a 'disguised blessing'."

As with other chapters, the Cleveland JACL persists in its efforts against the usage of the word "Jap." The Anti-Discrimination and Defamation Committee has been actively engaged in contacting various public news outlets. Television stations and leading newspapers have received protests either through letters or by personal contacts. Protests of showing movies which have been screened depicting false impressions of American of Japanese ancestry have been made with favorable results.

News Columnist

A leading columnist of the Cleveland News, Sidney Andorn, devoted his whole column in a recent issue to "Names Hurt Like Sticks and Stones." It presented why the word "Jap" should be eliminated from the English language. "The resentment is peculiar to only a Japanese, the same as being called a Mick hurts the Irish . . . a Wop . . . the Italian, and a Bohunk . . . the Bohemian," Andorn quoted.

He went on to say that eight of the leading dictionaries have agreed to redefine the word "Jap" to mean derogatory, contemptuous. Movietone Newsreel has agreed to cut out the use of the word.

He ended his column appropriately with, "Dignity is more than skin deep, whatever the color of the skin."

This is the type of vigilance and integrity the Cleveland Chapter demonstrates.

However, despite these obstacles put before them, the JACL holds its own in continuing its work in public relations. A Speakers Bureau was designed to carry understanding among the people of the community. Gene Takahashi, Toru Ishiyama, and Joe Kadowaki have been called upon to address such organizations as Mercator Club, Veterans Business Club, Hi-Twelve Club, and East Cleveland Exchange Club.

Interpreting Service

As a community service, it has also served as an interpreting body for the City Club Forum's one-hour radio program to aid in overcoming an embarrassing situation. A group of Japanese educators, participating under the Fulbright Fund and completing a year of travel and observation of

the American educational system, were guests on this program.

Generally, these groups are well versed in English but at the last moment, it was learned that the Japanese educators were primarily in the field of science education and were not conversant in English.

Speeches which were prepared by the educators for the broadcast were obtained and hurriedly translated and edited by Takuo Mimura, August Nakagawa and Henry Tanaka. Joe Kadowaki served as interpreter for the whole panel discussion on radio.

Because of the people's realization of the importance of the work of the JACL and the services it can render, an all-out membership drive for 1959 eclipsed its former record of 326 members set in 1952. Membership teams reported 350 members on the rolls for 1959 to-date. The significance of this record lies, not in having set a new high, but in having set it in the face of huge reductions in membership potential in this area since 1952. This record places Cleveland in an enviable position among other JACL chapters in having almost reached a goal of maximum potential.

Another encouraging record was set when 22 members signed into the 1000 Club, surpassing the goal of 20 members set before the membership drive began.

Door-to-Door

Realizing the impact of personal contact, door-to-door canvassing was made. It has been a time-consuming effort on the part of Membership Committee co-chairmen Jiro Habara and Mike Asazawa and their committee, but to hear them say it, "It has been fun." They added, "We have been able to sit down and have an old-fashioned bull session with old-timers, many of whom, surprisingly enough, frankly admitted that at one time they were severely critical of JACL activities, policies, programs, etc." These discussions also gave the committee an opportunity to explain JACL's position to newcomers, and perhaps answer questions to clear up any misconceptions about the JACL.

With this attitude in mind, they have been able to gain many Issei members and many who at one time or other refused to join the organization because of some misunderstanding or misconception of the aims and desires of the JACL. The Membership Committee has received commendations time and time again from the Chairman and his Board for the unbelievable results it has attained.

The JACL Bulletin, under the direction of Editor Masy Tashi-

ma, has been one of the mainstays of the mechanism instrumental in keeping widespread the activities and achievements gained by the JACL. Moreover, it has kept the whole community informed of other club activities and programs as well.

The cooperation that lies within the chapter members was exemplified when Mrs. Yoshiko Parker resigned as Japanese editor of the Bulletin. She was awaiting the arrival of the stork. Immediately, Mrs. Yoshiko Baker volunteered to take-over where Mrs. Parker left off. The appreciation and gratitude of the Issei for this section of the paper is clearly defined in a statement made by one: "The Cleveland JACL has certainly done a lot of good for the community, and above all, it has not forgotten the aging Isseis. I have learned much from the Japanese section of the Bulletin, and give much praise to the work that is being carried on. To be remembered is wonderful; to be informed is even more gratifying."

Value of Newsletter

As the Membership Committee chairmen put it: "Without the help of the Bulletin, and the undying efforts of Editor Tashima, the efforts of the committee would have been much more time-consuming. Most of those who were contacted, already knew about the progress attained by the JACL, they said, because they have read it in the Bulletin."

On March 28, the JACL Installation Social was held. The festive spirit that ran rampant for two solid hours suddenly quieted to a solemn air of dignity for a few brief moments as the 1959 Cleveland Chapter JACL Board was officially installed. The impressive ceremony was administered by George Ono, Midwest

District Council 1st Vice-Chairman at that time.

Joe Kadowaki, re-elected by the Board members to continue serving in the capacity of Board Chairman, took this opportunity to thank the community for the fine cooperation that the Board received, because, "without it," he added, "the great achievements of which the chapter boasts could never have been realized."

Ten years of outstanding service and achievement for the Cleveland Chapter were the basis for which recognition awards were given to Helen and George Ono and to Bill Sadatoki. In making the presentation, Frank Shiba, long-time member and presently Cleveland's International Relations Chairman, pointed out that this was doubly remarkable, inasmuch as the chapter itself has been in existence just over a decade.

Noted as recognition for his outstanding leadership in chapter programming as witnessed in Cleveland, and for the successful results the programs have been known to produce through the efforts of chapter members, Joe Kadowaki was appointed by National JACL President Shig Wakamatsu to chair the National Program and Activities Committee.

The primary purpose of this committee is to give assistance to all chapters in evaluating their programs from year to year, and where novel and unusual programs are developed, to distribute details to other chapters as constructive program suggestions.

Here is enlightened another example of the recognition of the fruitful efforts expended by the Cleveland Chapter.

Public Relations Activity

On May 3, the Tenth Annual Folk Festival, sponsored by the Folk Arts Association and the Cleveland Press, was held at the Music Hall. Seventeen nationality groups delighted a new capacity audience with their songs and dances. Among these were the Sho-jo-ji dancers, Fuji Club

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Continued from Preceding Page members, and the Hawaiian Club. Arrangements for Japanese community participation was made available by JACler Henry Tanaka.

The nations of the Far East were honored on June 1 at the weekly Seaway Year Civic Luncheon held in the Community Room of the East Ohio Gas Building. Chamber of Commerce Chairman Curtis Lee Smith called upon Joe Kadowaki to speak briefly before the guests which included attaches from Washington representing the Philippine Islands, India, Formosa and Nationalist China, as well as dignitaries from this region. Joe expressed the conviction that Cleveland would benefit more than economic gains as foreign ships dock in its ports because the Seaway opened new horizons in human relations with people of the world.

Later, with representatives of the JACL in attendance, Shanti Bahadur of India, and Christopher Tang of Formosa, officially cut the ribbon to open the Arcade Exhibition in a "Salute to the Orient."

Scholarship Award

The First Annual Scholarship Award Dinner got underway at 7:30 p.m. on June 19, at the Park Lane Villa, after many, many months of planning. First awards were presented to Misao Yamane, who later went on to win second honors in the National JACL Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka Memorial Scholarship, and Susan Yamada, with over 140 persons applauding and rising to the scholars for gaining commendable honors, and to the JACL for realizing its scholarship project.

The success of this worthwhile project has brought the members great satisfaction and the realization of the worth of expended efforts. Vast amount of pulling together for months and months of each member of the committee for this affair, to render more than its best to set precedence in this all-important annual affair, proved that laborious efforts can hold tremendous impact.

Always keeping in mind ways to swell the Scholarship Fund, the Program Committee set up concession tables at the Community Picnic and helped earn over \$250. Under the leadership of John Ochi and Ken Asamoto, committeemen gave up a good part of their pic-

nic day to help man the stand. This type of cooperation and teamwork has been the key to the Cleveland Chapter's success in almost everything they have presented.

On Aug. 2, the JACL participated in the Annual Nationalities Picnic sponsored by the Inter-Club Council of the Nationalities Services Center. Entertainment featuring acts by the Sho-jo-ji girls and Fuji Club members was presented. The whole affair was held in the park-like setting of Franchester Farms, estate of Congressman Frances Bolton. Some 800 persons basked in the sun, joined in the group activities and browsed around the various booths.

With the EDC-MDC Convention just around the corner, the Program Committee hustled and arranged a pre-convention rally outing on Aug. 22 at Shady Lake Park, to activate enthusiasm for the convention. Hilarious, but basically serious, skits concerning the convention theme were presented by the 1000 Clubbers. The considerable amount of booster attendance of the Cleveland Chapter at the EDC-MDC Convention emanated from the enthusiasm created at this outing.

EDC-MDC Symposium

His devotion and fervor inspired Henry Tanaka to make his "powerpak" presentation at the Symposium in New York City. "In this age of thermonuclear power and the struggle for economical and political survival," he said, "it is little wonder that we frequently find the need to take stock of ourselves in order to set our sights more realistically on things which shall provide us a greater sense of security, freedom and personal achievement... the strength of the organization lies in the development of well-organized, thoughtfully planned programs at the local level." It is history that Henry Tanaka has contributed vastly in the noteworthy attainments of the Cleveland JACL.

No bands or fanfare awaited the return of Joe Kadowaki from New York City, where he had been elected Chairman of the Midwest District Council. It was a working day when he got into the city, but this honor which was bestowed upon an enthusiastic and sincere JACler, whose qualifications for the position are clearly evident in the dramatic

change that has taken place within the Cleveland Chapter under his leadership, did not go without recognition by this Chapter. The esteem by which the members of the Cleveland JACL hold for Joe Kadowaki was best illustrated by the surprise dinner given in his honor. Over 50 members and friends, and many more who could not attend, were in cahoots in making this particular affair one that Joe will never forget. Secrecy was the by-word, and even though Joe usually manages to get into almost every activity such as this, preparations were made "right under his nose."

The evening began with a champagne toast to the new Midwest District Council chairman. Original songs by Vi Takahashi, Masy Tashima and Mary Yoshida were sung in full swing. Henry Tanaka had a scroll that went "around the room." A gavel (which was 4-ft. long to denote the amount of work that has been placed in his hands) with appropriate sayings and signatures of all well-wishers was presented and Joe was crowned "I-

Chi-Ban MDC

Wires and letters of congratulations were received and read by Frank Shiba, Mike Asazawa, Masy Tashima and August Nakagawa. From the strains of one of the original songs, the group expressed over and over, "Good Luck, Joe, we'll back you all the way."

Folklore Program

"A Night in Japan" was another public relations program undertaken and successfully rendered by the JACL. This program was one of the popular series presented jointly by the Cleveland Public Library and the Cleveland Folklore Society. The

series feature the folklore of a selected nationality group for an entire evening's entertainment.

Appropriate Japanese exhibits and atmosphere were provided, and a program of doll displays, discussion of Japanese Holidays, tea ceremony, Japanese folk songs and dances by maidens and children, filled the evening. This project was one of many programs developed by the cultural presentations committee of the JACL which is directed toward acquainting Clevelanders with some of the aspects of the Japanese culture and folklore.

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The Nature of the Beast

By Allan Beekman

THERE seems to be an impression abroad that those of Japanese ancestry, that is to say, the Nikkei — if I may be permitted to substitute for the cumbersome phrase, of Japanese ancestry, a short word with the same meaning — have nothing further to fear from prejudice. Surface appearances favor such a conclusion. Warm friendship exists between Japan and America. Thousands of Issei, the barriers now removed to their embracing Americanism, have Nikkei has been appointed Chief Justice of Hawaii's Supreme Court, another has been elected to the United States House of Representatives, a third sits on the board of directors of one of Hawaii's biggest firms.

In law, in medicine, in business, in the arts, in sports, in every field there seems a universal acceptance of the Nikkei. But I submit that this roseate picture obscures an ugly fact: prejudice, though dormant, is still with us.

PROBABLY what misleads the superficial observer to believe that prejudice against the Nikkei is gone is the failure to clearly understand what this prejudice is. Popular opinion attributes the rank discrimination that has been practiced on the Nikkei to "racial prejudice." To endorse such an analysis saves the trouble of looking for the real cause, but invites far greater trouble. The most virulent discrimination ever visited upon the Nikkei was not a manifestation of "racial prejudice."

"Racial prejudice," a term that helps obscure the causes of often unrelated kinds of discrimination, doubtless means different things to different persons. But it is helpful, if we are to begin to understand the term, to try to determine some measure of what it means, and how it came to acquire some of its present connotations.

To understand the meaning of the term, racial prejudice, it is, I suppose, necessary to first understand the term race. Shakespeare speaks of the "race of doctors," for in Shakespeare's day the modern meaning of the term, race, and the misconceptions that accompany it, had not been born.

The notion, later to evolve, that a race is a group of people with a "community of blood," and, indeed, the whole "blood" theory of heredity has long since been confuted. The baneful legacy of this myth still permeates popular thought and literature, but it is discredited by the emotionally mature who have taken the trouble to inform themselves.

When I was a boy in the public schools of New York I was registered as "Caucasian." For the New York schools, as I recall it, used the system expounded by Blumenbach, in 1775, that divide the human family into five divisions: Caucasian, or white; Mongolian, or yellow; Ethiopian,

or black; American, or red; and Malayan, or brown.

Later experience taught me that these are arbitrary terms that create arbitrary groups. The terms take no account of the fact that the so-called groups tend to blend into each other with no clear line of demarcation to show where one ends and the other begins. Misnomers lead to misconceptions, and misconceptions breed further misnomers.

In pre-Civil War days the slavery advocates found the foundation of their thesis crumbling beneath the assault of abolitionist argument. The slavery advocates sought for evidence with which to buttress a position rapidly being rendered untenable.

The found vindication in the hitherto seemingly innocuous race concept, but they found it by giving the race concept a new and virulent interpretation. The black race, the slavery advocates declared, is subhuman, so Divine Providence had ordained that the Negroes be slaves.

Lo and behold, the accomplishment of race prejudice was accomplished. For race prejudice, in its final analysis, is class prejudice.

IN Hawaii it has been decades since this type of prejudice has been visited upon the Nikkei. Dunn and Dobshansky, in their cogent "Heredity, Race and Society," state that "Races can be defined as populations which differ in the frequency of some gene or genes." There is nothing in this definition to justify the assumption that the people of Japan are a racial entity distinct from their Asiatic neighbors, nor that they can be differentiated from them, for purposes of discrimination, on genetic grounds.

Furthermore, the Nikkei in Hawaii long ago ceased to be a class. They have long been represented in most employable categories, from laborers and artisans up through the arts and professions. Their intelligence, ability, and high moral character has long been conceded and respected.

Prejudice against the Nikkei there has been, prejudice against them still remains. The weed of prejudice against the Nikkei is fast rooted in the soil of international relations, and there it will remain until extirpated. Though it does not push above the surface in today's sunny, arid climate, the next storm that blows from Japan may woo this prejudice back to vigorous growth.

This prejudice is not racial, it is national. It arises from the circumstances that the non-Nikkei, and, most Nikkei, too, are under the impression that the Nikkei are of the Japanese nationality.

The concept of nationality is much easier to understand than the nebulous concept of race. The nationality concept is a corollary of the Industrial Revolution, for the nationality concept is dependent upon national schools to nurture it, and a literate population to whom it can deliver its message through the media of modern mass communication.

The first criterion of a nationality is a common language. Therefore a nation of people are not necessarily a nationality. Nationality is sometimes divorced from political entity.

Canadian is not a nationality, because Canada has two official languages. But a French speaking Canadian can truthfully say that he is of the French nationality, even though he has no political ties with France. The Swiss, too, though politically united, are not a nationality.

People who have acquired a common language, common culture, common traditions, common loyalty to a group of institutions have become a nationality. Race is inherited. Nationality is acquired.

The people of Japan are a nationality. So are the people of the United States of America.

A good case can be made that the Americans and British, though politically divided, are the same nationality. Certainly America has the habit of espousing Britain's quarrels with her non-English speaking neighbors. But regardless of what name we apply to the nationality of America there is no doubt that we are a true nationality, as distinguished from peoples of non-English speaking nations.

DESPITE the fact the American and Japanese nationalities are distinct it is common practice in Hawaii for the Nikkei to refer to themselves as of the Japanese nationality. The origin of this custom probably finds its roots in the peculiar circumstances of the settling of Hawaii.

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ters kept Chinese and Japanese docile by pitting them against each other. But as the Japanese grew in numbers and strength they manifested discontent with some aspects of their situation.

Before annexation to America in 1898, the Japanese could not quit their jobs, but were held to their contracts in conditions amounting to servitude. Their dignity was not respected. The quarters to which they were assigned were unsatisfactory. Sometimes men, though sick, were made to work.

Incidents occurred. Other national groups were brought in to help keep the Japanese down.

Japanese dissatisfaction finally boiled over in the great Japanese strike of 1909. Seven thousand on Oahu's seven sugar plantations, supported by Japanese workers on the other islands, went on a four-month strike.

In this particular case the planters' system of pitting nationality against nationality had contributed to the issue. The Japanese complained that not only was their treatment unsatisfactory, but that they received lower pay and poorer quarters than the Portuguese and Puerto Ricans who were doing the same work as the Japanese. The Japanese demanded equal pay and equal treatment for equal work. Nevertheless national differences helped keep the immigrants divided and helped break the strike.

NATIONAL prejudice, long exploited by Hawaii's ruling class, still permeates the thinking of Hawaii's people — long after national differences should have been effaced. In the public schools, for example, until a few years ago, Nikkei children were required to answer "Japanese" to a question on the registration form, concerning their nationality. On these forms the word ancestry has now been substituted for the word nationality. The new wording is not as pernicious as the old, but the applicant, if a Nikkei, must still identify himself as Japanese.

Most adults of Hawaii birth went to school under the old system. The partial correction has not yet overtaken them. It is not to be wondered at that they speak of "Americans of many nationalities." Neither will it be in any way remarkable if those exposed to the present system continue to think of themselves as Japanese.

Press and court use the old terms, with frequent references to "blood." And the Federal Census, taking these misnomers at face value, bruits them abroad and fortifies the mainland impression that Hawaii is peopled by foreigners.

Even the University of Hawaii — an institution ostensibly dedicated to truth — does not scruple to propagate these falsehoods. The Saturday Evening Post, in its May 24, 1958 issue, carried an article called "Colorful Campus of Hawaii." This dealt with the University of Hawaii and must

have been approved by the University of Hawaii.

The misled author of the article refers to the Aborigines as Hawaiians — as if, somehow, the Aborigines have a monopoly on the term, others here being temporary visitors instead of permanent residents. He refers to the American students as being of the "Chinese, Japanese, Korean and Filipino racial strain" or "race." Carrying this nonsense to its preposterous conclusion he describes one student as being a blend of "Hawaiian - Chinese - French."

Daily inundated with this flood of misrepresentation it is no wonder that the people of Hawaii confuse race with nationality, and their own nationality with that of their forbears. Nor is it any wonder that some part of these misnomers and misconceptions should have travelled to the mainland to corrode and adulterate the terminology and thinking there. The wonder is that from this morass of error a nugget of truth is occasionally extracted and exhibited for inspection and contemplation.

Failure to face these truths is not a harmless aberration. Misunderstanding of the facts of nationality, in this modern nationalistic world, has caused, and can cause, a great deal of hardship and humiliation.

Nationalism, it is said with truth, is the religion of modern man. Nationalism springs from consciousness of nationality. And nationalism is a narrow creed that regards all alien nationalities with distrust, and entertains for them a never absent, though often latent, hostility.

Strained international relations aggravates the nationalist xenophobia. In war time enemy nationalities are heretics. Anathema is their just dessert.

In World War I hatred of the German nationality reached such extravagant heights that music by German composers was banned in America. Public schools stopped teaching the German language. Foods with German names were rendered fit for consumption only by rechristening. Thus sauerkraut became Liberty cabbage, and hamburger steak became Liberty steak.

When Japan attacked China, in 1937, feeling against Hawaii's Nikkei ran high. There was talk of boycotting Nikkei owned businesses. In the help wanted ads there were often the significant addendum "No Japanese need apply."

After the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, Oahu became, overnight, an armed camp. Passes were required to enter government reservations. Anyone requiring a pass had to be interrogated, photographed, fingerprinted, and was required to file a personal history declaration. A bureau was established, by the military intelligence, to process these applications.

Peculiarities of their native culture, such as walk, facial expression, dress, manners and so forth usually gave a quick clue to the nationality of foreign born and reared Chinese, Korean and Japanese applicants — even before they spoke a word. But the American born and educated Nikkei were virtually physically indistinguishable from the other American born and educated Orientals.

In contrast to the friendliness and courtesy with which the other Orientals were treated, the Nikkei were treated with hostility and blunt discrimination. But the hostility and discrimination against the American Nikkei occurred only after they had been identified as Japanese; that is to say when they had been identified as heretics and enemies of the true faith of American nationalism.

AS far as practicable, at this distance from the mainland, I have tried to familiarize myself with the facts that resulted in the evacuation of the Nikkei from the west coast. I have read Bradford Smith's "Americans from Japan," and Morton Grodzins' scholarly and authoritative work, "Americans Betrayed."

Both authors make the point that the Nikkei were evacuated in the absence of any evidence that national security required the evacuation, and as the result of agitation by people who expected to make a pecuniary profit from the evacuation.

But black though this mark is on our record, it seems to me in no way remarkable that the Nikkei were mistaken for the enemy if they called themselves, and encouraged others to call them, by the enemy's name.

THE weed of prejudice against the Nikkei can be extirpated now. It should be extirpated now, and it should be extirpated by the Nikkei themselves — the ones who stand to lose most from its recrudescence.

The Nikkei should make it plain that they are not of the Japanese race, for there is no Japanese

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solid and most generous support given by the Japanese community. The chapter leaders have acknowledged that despite the lowest price of eggs in 18 years and the poor returns in the apple industry the splendid community support is a magnificent tribute to the JACL and its program.

The Sonoma County chapter is not content to look ahead for just a decade but for the many decades to come.

The long range thinking on the part of the local chapter leaders is the fact that 1959 will end the investment plan begun several years ago. Local JACL leaders visualize a chapter building as its permanent home. A building not too elaborate but space sufficient for an office, meeting room and a small social hall with possibilities for suitable rental accommodations as income property to make it self-sustaining. This is one of the long range projects of the chapter.

While the Sonoma County chapter, planned 14 different events during 1959, there are a number of other projects which the chapter would like to add. But due to financial limitations, this has not been possible for the present. Local members feel that these projects of general community interest can be embarked upon soon. Thus, we feel this is a partial answer on the question of the goals for JACL chapters in the next decade.

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Return of the Prodigal - 1959

By GEORGE KYOTOW

New York JACL Chapter President

I IMAGINE you could ask ten members of the JACL and you would hear of ten different reasons why they joined and why they are currently active in the organization. But I have had so many reasons for never wanting to join that I would not be surprised if I am now considered public hypocrite No. 1 by my close friends in Tokyo and San Francisco.

Actually, my association with the JACL began in the middle 1930's. Until then my center of interest was in the YMCA, Methodist Church and the Young People's Christian Conference. I was never too good at sports except at carrying the water bucket. To assuage my inferiority complex over this I plunged into a series of oratorical contests which were in vogue at the time. One summer in 1936 I met Tamotsu Murayama on the corner of Buchanan and Pine in San Francisco. He encouraged me to try out for the district trials of the National JACL Oratorical Contest.

Almost all students worked during vacation in those days. I was working in the basement of the Fuyo Co. on Grant Avenue uncrating and delivering knick knacks from Japan for the Chinatown shops. I still remember the agonizing attempts to write, and memorize my speech in the dust and summer heat of underground Chinatown.

I fortunately survived the two Northern California preliminaries and went to Seattle on Yas Abiko's car. Riding in the same car on a very enjoyable trip were Teiko Ishida (Mrs. Kuroiwa), Shig Saito and I believe Henry Tani. Several months later Teiko was kind enough to return to Seattle to retrieve the contest cup I had been asked to leave behind for engraving. It was lying forgotten in a jeweler's vault and almost alienated me from my first interest in JACL.

About this time I met Esamu (to feminize Isamu) Furuya, who was then Mr. Saburo Kido's secretary. Her boss was a practicing attorney whenever he was not busy with the JACL. An ancient mimeograph machine in his Webster Street office, intended for the printing of legal briefs, became, by the way, the first Pacific Citizen press. Mr. Kido was editor-in-chief, Mrs. Kido, Miyako Isonaka (Mrs. Tomita) and Esamu typists, proof readers and pressmen. For the benefit of PC editor Harry Honda, these people also carried all copies of each is-

sue to the corner mail box by themselves.

In 1939, with Mr. and Mrs. Kido acting as our go-between Esamu and I became engaged. And in December of that year I left for Japan alone to study for two years. Whether it was Esamu's lack of faith in me or a suggestion of the Kido's, I still don't know, but my fiancé suddenly appeared in Yokohama harbor in April 1940. She became a secretary in the Chilean Legation and was studying Japanese at night at the Tokyo YWCA.

We were married in the same month of the Pearl Harbor attack to make certain that we would be together no matter what happened. And what was endured was endurable because the both of us were together. Early in the war there were lonely nights when we did wonder why no messages were forthcoming either from relatives or friends through the Red Cross or JACL. You see, we did not know of the evacuation then.

With the war's end came the Allied Occupation troops. To our surprise a great many Nisei were seen with the early landing groups. Meanwhile, the strandeers began to converge on the Japanese capital with the Yokohama U.S. Consulate as their objective.

Most of the Nisei in Tokyo had gone there to study, visit relatives or to work. Those in the outlying provinces had been sent to Japan in infancy by working Issei parents who could not look after them. They were tolerated by their guardians so long as the money from America was forthcoming. But when the conflict prevented this they were subjected to indescribable hardships increasingly so as food and clothing became scarce.

I remember talking to three tearful girls of about 13 or 14 at the Yokohama Consulate. The office had already been flooded with thousands of applications and the youngsters were asked to wait a week. They had no money, food or relatives in Yokohama or Tokyo and had slept in barber chairs the night before. We asked them to come with us but they refused. We gave them our address should they change their minds. But we never saw them again.

So one day a group of Nisei from the Occupation and among the strandeers met in the American officers' billet in downtown Tokyo. Its purpose was to see if organized assistance could be given to help these youngsters

contact their parents and relatives in the United States. This was not to be confused with the official task of the Consulate to scrutinize the strandeers record before clearing them for their return home.

We asked the National Headquarters of the JACL for permission to form a provisional chapter in Tokyo. It was denied; and then and there I vowed that never would I ever have anything to do with JACL if and when I were able to return to the United States.

When I did get back to San Francisco I kept my word and stayed aloof from all JACL activities. In due time I relented to the extent of paying my dues through the mails. In the next two years I learned the amazing story of what the JACL had achieved for the Issei and Nisei since the Japanese surrender after an equally heroic role during the conflict. There is no doubt that significant contributions were made by individuals. But Congressman Walter H. Judd said in the House of Representatives on August 2, 1955, on the 25th Anniversary of the JACL, "Indeed, had it not been for the JACL, with its skillful use of the tools of democracy, it is doubtful that those of Japanese origin in this land would enjoy the healthy and promising status that is theirs today as integrated and loyal Americans."

This is the end of my story. But what still puzzles me is the indifference of many Nisei to the JACL in spite of this record of service and supreme recognition. In their case it is not their objection to the League's policies but a misplaced complacency that all issues peculiar to Japanese Americans have been solved and assimilation is just about complete which is causing this.

But everyone knows while major problems have been dealt with minor ones with enough sting for discomfort still exist. Alien Land Laws still persist in several of our Western States. There is the Miscegenation Law in the South and restriction in home sites for the Nisei in West Coast cities.

FOR those who think assimilation is a sign for Nisei to forget his JACL friends it might be well for them to ponder over the many loyalty parades staged annually in New York by Americans of Polish, Italian, Irish and Puerto Rican ancestries respectively. Then there is the mammoth German-American Day Parade of New York when Mayor Robert Wagner leads over 100,000 Americans of German ancestry up Fifth Avenue, not as the chief executive of this city, but a fellow member of the group who is proud of the cultural con-

tributions his race has made to this melting pot.

Indeed, I think it would be ridiculously ironic for the Nisei to be consigning the JACL to oblivion while the Honorable Walter H. Judd is telling our national legislative body, "As we wish for JACL, its officers and its membership, another quarter century of successful attainment in the common cause of trying to make our land a better place in

which to live and work, may I add the hope that the next 25 years to come will not be under the same trying circumstances either for our Nation or for Americans of Japanese Ancestry."

It is in times of relative tranquility that we need a strongly supported JACL to give it the force and vitality capable of meeting any emergency if and when it may arise.

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Cleveland vs. Li'l Abner Schmoos

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Audience response to this presentation left nothing to be desired. It was reported by the sponsors that the Japanese Night drew a capacity crowd, the largest to date of any other program of this series.

There were many, many more projects the JACL has undertaken successfully, but to elaborate on all of them here would take much more space than allowed. To mention a few: letters were sent to Ohio Representatives and Senators in full support of the FEPC-OEPC Bill; letters went to Senators and Congressmen in Washington urging full support of Hawaiian Statehood; Japanese culture presented at Home and Garden Show and churches and schools; participation in community responsibilities; Scholarship Fund benefit movie; EDC-MDC ticket sales; etc.

Again, a Christmas Tree, connoting the goodwill of the Japanese community, and sponsored by the Cleveland JACL will stand among 12 other nationalities in Public Square during this Holiday Season. These trees will be

reminders for the community that a Greater America can be had... "Security through Unity."

Recognition of the Cleveland Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League is becoming more and more evident. But by no means is the work of the JACL complete. It cannot even be said it is in its prime when one refers back to a recent copy of the nationally syndicated comic strip, Li'l Abner. The author, Al Capp, presents a humiliating and detrimental cartooning of the Japanese. "Like the 'Japs' the Schmoos are cute, too," he depicted, "but even more a menace."

Much correspondence has entailed since this has appeared. Cleveland JACL Chairman Joe Kadowaki has brought this to the attention of members of the National JACL Body, and Public Relations co-chairman Gene Takahashi has written letters to the Editor of the Cleveland Press in which this cartoon appeared in this area, and to Mr. Al Capp himself, in loud protest.

But the damage has been done. Li'l Abner is followed and read by many millions of children in

our nation. Is this the destiny of our future whereby all Japanese are referred to as "Japs" and a menace—oh, excuse us, not quite a menace as the Schmoos?

OF COURSE, the work of the JACL is not finished!

The Cleveland Chapter has gained much progress and certainly great personal satisfaction from the activities and projects it has manned successfully. Words alone cannot express the huge amount of work which goes into the planning and actual presentation of these programs to an audience, or seeing a project come to a head. The Chapter members have taken great strides in making worthwhile these projects to benefit the community.

You can be sure that complete success cannot be achieved by just waiting for it. And to prove this, the Cleveland JACL has records over records of the footwork, the teamwork, and unity it has enjoyed from its members. It works forward to the day when sharing overcomes greed; when understanding overcomes prejudice; when "Micks, Wops, Bohunks and Japs" diminish from use.

Nat'l JACL Bowling Tournament Records

Tournament All-Time Records

MEN'S DIVISION

Singles, 696 — Dr. Jun Kurumada, Salt Lake City (1952)
 Doubles, 1275 — Shig Nakagiri-Jack Miyake, L. A. (1959)
 Team, 2960 — Sequoia Nursery, Redwood City (1958)
 All-Events, 1907 — Henry Aragaki, Honolulu (1958)
 6-Game Sweepers, 1300 — Fuzzy Shimada, San Francisco (1953)

WOMEN'S DIVISION

Singles, 652 — Nobu Asami, Oakland (1959)
 Doubles, 1171 — Chiyo Tashima-Judy Sakata, L. A. (1959)
 Team, 2625 — California Bowlers (1958)
 All-Events, 1814 — Nobu Asami, Oakland (1959)
 4-Game Sweepers, 814 — Judy Seki (Sakata), L. A. (1957)

SPECIAL EVENTS

Mixed Doubles, 1192 —
 Marge Miyakawa-Pluto Shimamura, Los Angeles (1951)
 Ragtime (Hcp.), 1418 —
 George Gee-Fuzzy Shimada, San Francisco (1953)

The popularity of bowling in America is reflected in the annual National JACL tournament, which has been growing in stature and competition since its beginning in 1947, when it was staged in Salt Lake City. In the intervening years, the tournaments have been held on alternating years in California and outside of California.

This coming year, Denver hosts the 1960 tournament on Mar. 1-5 at the Dahlia Lanes with John Noguchi as general chairman.

With the possibility of a perfect "300" game being hit in a JACL tournament, an additional five cents per event will be set aside to build up a fund to award the bowler hitting a perfect game. Every tournament event except the ragtime doubles will be considered in building the "300" pot. The bowler will be guaranteed \$300, in the event the 300 is shot before the pot reaches that sum. If the fund builds up to over \$300, the entire amount in the fund will be given.

The tournament has been under the moral sanction clauses of the American Bowling Congress and the Women's International Bowling Congress since 1950.

Both men and women tournament scores are on a scratch basis except for ragtime doubles.

MEN'S SINGLES

1947 Dr. Jun Kurumada, S.L.C. 601
 1948 Harley Kusumoto, Chicago 676
 1949 Larry Mekata, Honolulu 651
 1950 Gene Sato, Pocatello 646
 1951 Shun Nakamura, Denver 692
 1952 Dr. Jun Kurumada, S.L.C. 696
 1953 Henri Takahashi, S. F. 691
 1954 Ed Eda, Chicago 630
 (tie) George Inai, S. F. 630
 1955 John Kasano, San Jose 670
 1956 Bob Shiba, Salt Lake 665
 1957 Yulene Takai, Sacramento 654
 1958 Ace Mori, Pocatello 685
 1959 Shiro Kitabayashi, Los Angeles 661

MEN'S DOUBLES

1947 Shorty Tanaka-Harley Kusumoto, Chicago 1095
 1948 Mush Matsumoto-Tak Fujiwara, Chicago 1191
 1949 Dick Ikeda-Tats Nagase, S.F. 1196
 1950 George Kobo-George Yasukochi, Los Angeles 1179
 1951 Shozo Hiraizumi-Ken Takeno, S.L.C. 1181
 1952 George Inai-Kayo Hayakawa, San Francisco 1174
 1953 George Gee-Henri Takahashi, San Francisco 1269
 1954 Rocky Yamanaka-Art Omori, Chicago 1249
 1955 Lawrence Fujimoto-Horace Iwanaka, Hawaii 1186
 1956 Gish Endo-Fuzzy Shimada, San Francisco 1256
 1957 Charles Sonoda (S.L.C.) Shozo Hiraizumi (L.A.) 1224
 1958 Johnny Yasukochi-Howie Uehara, Los Angeles 1267
 1959 Shig Nakagiri-Jack Miyake, Los Angeles 1275

MEN'S TEAM

1947 Los Angeles JACL All Stars 2826
 Paul Ishizawa, Tad Yamada, Tok Ishizawa, Nob Ishizawa, Bowman Chung
 1948 Okada Insurance, S.L.C. 2849

Tad Sako, Sho Hiraizumi, Maki, Kaizumi, Dr. Jun Kurumada, George Kishida
 1949 Robertson's Nursery, L.A. 2808
 George Kobo, George Takeuchi, Yo Nomura, Kaz Katayama, George Yasukochi
 1950 Towata Flowers, Alameda 2899
 Dick Ikeda, Tad Sako, Chy Kawakami, Gish Endo, Fuzzy Shimada
 1951 Sequoia Nursery, Redwood City 2792
 Dick Ikeda, Tad Sako, Chy Kawakami, Gish Endo, Fuzzy Shimada
 1952 Marigold Arcade, Chicago 2823
 Shig Nabeta, Bob Miyakawa, George Kasal, Sock Kojima, Tak Nabata
 1953 Sequoia Nursery, Redwood City 2912
 Dick Ikeda, Gish Endo, Chy Kawakami, Tad Sako, Fuzzy Shimada
 1954 Marigold Arcade, Chicago 2922
 Tom Hashimoto, Tome Fuji, Watts Uchida, Bob Miyakawa, Sock Kojima
 1955 Coffee Strawberries, Sac'to 2842
 Jim Matsui, Joe Hom, Gil Ishisaka, Tsuto Hironaka, Dubby Tsugawa
 1956 Gayway Bowl, Caldwell, Ida. 2843
 Shig Nishimoto, George Saito, Tony Miyasako, Geo. Vaughan, Bill Nishioka
 1957 Standard Produce, Salt Lake 2754
 Speedy Shiba, Choppy Umemoto, George Sakashita, Bob Shiba, Harry Imamura
 1958 Sequoia Nursery, Redwood City 2960
 Dixon Ikeda, Gish Endo, George Furuya, Tats Nagase, Fuzzy Shimada
 1959 Southwest L.A. JACL 2855
 Tak Ushiyama, Rich Young, George Uehara, Sus Kyo, Yuki Uradono

MEN'S ALL-EVENTS

1947 Shig Hironaka, Ontario 1719
 1948 Shorty Tanaka, Chicago 1786
 1949 Harley Kusumoto, L.A. 1779
 1950 Dick Ikeda, S.F. 1809
 1951 Shun Nakamura, Denver 1777
 1952 Ken Yee, Sacramento 1837
 1953 Henri Takahashi, S.F. 1902
 1954 Rocky Yamanaka, S.F. 1834
 1955 Ko Arihara, Long Beach 1789
 1956 Fuzzy Shimada, S.F. 1880
 1947 Yulene Takai, Sacramento 1815
 1958 Henry Aragaki, Honolulu 1907
 1959 Moose Furukawa, Gardena 1822

WOMEN'S SINGLES

1947 Betty Kurokawa, Salt Lake 526
 1948 Amy Konishi, Denver 510
 1949 Masa Ikebuchi, Salt Lake 533
 1950 Maxine Kato, Ogden 551
 1951 Chuckie Watanabe, L.A. 546
 1952 Aiko Fujimoto, L.A. 551
 1953 Chiyo Tashima, L.A. 588
 1954 Yo Shigehara, Chicago 581
 1955 Eri Murotsune, San Jose 563
 1956 Lois Yut, Seattle 565
 1957 Sumi Sasaki, Richmond 603
 1958 Kay Yuto, Eastbay 608
 1959 Nobu Asami, Oakland 652

WOMEN'S DOUBLES

1947 Rosa Higashi-Eiko Watanabe, Denver 1030
 1948 Amy Konishi-Helen Murasaki, Denver 993
 1949 Julia Wong-Mickey Tsuruta, Los Angeles 974
 1950 Iris Weinfurter-Toshi Mizuno, Los Angeles 1033

1951 Yoyo Konishi-Fumi Lee, Seattle 989
 1952 Lois Yut-Kazie Yokoyama, Seattle 975
 1953 June Jue-Chiyo Tashima, Los Angeles 1061
 1954 June Jue-Chiyo Tashima, Los Angeles 1022
 1955 June Jue-Chiyo Tashima, Los Angeles 1108
 1956 Mary Matsumura-Mas Fujii, Los Angeles 1092
 1957 Maxie Kato (Ogden)-Rosa Mayeda (Denver) 1130
 1958 Mickey Oyama-Lois Yut, Seattle 1120
 1959 Chiyo Tashima-Judy Sakata, Los Angeles 1171

WOMEN ALL-EVENTS

1947 Rosa Higashi, Denver 1396
 1948 Amy Konishi, Denver 1501
 1949 Julia Wong, L.A. 1594
 1950 June Jue, L.A. 1585
 1951 Chiyo Tashima, L.A. 1504
 1952 Chiyo Tashima, L.A. 1544
 1953 Chiyo Tashima, L.A. 1668
 1954 Yo Shigehara, Chicago 1635
 1955 Chiyo Tashima, L.A. 1747
 1956 Dotty Andrade, Hawaii 1665
 1957 Lois Yut, Seattle 1667
 1958 Nobu Asami, Eastbay 1760
 1959 Nobu Asami, Oakland 1814

WOMEN'S TEAM

1947 Denver 2267
 Amy Konishi, Lillian Goto, Masako Kojima, Eiko Watanabe, Rosa Higashi
 1948 Salt Lake City All Stars 2162
 Miko Kusaba, Chiyo Arita, Judy Haramoto, Lillian Kurisaki, Maxine Kato
 1949 Los Angeles All Stars 2387
 Yas Yasukochi, Mickey Tsuruta, Nobie Watanabe, Rhoda Kobo, Julia Wong
 1950 Seattle All Stars 2458
 Yoyo Konishi, Miye Ishikawa, Sue Lew, Jean Terao, Fumi Yoshida
 1951 Stonehurst Nursery, Berkeley 2238
 Terry Umene, Nobu Asami, Ayako Kawamoto, Edy Kawakami, Asako Kawamoto
 1952 Main Bowl, Seattle 2332
 Miye Ishikawa, Kazie Yokoyama, Carol Dady, Fudge Sakanishi, Lois Yut
 1953 Tashima Bros., L.A. 2517
 June Jue, Mary Matsumura, Chuckie Watanabe, Mas Fujii, Chiyo Tashima
 1954 Marigold Arcade, Chicago 2492
 Toshi Inahara, Molly Sakamoto, Bessie Miyata, Flora Morita, Lucy Sato
 1955 Tashima Bros., L.A. 2376
 June Jue, Mary Matsumura, Mas Fujii, Chuckie Seki, Chiyo Tashima
 1956 Tashima Bros., L.A. 2523
 Mari Matsumura, Betty Daly, Mary Matsumura, Chuckie Seki, Mas Fujii
 1957 Tashima Bros., L.A. 2560
 Sets Nishida, Mari Matsumura, Mary Matsumura, Mas Fujii, Chiyo Tashima
 1958 California Bowlers 2625
 Micki Inouye, Sayo Togami, Kay Yuto, Kim Furuya, Nobu Asami
 1959 Downtown Bowl, S.F. 2586
 Muts Lym, Jen Hayakawa, Shina Wada, N. Sugiyama, Suzy Toda

SPECIAL EVENTS — MIXED DOUBLES

1947 Grace Ota (SLC)-Shorty Tanaka, Chicago 1064
 1948 Amy Konishi-Sam Kawanishi, Denver 1080
 1949 Julia Wong-Stanley Wong, Los Angeles 1051
 1950 Yoyo Konishi, Tak Shibuya, Seattle 1083

1951 Marge Miyakawa-Pluto Shimamura, Los Angeles 1192
 1952 Julia Wong-Dixon Ikeda, S.F. 1130
 1953 Inez Kama (Honolulu)-George Kobo, Los Angeles 1067
 1954 June Jue-Easy Fujimoto, Los Angeles 1110
 1955 Chiyo Tashima (L.A.)-George Inai, San Francisco 1174
 1956 Lois Itano-Roy Kubosumi, Boise Valley 1127
 1957 Nobu Asami (Berk.)-Fuzzy Shimada, San Francisco 1139
 1958 Carol Suguro (Seattle)-Cliff Ichimasa (Honolulu) 1176
 1959 Mas Fujii-Tad Yamada, L.A. 1164

MEN'S 6-GAME SWEEPER

1949 Frank Sebara, Denver (7 games) 1384
 1950 Clarence Matsumoto, Honolulu (8 games) 1568
 1951 Taki Taketomo, L.A. (5 games) 1081
 1952 Tats Nagase, S.F. 1296
 1953 Fuzzy Shimada, S.F. 1300
 1954 Shig Nabeta, Chicago 1261
 1955 Angel Kageyama, Sacramento 1246
 1956 Taki Taketomo, L.A. 1205
 1957 Rich Namba, San Carlos 1220
 1958 Dick Ung, L.A. 1243
 (George Iseri, Long Beach, tied with 1243 but lost in 6-game rolloff to Ung)
 1959 Sol Tringali, L.A. 1253

WOMEN'S 4-GAME SWEEPER

1953 June Jue, L.A. 736
 1954 Chiyo Tashima, L.A. 730
 1955 Chiyo Tashima, L.A. 753
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 1957 Sus Icka-Tad Takagiri, L.A. 1274
 1958 Fuzzy Shimada-George Furuya, San Francisco 1348
 1959 Al Ahsam-Dave Kanno, Hawaii 1355

Fowler

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a kimono also rode with them.

Fowler civic officials were guests of the chapter at the 10th annual CCDC convention banquet at Fresno in December. The guests included Ray Magill, publisher of the Fowler Ensign; John Gigliotti, chamber of commerce president; Aram Peters, local American Legion post commander; and Dr. H. W. Nielsen, who has attended at the birth of many Fowler Nisei.


The year ends with a Christmas and New Year party for children and their parents. The family affair features toys, refreshments, candy and movies.

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East-West Center Proposed for Hawaii

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International Cooperation Center under the Governor's Office.

Governor William F. Quinn, who was elected first State Governor last July, has actively sought and received help from Washington in developing the proposed center.

Congress has asked the State Department to make its findings and recommendations on the feasibility of establishing such a center in Hawaii. A team from Washington has reported favorably on its findings.

The Secretary of State's report is to be forwarded to Congress soon.

The proposal has had the sponsorship, in the last session, of Senate Majority Leader Lyndon Johnson and former Delegate John A. Burns.

There is enthusiastic support for the project among Hawaii's people. In discussions for building a lasting and living monument to Hawaiian statehood, the project is being prompted as a major objective for 1960.

In the vital area of people-to-people relations, Hawaii looks to the future to make its greatest contribution to the country that has accepted it as an equal partner in the family of states.

Soon Hawaii will fulfill its vaunted destiny.

Cortez JACL Goodwill

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Harbor were many and difficult and the attitude of so-called Christian people was noted in his plea for racial tolerance and friendship. He concluded with the statement that he found it necessary to maintain a balance to prevent showing his own prejudices in favor of the Nisei.

Orchard Income

In February, Cortez JACLers and their neighbors began looking to future recreational needs of the children in the area.

During several workdays a seven-acre parcel of land to the rear of the Cortez Hall was scraped and almond trees were planted by volunteers. Eventual income from the orchard will defray expenses of a proposed playground and swimming pool.

A work schedule in which the community takes turns caring for the trees was arranged by Ken Miyamoto, Sam Kuwahara and Nogi Kajioaka.

The chapter also remodeled the hall kitchen, the whole project being financed by parts of the proceeds from the annual chapter fishing derby.

The chapter also assisted the Boy Scout Troop 32 court of honor. This troop is co-sponsored by the chapter and by the American Legion Post 668.

At a general meeting in March were speakers Carole Narita and Rose Vierra, Livingston High School students whose registration were partly sponsored by our chapter to the fourth annual Civil Liberties Conference for High School at Asilomar. They gave interesting reports of the conference which discussed various aspects of the theme: "Vision for World Community."

All the sports and fun that go hand-in-hand with a snow outing was enjoyed by chapter members, their families and Cub Scout Pack 32 at Calaveras Big Tree State Park.

March and April were months for "Family Fishing Derby." Members and their families relaxed and did a bit of fishing to vie for prizes.

Numerous families in the Cortez area were joined by friends and relatives who traveled many miles to attend the picnic staged annually by the chapter. The weather was beautiful that day enabling everyone to enjoy the many games, awards and gate prizes.

In May, the chapter in conjunction with the Ballico Farm Bureau featured "Candidates' Night." Candidates from state down to the local level offices were present or represented by able supporters.

In June, the 40th anniversary dinner honoring the eight surviving pioneers who founded and established an agricultural community in the Cortez area in 1919 was held. This event the most significant of all that was sponsored by the chapter and the Cortez Growers Association.

Brief History of Cortez

Forty years ago, the late Mr. Kyutaro Abiko, Japanese publisher in San Francisco, had a vision that the many Issei who were scattered in various rural

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SACRAMENTO IN SIXTY

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visit, climate-wise. They all agree that the area offers all variety of the four seasons, but none of the harsh contrasts or extremes found in many places.

The El Dorado Hotel is air-conditioned through-out and the Convention Board stresses those planning to attend our 1960 meeting wear simple and comfortable attire during the five-day stay here. According to the schedule, I believe the only times you can "dress-up" to your heart's desire are to the Pioneer Dinner Night, Convention Banquet and the Sayonara Ball. Some suggestion as to the attire for the Men: sport shirts and slacks or plain dress shirts and slacks. Suits during the afternoons may prove very uncomfortable. For the women: blouse and skirts or thin cotton or other light material clothing in one piece or whatever is suitable. Light-weight suits are recommended but not necessary.

One other thing, be sure and pack your swim suits. The hotel has a marvelous swimming pool and you may use its facilities at any time.

MIXER ATTIRE

And also be sure and bring one Aloha shirt. This will be appropriate for the Mixer scheduled on Wednesday night, June 29, starting at 10 p.m. The Mixer will have a Hawaiian theme including music and entertainment in the Hawaiian mood. For the women who haven't any of those long type dresses that resembles an over-stuffed evening gown (that name escapes me at this moment) now is the time to start making one. It's really simple. Make it over size so that two people can get into it but actually only one is ALLOWED . . . goodness sakes!

1000 CLUB WHING DING

Thursday, June 30, is the date of the 1000 Club whing-ding. Whing-ding is slang meaning getting together and raising Cain. Despite the fact that men predominate in the 1000 Club, wives and friends will be also admitted.

Chairman George Tambara so far is elusive in his plans but according to the latest hearsay, a slam bang affair is slated. One of the highlites of the whing-ding is the appearance of five beautiful gals representing five different nations. The unknown lasses are Miss Japan, Miss Spain, Miss Russia, Miss Hawaii and Miss France. I don't know what they're doing in a 1000 Club meeting but if it's charm you want, you will certainly find them at the 1000 Club shindig if those gals are making an appearance in it.

Pre-registration is being accepted now by the Sacramento Chapter. Please note also that advance reservations for rooms at the National JACL Convention headquarters, the fabulous El Dorado Hotel, is needed to assure you that everything will be arranged upon your arrival.

See you in Sacramento?

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FRANK KERO—Nov. 2, 1949, Chicago Southside Nisei League, Hyde Park Bowl.

FRANK SEHARA—Aug. 1, 1951, Denver Nisei Summer League, Bowl-Mor Lanes.

BART OKADA—June 16, 1954, Summer Mixed Foursome League, Main Bowl, Seattle.

GEORGE INAI—Oct. 31, 1954, San Francisco Nisei Majors, Downtown Bowl.

KAZUO OHORI—Jan. 13, 1956, Chicago Industrial League.

KAZ KATAYAMA—April 20, 1956, Los Angeles Examiner Tournament, Vogue Alleys.

JIM SAKAMOTO—Mar. 5, 1957, San Jose Nisei League, Sherman Oaks Bowl.

****TED KAWAMURA**—May 5, 1957, Hawaii Senior Open League, Kalihi Bowl.

TOMMY FUKUDA—Sept. 21, 1957, Detroit Greater East Side Traveling Classic, Rainbow Recreation.

JUDY SEKI—Oct. 13, 1957, S. Calif. Women's All-Star Elimination, South Bay Bowling Center, Redondo Beach.

HARLEY HIGURASHI—Dec. 17, 1957, Gardena Nisei League, Gardena Bowl.

****TATSUO NAKAGAWA**—Mar. 5, 1958, Frisco July Classic League, Bowl-O-Drome, Hawaii.

ROY IZUMITA—Oct. 14, 1958, Mainliner League, San Gabriel Lanes.

YONE DEGUCHI—Nov. 27, 1958, Nisei AA League, Holiday Bowl.

SUS NAKASONE—Feb. 18, 1959, Nisei AA League, Holiday Bowl.



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DIAMOND-STUDDED PIN

The high honor of the diamond-studded pin is reserved for those who have served the organization as its National President.

Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe	Hito Okada
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The ruby-studded pin symbolizes considerable personal sacrifice while giving outstanding leadership and service to our organization and in behalf of persons of Japanese ancestry.

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Cortez

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communities throughout California, could build a wholesome farming community of their own to demonstrate their acceptance and integration into the American way of life. Thus, he was instrumental in the settlement of Cortez Colony by 13 families between August and November of 1919.

These 13 pioneer families were: Mr. and Mrs. Nenokichi Morofuji, Mr. and Mrs. Yonekichi Kuwahara, Mr. and Mrs. Otokichi Kajioke, Mr. and Mrs. Hachizo Kajioke, Mr. and Mrs. Chucichi Date, Mr. and Mrs. Suetaro Narita, Mr. and Mrs. Tomezo Yotsuya, Mr. and Mrs. Tetsuzo Shioono, Mr. and Mrs. Tomekichi Toyama, Mr. and Mrs. Yonezo Yoshida, Mr. and Mrs. Kasaku Kubo, Mr. and Mrs. Gentaro Nakayama, and Mr. and Mrs. Zenshiro Yuge.

Among these pioneers, those who are no longer with us are: Mr. and Mrs. Nenokichi Morofuji, Mr. Yonekichi Kuwahara, Mr. and Mrs. Otokichi Kajioke, Mr. Hachizo Kajioke, Mr. and Mrs. Chucichi Date, Mr. and Mrs. Suetaro Narita, Mr. and Mrs. Tomezo Yotsuya, and Mr. and Mrs. Zenshiro Yuge.

These pioneer families were followed by many more in close succession.

The pioneers endured privations and hard work beyond description. When frost, sandstorm and jackrabbits destroyed their newly planted orchard and vineyards, the stoically replanted their fields. Money was scarce women, children as well as men worked for their Caucasian neighbors and helped each other in order to sustain themselves. They were a hardy group which, through sheer necessity, had to keep together so they could fulfill their dreams of owning their own farm.

The hard times, however, proved to be a blessing as the foundations were laid for a wholesome farming community, and the men and women who survived the depression years came to realize that the basis for an economic democracy lay in a co-operative.

The Cortez Growers Association was organized in April of 1924 with 11 members. Ten years later, all the growers in the community had joined the association. Today it has the cooperation of membership of many Caucasian neighbors.

Under able directorship and management, it has become one of the model grower associations in the country, based upon co-operative principles. The first President of Cortez Growers was Nenokichi Morofuji, and the first manager was Manroku Matsumoto.

The Cortez Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League was organized for the purpose of mobilizing the mental, spiritual, and material resources of the Japanese-Americans as their way of contributing toward a greater America.

Today many modern homes in a sprawling area surround the crossroads community called Cortez, and residents look forward to another four decades of prosperity and expansion.

Scholarships

Miye Asai and Carole Narita were winners of the \$100 scholarship presented by the chapter. The awards were given to the two outstanding Livingston High School graduates at the annual elementary, high schools and colouting honoring graduates of legs from the Cortez area. A barbecue wound up the affair and activities for a while as members turn to hard work in their orchards and vineyards for the summer.

In November, members anxiously awaited the pre-derby barbecue dinner, a stag affair, which was held during the week prior to the Fishing Derby. Frank's Tract was the location for this year's derby in which more than 400 anglers took part.



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Salt Lake Chapter anticipates silver anniversary in 1960

By Josie Hachiya, Historian

SALT LAKE CITY — Varied activities sponsored by the Salt Lake Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League in 1959 were, we believe, brimmed with success.

The chapter was not faced with the gigantic task of hosting a national convention as in 1958 — indeed, an outstanding event for any chapter—but in every other way, 1959 has been more significant and fruitful in terms of serving the membership and community-at-large.

With added membership and new ideas drawn into the organization, Salt Lake JACL will continue to make every effort to bolster its ranks and assist the community enthusiastically. There is greater anticipation and higher goals for all Salt Lakers as they meet 1960—the chapter's Silver Anniversary.

This, then, is the review of 1959.

Aiding Aged Issei

The first project launched in January for the past six years has been the Alien Registration Service to the remaining Issei seeking assistance of the local chapter. Since the majority are now American citizens, the request is waning by the year. However, the aged non-citizens still appreciate this aid. Rupert Hachiya has been serving as chairman each year with a hand-picked crew assisting him at the Colonial Hotel Lobby and making the rounds of the convalescent homes.

Utah Japanese American Fact-Finding Committee on Civil

Rights held its first meeting on Jan. 6 at the State Capitol. Henry Y. Kasai was named chairman of the Fact-Finding subcommittee among the Japanese Americans in the state of Utah by federal committee state chairman Adam M. Duncan. A Citizen's Committee also pressed for legislative action on civil rights in the State Legislature.

Rep. Duncan declared, "Salt Lake JACL provided the needed leadership in this campaign."

Membership and Pacific Citizen drives headed by the two vice presidents, Elna Miya and George Yoshimoto have established an all-time high in membership by chalking up approximately 570 for this year, placing Salt Lake in the fourth position nationally. Pacific Citizen subscriptions, too, have been ranked at the top in number of new subscribers.

New Venture

Issei Night, a new venture by the chapter to entertain and honor the Issei, was a smash-hit success. This was largely due to Rae Fujimoto, chairman, and Sue Kaneko, who worked on the stunts and spoke to the Issei in fluent Japanese.

The ever popular Dance Class was also made available to those interested in instructions from the Veloz and Yolanda weekly classes.

Letters to the Utah senators on Rule 22 to amend cloture procedure were also sent to Washington, D. C. Their replies were carried in the January Newsletter, one favoring and other opposing.

'Chapter of Year'

In February, the Intermountain District Council named Salt Lake JACL as "The Chapter of the Year." This honor was received by the chapter president Ichiro Doi at St. Anthony, Idaho, as a particular recognition to hosting the outstanding 15th Biennial National Convention and achieving a record-membership.

Seven members were appointed by the board to create the new Endowment Fund Committee for the purpose of governing the use of the convention profit. Ichiro Doi was elected Chairman for this group as they deposited the net profit with the National JACL Credit Union.

In April, the General Meeting and social with the theme "Welcome, Hawaii" was also considered successful as National Director Mas Satow came in person to present the chapter's "re-bate check," and State Representative "Mickey" Duncan reported on JACL's role in the Civil Rights fight. The festive mood of the Hawaiian atmosphere were highlighted with a celebrity membership, Mitsuko

Kimura Fukunaga, as the 550th member.

For the second quarterly meeting of the IDC, Salt Lake members again played a major role and several trips were made to Ogden in an attempt to reorganize and activate the chapter for that community. As a result, the Ben Lomond Chapter was reactivated, and the Northern Utah Chapter applied for new charter.

Memorial Day Observance in May was another outstanding event as John Kikuchi presented a most fitting program.

The annual Graduation Dance was chaired by Amy Tomita, inviting about 60 high school, colleges and University graduates. Masaoka Scholarship candidate was also announced and introduced at intermission as Sachiko Tokunaga chalked up an enviable record at East High.

Columnist Ruark

Anti-Nisei column appeared in the Salt Lake Tribune written by columnist Robert C. Ruark. This article was criticized in behalf of the Salt Lake Chapter by Prof. Elmer Smith in his letter to the Tribune.

The community was aroused in a new experience as little two-year-old Wayne Yamamura of Idaho Falls was brought to Salt Lake for a life-or-death heart surgery. He needed 15 pints

of rare type B positive blood to prepare for the needed operation. Thanks to the donors, Wayne is recovering nicely now.

The annual Family Outing was unusually well attended and enjoyable and chalked up to be the best to date.

The City Park Dept. held a public reception at the International Peace Garden for which JACL was asked to host the Japanese Garden. Thirty girls in kimonos danced and posed for the stream of viewers and photographers, for which we received the most favorable publicity in the city papers. The peak flower show of August attracted capacity crowd including all the state and city officials from the governor on down.

Youth Evaluation Report

A Youth Evaluation Report was finally prepared for distribution. A committee consisting of Sue Kaneko, Keiko Nakahara, and Emiko Tokunaga, called several meetings, did much research and held many discussions to offer its conclusion to the report. It received several favorable comments not only from the Pacific Citizen but from the Na-

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Best Wishes for the Holidays SALT LAKE CITY JACL

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 tional Headquarters, and other national officers.

As a result of this Youth Evaluation Report, Elna Miya was assigned to take over the Special Projects Committee, beginning with the reviving of the JACL Choir. This choir sang the "JACL Hymn" again at the district convention held in Murray last Thanksgiving week-end. Among other youth projects were to host the United Nation's booth at the state fair in September, and participate with Jr. Chamber of Commerce to entertain the Veteran's Hospital patients.

September General Meeting was a movie night showing "Miss Universe," "The Challenge" and an educational film on Hawaii. Sixty dollars as proceeds from contributions received that night was donated to the Japan Typhoon Relief.

The Chapter took steps to incorporate as a non-profit organization under the state law with legal proceedings handled by Mas Yano, attorney. He also handled the first Hiramatsu Memorial bequest which was also deposited with the National JACL Credit Union.

Auxiliary Activities

The first fall Auxiliary meeting was a Baby Shower honoring three recent mothers at the residence of Jeanne Konishi.

The October meeting was held at the Japanese Church of Christ, borrowing their equipment to show educational film strips and movies on maturing. It was presented to mothers and daughters of the general membership, as a qualified speaker, Miss Winifred Hazen, from the State Dept. of Education came to lead the discussion and answer questions. November filled a progressive dinner funfest with the husbands.

Third quarterly IDC meeting was held at Burley, Idaho, with Pocatello Chapter as host in their attempt to revive the Magic Valley Chapter. Salt Lake participation provided leadership of the chairman and secretary in addition to three delegates.

The November General Meeting highlighted the Youth Talent show. As only one could be selected to represent the chapter in the IDC Convention Contest, Diane Yoshimoto, a 17-year-old ballet dancer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Yoshimoto, was the winner. Civil Defense speaker and movie were also scheduled.

Newsletters to Members

Monthly chapter newsletters have been servicing the membership with Alice Kasai editing and Mas Horiuchi printing. Elections Information for the local primary and general election appeared with the October issue. Members also assisted in Utah State TB

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In his studio, Paul Horiuchi sits on a low stool and really gets down close to the deck, or perhaps it may be more characteristic to say close to earth and nature. A profound student of Oriental calligraphy, he is also

accredited a rare ability to mix Zen love and understanding of nature study with western techniques. The painting shown is called "Bounds of Nature." —Ogawa Photo.

PAUL HORIUCHI—Artist

By ELMER OGAWA

Before success was limned in his paint brushes

The brush of Paul Horiuchi speaks with authority. In this Northwest corner of the United States where such well known artists as Mark Tobey, Kenneth Callahan and Morris Graves are noted for work that blends Occidental vision with Oriental Zen, a philosophy which embraces all the serenity, beauty and truth in nature, Horiuchi has attained stature with the greatest.

Thirty major prizes in the past ten years, three highly successful one man shows, two in Seattle and one in Little Rock at the opening of Mrs. Winthrop Rockefeller's gallery there.

At the present time, some of his works are just completing a showing in Rome under the sponsorship of Sir Herbert Read's Rome-New York Art Foundation. This year, his second in the Ford Foundation competitions, he has reached the finals.

None of these accomplishments have come about the easy way,

however. Quite the opposite, success and recognition as an artist have been slow in coming, the culmination of many trials and disappointments to 53-year-old Horiuchi who has put in a lifetime at painting.

Patient and modest, he is humble and grateful now that the "happy" years have at long last arrived, but, with it all comes a feeling of great responsibility, he admits. Horiuchi wears the cloak well. Tobey and Callahan are his most enthusiastic fans, and all are disciples of Zen master Tomotsu Takizaki.

At Horiuchi's most recent 30-day show, 13 of his 29 paintings were snapped up by collectors the first day. By the time the show was over, 26 of the 29 had been sold. At a previous show, 24 of 26 went to new owners. It's like that—now.

If long years of hard work, privation, suffering give stature

to an artist, then Horiuchi has it.

Naturalized Citizen

Naturalized citizen Horiuchi came to this country at the age of 15, proceeded to Rock Springs, Wyoming, where his family had settled. His father died a year later, and his mother returned to Japan. The youngster liked the wide open spaces and chose to stay in the United States. He got himself a job on the railroad and painted whenever time allowed.

Western techniques in painting were learned from a visiting WPA art instructor. Life was not too bad at this stage, and in time he got to be a section foreman.

Seattleites saw Paul as a frequent visitor during the early years. It was in the summer of 1928 that tragedy struck the family of Bernadette Suda when the family car fell off a ferry slip. Bernadette and a brother were rescued but also lost in the accident was a daughter of Tomotsu Takizaki, the art critic, collector, and master of Zen philosophy.

Bernadette and her brother found a home with the Maryknoll sisters, and later Mr. Takizaki joined the rest of his family in adopting the faith when he and Bernadette were baptized at the same time.

It was through Tomotsu (Sebastian) Takizaki that Paul Horiuchi met Bernadette, likewise became a convert, and they were married in Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Church in 1935.

After returning to Rock Springs, Horiuchi met Vincent Campanella who had gone there to paint. The two became fast

friends and Campanella proved to be an important influence in Horiuchi's style. Today, Campanella is a noted painter, and the director of an art school in Kansas City.

And it was in Rock Springs that adversity struck its most damaging blows as an aftermath of the bombing of Pearl Harbor. Two months after that event, the railroad told Horiuchi that he was fired. An accompanying order told him to remove all his belongings from the company owned house they occupied, and ordered them to get off railroad property within twenty-four hours.

The little family complied, and piled their furniture in a heap in front of the house. Paul Jr. was 3 and Jon was 1 year old. An appeal to federal authorities brought no help. Finally Horiuchi set fire to the whole pile, including art books and all his lifetime accumulation of paintings except 25 that could be made up in one roll.

At the pyre, a wide-eyed and bewildered Paul Jr. looked up at his father and said: "Daddy, are we going to sleep behind the sagebrush like a snake."

Tragedy of Dec. 7

In his recollection, Horiuchi said: "We had been too terrified to cry up to that time, but little Paul's question really brought the tears. We shall always remember it."

An old home made trailer was found to attach to the family jalopy, and it made a home of sorts.

Horiuchi was out of work a whole year. People, generally were passably considerate, and some of the many friends gave help to the family, but the men who controlled the jobs were the ones who were prejudiced.

Paul Horiuchi found only one brief job in that period. A Catholic priest in Green River, Wyoming, paid him a small salary for cleaning a church that already seemed to be pretty clean.

"I will not forget that man," the painter said, "He helped strengthen my faith when it

needed strengthening most."

Horiuchi once more appealed to federal officials to send him and his family to a relocation center, but he was turned down.

The family moved on to Ogden, Utah, where Horiuchi applied for a job on another railroad. He was amazed to find immediate employment, and it was also a pleasant surprise to be entrusted with the important job of car inspector. Several other Japanese-Americans were working for the road, he noted.

But there was more grief just around the corner. A friend had permitted the Horiuchi's to park their trailer in his yard, and furnished storage space in the basement to relieve congestion in the trailer. Then along came one of those terrible rainstorms, and the friend's basement was flooded. They did not know about it for three days. It was a hard blow to take when Horiuchi discovered that all the 25 paintings saved from Rock Springs were destroyed.

But Horiuchi kept going, painting his impressions of nature in the wide cactus country he loved so well. Work, prayer, faith lent strength to the conviction that better times were ahead.

After the war, the Horiuchi's went on to Spokane, there to renew the friendship with Zen master Takizaki who in the meantime had been quite an influence on northwest artist Mark Tobey. Horiuchi writes Chinese and Japanese ideographs as well as English, and the Takizaki influence helped him to develop an original authoritative style of his own.

The artist was yet to see the fulfillment of the dream of a lifetime, to be a full time painter. He painted cars and worked as a body and fender man for a few more years. At one stage of the game, Bernadette was his assistant, and many a night they stayed up working late in order to get a paint job out for a customer by morning. For several years, up to the present time, however, Bernadette has been employed as a teller in the International Branch of the Seat-

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The Horiuchi family poses for a picture at home. From left are Allene Mrs. Paul, Jr. Horiuchi; Paul, Jr., and son Martin; Bernadette; Vincent, third son of Paul Horiuchi, and a mantle picture of Jon, the second son in military service at March Field. A Mark Tobey painting hangs on the wall behind Vincent. —Ogawa Photo

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Keigo Inouye, president of Seabrook JACL presents a check of \$250 to Earl Sloan, administrator of the Elmer Community Hospital, as the second part of the \$500 donation pledged by the chapter. Standing left to right: Kiyomi Nakamura, vice president and chairman of this project; Ed Foote, president

of the hospital; Charles Nagao, past EDC chairman, and Vernon Ichisaka, past president. Seabrook JACL also completed the contribution of \$1,800 to the Bridgeton Hospital in Cumberland County in the spring of 1958. — Photo by Gene Laning, Elmer Times

Making community little better each year is rule

By **AYAKO NAKAMURA**

SEABROOK, N. J.—Headed by Keigo Inouye, first naturalized citizen to serve as Seabrook Chapter president, the local JACLers realized another significant year, dedicating themselves to the betterment of the com-

munity as well as progress of the League.

As the first Issei president, Inouye was installed last May 26 by Cumberland County Clerk Earl M. Wescoat, the same official who administered the oath back in April 19, 1954, when he became an American citizen.

A graduate of Univ. of California and now a design and planning engineer for Seabrook Farms Co., Keigo Inouye also has some 30 years experience in scouting to his credit. Instrumental in organizing Scout program in Seabrook, he is presently serving as institutional representative and member of the South Jersey Boy Scout Council advancement committee—a valuable asset to the JACL-sponsored Boy Scout Troop of Seabrook.

Biennium Award Won

Noteworthy recognition took place at the joint East-Midwestern District Councils convention held over the Labor Day holidays in New York City when the Seabrook Chapter was acclaimed the EDC-MDC "Chapter of the Biennium" and was presented with an award for its outstanding achievements and activities during the past two-year period.

Also winning recognition at the convention for outstanding

service to district and local chapters during the past 10 years was Charles Nagao who completed his term as chairman of the Eastern District Council. He was presented with the coveted sapphire pin.

Other members winning distinction with silver pins for outstanding work in the chapter were George Noda, Richard Kuniyama and Marion Glaeser, now a member of the New York Chapter.

District Council Officers

Two local members were also elected officers of the Eastern District Council. They were John Fuyume, vice president, and Mrs. Josie Ikeda, recording secretary.

Pauline Nagao, national oratorical contest winner and now student at Juniata College, Pa., repeated her history making address before the 300 convention delegates.

Nearly 30 members, including delegate Dr. Paul Morita, attended the convention from Seabrook.

September also found the Chapter making its first student aid award. The \$100 scholarship was presented to Raymond Mukoda who graduated from Bridgeton High School last June and who has since enrolled at Wesleyan College in West Vir. (Continued on Page A-15)

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ginia. Mrs. Josie Ikeda served as chairman of the scholarship committee.

Cherry Trees Presented

Always out to make their community (which is apt to cover a pretty wide territory) a little bit better than the year before, the Seabrook Chapter donated another 43 cherry trees last month to the Bridgeton City Park Commission, totalling 100

trees to add to the beauty of the 1,110-acre park in the past two years.

The chapter also completed their \$500 pledge to the neighboring Elmer Community Hospital in October by presenting a check for the balance \$250 at the annual meeting of the Hospital Board of Directors. This qualifies the chapter to be placed permanently on the hospital donors plaque which graces the reception room.

The JACL-sponsored community picnic attracted nearly 500 persons at Palatine Lake in Elmer on May 3. The day was spent in various contests and boating, while the small fry had a field day enjoying the many playground facilities. Free sodas were plentiful during the picnic lunch period.

Holiday Socials

The group will again wind up the year by holding their annual New Year's Eve dance in the traditional manner, with good music, good refreshments, and making it an international affair by opening the festivities to the entire community.

Not to be outdone by the elders, the teen-agers will also hold a holiday social for themselves on Dec. 30. This occasion is like-



Seabrook JACL Cabinet members are winding up their activities for 1959 are pictured here with Cumberland County Clerk Earl M. Wescoat, one of their staunch supporters: First row—Kiyomi Nakamura, 2nd v.p.; Charles Nagao, 1st v.p.; Wescoat, Keigo Inouye, pres.; Vernon Ichisaka, past pres.; and

Robert Fuyume, treas. Second row—Marie Nakata, rec. sec.; Kay Sasaki, cor. sec. Barbara Ohara, hist.; Irene Aoki, and Dr. Paul Morita, delegates George Noda, Akira Kato, and Josie Ikeda, board members.

— Elmer Times Photo

wise community-wide and sponsored by the Chapter.

In spite of the numerous achievements, the greatest and most unique project which puts the Seabrook Chapter among the

outstanding is its chow mein dinners. This affair which annually attracts a thousand guests each March from all parts of the state has become synonymous with the chapter. Plans begin

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TRACK RECORDS San Francisco JACL Olympics

Attracting Nisei athletes from Northern and Central California as well as a representative group from Southern California, the San Francisco JACL Nisei Olympics shapes as the "state" meet each year. The San Francisco chapter will sponsor its eighth annual competition this coming year in late May or early June. Open to all Nisei, entries are accepted through JACL chapters only. JACL membership, however, is not required and athletes may enter by contacting their nearest League chapter.

CLASS "A" RECORDS

100—Bob Kameoka (Downtown L.A.)	10s (1956)
220—Bob Kameoka (Downtown L.A.)	22s (1957)
440—Victor Mitsuno (East L.A.)	52s (1957)
880—Henry Kawamoto (Downtown L.A.)	2m:7.4s (1955)
Mile—Min Nakamura (West L.A.)	4m:49.5s (1959)
70 Highs—Howard Shintaku (Sacramento)	8.9s (1959)
180 Lows—Hideo Sakamoto (Reedley)	20.5s (1956)
Pole Vault—Neal Yoshida (Reedley)	12 ft., 9 in. (1959)
Broad Jump—Ron Fujino (West L.A.)	22 ft., 4 in. (1958)
High Jump—Harvey Kondo (Reedley) and John Kanaya (San Jose)	5 ft., 11 in. (1956)
Shot Put—Tom Sano (Fowler)	55 ft., 5 in. (1959)
Discus—Tom Sano (Fowler)	147 ft., 1 in. (1956)
880 Relay—Reedley	1m:34.9s (1957)

CLASS "B" RECORDS

50—Dave Iwata (Long Beach)	5.5s (1959)
100—Hiroshi Fukuda (San Francisco)	10.4s (1959)
660—Harry Ito (Stockton)	1m:33.7s (1956)
120 Lows—Osami Takeda (Sacramento)	13.6s (1958)
Pole Vault—Frank Ishihara (West L.A.)	10 ft., 2 in. (1956)
Broad Jump—Ed Hayashi (Sacramento)	21 ft., 7 1/4 in. (1957)
High Jump—Nawaki Uyemura (San Francisco)	5 ft., 5 1/2 in. (1958)
Shot Put—Dennis Tanaka (San Francisco)	55 ft. (1958)
440 Relay—San Francisco JACL	46s (1958)

CLASS "C" RECORDS

50—Hiroshi Nakai (San Francisco)	5.9s (1957)
—Dick Hachiya (Reedley)	5.9s (1959)
100—Tom Tokubo (Reedley)	10.7s (1959)
Broad Jump—Dick Hachiya (Reedley)	20 ft., 1/2 in. (1959)
High Jump—Dick Hachiya (Reedley)	5 ft., 1 1/4 in. (1959)

Los Angeles JACL Nisei Relays

With the ninth annual JACL Nisei Relays due sometime in June, 1960, under sponsorship of the Los Angeles JACL Coordinating Council, Nisei athletes will be gunning for the following records. Dr. Robert Watanabe, orthopedic surgeon at the UCLA Medical Center, is undoubtedly the one person who has inspired the revival of track competition among Nisei in Southern California, with a legion of his assistants who handle the various chores in arranging an affair that has attracted as many as 150 athletes.

OPEN DIVISION RECORDS

100—Bob Watanabe (West L.A.)	10.0s (1952)
220—Bob Kameoka (Hobos)	22.0s (1957)
440—Victor Mitsuno (Hobos)	51.8s (1958)
880—Henry Kawamoto (Lords)	2m:0.4s (1954)
Mile—Kikuo Moriya (Japan)	4m:37.5s (1952)
70 Highs—Dave Yamada (Hobos)	9.2s (1956)
Bill Saito (West L.A.)	9.2s (1958)
120 Lows—J. Karahara	13.3s (1941)
180 Lows—Bill Saito (West L.A.)	20.7s (1958)
Pole Vault—Dave Hoshimiya	13 ft., 1 1/4 in. (1941)
Broad Jump—Will Tawa	22 ft., 7 1/2 in. (1938)
High Jump—John Kanaya (Santa Clara)	6 ft., 1/2 in. (1936)
Shot Put—Tom Sano (Fowler)	55 ft., 6 in. (1958)
Hop-Step-Jump—A. Tamura	44 ft., 7 1/2 in. (1941)
880 Relay—Hobos	1m:33.4s (1959)
440 Relay—Hobos	44.5s (1958)

*—Event replaced by 180 lows.

JUNIOR DIVISION RECORDS

50—Beebe Kataoka (Const.)	5.6s (1956)
100—Dick Sakamoto (Orange County)	10.3s (1959)
660—Victor Mitsuno (Hobos)	1m:31s (1955)
120 Lows—Walter Shioji (Long Beach)	14.0s (1958)
Dave Sato (West L.A.)	14.0s (1956)
Pole Vault—Yamamoto (Venice)	12 ft. (1941)
Broad Jump—Jim Shigenaka (Orange County)	20 ft., 10 in. (1959)
High Jump—Art Tsutsui (NAC)	5 ft., 8 3/4 in. (1953)
Shot Put—Jerry Osumi (Hobos)	53 ft., 10 3/4 in. (1956)
440 Relay—Hobos	45.9s (1958)
660 Relay—Hobos	1m:10.7s (1958)

MIDGET DIVISION RECORDS

50—Cliff Yoshida (Tigers)	6.0s (1959)
75—Rocky Tadashira (Long Beach)	8.6s (1959)
Broad Jump—Mickey Sato (Tigers)	18 ft., 1 in. (1959)
440 Relay—Hobos	50s (1959)

CUB DIVISION RECORDS

50—Billy Zaima (Tigers)	7.1s (1959)
Broad Jump—Billy Zaima (Tigers)	13 ft., 3 1/2 in. (1959)
440 Relay—Tigers	1m:1.3s (1959)

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MEMORABLE YEARS AND DATES IN

JACL HISTORY

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1942, Continued

Jan. 19 — Government establishes first of a series of strategic areas on West Coast requiring all enemy aliens to be removed from such areas.

Feb. 19 — Pres. Roosevelt signs Executive Order 9066, authorizing evacuation of all Japanese from West Coast by Army.

Feb. 21-23 — Tolan Committee hearings in San Francisco called; JACL asks Nisei be given chance to share in common lot of all Americans in war or in peace.

Mar. 2 — Gen. DeWitt issues Public Proclamation No. 1, designating western half of Washington, Oregon, California and southern third of Arizona as "excluded" areas for all persons of Japanese ancestry.

Mar. 8 — National Council holds emergency session in San Francisco, 64 out of 66 chapters present to discuss evacuation. Decide "constructive cooperation under protest" with Army; National Headquarters to move to Salt Lake City.

Mar. 18 — War Relocation Authority established to assist evacuees after Army (War-time Civil Control Administration) completes actual evacuation program; 110,000 Japanese removed.

Mar. 21 — President signs P.L. 503 (77th Cong.), imposing curfew and travel restrictions on all Japanese as a prelude to evacuation.

Mar. 22 — First large contingent of evacuees leave Los Angeles for Manzanar relocation center.

May 29 — National Student Relocation Program initiated.

June 4 — Pacific Citizen becomes weekly publication.

June 17 — Pres. Roosevelt appoints Dillon Myer as WRA director, succeeds Milton Eisenhower.

July 20 — WRA adopts first leave policy, permitting evacuees to leave centers for employment in Midwest.

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Aug. 17-27 — Special JACL conference in Salt Lake City maps wartime JACL policies; ask Selective Service be reopened to Nisei, associate memberships made available in non-chapter areas.

Sept. 28 — National JACL credit union incorporated under Utah laws.

Nov. 17-24 — Seventh biennial National Convention in Salt Lake City re-evaluates wartime policies, develops resettlement program in cooperation with War Relocation Authority, considers evacuation claims. Delegates from 10 relocation centers and chapters in free zone attend.

1943

Jan. 28 — War Department activates 442nd Regt. Combat Team at Camp Shelby, Miss.

Mar. 11 — Utah enacts alien land law.

April — JACL on constant guard during year against discriminatory legislation; for example — (a) three bills in California legislature aimed at blocking return of evacuees, (b) a bill asking Congress to intern all Japanese and deport all to Japan after war, (c) a bill to denaturalize Nisei and subject them to laws governing enemy aliens; three anti-Nisei bills in U.S. Congress fought by JACL successfully.

Apr. 22 — California legislature passes bill providing for expeditious exchequing of property under its alien land law.

May 1 — Use of Nisei troops in Pacific area first disclosed to American public.

May 17 — JACL wins Supreme Court test case on Nisei citizenship rights in Reagan Case, filed by Native Sons

of Golden West to disenfranchise Japanese Americans.

June 21 — U.S. Supreme Court unanimously upholds Army curfew (Min Yasui case) and travel restriction (Gordon Korematsu case) as valid exercise of war powers. — Intermountain District Council, lone active group outside of evacuated area, finances National Headquarters.

Sept. 25 — 100th Infantry from Hawaii in action at Salerno, Italy; first Nisei troops in combat.

1944

Jan. 20 — Selective Service re-opens draft to eligible Nisei.

Feb. 7 — Alien land law defeated in Colorado legislature.

Feb. 12 — Sixty-seven prominent Americans sponsor JACL.

Feb. 16 — WRA transferred from independent status to Dept. of Interior.

June 26 — All elements of 442nd RCT except 1st Bn. go overseas, reported in action north of Rome.

June 30 — Jerome (Ark.) WRA Center, last to be opened, is first to be closed.

Dec. 1-3 — Eighth biennial National JACL Convention meets in Salt Lake City; calls for formation of chapters in East and Midwest, amends JACL constitution to allow any American citizen to become members, prepares for resettlement program.

Dec. 18 — U.S. Supreme Court rules 6-3 mass evacuation (Fred Korematsu case) constitutional exercise of war powers of President. Court also rules loyal American citizens cannot be detained in relocation camps (Mitsuye Endo case).

1945

Jan. 2 — Government lifts ban against persons of Japanese ancestry from returning and living along west coast.

April — JACL regional offices open in West Coast cities (Seattle, San Francisco, Los Angeles).

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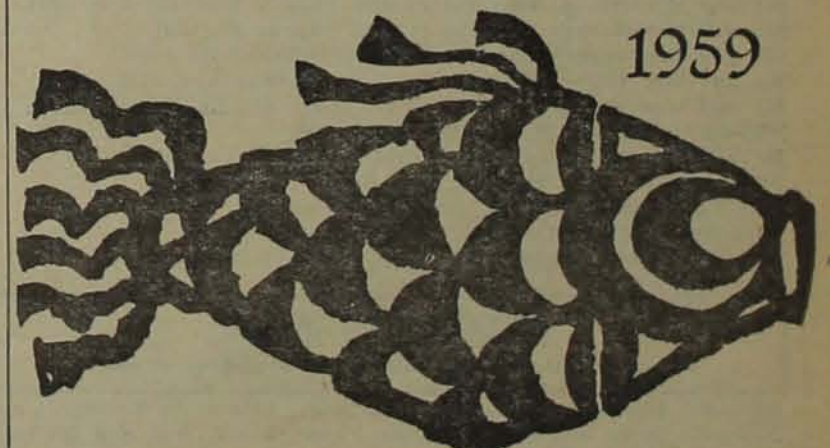
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1945, Continued

May 7—V-E Day.
May 14—Sec. of Interior Ickes publicly denounces incidents of West Coast terrorism and violence against returning evacuees; 256 cases reported.
Aug. 15—V-J Day.
Sept. 4—Western Defense Command revokes all individual exclusion orders and military restrictions against Japanese.
Nov. 3—JACL enters Oyama alien land law test case before U.S. Supreme Court. (Court ruled on Jan. 19, 1948, that alien land laws were unconstitutional.)
Nov. 14—JACL appear for Nisei to serve in U.S. Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard granted.
Dec. 6—Civil Rights Defense Union organized under JACL sponsorship to fight alien land law schemes.
1946
Feb. 26-Mar. 4—Ninth biennial National JACL Convention in Denver adopts postwar program: naturalization for Issei, evacuation claims, civil rights, suspension of deportation, etc.; 19 out of 24 chapters represented.
Mar. 20—Tule Lake WRA Center, last of relocation camps, closed.
April 29—First bill introduced in U. S. Senate to settle evacuation losses. Comparable bill introduced in House June 13.
June 30—WRA officially liquidated.
July 2—442nd RCT returns home from European combat, decorated in Washington, D.C., inactivated in Honolulu.
July 9—JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee incorporated under laws of Utah to step up legislative program.
July 26—Bill introduced in Congress by Del. Farrington (R., Hawaii) to remove discriminatory "national origins" feature in naturalization law, was first formal action toward Issei rights to become U.S. citizens.
Nov. 5—Prop. 15 defeated by 4-3 margin (1,143,780 to 797,067) in California general elections, involved strengthening of alien land laws.

1947

Jan. 22—Washington JACL-ADC Office opened. Mike Masaoka registers with Clerk of House and Secretary of Senate as "lobbyist."
Mar. 20—Governor Maw signs bill repealing Utah alien land law, first state since end of war to eliminate "anti-Japanese" legislation.
July 23—House passes HR 3999 unanimously, the evacuation claims bill that eventually becomes P.L. 886 (80th Cong.) on July 2, 1948.
May—JACL position on civil rights and protection of property rights of persons of Japanese ancestry presented to President's Commission on Civil Rights.
Aug. 22—Original Soldier Brides Act amended and signed as P.L. 213 (80th Cong.) to admit as non-quota residents Japanese wives of U.S. servicemen and veterans, was first postwar bill benefitting persons of Japanese ancestry and first breach of Japanese Exclusion Act of 1924.
Nov. 30—JACL 1000 Club founded at Idaho Falls.
Dec. 1—JACL enters U.S. Supreme Court case on restrictive covenants (Hurd v. Hodge).

1948

Jan. 19—U.S. Supreme Court rules 6-3 in effect nullifying alien land laws (Fred Oyama case).
June 1—Allens serving in World War I or II allowed naturalization privileges by Armed Forces Citizenship law (P.L. 567, 80th Cong.).
June 7—U.S. Supreme Court rules 7-3 declaring California code of 1945 denying persons ineligible to citizenship right to earn livelihood in this instance prohibition of issuance of a commercial fishing license (Torao Takahashi case).
July 1—Pres. Truman signs HR 3366, suspends deportation of Japanese aliens and adjust status to that of permanent residents; was first major JACL victory in legislative program, aided 2,000 Issei.
July 2—Pres. Truman signs evacuation claims law.
July 23—Dept. of Justice establishes Japanese Claims Section to adjudicate evacuation claims.
Sept. 4-8—Tenth biennial National JACL Convention in Salt Lake City pledges to continue work for Issei naturalization, expedite evacuation claims, broadening civil rights and eliminate use of "Jap"; JACL Hymn officially adopted.
Oct. 1—California State Supreme Court rules anti-miscegenation law unconstitutional.
Oct. 24—First Nisei Soldiers Memorial Day observed.

1949

Mar. 14—U.S. Supreme Court upholds 7-2 federal district court ruling declaring wartime Hawaiian Language School law, prohibiting teaching of any language other than English to child in fourth grade and under.
Mar. 15—Supplemental law (P.L. 17, 81st Cong.) to evacuation claims act signed, allowing up to \$1000 on so-called "contraband articles" for loss or damage of items deposited with law enforcement officers at outbreak of war.
Mar. 29—Oregon State Supreme Court rules 4-0 state alien land law unconstitutional, first state supreme court to so hold.
May 9—Rep. Walters (D., Pa.) introduces HJR 238 providing Issei naturalization, passed by House but "passed over" in Senate; eventually passed by both Houses, but vetoed by Pres. Truman because of certain "security provisions." House override veto but Senate failed to act.
Dec. 16—Tokujii Tokimasa of Los Angeles receives first evacuation claims check of \$303.36; only 21 claims adjudicated with \$6,852.20 paid in awards during 1949.
1950
Jan. 3—Statutory filing deadline for evacuation claims finds 23,924 claims timely filed for total of \$129,996,589.90.
Mar. 16—Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Thurmond Clarke first California jurist to rule alien land law unconstitutional (Masaoka case).
August—American Bowling Congress drops "all white" membership clause.

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1950, Continued

Sept. 9—Walter Resolution (HJR 238, introduced May 9, 1949) vetoed by Pres. Truman. House overrode veto same afternoon but Senate failed to act before adjournment Sept. 23.

Sept. 27-Oct. 2—Eleventh biennial National Convention in Chicago urges naturalization for Issei, continue pushing evacuation claims, civil rights, Hawaiian statehood, propose federal aid for aging Issei and decide to keep JACL a service organization for all persons of Japanese ancestry.

Nov. 27—Walter Resolution reintroduced in "lame duck" session and passed by House for fourth time, but rejected in Senate day before adjournment Dec. 15.

Dec. 31—Only 211 claims adjudicated, awarding \$62,595.16 during year.

1951

Jan. 3—Walter Resolution introduced again, passed by House Feb. 19 but pigeon-holed by Senate, which was considering the so-called Omnibus Bill on Immigration and Naturalization.

July 13—California Governor Warren signs bill restoring liquor sale licenses of Issei and Nisei revoked by State Board of Equalization at outbreak of World War II.

July 19—California Governor Warren signs bill equalizing sports fishing licenses for alien Japanese.

July 23—Governor Warren signs "escheat repayment" bill, providing return of nearly \$419,000 with 3% interest to about 50 Nisei whose land was escheated to state under the Alien Land law and to about 23 other Nisei who had made cash settlements with State to clear own land titles.

Aug. 17—Pres. Truman signs compromise settlement amendment to Evacuation Claims Law (P.L. 116, 82nd Cong.), up to three-fourths the amount of compensable items or \$2,500, whichever was less; allowed 15,354 claims to be cleared in 1952 for total award of \$18,255,768.78.

October—MGM's "Go for Broke" released.

—Armed Forces recognizes "Buddhism" as a major religion.

—Treaty of Peace with Japan signed in San Francisco.

—JACL requests Attorney General to drop names of prewar Japanese organizations from proscribed list.

1952

April 17—California Supreme Court rules state alien land law unconstitutional (Sei Fujii case).

April 27—Treaty of Peace with Japan becomes effective.

June 26-30—Twelfth biennial National Convention meets in San Francisco; delegates celebrate passage of Walter-McCarran Act during session, vote to terminate JACL-ADC and alter functions of Washington Office.

June 27—Walter-McCarran Immigration and Nationality Act (so-called Omnibus Bill considered in 1951) enacted over Presidential veto, extending naturalization privileges to all, including Asians without discrimination, and repealing Japanese and other Oriental Exclusion Acts by providing annual immigration quotas to all countries (P.L. 414, 82nd Cong.).

—Congress passes law to restore seniority and other rights to Nisei civil service workers deprived of benefits during World War II.

—American Newspaper Guild requests newspapers to stop use of "Jap" in headlines.

—TV stations urged not to show films with misleading information about Japanese Americans.

—JACL announces establishment of Endowment Fund with million dollars as goal.

Oct. 1—Pacific Citizen moved to Los Angeles.

Dec. 24—Walter-McCarran Immigration and Nationality Act becomes effective.

1953

—First Issei naturalized as citizen under new Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952.

—First quota immigrant since 1924 arrives from Japan.

July 15—Headquarters leaves Salt Lake City and returns to San Francisco.

Aug. 7—Japan flood victims qualify for entry into U.S. as President signs Refugee Relief Act.

Aug. 20—Sgt. Hiroshi Miyamura awarded Medal of Honor, upon release from Communist captivity in Korea; Korean conflict of 37-months Nisei suffer 706 battle casualties (151 KIA, 438 wounded, 94 missing).

Sept. 18—Governor Warren appoints John Also to Los Angeles municipal court bench, first mainland Nisei to become a judge.

Dec. 28—5-F Issei naturalization case won (Tsui case) in San Francisco federal court.

1954

May 17—U.S. Supreme Court unanimously rules racial segregation in public schools unconstitutional.

July 20—President Eisenhower signs bill expediting naturalization of Nisei stranded voting in postwar elections in Japan during occupation period.

July 25—California Exchange clubs lead fight to eliminate "white male only" membership clause.

Sept. 2-6—Thirteenth biennial National Convention in Los Angeles issues policy statements on international relations and communism; 71 of 87 chapters represented.

Sept. 28—Sen. Pat McCarran of Nevada dies.

Nov. 11—Nation-wide mass naturalization rites for 50,000 new Americans include 1,600 Issei.

1955

Jan. 17—Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims (CO-JAEC) organized to represent interests of larger evacuation claimants.

Mar. 4—Idaho Governor signs bill revealing 30-year-old alien land law.

Mar. 26-29—First biennial EDC-MDC Convention meets in Washington, D.C.; Sen. Magnuson and Rep. Walter Judd JACL for effective legislative work ridding racial barriers against Japanese.

June 4—Dr. Randolph Sakada, national JACL president 1952-54, dies.

June 7—Senate confirms appointment of Ben Tashiro of Kauai as circuit court judge, first Nisei in U.S. to be appointed to federal judgeship.

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Aug. 29—JACL commemorates 25th anniversary of founding of organization by presentation of U.S. flag flown over Capitol from Rep. Judd of Minnesota. JACL history traced in Congressional Record.
Oct. 7—U.S. Attorney General redesignates "Shinto Temples" on prescribed list, adds (limited to state Shinto abolished in 1945).
Nov. 7—JACL hails Supreme Court decision invalidating "separate but equal" facilities of public parks and beaches.
Nov. 14—U.S. Supreme Court refuses to rule on constitutionality of Virginia anti-miscegenation law (Ham Say Naim case).
Dec. 3—Jimmie Sakamoto, national JACL president 1936-38, dies, run down by automobile.
Dec. 20—Harry Sakata, Mile-Hi chapter president, dies of cancer.
1956
Jan. 31—Marysville JACL acknowledges over \$20,000 in contributions for relief of Christmas flood victims.
Feb. 8—Tom Yego, nat'l 1st v.p. dies of heart attack in Newcastle, Calif.
Feb. 20—Newsweek publication of "Lincoln Yamamoto" letter arouses Nisei protest, editors regret suggestion letter connoted Nisei loyalty.
Apr. 1—Another \$16,000 acknowledged by Marysville JACL for flood relief.
May 18—Anti-Semitic letters signed by "Niseis for Kawakita Society" rapped by JACL.
May 18—President signs bill terminating prohibition against employment of Mongolian labor in federal reclamation projects (P.L. 517, 84th Cong.); last vestige of discrimination by name against Mongolians erased.
May 25—President signs Hawaii land bill, allows eleemosynary organization composed of persons of Japanese ancestry in Hawaii which surrendered real property to government during World War II to file claim within two years. (P.L. 542, 84th Cong.)
June 27—Congress passes evacuation claims amendment, allowing compromise of claims up to \$100,000; signed by President July 9. (P.L. 763, 84th Cong.)
July 21—Senate confirms President Eisenhower's nomination of Masaji Marumoto of Honolulu to Territorial Supreme Court.
Aug. 31-Sept. 8—Fourteenth biennial National Convention, hosted by San Francisco ends with Maxwell Rabb, secretary to President Eisenhower's cabinet, urging Nisei to foster U.S.-Japan relations. Farm labor issue most debated item on council agenda.
Sept. 17—JACL reopens New York office on limited basis; Sam Ishikawa in charge.
Nov. 6—California repeals alien land law by 2-1 margin (Prop. 13—Yes: 2,684,902; No: 1,311,460).
Dec. 1—Saturday Evening Post editorial fears strong Nisei tie with Japan, commenting on Ed Ennis keynote speech to JACL Convention. Fears unfounded as editorial quotes of speech taken out of context.
1957
Jan. 2—"This Is Your Life" TV show honors Mike Masaoka.
Mar. 25—JACL seeks deletion of "Japs" in "Fuzz Young Story" in elementary textbook; revive national campaign to have TV stations withdraw anti-Nisei movies.
May 8—House Judiciary subcommittee concludes west coast investigation of Japanese farm labor problem.
June 13—Swear in James Kanno first mayor of Fountain Valley, Calif.
June 30—U.S. Naturalization Service reports 19,442 Japanese naturalized in 10-year period from 1947.
Aug. 2—JACL protests acceptance of "Jap" by Ambassador Matsuda to United Nations in TV interview; apologies made and envoy promises to cooperate in JACL campaign to eliminate usage of epithet.
Aug. 27—Governor Knight appoints Municipal Judge John Oiso to Superior Court vacancy.
Aug. 29—Congress passes "family hardship" immigration bill, up to 10,000 Japanese expected to benefit.
Oct. 7—JACL joins in fight for right of association test case (NAACP vs. State of Alabama).
Nov. 6—JACL informed use of "Jap" in "Fuzz Young" story in elementary textbook to be substituted by "Japanese."
1958
Feb. 7—Webster-Merriam Dictionary notes use of "Jap" as disparaging rather than colloquial.
Mar. 31—U.S. Supreme Court restores citizenship of Nisei (Mitsugi Nishikawa case) on procedural grounds, burden of proof showing lack of duress in military service lies with government rather than with petitioner; court also held congressional act providing automatic loss of citizenship to those voting in foreign elections constitutional (Clement Perez case).
June 30—U.S. Supreme Court rejects Alabama's contempt fine when NAACP refused to disclose its membership; JACL had entered test case of "Sanctity of Membership."
July 7—Pres. Eisenhower signs Alaska statehood bill.
Aug. 22-25—Fifteenth biennial National Convention in Salt Lake City hears Asst. U.S. Attorney General George Doub call evacuation a "tragic failure of principle," decides JACL Japan policy to go on "per-issue basis"; 63 out of 84 chapters represented.
Sept. 9—JACL mourns death of Rep. Herman Eberharter (D. Pa.), wartime defender of Nisei in Congress.
Sept. 29—JACL hails Supreme Court order of Little Rock school desegregation case.
Oct. 1—National Headquarters occupies new quarters at 1634 Post St., San Francisco.
Nov. 10—Final evacuation claim settled, terminates program except for eight appealed to Courts of Claims; total aggregate awards of \$36,874,240.49 paid to 26,552 claimants.
Dec. 10—Nevada district judge rules state mixed marriage law unconstitutional as Harry Bridges weds Nisei secretary, Nikki Sawada, in Reno.
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Mt. Olympus remembers '59 as active

MURRAY, Utah. — Nineteen hundred and fifty-nine, a year full of memories for the Mount Olympus JACL — one of the first of the many events was the Installation Ceremony for the newly elected officers held at the Aviation Club on November 15, 1958. The following officers were installed:

Lou Nakagawa, pres.; Helen Oniki, 1st v.p.; Ken Tamura, 2nd v.p.; Aiko Okada, rec. sec.; Joanne Sueoka, cor. sec.; Tommy Seo, treas.; Shioji Sugaya, Lillian Sueoka, social; George Tamura, Nob Mori, directors.

Reporter Ida Tateoka, historian Kiyo Miya, and sergeant-at-arms Sub Okumura were appointed by the President at a later date.

A dinner honoring the 1958 and 1959 cabinet members was held at Andy's Smorgasbord where a tentative calendar of events was planned for the coming year. New and old ideas were also the topic of discussion.

Male members of the club feted the girls on Jan. 31, with an evening of buffet dinner and dance at the Hytone Club.

Parents Honored

Parents of the chapter members were honored at the "Par-

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Dec. 29—Newsweek dubs evacuation as "Disguised Blessing" to touch off JACL protests.

1959

Jan. 26—Union City, Calif., elects first mayor, Tom Kitayama (Eden Township JACLer).

Feb. 7—Ed Schnarr, grand president of Native Sons and Daughters of Golden West in 1941 admits organization's anti-Japanese policy "mistake" in address before Oakland JACL.

Feb. 27—Washington state legislature approves anti-alien land law referendum for November 1960 election.

Mar. 2—Idaho repeals 92-year-old anti-miscegenation law.

Mar. 17—Nevada repeals 95-year-old anti-miscegenation law.

Mar. 18—President signs Hawaiian statehood bill.

Mar. 19—Colorado legislature passes fair housing law.

Apr. 8—California legislature passes FEPC bill.

Apr. 15—Ohio legislature passes FEP bill.

May 15—JACL Statement on Civil Rights presented to House Judiciary Subcommittee published in four installments beginning with this week's Pacific Citizen.

May 20—U.S. Attorney General Rogers declares west coast evacuation of Japanese a "mistake" as administrative phase of claims program is concluded.

June 5-7—First national JACL board and staff conference meets in San Francisco, as mandated by 1958 convention that group confer yearly. 1960-70 Planning Commission established.

June 19—JACL protests Robert C. Ruark's column calling government action asking forgiveness of evacuees as "a piece of bootlicking public relations."

July 28—Hawaiians elect Hiram Fong to U.S. Senate, Daniel Inouye to U.S. Congress.

Aug. 21—President proclaims Hawaii 50th state.

Sept. 2—Governor names Wilfred Tsukiyama chief justice of Hawaii State Supreme Court.

Sept. 4-6—Nisei congressman Inouye tells 3rd biennial EDC-MDC JACL Convention Nisei should repay U.S. by service.

Sept. 22—President signs immigration bill amendment liberalizing quota classes and reuniting families; about 1,000 Japanese expected to become eligible for immediate entry.

Nov. 13—JACL international relations committee announces recommendations on two issues: films derogatory of Japanese and visitors from Japan.

Dec. 4—American Legion severs 40 & 8 Society from organization because of retention of all-white membership clause.

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ents' Appreciation Nite" on Feb. 26. Gaily decorated centerpieces of gold and silver leaves with party favors in rickshaw cups gave a mood of festivity at the South Salt Lake City Hall. A buffet style meal was served to the parents prepared by the women of the club. Following the meal, the parents relaxed and enjoyed the many talents offered by the members. Some of the memorable entertainment were Hawaiian and Japanese dancing and a fashion show of the latest and funniest styles modeled by the men of the club. The climax of the evening came with the parents participating in various games.

Married members played hosts to our next social on the night of March 22 at the Dawn Noodle House where we enjoyed a delicious Japanese dinner followed by an assortment of games.

The night of April 24 will be held in remembrance by the male members where the girls were hostesses at a dance at the Memory Grove Park. "Fascinating Rhythm" was the theme for this event, and music furnished by Victor Morris lent an air of gaiety. During the intermission, bowling trophies for the Mount Olympus Winter Bowling League were presented. For intermission, Maydel Kawahigashi thrilled the audience with a Hawaiian dance.

A roller skating party was next on our agenda. This was held on May 29 at the Normandie Roller Rink.

George Fujii and the past presidents were hosts on June 12 at a special dinner meeting which was held at the Hi-Land Dairy Auditorium.

The annual Lagoon Nite can be looked back on by all as the night of merriment. Many congregated at the North Terrace for a pot-luck meal.

Summer Outing

Another summer outing was held at the Storm Mountain on Aug. 15, where everyone enjoyed softball and pitching horseshoes. After the strenuous games, everybody enjoyed a tasty meal prepared by the members. Elaine Mitarai, a runner-up for the Ben Masuoka Scholarship, was presented a check at the conclusion of the meal. As darkness settled all around and with a friendly campfire in the center, everyone huddled together to join in group singing.

A special dinner meeting was held on Sept. 26 at the South Salt Lake City Hall. The 1960 cabinet nominees were announced, and all IDC Convention committeemen were photographed for the booklet.

At the Mount Olympus JACL Talent Quest on Nov. 14, Gary Amano, son of Mr. and Mrs. Yosh Amano emerged as winner with a piano number and went on to win the IDC Convention competition. Others participating in the contest were Virginia Ushio, tap dance; Dian Matsujori, piano; Maydel Kawahigashi, hula; and Jeanette Sato, vocal number. Prior to the talent quest, members enjoyed a turkey dinner.

As the concluding business of the meeting, hosted by the single members of the chapter, new officers for the 1960 cabinet were installed by Jim Ushio, past president.

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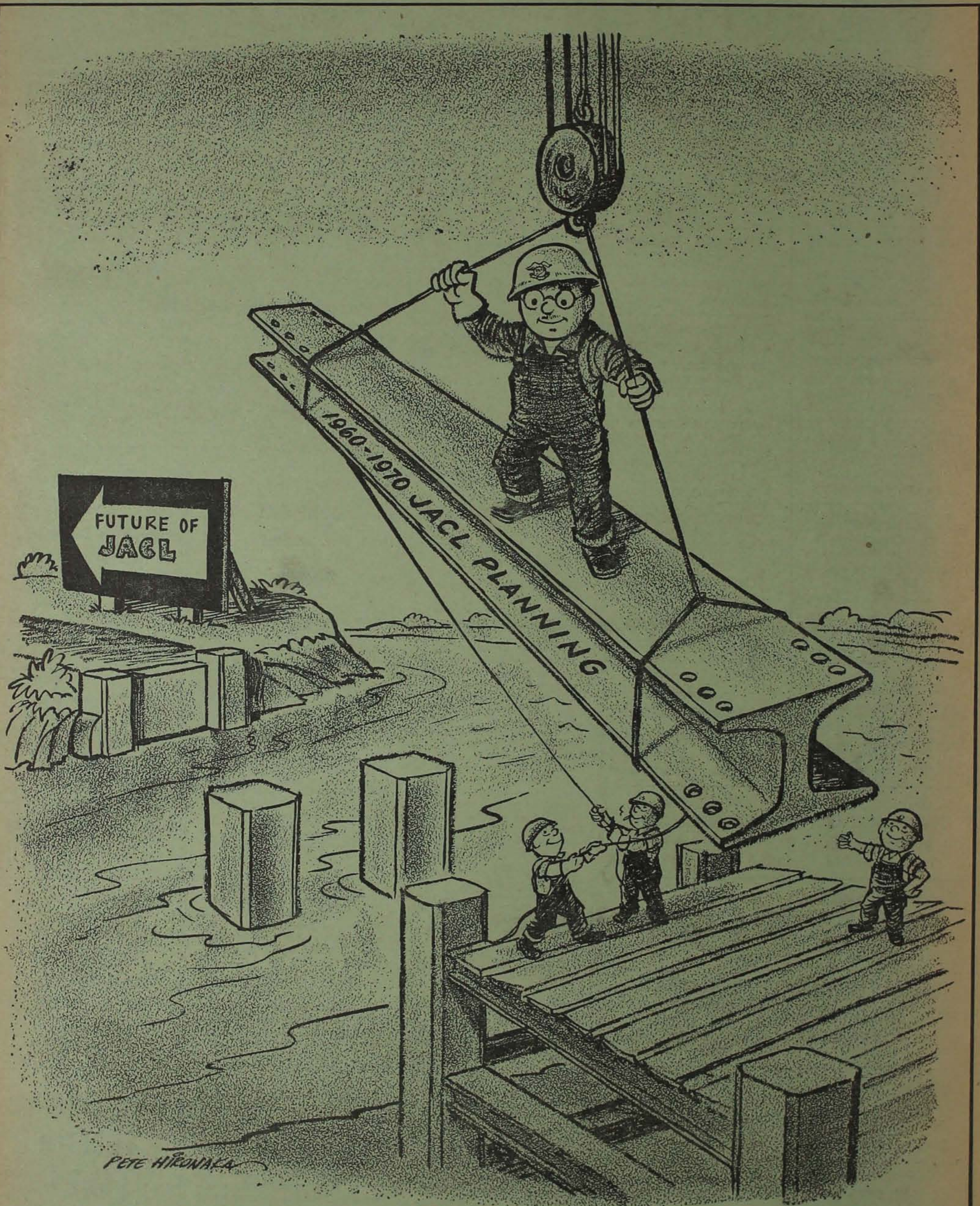


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1960-70 JACL PLANNING COMMISSION

Information Bulletin No. 1 (Nov. 20, 1959)

The 1960-70 JACL Planning Commission was created in June of 1959 by the National Board, meeting in San Francisco to review and re-examine JACL's program and objectives, pull together the thinking of the chapters regarding the future direction of the organization and spell out JACL's program goals for the coming decade.

Shigeo Wakamatsu, National President, was named Chairman of the Commission. He will be assisted by the following Vice-Chairmen who will represent the eight district councils:

Henry Kato (Gresham) - Pacific Northwest
Jerry Enomoto (San Francisco) - Northern Calif. - West. Nevada
Dr. James Nagatani (Delano) - Central California
Kango Kunitsugu (Southwest L.A.) - Pacific Southwest
Mas Yano (Salt Lake) - Intermountain
Yutaka Terasaki (Mile-Hi) - Mountain Plains
Kumeo Yoshinari (Chicago) - Midwest
Charles Nagao (Seabrook) - Eastern

The Commission will present its recommendation of specific program goals at the 16th Biennial National JACL Convention to be held in Sacramento, California, on June 28 - July 2, 1960.

General Outlines of Procedure

1. Every local chapter will determine its own as well as the National JACL program goals.
2. Each district council will devote time at its next meeting or convention to discuss this subject of program emphasis for the next decade.
3. Summaries of these discussions will be studied, organized and edited for general membership reading in the Pacific Citizen.
4. All reports or summaries must be sent to the 1960-70 JACL Planning Commission at 1200 North Clark Street, Chicago 10, Illinois.
5. Deadline for all reports: MAY 30, 1960.
6. A spot check or survey will be taken periodically to measure progress of this program.

What District Councils Could Do

1. The Vice-Chairman representing the district council should immediately organize a discussion session at its next district council meeting or convention.
 2. See to it that the summaries or the findings be reported to the Commission headquarters before MAY 30, 1960.
- Note: The summaries or reports need not be organized. It's more important to learn what subject matters are discussed and how the members feel about them in terms of need, importance, or priority.*

1960-70 JACL PLANNING:

Mechanics Outlined

Operational Bulletin No. 1, Nov. 20, 1959

PURPOSE: To spell out JACL's program goals for the coming decade.

WHY: JACL has come through three exciting decades of services and activities in behalf of persons of Japanese ancestry. The first decade or the build-up years was dedicated to the development of citizenship responsibility among the Nisei. The second decade or the war years gave impetus to and development of general public education program to eliminate prejudices and racial discrimination. The third decade, with the experiences of World War II behind us, JACL programmed constructive legislative, judicial and public relations program to gain complete acceptance of all Americans of Japanese ancestry in every field of human endeavor.

What will JACL's program emphasis be for the fourth decade?
In what direction will JACL move in the years ahead? What is the collective destiny of Japanese Americans as a group and what role will JACL play? The very future of JACL as a minority group society in America may be at stake.

What We Must Do

Every JACL member through the local chapters is invited and encouraged to express their views and ideas on the subject. Every opportunity will be given to encourage "grass-roots" thinking and planning.

It is the Commission's responsibility to guide and expedite this process.

How Chapters Can Help

Local chapters are requested to immediately set up the necessary machinery to permit its membership to participate in discussing these questions.

The following steps should be taken:

1. Designate a local chairman to whom all materials can be sent. (Chapter presidents will receive all copies.)

2. Have the chairman, assisted by a working committee, organize a meeting or a series of meetings to discuss JACL's program goals for the next decade.

3. Appoint a recording secretary to record the proceedings of the meetings, summarizing those salient points related to the purpose of the Commission.

4. Kindly notify the Commission the name and address of the person designated as chairman of your local chapter.

5. Mail a copy of the summary to your district council chairman and an extra copy to the 1960-70 JACL Planning Commission, 1200 North Clark Street, Chicago 10, Illinois.

Any questions or request for materials should be addressed to the Commission's Chicago address.

Suggestions For Setting Up Your Meetings

1. Organize a small working committee. Composition of such a committee should include long-time JACLers, and presently active ones.

2. Select a theme for the meeting.

3. Select articulate, clear-thinking JACLers as discussants or panel members. Non-JACLers could be considered if such a person can offer constructive and helpful ideas.

4. Try not to invite too many people to take part in the presentation, but certainly a representative group is recommended. Not less than 4 or more than 6.

5. Chairman or moderator should not only be familiar with JACL, but also be skilled in the art of leading or guiding a discussion. Someone with a lot of ideas may not be suitable as a moderator.

(Further bulletins will be published in the Pacific Citizen. Watch for them.—Editor.)

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Program areas of study suggested

Aside from the details of creating the operating procedures which the 1960-70 JACL Planning Commission will follow (as noted in the boxed story on Page 2) and the general appeal for "grass roots" opinion to help form the 1960-70 objectives, what has stumped the general membership is their lack of direction from the incumbent leadership.

At the same time, the leadership has purposely remained silent the first half year since the Commission was established in search of "grass roots" thinking. It has succeeded in scattered incidents. But with time of essence at this point, the Commission is revealing its "Suggested Program Areas for Study," which was circulated to members of the National Board and Staff and the chairmen of the standing national JACL committees last month.

The Commission is leaning heavily on expressed views and judgment of the organizational leadership "in getting the program off the ground." But the Commission is also hopeful that the chapter leaders take the initiative in their respective communities, now that the Suggested Program Areas for Study has been publicized.

The chapters in coming weeks will receive a detailed report from the Commission, outlining some of the opinions of the national JACL leadership for chapter discussion material.

The Commission also wants to make clear that it is not concerned about fear of criticism of its operation or the contents of the proposed area of study. "In fact, these criticisms would be most welcomed," declared Shig Wakamatsu, chairman of the 1960-70 JACL Planning Commission. "It should be explained that this list is not complete, the purpose being to point up possible program emphasis."

SUGGESTED PROGRAM AREAS FOR STUDY

PUBLIC RELATIONS—Is this a continuing function of the JACL? How important is our watch-dog role? 1. Against discrimination, e.g., defamation, etc. 2. Interpretive material, e.g., brochure, books, etc. 3. Special projects, e.g., Boy Scout fund, Flood Relief, etc.

LEGISLATIVE—Have we concluded our program in this area? How much effort is required to complete remaining items? 1. Liberalization of immigration laws. 2. Evacuation claims. 3. Yen deposit problems. 4. Anti-miscegenation laws.

CIVIL RIGHTS—How much of this fight are we or should we be prepared to enter and follow through? 1. Problems related to purchasing homes. 2. Discrimination in employment, accommodation. 3. Taking lead and action on broader issues. 4. Cooperating with other civil rights groups

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS—Are there some aspect of U.S.-Japan relations JACL cannot escape? What would be a realistic role for JACL to play? 1. Cooperating with our Federal government. 2. Interpreting the needs and problems of Japan to United States and vice versa. 3. Keeping members informed on developments or crisis situation between U.S. and Japan.

COMMUNITY SERVICE—Will this take on greater significance as Issei pass on and Sansei emerge as adults? Does your community look to JACL for leadership in this area? 1. Community projects e.g. benefits joint sponsorship, etc. 2. Welfare service, e.g., Issei program, aid to soldier brides, etc. 3. Service work, e.g., volunteer work.

YOUTH PROGRAM—Who are we talking about, teen-agers or young adults? Do they need JACL or does JACL need them? What is the real need of your young people? 1. Jr. JACL program, e.g., service, social, citizenship. 2. Career conferences, human relations workshops. 3. Leadership training program.

SCHOLARSHIP—Is there a need to establish a National Scholarship program, larger than the present one? How will this program help your local efforts to emphasize scholastic achievement, service, etc. among Sansei and Shisei? 1. What is our National program today?—Pvt. Ben Masaoka Scholarship—Mike Masaoka DeVry Scholarship. 2. Local chapter scholarships—Memorial—Scholastic achievement—Community service—Outstanding leadership.

EDUCATION—Should JACL assume some responsibilities for organizing cultural educational program? For what purpose and for whom? 1. Classes in poetry, brush painting, flower arrangement. 2. Classes in Americanization, Japanese conversation, Japanese music. 3. Parent education program, e.g., study of religion, ethics, customs, traditions, etc. 4. History of Japanese immigration, contribution of Issei to America, etc.

CHAPTER PROGRAM—What activities should be continued or maintained? What are some of your more successful programs? 1. Meetings for general membership, e.g., speakers, films, demonstrations, etc. 2. Social recreation activities, e.g., dances, dinners, receptions, outings, tournaments, etc. 3. Effective use of members on committees. Is this a problem? How can it be resolved? 4. Urban and rural chapter problems.

MEMBERSHIP SERVICE—Does your chapter know the needs of its members? Do members request special kinds of services? 1. Informing the membership, e.g., Pacific Citizen, chapter bulletins. 2. Resource materials for leaders, e.g., program manuals, president's handbooks, etc. 3. Credit Union program. 4. Welfare or social service for members, e.g., organize service projects to aid members in time of misfortune or need.

FINANCE—What is our long-range financial need? Should an equitable chapter quota formula be devised? 1. One Thousand Club program needs expansion. 2. A development program may be needed. 3. Endowment program could be emphasized. 4. Chapter quotas be adjusted.

ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION—What are some of our real problems here? Do we have enough staff to adequately serve our chapters? Can district councils be developed more along functional lines? 1. What is proportionate representation and how will this affect your chapter? 2. How effective are our regional offices? 3. Plan for staff training and development. 4. How should future chapters be administered, by cabinet, board, etc.? 5. Is our present recognition program adequate?

1960-70 JACL PLANNING:

A Step in the Right Direction

By HENRY TANAKA, Cleveland Chapter

Have you ever paused for a moment to ask yourself, "Why am I here attending the EDC-MDC Convention when I could be home fishing on the lake or watching an exciting baseball game?"

Could it be the Big City with its majestic skyline and other appealing views . . . or perhaps the unusual social activities provided by the convention committee?

Might it also be that, despite the improvement in our status as equal participants in our respective communities, we are not satisfied with our current existence?

More specifically, could it be that we feel the JACL Watch Dog program is incomplete and does not sufficiently provide a continuous action-type program?

Can it be that the post-war interest in Japanese art and culture has in effect, activated or reactivated our dormant feelings about being of Japanese ancestry? Are we in conflict about this identity and anxious because of our constant struggle to deal with it?

Has this interest in things Japanese made us overly conscious of our racial background to the extent that we have imbibed our environment with oriental art to prove to ourselves as well as our friends that we are well informed about Japanese culture?

Or, on the other hand, have we become so sensitized to our ancestry that we reject and express distaste of things Japanese? And how have we resolved our conflict as our children bring it to our constant attention?

JACL Can Assist

It is my purpose to discuss with you how our present organization can appropriately and constructively gear its program to assist us in coming to grips with our current common concerns about ourselves as persons of Japanese ancestry. And perhaps help clarify this identity with relation to our identity as parents, students, doctors, members of golf clubs, residents of Rockefeller Heights, etc.

However, I think it would help the discussion later on if we can agree on certain fundamental principles; or talk from the same side of our mouths, so to speak. As I see it, our basic framework is built on the following principles:

1. Minority groups become incorporated as members of the larger community.

Whether we like it or not, promote or discourage its development, this incorporation is inevitable. Of course, the nature and extent of such will depend largely on individual differences and one's self image, the JACL participation in community activities, the community's interest and concern for all its residents, regardless of racial identity, and such laws (local, State, Federal) that protect the rights of individuals.

Our National JACL heartily endorses the participation of its members in local programs as "volunteer leaders, officers, members of boards and give generous financial support to worthy organizations and activities." This is in keeping with its basic purpose of "good citizenship," its "feeling that Japanese American communities as such, and particularly local JACL chapters are important component groups of their respective communities." (National JACL Youth Manual, P.C., August 28, 1959.)

2. Culture is an essential part of the framework of human and community relationships.

A better understanding and appreciation of culture will result in an improvement of both human and community relations by enriching our own lives and those with whom we associate. By culture we don't mean just the arts, music and literature,

but also customs, traditions and behavior patterns.

Our National JACL . . . and I quote . . . "believes that Americans of Japanese ancestry can make a distinctive contribution to American life out of their racial background and rich cultural heritage, and help strengthen our democracy out of their past experiences as direct beneficiaries of that democracy."

3. JACL's fundamental responsibility is to the individual member.

As a community service and educational type organization, it is our responsibility to sufficiently provide such opportunities that will help our members become a better informed, deeply concerned and intelligent, contributing citizen of his larger community and the Japanese American community.

We realize that while some of our members do not seek the support of other members to participate actively in community affairs, many find it more comfortable at first to enjoy the companionship of persons of his own ethnic background.

4. Our JACL services are based on fundamental human principles.

As a democratic organization, we uphold the rights, privileges and responsibilities of each individual regardless of his identity; we do not expect him to do more than he is capable of and willing to do, we respect his rights to self-determination, to his opinions and ideas. Interestingly enough, we are currently engaged in a nation-wide issue on

this very principle. An issue which concerns our JACL relationship with the Sansei group and the formation of a Junior JACL.

5. A strong democratically oriented organization reflects strength at all levels.

It is at the "grass-roots" level that we are primarily concerned and perhaps know the least about. A strong, progressive, and effective local program has conviction and leadership. Its goals are within realistic limitations and arrived at through purposeful planning, progressive programming and heavy overlay of inter-personal relationships! It sees evaluation and analysis as vitally important parts of programming.

To repeat, the five fundamental principles which should be considered in programming for the future are:

1. Minority groups become incorporated as members of the larger community.

2. Culture is an essential part of the framework of human and community relationships.

3. JACL's fundamental responsibility is to the individual member.

4. Our JACL services are based on fundamental human principles.

5. A strong democratically oriented organization reflects strength at all levels.

Cleveland Chapter Trying

If we hold the above principles to be true, how can these be translated in terms of a practical, functional

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Undercurrent of opinion strong for JACL movement in 'Soaring '60s'

Of the thousands of words uttered and millions more still to be said concerning the "1960-70 JACL Planning", the principal theme of this year's Pacific Citizen Holiday Issue, the well-chosen words of Dave M. Tatsuno, who served as San Francisco JACL chapter president in 1942 and 1945, express a feeling that all in JACL have today.

"With the coming of the new decade of the 'Soaring '60s' (as put by some because of the explosion of growth in population and the economy) and the advent of the Space Age, the attention is no longer focused solely upon the Nisei alone — for the Sansei are growing up fast with so many in high schools and colleges.

"In the new decade ahead, let us help to accelerate the integration of the new generation into the main stream of American life as citizens of character and responsibility."

Tatsuno now resides in San Jose, is active with the YMCA and serving on its national executive committee.

The men and women vitally concerned with the future role of JACL who have expressed themselves in recent months are understandably the active leaders in their respective areas. There have been chapter "buzz" sessions, impromptu chatter over cups of coffee, panel discussions at the district level and information circulated from the JACL Planning Commission.

The various ideas proposed all show a strong under-current that JACL has a definite role in the future as the name of the commission implies — in designating program emphasis in the forthcoming decade.

The important key in this venture, of course, dwells upon the kind of dynamic and resourceful leadership needed to insure success and fulfilling the responsibilities of the Japanese-American community with society in general.

How the program should be implemented in 1960-70 is the "big question" today. What some of these exact roles are shall be propounded at the forthcoming 16th biennial national JACL convention in Sacramento. In the meantime, discussion of this question until convention time has become heated, but, in the opinion of many JACLers, a series of healthy variances.

The Pacific Citizen several weeks ago asked the pioneer chapters—those which met in San Francisco in 1929 to establish the national organization — to poll their past presidents, which might serve as an important and stimulating function of presenting a digest of opinion for consideration by the Planning Commission as well as the general JACL membership.

As Steve Doi, current San Francisco JACL president, aptly observed this past week: "Getting prompt responses (from the past presidents) was like pulling teeth . . . Of the 18 living in the U. S., six responded after a follow-up phone call. A few did not wish to comment."

Fred Hoshiyama, 1952 chapter president, who is secretary at the Park-Presidio YMCA, has this to say:

"Nisei communities are fortunate in having a national organization, such as the JACL, whose membership is open to all inter-

ested Japanese Americans. It is healthy for society in general to have such an organization.

"In the next decade the JACL should open its membership policy to include other ethnic groups in the community who are interested in the welfare of the Japanese Americans, even if it means changing its name.

"The role or image of the JACL might be as a conscience for community concern: it could function as a social and informal educational group or organization, and it could serve as a laboratory for human relations and community leadership training."

If this is not generally known, it is appropriate here to say that JACL membership is open to all American citizens, regardless of race, color or creed. JACL has had two persons of Caucasian ancestry serve as chapter presidents, many more active at the chapter level and in the 1000 Club. Harold Gordon of Chicago served the organization at the national level as 1000 Club chairman and as national chairman of the important JACL legislative legal committee the past two bienniums.

At the outbreak of World War II, there was considerable discussion among the ranks to change the name of the organization, but the advantage of hindsight attests how right the decision was to retain the name. The one slight but semantically significant change that did occur was the dropping of the "hyphen" that had existed between Japanese and American.

Kei Hori, 1953 chapter president operates an employment agency in San Francisco, offers this opinion:

"Nisei must first accept themselves for what they are—Americans, yes, but of Japanese ancestry. Unless we can accept this (many have yet to do so including some in the higher strata of society), we cannot be accepted by others for what we are."

Kei believes there will be a need for a clear JACL program in the coming decade, but also notes that with each generation, it becomes more difficult to chart. He has confidence, however, in the Nisei for they "overcame thousands of obstacles" in the past and have shown a spirited vigilance, much like the pioneers that made this country the great nation it is today.

He feels that "JACL will survive if only to be another area of recognition for persons of Japanese ancestry. However, the lofty purposes (of JACL) will act to keep its membership growing".

What Kei Hori is tacitly recognizing is the great fundamental make-up of American politics, when he refers to JACL as "another area of recognition". America is the land of composite cultures and backgrounds, each testing the mettle of democracy as it is known today.

Jerry Enomoto, 1954-55 chapter president who is supervisor of treatment research project at the San Quentin prison, paints the 1960-70 challenge as only he can — being very close to the problem at hand.

Jerry Enomoto, 1954-1955 says: "The history of the JACL as an organization parallels that of all successful organizations in that it has grown and matured through many crisis points dur-

ing its existence. Yet, it is my feeling that the JACL has faced no more vital challenges in the past than it now faces in considering the matter of planning for the next decade. Perhaps the challenge is even greater, for we no longer have the dramatic and emotional battles of evacuation claims and citizenship for our Issei parents to fight.

"National President Shig Wakamatsu has again demonstrated the leadership that has characterized his tenure of office by spearheading the creation and beginning work of the 1960-1970 JACL Planning Commission.

"Having been privileged to serve as President of the biggest Chapter in our national organization and as Chairman of its biggest District Council, I feel I can legitimately say that the JACLers in San Francisco and in Northern California can contribute much to the charting of these plans. Not only CAN they, but they MUST, for here in California we still find the bulk of the Japanese population, and the bulk of the remaining problems "unique" to our racial group."

Hatsuro Aizawa, 1956 chapter president who is now an advertising agency director, views the 1960-70 problem from his vantage point in the business world as follows:

"Similar to our business world in which we live, we should always plan for an effective and productive program, constantly aware of the fact that we cannot dwell on our past glories. It always seems more difficult to guard one's accomplishments than to actually obtain them. In the next ten years, press on to greater achievements of the future, but at the same time guard carefully what we've already achieved."

The immediate past San Francisco chapter president, Jack Kusaba, who served two terms in 1957-58, is the attorney for the Sumitomo Bank (California), whose opinion points to one specific emphasis.

"The next decade, I believe, will be the greatest challenge to face JACL as a national organization. New objectives and goals must be sighted in order to replace those already conquered by the JACL.

"Dynamic leadership with new ideas at all levels of our organization must be developed to blaze new trails making equal opportunities and equal protection for all citizens of the U. S. a reality. Only by attaining equal rights for all minorities can we ourselves be secure in the civil rights achieved by the JACL.

"The challenge facing the JACL during the coming decade is one of meeting our obligation to our country as good American citizens and to our fellow Americans whatever his racial or religious background.

Two questions posed past presidents of the Downtown Los Angeles chapter stirred many of them — so the Pacific Citizen learned verbally, but only one actually committed them to paper. Frank Chuman, 1946-47 chapter president and now national JACL legal counsel, pinpointed some of the specific programs JACL might consider in 1960-70. He suggests:

JACL should be concerned with (1) aged Issei, (2) juvenile delinquents and youth behavior, (3) war brides and their readjustment to American life and

Americanization program, (4) assistance to and readjustment of new residents from Hawaii, (5) a strong and vigorous civil rights program, (6) improvements of the citizenship program among citizens by encouraging vote registration, political activity, voting for and recommending worthy citizens to governmental positions, (7) local civic and community improvements, (8) furtherance of Japanese culture and heritage, and (9) better and more effective means and opportunities of bringing young unmarried adults together for social fellowship by way of a common community hall to provide diversified social

and recreation facilities.

Frank would like to see a larger staff and trained personnel to lead in these programs and activities. And the public image of JACL should be developed throughout the community as "a progressive, dynamic, liberal organization vitally concerned with all aspects of improving the lives, welfare and status of persons of Japanese ancestry."

The public image of JACL in the past has been of an organization for security and protection. Frank adds, and more recently an organization to assert and fight for the rights of persons of Japanese ancestry. "The image of the future should be that JACL is an organization with a 'heart'."

As the weeks whiz by, the Pacific Citizen will continue to offer its column space to opinions and suggestions of what role JACL should play in 1960-70. Establishing the kind of roles the organization should consider now will better prepare the chapter delegates when they meet in June-July and focus attention where it is necessary.

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Unfinished Business

Editorials written 30 years ago emphasizing obligations of citizenship still beckon

By ELMER OGAWA

UPON reaching a chronological milestone, such as an anniversary, new year, or the beginning of another decade, we are wont to look back to recall what has transpired, reflect on the trials, tribulations, trivialities and changes of the past; and then hazard a guess on what fundamentals will persist in shaping the future.

Sometimes the image of a job undone intrudes upon the scene.

The year 1960 will mark the 30th anniversary of the formation of the Japanese American Citizens League as a national organization.

Seattle and its environs were the very life center in the incubation process, and the Northwest is fortunate in having a journalistic record of those times.

As most longtime Pacific Citizens readers know, Jimmie Sakamoto founded the Japanese American Courier in Seattle. "First Japanese Journal all in English," the masthead proclaimed, and Vol. 1, No. 1 appeared January 1, 1928.

Less than two months previously, Jim had returned to Seattle, his home town after an eventful athletic career in the east, climaxed by a period of English page editorial duty on a Japanese paper in New York.

A turbulent few years of professional boxing had clouded his vision, and the veil of total darkness was falling rapidly as he saw the need, and undertook to develop a civic consciousness within the Nisei community as increasing numbers were approaching voting age.

With mind and heart he "saw" many things, the trivial irritants disrupting the community, and the subtle problems of far reaching importance. He dedicated himself to a many-sided job in the manner of the earlier American editor and community leader.

THE Japanese Exclusion Act of 1924 was still a hot topic of conversation, and the feeling and legal restrictions on ownership of land by "aliens ineligible to citizenship" were at their height. Two local girls were yet to blaze the way through much controversy, to nurse's training in Tacoma

and Seattle hospitals. Nisei school teachers were most assuredly unknown, and still a long way off in coming. Swimming pools in "fellowship" organizations were used only on a segregated basis. Nisei were ushered to the balcony in some theatres.

A thirteen year old Nisei girl was elected by companions to be a state convention delegate, but the group's counsellors, with astounding alacrity, countermanded the selection to make a "change." Letters to the editors of the dailies (five in Seattle during the period) were violently opposed to "those creatures" as nurse candidates. Then there was the man who wrote that he would kill his daughter before seeing her married to a "Jap."

With such a brief and sketchy description of the tone and temper of the times, it can only be concluded that the new editor was challenged with many "extracurricular" problems other than those of his own community.

Relations with cultural groups, however, were cordial, friendly and encouraging for the future.

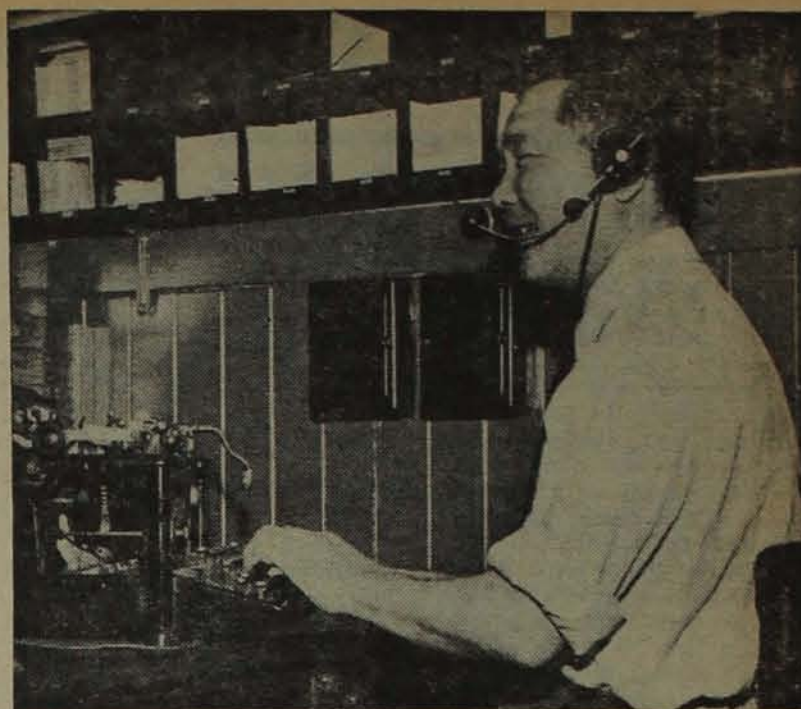
But, on the local scene, two (athletic) factions were at loggerheads, and were threatening to disrupt the economic and social life of the community.

In connection with this phase of his crusades, Jim saw the need for reactivating the Seattle Progressive Citizens' League which had become inactive after a vigorous start in 1921.

The athletic hard heads eventually saw the light, to some extent; so the long and hard campaign for editor Jimmie centered around the growth of the Citizens' League, and the furtherance of his unceasing efforts to encourage registration, use of the franchise heritage of American citizens, and to encourage Nisei interest in the political aspects of American life.

The local problems persist even to this day. Perhaps some of these things may be described as "unfinished business" in contemplating the goals for the next decade.

So to go back two years before the birth of the National JACL, here as some of Jimmie's earliest editorial comments.



The late Jimmie Sakamoto is shown soliciting by telephone at his desk with St. Vincent de Paul's Society in Seattle. The picture was taken in May, 1954. The photographer has on file somewhere a picture of him taken at his Courier desk — but was unable to discover it. Ogawa Photo

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Statement of Policy Editorial: Jan. 1, 1928

It is high time now that the signal be given indicating the platform upon which the second generation stands. The time has also arrived when the American born Japanese must take his rightful place in the life of the community and discharge his obligations and duties that were inherited by him as a natural born American citizen. Identification with the political life and institutions of the national, state, and municipal governments has become a paramount obligation with him and that obligation must not be looked upon otherwise than the privilege that came to him by right of birth in this country.

"The Courier" is given to understand that there has always been established in this community a citizens' league to stimulate greater political action among the voting American-born Japanese. It is commendable that such an organization has already been formed in this community, and it can well rest assured that it will receive the heartiest cooperation from "The Courier" on any measure or action that she deems will serve justly and genuinely the best interest of the American born Japanese and the community at large.

'A Triumph' Editorial: April 7, 1928

Utilizing the ordinary but expressive lingo of the professional sporting world, the Seattle Progressive Citizens' League came to bat last Saturday evening at the Olympic Hotel and practically "made themselves" by scoring a signal victory. The affair at the city's leading hostelry could not but be classed otherwise than a momentous event the very importance of which in regard to the bearing it has on local and national politics in the future, should go down in the annals of Japanese progress here as a most memorable incident.

That the occasion caused more than ordinary curiosity might be attested to by the fact that it was the first affair of its kind and the guests attending the banquet gave full recognition to the dignity and character of the League gathering as the first Japanese political unit to actively participate in the field of local politics . . .

Political Activity Feature Column: June 23, 1928

Today, in the community, here, the second generation members of voting age have organized a Citizens' League for a wider and greater political interest and action. In the last municipal election, the entire League membership of voting age went to the polls . . . it indicates an extensive political activity for the future.

'Calling a Spade' Editorial: Aug. 4, 1928

When the Anti-Alien Land Laws of California and Washington were passed, the colored propaganda drawing a fantastic fear of a social and economic Oriental invasion in the minds of the American people, did more harm to the good relations which existed between Japan and the United States than any good which the American nation thought would result. When the exclusion law was legislated in 1924, totally banning Japanese immigrants from these shores, while allowing other races to enter this country as free men, on a quota basis, the scales of justice were weighted with an unproportioned sense of interna-

tional and human equality.

Is it any wonder, then, that Mr. Zumoto (Japanese editor) veraciously claimed that there is resentment in Japan against the Exclusion Law which unnecessarily humbled the natural pride of the Japanese people?

Is it any wonder, then that as Dr. Spencer (U. of W. president) declared, there are a great many Americans who also resent the injury done the Japanese people?

'Tramp, Tramp, Tramp' Editorial: Sept. 28, 1928

Slowly but surely the line is forming and some day soon the Seattle Progressive Citizens' League will be marching through Main Street, with heads held high and banners speaking their proud heritage. Once idle and disorganized, this league of American-born Japanese voters, has again come into being with the vestiges of power that earns the appealing glances of candidates striving for municipal, state, and national offices.

Stockton Citizens League Editorial: Oct. 4, 1928

It is inspiring to note that the proper identification with the political institutions of the nation, state and city, has found an enthusiastic expression in the form of a Japanese-American Citizens' organization in Stockton, California. Nothing proves to be of more value than the proper stimulation, education and identification of the foundation of an association to promote better citizenship through active participation in the form of city, state and national politics.

The Japanese - American citizens of voting age are growing numerous with each passing year. It is essential for the future welfare and to posterity that a well founded knowledge of American politics should be obtained, a proper practical education that in time to come, the administration of government might be lent an intelligent voice. With the right participation in politics, each citizen fulfills the obligation to the country where-in he resides and at the same time performs the moral duty protecting his home and interests, which he is called upon to do as a useful citizen.

Good citizenship means intelligent political articulation, the active expression of which can only come from a well founded and proper political education. Then, it is not difficult to note, that in order to make good citizens of Japanese - Americans, some organization is necessary to provide that essential knowledge of politics.

With such organizations already formed here, in Los Angeles and in Stockton, and with California cities following closely in the wake, the day may not be far distant when the citizens of Japanese ancestry will take their rightful place in the field of American politics. The Stockton organization of the citizens' league is a long stride made toward this objective in California, and for the enthusiasm with which the league was organized, the Stockton members of the organization are each to be lauded for the truly American spirit with which they are working for an appropriate political identification.

'Rubbing the Lamp' Editorial: Oct. 13, 1928

No fable of magical account can truly compare with the magic of actual account. It is known that truth is often stranger than fiction, and fact can, on many occasions, fling open the mouths of many a man.

Just as a matter of natural heritage by birth in this country, Japanese-Americans possess the rights of citizenship. Because they are Japanese or because they are from a distant land, the parents of these citizens of Japanese ancestry have no voice in government and in some states are prohibited from owning land, while other Japanese from their native land are barred from entering this country. Therein lies the magic of citizenship—to say and to be a citizen of this great nation.

With this right of citizenship bestowed upon them, its proper advantages do not come just by sitting idly and letting other fellow citizens assume the responsibilities of that American entity. There is duty coupled with the magic of citizenship, the fulfillment of which is the proper obligation of the citizen. That duty is to vote, so that the theory of equal representation in government may be an actual fact.

Aladdin had to wipe his lamp before the genii appeared. Japanese-American citizens must vote before they can reap the benefits and advantages of an equal voice in government which come from being associated with this nation.

'League Qualifies' Editorial: Jan. 5, 1929

Running the gauntlet of indifference and lethargy, the Seattle Progressive Citizens' League imbibed a stimulant of politics and revived itself, in 1928, from the defunct state in which it had been slumbering for several years past. The League once flourished in a glorious state which came with the knowledge of privilege and duty as the natural heritage of American citizenship; but once the glamour attained in this flourishing state faded with what constituted American citizenship, the League turned over to decline in a peaceful state of inaction.

Yet there were those in this community who sensed the duty of every American-born Japanese citizen and summoned the members with a clarion call to duty last year. The Seattle Progressive Citizens' League again came to life and reorganized by putting at its head Clarence T. Arai, who labored to win the League recognition which was due it. Since then one year has passed by. What has the League done? Of course, anyone can say that the League was not the cause of his or her going to the polls, in November to vote or to cast the ballot in the municipal election held last March, but it should be duly acknowledged that the League has been an important factor in creating and stimulating interest in the local and national elections.

In the year's several meetings, the League was fortunate in having such men conversant with the local and national political situations as, Judge Austin E. Griffiths, who ran for an upper seat in the nation's Senate, Ralph Horr, King County Republican Organizations Chairman and others. These speakers were brought together so that the League and its voting members may come into closer contact with the various political situation. The knowledge gained thereby, has been entirely beneficial and added a stimulus to the voting members of the second generation to active participation in the local and national politics.

Again this year the League intends to distribute and to stimulate political knowledge to further its work, though this year is not a national election year. If the League has needed qualifications to be recognized as an

essential organization in this community, it has won its spurs of worthiness and a devoted effort should be lent to it by its members to make it the leading and foremost organization of this community, as it really is. The League has qualified.

From the New York Times April 25, 1929

(This quote, while not one of Jay Esse's works, is from the New York Times of April 25, 1929. As summaries go, it is a worthy document. In our humble opinion, it is an eloquent example of the Times' superior reporting, and as it is such a contrast to the hysteria attitudes of most of the Pacific Coast press at the time. Jim always voiced a special regard for the N.Y. Times and in planning his Courier, he chose the same type, Cheltenham extra condensed for his column heads. —Elmer Ogawa.)

(From THE NEW YORK TIMES of April 25, 1929)

SAN FRANCISCO, April 25.—Despite the fact that they received scant attention in the news columns, problems facing Orientals attained large significance here during the past fortnight. One of these problems concerns the difficulties confronting American-born citizens of Asiatic ancestry in adapting themselves to Western civilization.

Second generation Japanese from Pacific seaboard cities met in San Francisco recently to discuss the situation. More than 100 delegates were present from Seattle, Portland, Tacoma, Los Angeles and other communities. They constitute what is known as the Japanese-American Citizenship League, the primary object of which is to create more intelligent understanding between themselves and Americans.

American by Birth

The league is made up principally of youthful and aggressive Japanese who are Americans by birth but who sense barriers thrust in their path because of their ancestry. They speak English as well, if not better, than their mother tongue, most of them being either university or high school graduates.

Separated by education and environment from the older generation of Japanese living on the Pacific Coast, they think, feel and have all the interests of other native-born citizens in the vast American melting pot. They find, however, that their color and physiognomy operate against their acceptance on the basis readily accorded to the native-born among workers, and that even this prejudice is gradually dwindle.

born children of most other classes of alien origin.

As explained by Saburo Kido, San Francisco lawyer and former president of the league, the greatest difficulties that second generation Japanese face are the social and economic obstacles they encounter after leaving school. These are due, the Japanese believe, largely to a lack of reciprocal knowledge between Americans and themselves. The problem, in other words, is mainly one of cultivating closer contacts that will result in mutual understanding.

Problems Discussed

The conference of the league lasted three days. Among other things, it took up the problem of dual citizenship, advising all Americans of Japanese lineage to forego their Japanese citizenship and to take greater interest in exercising the duties conferred on them by the American franchise. It was urged upon the delegates that the organization should remain non-political and that its members should vote at elections as individuals, rather than as units of a bloc.

In the economic field, it was pointed out, the Japanese recognize that agriculture, so far, offers them the greatest opportunities. The league encouraged its members to remain on the land as a means of attaining independence. The restrictions that apply to alien Japanese concerning the ownership and leasing of land do not apply to Japanese who are American citizens, and it is therefore possible for this constantly increasing group to become well-to-do orchardists and farmers.

Cities Attract

A tendency is apparent among Japanese-American citizens to leave the country and crowd into the cities, just as it is apparent among Americans of white ancestry. A back-to-the-soil movement is, accordingly, being fostered by the league.

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"You must give some time to your fellow man. Even if it's a little thing, do something for those who have need of a man's help, something for which you get no pay but the privilege of doing it. For remember, you don't live in a world all your own. YOUR BROTHERS ARE HERE, TOO."

ALBERT SCHWEITZER.

I borrowed the above quotation because I felt that it was very apropos as an introduction to a discussion of JACL's legislative program projected into the next decade.

Dedicated Membership

I have been a member since 1947 and have a deep affection for JACL, else I would not have remained so active for so long. (I had intended to retire and become an "elder statesman" after the last convention, but since I was one of a group of Chicagoans who convinced Shig Wakamatsu to make the necessary sacrifice of time away from his family and occupation and run for the national presidency, I couldn't very well refuse to serve as his legislative chairman for another biennium.) This, then, is in the nature of a swan song and you will forgive me if I wax philosophical in discussing JACL's future before touching on specific programs.

One of the principle things which endeared me to the organization was the group of dedicated men with whom I came into contact—JACL leaders who suffered together the vicissitudes of wartime tribulations and who gave of themselves at great personal sacrifice to further the aims of the organization. There has been a spirit of harmony and a unanimity of purpose untouched by personal jealousies or vendettas, which I have cherished and which I would like to see continued for the good of the organization.

As JACL has grown and matured, it is only natural that the older leaders, as in any organization, step aside and make way for young blood. This is all to the good, as every organization is perpetuated and nourished by its younger members. I am happy that most of the younger leaders have inherited this spirit of dedication and have picked up and carried forward loyally and energetically the aims of the organization. However, in a few isolated instances, this spirit of complete dedication, harmony and unity of purpose I have so admired has become lost in the shuffle. In every organization I have belonged to for the past 30 years, there have been various recognizable types—the fellow who prolongs discussion at meetings merely to hear himself talk, the one who deliberately provokes discussion for the sensation he creates, the fellow who because of jealousy or other motives takes a whack at the leaders under the guise of "constructive criticism." Most local organizations at chapter meetings can deal with these types because their motives are usually recognizable to the general membership. However, when, in an organization like JACL, the fine spirit of esprit de corps becomes marred by this type of ac-

tivity on a national scale, it is more difficult for the membership to evaluate the background and motives, and therefore every "constructive criticism" must be carefully scrutinized.

What Is The National Board?

I am a little tired, for example, of having the National Board referred to as some sinister group which makes decisions behind closed doors without consulting anyone. I was under the impression that this tired cliché has long since been exploded. The National Board is democratically elected at national conventions and is made up of the cream of JACL leaders—fellows who rose through the ranks by pushing doorbells, soliciting members and funds, and by faithfully and unselfishly giving of their time attending meetings and doing the heavy work on a local level. As a recipient of many of the memos which pass back and forth almost daily between Board members, I have a first hand knowledge of the research, soul-searching and earnest discussion which goes into the making of every decision by the Board. If you wish to inform yourself as to the make-up of "The National Board" through the years, you need only to glance at the listings of National Board members elsewhere in this issue.

I happen to be an advocate of continuing a strong national organization and keeping Mike Masaoka in Washington on a retainer basis, and in this article I will state my reasons. Everyone is entitled to a contrary opinion—that is democracy in action—but I trust that these opinions when given will be equally backed by reasoning so that each member will have a basis for evaluating the pros and cons and forming his own opinion.

Legislation 1960-70

Most of the legislative matters I will discuss as a program for 1960-70 will have a familiar ring. Most of them have been mandated at previous conventions, and having to repeat them here demonstrates that very little has been accomplished in some important areas and much work therefore needs to be done. It might well take, at the very least, another decade before any appreciable dent is made in the present voting alignment in Congress and, therefore, before anything tangible can be accomplished to make the position of minorities more secure in this democracy of ours.

1. Civil Rights.

There can be no effective civil rights legislation until Senate Rule 22 is amended to eliminate filibustering. This might take 5, 10 or even 20 years, and JACL can aid in this effort only as a strong national organization with effective representation in Washington. Any JACLe who advocates more emphasis by JACL in the field of civil rights, and at the same time advocates a weakening of the national organization and abolishment of the Washington Office, is self-contradictory.

(a) Non - Discrimination in Housing. We are continually faced with reports from our members of difficulties they encounter in building, purchasing or renting housing in so-called restricted areas. Combatting this legislatively ties in with the National Public Relations Committee and the National Committee Against Defamation (in books, movies, etc.) in a continual campaign of education in combatting prejudice. Perhaps in the next decade or in the next two or

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three decades, sufficient dent can be made in the basic prejudices of Mr. and Mrs. America so that your children will not be faced with similar discrimination.

It might interest you to note in this connection that our major government agencies in the housing field, the HHFA (Housing & Home Finance Agency), which has jurisdiction over the policies of FHA and other subsidiary groups, took a step backward in this area recently. A previous HHFA directive to regional administrators and local directors in FHA which advocated "if desirable," a policy of setting aside a certain number of housing in subdivisions to be built for the housing of minority groups,

was recently amended. On the theory that the fixing of any such percentages was in itself discriminatory, this regulation or directive was eliminated. The practical effect, however, of the elimination of this directive in the guise of idealism is that the builder is now free to sell to whomever he pleases and to be 100 per cent restrictive.

(b) Fair Employment Practices. Legislation of this type is still in its infancy. My own state of Illinois (along with most other states) still has no such law on its books in spite of continual efforts by interested groups. A federal FEPC is also impossible with the present threat of filibuster. The comparative non-discrimination in employment, which we now experience, would

take a decided change for the worse if there were a change in the present status quo in the Far East. This is another program in which it may well take at the very least another decade before any appreciable progress can be made towards fulfillment.

(c) The stigma of the Arizona and Washington Alien Land Laws can only be removed by a concerted national effort of all the chapters.

(d) Interracial Marriages are still prohibited in 28 states, eight of which prohibit cohabitation between "white persons" and "orientals," even though the marriages were solemnized overseas with Armed Forces' approval or in states where interracial marriages are legal. Much work remains to be done legislatively and

by court action to eliminate this legislation or have it declared unconstitutional in the courts.

2. Immigration.

I would be very happy, indeed, if the discrimination and inequities in our immigration laws could be remedied in the space of the next decade.

(a) The National Origins Formula should be revised and placed on a 1960 population basis rather than 1920. In this way the present discriminatory quotas for many Far Eastern countries, including Japan as well as the countries in Southern and Eastern Europe, would be revised upward.

(b) The Asiatic-Pacific Triangle, which stigmatizes and discriminates against Japanese and other Far Eastern peoples, should

be eliminated.

(c) The excellent work to date accomplished by our Washington Office in providing increased immigration opportunities for persons of Japanese ancestry needs to be carried on indefinitely, so that the plight of the many disunited families which now face a wait of from 5 to 20 years can be alleviated.

3. Evacuation Claims.

There is still a large group whose claims were inadvertently filed late or who failed to file at all because they presumed they were ineligible. The work towards the passage of the amendment introduced in the last Congress may extend into the next decade.

4. Vested Property Claims not only affect directly or indirectly a considerable segment of our members, but the principle of discrimination against persons of Japanese ancestry, as opposed to persons of German ancestry, affects us all.

5. Watchdog Role—Organization in Being.

The watchdog role of the Washington Office in studying proposed legislation which may be inimical to the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry as well as encouragement of beneficial legislation, is one of the most important, yet by its very nature the least publicized, JACL activity.

Along with this, however, is another type of watchdog role which is hardly ever discussed and which is perhaps the most important aspect of JACL. That is the fact of a strong national organization in being, together with an effective Washington representative standing by ready for all emergencies. This role of JACL is by no means unique. Every minority group of any consequence in this country has a similar national organization.

It is no secret that the Far East is the world's most disturbed area, what with China on the move, problems of population explosion and widespread starvation. As I write this I am looking at headlines in today's paper—"5,000 Jap Communists Storm U.S. Embassy" and "School Fight Rages in Japan," followed by "Tokyo—The conflict swirls around the made-in-America school reforms adopted by Japan after World War II. The outcome, many here feel, could pull the nation back into a chauvinistic past or swing her into the communist orbit."

Regardless of how active you are in a local chapter or how you feel about the relative importance of JACL's activities and projected activities for the next decade, the payment by you of \$5.00 or even \$25.00 a year merely for the maintenance of a strong national organization and an effective Washington Office is the cheapest insurance you can buy. A JACL, in my opinion, is not necessary for local social activities, per se. In Chicago, for instance, we have 20 to 30 groups which can amply satisfy the needs of the community for fraternal benefits, lectures, art, music, golf, etc. There is no question that on a local level in many areas, JACL, in addition to its other functions, does (and very effectively) satisfy these social needs and even in a city like Chicago takes care of these needs for those who are not members of other groups. The one thing which JACL has to offer which no other group can supply is its national strength and unity, which will be available if anything faintly resembling another Dec. 7, 1941, ever faces us again. I will repeat here President Shig Wakamatsu's quote of Hank Omachi's grass-roots opinion (in Minneapolis). Hank explained why (though the people there are weak in attendance at meetings and participation in chapter program activities) the membership has not fallen off, but remains at a level of from 170 to 200.

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Setting Our Sights

Discussion on the Future Program of the JACL Sponsored by the Chicago Chapter

By RUTH KUMATA

The membership of the Chicago Chapter was given an opportunity to express their views on the future program of JACL now under consideration by the 1960-70 JACL Planning Commission, at a meeting, "Setting our Sights," held on October 23, 1959, at the North Park Hotel.

In view of the changing needs of Japanese Americans, now almost a generation removed from World War II and evacuation, it is felt here as in other chapters that new sights must be set for the future of JACL.

The discussion was opened by a panel of persons representing varying opinions among the Japanese American population in the Chicago area. The panel consisted of the following persons:

Lillian Kimura, moderator — Group work supervisor at the Olivet Community Center, past president of the Girls' Inter-Club Council, formerly chairman of special activities of the Chicago Chapter and advisor to the Jr. JACL.

Mrs. Mari Aki — Resident of Wilmette, Illinois, who has a master's degree in social work. Member of the North Shore Human Relations Council, former member of the Philadelphia and New York chapters and active participant in PTA and church activities.

Harold Arai — Dental student at Loyola University and president of the Chicago Jr. JACL.

Michiko Itahara — Student in education at Northwestern University and a vice-president of the Chicago Jr. JACL.

Tad Kimura — Owner of a television repair shop in Morton Grove, Illinois, where he resides and commander of the American Legion Post in Morton Grove.

Ben Yoshioka — Business manager of the design department of the Container Corporation of America, past president of the local school board in Skokie, Illinois, where he resides. Formerly with WRA office in Chicago, active in church and civic affairs.

Two major questions served as guideposts for the discussion:

1. What should be the basic purposes of JACL?

2. What specific activities should the JACL sponsor on the local and national level in order to fulfill the basic purposes?

Determine Attitudes

One of the suggestions brought out by the panel was to determine the attitudes and needs of Japanese Americans throughout

the country through a carefully structured questionnaire.

Implicit in the suggestion was the feeling that JACL should not attempt to formulate a program without a substantial factual background in the needs of the people.

Emphasis was placed on the importance of seeing problems through the eyes of the younger generation who have not personally experienced the same type of united feeling brought about by negative occurrences during and following World War II.

The group agreed that one of JACL's objectives should be to encourage Japanese Americans to participate with mature responsibility in local and national life. The opinion that JACL should enter more significantly the field of social service was expressed, although it was felt that no attempt should be made to give any social casework type of service as this would require professionally trained personnel as well as being a function of an agency of a different nature than JACL.

Rather, it was felt that JACL should be directed toward civic informational and educational lines which would help individuals to adjust to present day conditions in the community.

Younger Group

The younger members of the group expressed a divided feeling in their attitudes toward JACL.

Several voiced a serious conflict as to the actual necessity of continuing a group like JACL in view of the fact that they do not have the same emotional and intellectual ties, which the older generation feel toward the Japanese group and to things Japanese. They felt that many Nisei seem to assume that Sansei have a similar outlook toward issues concerning Japanese Americans as the older generation.

Commenting on this point, Dr. John Kitsuse, a sociologist at Northwestern University, stated that the Nisei as with any other group tend to project their own experiences and problems upon their children in spite of the fact that the conditions which made those problems no longer exist.

Several of the Jr. JACLers pointed out this conflict together with the lack of constructive direction as frustrating factors in attempting to make the Jr. JACL a vital group.

Other members of the younger group stood firmly in the belief that JACL must continue as long as Japanese Americans are racially conspicuous. They stated

that their hope is to contribute as Japanese Americans to American life so that their unique contributions will be recognized by the majority group. Among the proponents of this viewpoint was a Chicago-born Sansei.

During the lively discussion from the floor, it was pointed out that although the same issues were not in question today as in the years past, the JACL can serve as a watch-dog against possible adverse occurrences in the future, and as a public relations agent for the Japanese American group. The importance of the majority opinion toward Japanese Americans as well as our attitude toward the community was brought out.

Specific Activities

During the second half of the meeting, devoted to a discussion of specific activities for JACL, the need for strengthening the work of the local chapter was particularly stressed. The point was made that a national organization is only as strong as the sum total strength of its local groups.

The feeling was expressed that our cultural heritage offers an opportunity for us to make a unique contribution to the local community. It is a common experience with Nisei who move into different communities that the people turn to them for information on Japanese culture, a request which they are often not equipped to fulfill on their own. A program to supply this type of information through speakers and other experts in the field was suggested.

The apparently strong concern of the group with aspects of Japanese culture led Dr. Kitsuse to observe that Nisei seem to be retreating somewhat from the idea of complete integration, a point which was greatly emphasized before the war.

Another related comment from Dr. Kitsuse was that it is curious that Nisei are so concerned at this point with their children knowing about their cultural heritage when the Nisei themselves do not seem to find it pertinent or necessary for themselves.

Other specific suggestions for the strengthening of the local chapter included the following:

1. There should be greater membership participation in the actual committee workings of the chapter.

2. Communication should be widened and strengthened between the chapter board and the

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Place: Tropical Room, Park Sheraton Hotel—New York City
Time: 4:15 p.m.—September 5, 1959
Subject: JACL 10 YEAR PLAN (1960-1970)
Purpose: To present ideas for JACL's program for the next decade (1960-1970)
Panel Members: Dick Akagi—New York City
 Dr. James Taguchi—Dayton, Ohio
 William Marutani—Philadelphia
 Henry Tanaka—Cleveland
 Abe Hagiwara—Chicago—(Moderator)
Recorders: Chisato Ohara, Recording Secretary, Washington, D.C., JACL; Tsugi Shiroishi, Washington, D.C., JACL

The symposium was opened with brief introductory remarks by Abe Hagiwara who mentioned that with the major programs of the JACL completed there was need to redefine the basic purpose and objectives of the JACL and to consider opening up other areas of program possibilities.

First Speaker

The first speaker, Dick Akagi stated that because we live in a society governed by "Anglo Saxon" mores, customs and traditions, we have unknowingly become infected by the parochial value of the community. We have tried to become as much "Anglo Saxon" in our thinking, living, etc., as we can. We are emphasizing the American of Japanese American.

For this country to fulfill its destiny we must become free from this provincial point of view. The Japanese part of Japanese American should be emphasized. Mr. Akagi stressed that the Nisei's contribution to American society comes from our diversity and urged that we retain our identity.

JACL either grows or dissolves through the weakness or strength of its chapter programs. There must be a clarification of the principles that will give incentive for the future. We have no definite principle or program; we cannot afford the watch-dog operation. It is important to return to that kind of operation of seven years ago and expand on it.

Nisei being a minority group have a definite collective destiny in America. There are many discriminatory problems that still need to be solved. Akagi proposed that there be a paid, full-time staff personnel to evolve with national and district.

Sansei are rapidly maturing and skillful planning needs to be done for them before any further organization is done.

In answer to a question of how to go about planning effective chapter program, Akagi suggested that the chapter form 10 committees with each committee to

be in charge of one meeting a month. To stimulate the imagination, the committees will be on competitive basis. It was pointed out that imaginative program was necessary to bring out the membership. Once the members are drawn to the meetings, then such major problems as discrimination could be discussed.

Second Speaker

Dr. James Taguchi declared that JACL must move forward or go back. At the present time we are faced with the problem of apathy, therefore, a broad educational program was needed. He suggested that a professional approach be used implemented by a paid personnel to assist in working out chapter programs and administrative problems. Also, that specialization or paid persons be used to do special jobs.

Dr. Taguchi further recommended that dues to National be raised, that the Pacific Citizen be included in every membership. He also proposed expansion of Pacific Citizen and that perhaps consideration should be given to membership requirements.

JACL must have goals and members should be given definite goals toward which to work. Specific youth programs should be established; immigration problems need major goals; considerable amount of work still needs to be done on civil rights and anti-miscegenation laws are still in effect in a number of states. These problems should have definite goals, Dr. Taguchi stressed.

Third Speaker

William Marutani stated that the hard goals of JACL are only a step away from catastrophe. JACL is looking for 11 alarm fires and not for small "brush fires," yet there are still 15 states which ban inter-marriages, restricted covenants on homes still exist, discrimination in education, in political and teaching jobs also all exist. These are all "brush fires" which must be fought.

The important objective of the JACL is to mold minds and prejudices of many kinds of people. One of the means for molding minds is to bring ourselves before the public—to present ourselves to them. Marutani emphasized that there is a great need for public relations and proposed that a public relations committee be formed. The function of the committee would be to sift through the schedule of movies and TV programs and act on those programs which cast unfavorable light on the Japanese before they are shown to the public.

Other projects suggested by the speaker were a lending library which would send out films and pamphlets to churches and civic organizations, Freedom Fund to be established by the JACL for the repair of Independence Hall, Nisei participation in civic parades, Issei story and evacuation story. These would help educate the public and mold its mind, the speaker stated. To summarize, Mr. Marutani stated that (1) There is a need for national organization so that there will be a cohesive, effective program. (2) There is a need for public relations to educate the public.

Fourth Speaker

Henry Tanaka brought out the five principles on which the JACL's framework is built which should be considered in programming for the future.

1. All minority groups inevitably become incorporated as become incorporated as members of the larger community.

2. Culture is an essential part of human and community relationships. These relationships are improved by better understanding of culture. Customs, traditions and behavior patterns are part of culture as well as art, literature and music.

3. JACL's fundamental responsibility is to the individual members. Providing means which will enable them to become better informed and contributing citizens of the larger community as well as the Japanese American community is our responsibility.

4. JACL's services are based on fundamental human principles. We uphold the rights, privileges and responsibilities of each individual regardless of his identity.

5. A strong, democratically oriented organization reflects strength at all levels. The goals of a strong, progressive chapter program are set within realistic limitations and are attained through plans with definite aims and heavy overlay of interpersonal relationships. Evaluation and analysis are important parts of the programming.

The implementation of these five basic principles into our present framework is a three

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 general membership as well as the community at large so that the membership will feel a greater part of the organization.

3. National activities should be better publicized through channels other than the Pacific Citizen and the JACLer (Chicago Chapter bulletin).

4. A group able to give expert information on matters regarding Japanese culture should be formed. This could serve as part of the general public relations effort inasmuch as community groups seem to expect any person of Japanese background to be knowledgeable on these matters.

5. More vital and meaningful contacts with local civic and educational groups should be made.

6. The public relations efforts of the JACL should in the future be of an informational and educational nature rather than that of a pressure group. Doubt as to the advisability of group pressure to deal with such things as housing discrimination was expressed.

7. The JACL should be better equipped to act as a referral

agency in those areas where another agency might be better able to fulfill the needs.

Five Points

In summary, at this meeting the following several points seemed to be the major concerns of the people present:

1. The dead issues stemming from World War II and evacuation must be replaced by live and meaningful ones. Issues hinging on past events cannot justify the future existence of JACL.

2. More emphasis and concern should be placed on the thoughts and feelings of the younger generation whose frame of reference is more closely that of the majority group than that of the strictly Japanese.

3. Much more effort and thought should be placed on the development of local chapter activities of a meaningful variety.

4. The JACL program should place emphasis on general civic education and information rather than on pressure group-like activities.

5. Activities in the future should have closer ties with the individual members in their adjustment to the community.

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Harold Gordon

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 fundamental idea of the JACL: That it is a national organization which we feel we can depend upon to provide us with able representation in Washington, D.C., whenever there is a need for it. I believe this is JACL's strongest selling point."

The situation in Chicago is similar. We have an average membership of 1,000 and an average 1000 Club membership of 135. However, our average attendance at meetings is only 25 to 50. It would seem to me, therefore, that in view of this situation the national staff should be enlarged rather than curtailed, with the restoration of active regional representatives in key areas throughout the country, so as to more effectively carry out JACL's various important functions

which the lay people in the chapters simply cannot take the time to perform.

I have said in a previous article and I will repeat here that I conceive JACL to be a triangle, consisting of the National Board at the apex, the National Director and his office at one base and Washington Representative at the other base. Remove or weaken either base and, in my opinion, the organization topples. I am convinced that most JACLers agree with the grassroots opinion expressed by Hank Omachi and have therefore continued their support financially although they have become inactive on a local level, and I am sure that these members will speak through their chapter representatives at the next convention when plans are laid for the next decade.

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Okahara, Roy	5
Shoji, Frank	4
Suzuki, Frank	9
Tanji, Taro	4
Winton, Gordon H., Jr.	4
Yagi, George	3
Yoshida, Lester Koe	4

Marysville	
Inouye, George H.	5
Kodama, Robert	3
Nakamura, Frank F.	Life
Oji, Arthur N.	5
Oji, Mas	11
Okamoto, George Y.	6
Sasaki, John K.	5
Teesdale, Thomas H.	4
Toyoda, Dr. Yutaka	1
Tsuji, Bill Z.	9
Uchida, Mosse M.	6
Yoshimura, Akiji	11

Monterey Peninsula	
Ichijui, Paul	1
Kodama, George	4
Miyamoto, Hoshito	5
Nobusada, Kay	3
Oka, Kaz	3
Sato, Kenneth H.	7
Uyeda, Minoru	7

Oakland	
Akahoshi, Arata	4
Baba, Mrs. Take	5
Fujii, Katsumi	6
Ishizu, Dr. Charles E.	8
Lee, Richard	1
Ogawa, Frank H.	2
Ohara, Jitsuo Jerry	3
Utsumi, Kinji	6
Wehara, Dr. Russell H.	4

Placer County	
Hirakawa, George S.	2
Kashiwabara, Dr. Kay	2
Makabe, George	6
Nakae, Howard	1
Nakamura, Yoshio	1
Takemoto, Hiroshi	2
Uyeno, Koichi	2
Yego, Thomas, Jr.	5
Yoshida, Roy T.	5

Reno	
Aoyama, Fred	8
Baba, Mas	1
Fujii, Oscar	5

Sacramento	
Akamatsu, Dr. George	1
Baker, Mrs. Shizue N.	4
Daggett, Morris	1
Dalkai, Frank	1
Dixon, Raymond	1
Fujii, Harry	4
Fujii, Masuto	3
Fujii, Toko	6
Fujiwara, George	3
Fukushima, Tom	3
Furukawa, Tom	1
Hamai, George	1
Hamatani, Kay	3
Hamatani, Pete	1
Hanada, Nobuichi	1
Hara, Harry N.	3
Harada, Dr. Yoshizo	5
Hayashi, Akio	5
Hayashi, Ed	3
Hayashida, Frank	1
Higashino, Roy	3
Hironaka, Mitsuji	1
Hiyama, Frank	1
Ikedai, Kihei	6
Imai, Kiyoshi	3
Inouye, Dr. Stanley	1
Ishida, Tom	1
Ishii, Dr. Ed	1
Ishii, Ichiro	1
Ishimoto, Sam	3
Itano, Dean	4
Itano, Masao	3
Ito, Yasushi	5
Kai, Jimmie	2
Kato, Taro	1
Kato, Wesley	1
Kitade, Roy	3
Kozono, Ardevan Kiyoshi	3
Kubo, George	2
Kubo, Dr. James J.	4
Kunishi, Tom	1
Kyotani, Glenn	1
Maeda, Masao	2
Masaki, Akito	4
Masaki, Harry K.	3
Masaki, Percy	4
Matsufuji, Jimmie	1
Matsumoto, Richard	1
Matsumoto, William	6
Matsunami, Joe	10
Miyai, Arthur	3
Miyakawa, Jun	1
Miyamoto, Sumio	5
Miyao, Martin	3
Mizutani, Ginji	7
Morigiwa, Yukio	1
Morimoto, Harry	1
Murakami, Katsuro	6
Muramoto, Dr. George	2
Nagano, Charles	1
Nakagaki, Shige	1
Nakatani, Soichi	2
Ninomiya, Jimmy	3
Nishi, Charles	1
Nishijima, Kanji	5
Nishikawa, Rev. George	1
Nishimi, Masao	3
Nishimi, Ralph	3
Nishimi, Toshihiko	3
Noguchi, Dave	2
Noguchi, Yuji	1
Oda, Ping	3
Okada, Eugene	4
Okimura, Tim	1
Oshima, Coffee H.	5
Oshita, Sakaye	1
Osuga, Peter	5
Ouye, Fred	1

San Benito County	
Kamimoto, Kay	7
Nishita, Frank	4
Shingai, Joe Y.	5
Shiotsuka, Sam	2
Yamaoka, Kay K.	1

San Francisco	
Abiko, Yasuo W.	9
Adachi, Lucy	5
Aizawa, Hatsuro	6
Chung, Mrs. Elsie	3
Dobashi, Frank	1
Doi, Steve	1
Enomoto, Jerry	6
Fujisada, Takafusa	4
Furuta, Mrs. Yo	4
Hamamoto, Mary	5
Hayakawa, Kayo	3
Hedani, Dr. Tokuji	9
Hideshima, Shichisaburo	6
Higuchi, Mrs. Thelma	4
Hironaka, David Taxy	6
Hirose, Jack	6
Hirota, Dr. Carl T.	6
Honnami, Sumi	6
Hori, Kei	7
Horio, Dr. Shigeru R.	9
Hoshiyama, Fred	6
Hoshiyama, William	6
Hunt, Dixie	5
Inai, George T.	4
Ishizaki, Ken	5
Kasai, Kenji	6
Kato, George T.	1
Kimura, William T.	6
Koda, Keisaburo	6
Korematsu, Harry	5
Kubokawa, Joseph T.	4
Kumamoto, Yukio	6
Kuroiwa, Mrs. Teiko	9
Kusaba, Jack S.	4
Masaoka, Joe Grant	9
Nakahara, Ken	1
Nakayama, Dr. Leo	5
Negi, Don	1
Ninomiya, George K.	1
Nita, Noel P.	3
Nonaka, Frank M.	Life
Obana, George	1
Okamoto, Takeo	5
Reyes, Katherine K.	6
Satoda, Yone	4
Satow, Mrs. Chiz	10
Satow, Masao W.	12
Sumida, Marshall M.	5
Takahashi, Henri	3
Tanamachi, Kiyoshi	2
Tani, Hisahi	5
Togasaki, Dr. Kazuo	11
Tsuchiya, Scotty H.	5
Utsumi, Takeo B.	4
Uyeda, Daisy	6
Uyeda, John N.	7
Uyeda, June	1
Uyeda, Kaye C.	6
Yamazaki, Warren T.	2
Yasuda, Shotaro	4

Ouye, Harold	
Sakamoto, Shig	2
Sakuma, Mamoru	5
Sanui, Kanami	2
Sasabuchi, Tim	3
Sasaki, Rev. Sensho	1
Sato, Dr. Alwin	5
Sato, Tom	2
Seto, Dr. Masa	3
Shirai, Noboru	5
Sofuye, Robert	1
Sugiyama, Dr. Henry I.	5
Takahashi, Dr. George	5
Taketa, Henry	8
Takeuchi, Takeo	3
Tambara, George	5
Tanaka, Tadao	2
Tsuda, Dr. Kiyoshi	5
Tsuda, Masaki	3
Tsugawa, Wataru	6
Tsujita, Tak	2
Yamamoto, Charley	3
Yamamoto, Sachiko	1
Yamasaki, Harry	1
Yokoi, Frank	1
Yoshimura, Frank	4

Salinas Valley	
Abe, James Y.	10
Hibino, Frank K.	4
Higashi, George	4
Ichikawa, Yonezo	3
Kita, Dr. Harry Y.	11
Miyanaaga, Tom	7
Tanda, Henry H.	8
Teraji, Frank E.	4

1000 Club Notes

By BILL MATSUMOTO

As the year slowly comes to an end, it's also time to write the last column of the year for dear old PC... I can assure you a lot has happened the past year—fortunately, for the better.

One of our accomplishments is the fact that we reached our all-time high over 1,300 active members. Which I think is definitely a feather in our derby and also indicates we do have a great many who do believe in the JACL movement... Not only has the 1000 Club membership scaled to new heights, but the total JACL membership as well—a postwar high of over 17,000.

I'm sure such performances are gratifying to the officers and staff personnel, because all of them have given their very best for the good of all of us.

The Thousand Club goal for the present is 2,000 paid-up Thousanders. That seems very distant at this stage to attain by convention time, but I believe we're on the move now and all of our chapter 1000 Club chairmen are making their plans for hardy home stretch drive that could conceivably turn in the 2,000... I just received a report that Sacramento JACL has all but wound up its drive for 1000 Clubbers and has risen with the promised 100 or more members, according to chapter chairman Tokio Fujii. This represents a 12 per cent increase and we doff our derby to the people of Sacramento. If we can all go all-out, that 2,000 goal can be a "snap." So come on fellas, let's go-go-go!

The cost of living has gone up. And the evacuation claims program has ended its settlement program (which means very little to be added to the JACL Endowment Fund from grateful claimants)... Which means that it becomes vitally necessary to keep the 1000 Club thriving.

Fundamentally, the 1000 Club was founded to help maintain the national organization in addition to the income derived from general membership fees. During the 30-year history of JACL, the 1000 Club has proven its worth on several occasions—coming to rescue of National so it could continue to fight for equality and protect the welfare of Japanese Americans. There were also periods when the National staff suffered with the rest of us as they had to wait for their compensations. Certainly, none of us wants to see this happen again—and the only way in which this might be prevented is to keep the 1000 Club strong, if we want JACL to do the work that is necessary.

Some have said our major problems have been solved. Perhaps, that is true; but since we must continue to live, problems are still likely to come that only an organization such as ours will be able to cope with. Furthermore, we have accomplished much in past; if we do not stand together, we can lose all the progress that has been made. Needless to say, most of us know that each time the legislature meets, there is possibility that a bill detrimental to Japanese Americans can be introduced.

To keep an organization effective, of course, costs money. My answer is JACL membership plus the 1000 Club to preserve all or most of the good works already on the record.

As a parting word for 1959, may I wish all of you a very happy holiday season and a prosperous new year.



SEASON'S GREETINGS

Pacific Northwest DISTRICT COUNCIL CHAPTERS

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Toru Sakahara.....Vice Chairman Dr. Joe Onchi.....1000 Club
Tom Takemura.....Treasurer George Nakamura.....Historian

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Alameda	Livingston-Merced	San Benito County
Berkeley	Marysville	San Francisco
Contra Costa	Monterey-Peninsula	San Jose
Cortez	Oakland	San Mateo
Eden Township	Placer County	Sequoia
Florin	Reno	Sonoma County
Fremont	Sacramento	Stockton
French Camp	Salinas Valley	Watsonville
Gilroy		

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Mountain Plains District Council

DENVER (Mile Hi)
MONTANA
OMAHA
ARKANSAS VALLEY
FT. LUPTON
SAN LUIS VALLEY

Yoshimura, Shizuko.....3
Yonezu, Charles.....4
San Jose
Bepp, Yoneo.....7
Hiura, Dr. Thomas A.....2
Ishigaki, Harry.....2
Ishikawa, Dr. Tokio.....8
Kanemoto, Wayne M.....3
Matsumura, Phil.....4
Mineta, Norman.....1
Okamoto, Dr. Robert S.....2
Sakauye, Eiichi.....3
Shimizu, Esau.....2
Tatsuno, Dave M.....9
Yonemoto, Tak.....2

San Mateo
Ikeda, Mrs. Irene S.....1
Ishimaru, Haruo.....7
Ito, Hiroshi.....1
Rikimaru, J. I.....5
Sutow, George T.....4
Sutow, Mary.....3
Sutow, Tomiko.....4
Takahashi, William A.....2

Sequoia
Baba, Dr. George R.....Life
Doi, Dr. Hunter.....1
Enomoto, John T.....7
Enomoto, William H.....12
Hiura, Dr. George Y.....Life
Inouye, Hirotsuke.....11
Kitasoe, Richard S.....6
Nakahara, Peter.....1
Nakamura, David.....2
Nakamura, Harry.....2
Oku, Masao.....11
Yamada, Sat.....2

Sonoma County
Ellis, Lloyd.....4
Hamamoto, Iwazo.....4
Miyano, James T.....6
Oda, Frank K.....5
Ohki, Edwin.....4
Yamamoto, Eiichi Roy.....6
Yokoyama, George Y.....3

Stockton
Agari, Youichi.....5
Baba, George K.....5
Dobana, Fred K.....5
Fujishige, Dr. T. David.....2
Hayashino, Harry S.....5
Higashi, Henry M.....5
Hisaka, Art.....4
Inamasu, Frank.....4
Ishimaru, Shokichi.....5
Itaya, Sam M.....5
Kunimori, Kumakichi Walter.....5
Kusama, Henry T.....5
Matsumoto, Jack Y.....6
Nakashima, Arthur K.....1
Okamoto, Tom Tsutomu.....5
Omachi, Joseph.....5
Tabuchi, Mrs. Masuye.....5
Tsunekawa, Lou S.....5
Ueda, Kazuo.....5
Yoshikawa, Richard S.....4

Watsonville
None
DC Miscellaneous
Yuki, Mrs. Miyoko.....Life
Los Gatos
Yuki Takeo, Los Gatos.....Life

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA DC
Bakersfield
None

Clovis
Fugita, June.....10
Miyamoto, James K.....3
Yamamoto, Tokuo.....3
Yoshida, Herbert.....3

Delano
Fukawa, Jeff.....1
Katano, Joe.....4
Kawasaki, Paul H.....5
Kawasaki, Tom T.....5
Nagatani, Edward.....4
Nagatani, George Y.....4
Nagatani, Dr. James K.....6
Nakagawa, Bill T.....3
Takaki, Ernest H.....Life
Takaki, Masaru.....2
Yonaki, Sadawo.....5

Fowler
Miyake, Dr. George.....7
Uchiyama, Mikio.....3

Fresno
Arata, Don.....2
Hirasuna, Fred Y.....Life
Inaba, Richard A.....2
Ishikawa, Jin.....4
Jitsumyo, Dr. Akira.....5
Kubota, John.....2
Miyamoto, Gunzo.....1
Morita, Takashi.....2
Nakamura, Ben.....2
Oji, Dr. Chester S.....4
Sakamoto, S. G.....4
Shimada, Dr. Hideki.....2
Suda, Dr. George M.....8
Suda, Dr. Otto H.....2
Taira, Dr. Kikuo H.....6
Takaoka, George S.....3
Takaoka, Mrs. Miyeko.....2
Umamoto, George T.....2
Yamamura, Ricky.....2

Parlier
Chiamori, Akira.....2
Doi, Noboru Jerry.....6
Isaki, Harry H.....Life
Kashiki, John.....4
Katsura, Ted.....6
Kawate, Kaz.....5
Kimoto, Ralph T.....6

Kimoto, Tak.....1
Koga, Ben.....Life

Koga, Tom.....1
Kozuki, James N.....7
Kubo, Harry T.....5
Kumataka, Byrd H.....6
Migaki, Richard Y.....6
Miyakawa, Norman N.....Life
Miyakawa, Sam I.....1
Miyakawa, Tomio C.....6
Nagare, Fred.....3
Nakata, Harry S.....3
Ogata, Gerald M.....7
Okamura, Robert I.....6
Osumi, Kengo.....6
Ota, Ronald K.....6
Tsuboi, Shoichi.....5
Tsuji, Bill.....6
Watumura, Bill M.....2

Reedley
Abe, Masaru.....4
Ikeda, Mrs. Michi.....7
Ikeda, Toru.....9
Ikemiya, Mrs. Carolyn.....3
Ikemiya, Dr. James M.....4
Kimura, Frank.....1
Kitahara, Kei.....2
Naito, Tak.....2

Sanger
Fujihara, George.....1
Hasegawa, Peter K.....1
Kanagawa, Robert K.....9
Kanagawa, T. Y.....1
Kebo, Henry.....1
Kebo, Johnson.....10
Komoto, Kaz.....6
Kumano, Thomas K.....1
Matsunaga, Benny K.....4
Moriyama, Tom T.....1
Nagamatsu, Tom H.....4
Nakamura, Tom.....9
Nishimura, George Y.....5
Urushima, George T.....1

Selma
Abe, George.....7
Kajitani, Yoshio.....4
Kataoka, Mrs. Mae.....4
Masumoto, Alan A.....1

Tulare County
Arima, Dr. Kazuo.....2
Ezaki, Tee.....1
Fujinaga, Ben.....2
Fukushima, Akio.....3
Hataheda, Sawato.....2
Imoto, Mike.....4
Ishida, Robert.....2
Ishida, William.....1
Ishizue, Tak.....1
Konishi, William.....2
Matsumura, James E.....4
Mayeda, Hiroshi.....4
Morofuji, Harry.....2
Nagata, Ed.....4
Nii, Harry.....3
Ogata, Nori.....1
Oh, George.....2
Shiba, William.....2
Shimaji, Gene.....1
Shimasaki, Tom.....8
Sumida, Jack.....3
Tashiro, Mrs. Ethel.....4
Tashiro, Kenji.....9
Tashiro, Yelki.....4
Tsuboi, Joe.....2
Uyeno, Sam.....2
Watanabe, Kay.....2
Yamada, Doug.....4
Yamamoto, John E.....4
Yebisu, Hisao.....4

DC Miscellaneous
Ando, Mats, Kingsburg.....6
Mochizuki, George, Madera.....12

PACIFIC SOUTHWEST DC
Arizona
Cox, Z. Simpson.....7
Inoshita, Ben.....4
Inoshita, Masaji.....7
Inoshita, Tom.....3
Kadomoto, Tom.....5
Masunaga, Harry.....2
Takiguchi, Minoru.....6
Tsutsumida, Masao.....3

Coachella Valley
Oshiki, Mas.....5
Sakai, Tom.....9
Sakamoto, Ben.....6
Sato, Masao.....5
Shibata, George K.....7
Sugimoto, Toshio.....4

Downtown Los Angeles
Aiso, Hon. John F.....8
Akahoshi, Ted I.....5
Akita, Annabelle H.....5
Aratani, George T.....11
Chuman, Frank F.....11

One Thousand

Clement, Father.....3
Fujimoto, Ed H.....5
Fujita, Harry.....7
Fukui, Soichi.....6
Funakoshi, Willie M.....11
Furuta, George E.....9
Hada, Sam.....3
Hara, Dr. H. James.....6
Hirohata, Frank H.....5
Honda, Harry K.....7
Ida, Henry.....2
Iino, Sho.....10
Ikuta, Dr. Shunji K.....4
Iwasaki, Ernest K.....6
Katayama, Chester I.....4
Kawa, Taro.....7
Kawasaki, Yasujiro.....5
Kido, Saburo.....Life
Kusayanagi, Takejiro.....4
Matsumoto, Kazuma.....3
Mayekawa, Shigeo.....3
McKibbin, David.....6
Mitsumori, Nisuke.....5
Mukaeda, Katsuma.....3
Murayama, Ben K.....3
Murayama, Henry.....7
Nakajima, Ichiro.....3
Nakajima, Toshio.....3
Nakamura, Gongoro.....4
Nakase, Yoichi.....2
Nakatsuka, George.....6
Nitake, David.....8
Okumoto, Ted.....4
Omatsu, Frank K.....3
Saito, John Ty.....11
Sasaki, Masami.....4
Sato, Meijiyo.....3
Sayano, George K.....5
Shimada, Teru.....4
Shirakawa, Mrs. Saku.....4
Sumi, Toraichi.....6
Suzukida, Frank M.....5
Takata, Fred T.....4
Takata, Gichi.....4
Takeda, Roy J.....4
Takeda, Shigeji.....7
Tanaka, Yasuo Clifford.....8
Ushijima, Jerry S.....3
Uwate, Matao.....4
Uyeda, S. K.....4
Wirin, Al.....10
Wong, Wing Art.....1
Yamamoto, William K.....7
Yamato, Ed.....6
Yoke, Mrs. Merijane.....9
Yoshimura, Dr. Y.....5

East Los Angeles
Hamada, Mikie J.....2
Hayashi, Mas.....1
Higashi, Jim.....6
Inadomi, Yosh.....11
Katayama, Hideo.....2
Kawakami, Ritsuko.....6
Mittler, Mrs. Mary.....6
Obi, Dr. Robert T.....6
Okabe, Hitoshige.....2
Okamoto, Frank S.....3
Omura, Hiroshi.....2
Utsunomiya, Ken.....12
Wada, Dr. George.....6
Watanabe, George.....4
Yoshizaki, Mrs. Mable.....1
Yuguchi, Cy.....5

Gardena Valley
Hiraide, Tosh.....1
Iida, Dr. Harry.....1
Ishida, Frank Junzo.....5
Ishida, Henry J.....7
Ishihara, Sam.....1
Kamiya, Kay K.....3
Kabara, Dr. Joe.....1
Kobata, George.....Life
Kobata, Joe H.....11
Kobayashi, Dr. Norman.....4
Komae, Ryo.....7
Koyama, Dr. John Y.....Life
Kuida, Kameichi.....5
Kunibe, Henry.....1
Kunibe, James.....1
Kushida, Tats.....9
Kuwata, Dr. Hiroshi.....1
Mamiya, Yoshio Bud.....3
Minami, Kazuo.....10
Minami, Sam.....5
Nakai, James.....3
Nakajima, Don.....1
Nakaoka, Kiyoto K.....4
Ono, Dr. Edward K.....3



Club Honor Roll

Osaka, Kenji	Life	Hatashita, Haruo	2
Satow, Mrs. Fumi	4	Honda, Henri	4
Satow, Hideo	11	Hoshi, Paul	5
Shinoda, Paul	10	Ikemura, Tsutomu, Harold	9
Shiozaki, Ronald I.	7	Ito, Martin L.	9
Tsukahara, Dr. Paul	1	Kida, Tom	6
Uriu, Dr. Masashi	2	Kodama, George Y.	6
Yonemura, Frank M.	5	Morimoto, Dr. Masato	3
		Mukai, Tom	5
Hollywood		Muto, George S.	7
Abe, Danar	6	Nakamura, Hiomi	5
Ishitani, Noboru	6	Nakamura, Minoru	3
Ito, Arthur T.	11	Nakashima, Shig	3
Izumo, Hideo	3	Obayashi, Alfred Y.	5
Kamayatsu, Charles	6	Owashi, Joseph	10
Kato, Robert K.	5	Owashi, Leo	6
Kawakami, Paul K.	3	Tanaka, Bert M.	3
Kuwahara, Henry	1	Yamate, Kiyoshi	1
Sato, Kenneth T.	5	Yasuda, George	3
Suzuki, Mike	4	Yoshihara, Hideo	5
Ukita, Charles T.	5		
Yanamoto, Miwako	6	San Fernando Valley	
		Endow, Tom	6
Imperial Valley		Imai, Mrs. Michi	4
Momita, Tak	5	Imai, Tom	3
Long Beach - Harbor District		Kono, Eugene	1
Fujimoto, Easy	5	Sakaguchi, Dr. Bo	3
Fukumoto, Elliott, Hajime	3	Sakaguchi, Dr. C. T.	Life
Harada, Kiyoshi	1	Uyehara, Isamu	5
Ikeguchi, Fred	8	Yokomizo, Sus	10
Inouye, John Yasuo	3		
Ishii, Frances	3	San Luis Obispo	
Ishii, Frank T.	4	Eto, Masaji	8
Ishii, Joseph	1		
Izumi, Dr. Katsumi	3	Santa Barbara	
Kashiwabara, Dr. John E.	4	Endo, Akira	4
Kato, Min	1	Hide, Mike	4
Kawai, Erie H.	1	Hirashima, Tom	11
Kobata, Allan	4	Kakimoto, Ikey	9
Kumashiro, Dr. Richard	4	Lee, Harold	5
Mio, George	5	Nakaji, Mrs. Jillian	8
Miura, Mrs. Barbara	4	Nakaji, Dr. Yoshio	9
Miura, Dr. David M.	4	Uyesaka, Caesar	7
Miyagishima, Minezo	1		
Morita, Hiroshi	1	Santa Maria Valley	
Nakamura, Dr. Yoshio	1	Ito, Frank K.	10
Noda, Arthur	1	Minami, H. Y.	3
Okimoto, Saburo	4	Shimizu, Harold Y.	11
Okita, Jim Toshio	3		
Shiba, Roy	1	Southwest Los Angeles	
Shiroishi, George Y.	4	Abe, Masami	Life
Suzuki, John	2	Adachi, Benjamin	4
Takeshima, Dr. Masao	4	Asawa, Charles K.	5
		Asawa, Mrs. Michi	5
Orange County		Chuman, Howard T.	2
Ishii, Charles	8	Fujita, George	3
Ishii, Joe	8	Hirasawa, Samuel T.	2
Ishii, Kyutaro	6	Hirata, George G.	3
Kanegae, Elden	4	Horita, Hishashi	3
Kanegae, Henry	8	Iketani, Roy	2
Kanno, George	5	Inouye, Kazuo K.	4
Kanno, Jim	4	Ishida, Dr. Hiraku	5
Kobayashi, Dr. Fred I.	3	Iura, Dr. Toru	5
Kono, Ken Y.	2	Kataoka, Masamichi	4
Matsukane, Mrs. Kiku	5	Makita, Dr. Victor	5
Nitta, Hitoshi	7	Masaoka, Hank	6
Nitta, Minoru	5	Masuoka, Dr. Shig J.	5
Nitta, Mitsuo	5	Miyamoto, David	2
Nitta, Sam	5	Munekata, Dr. Ryo	4
Ochiai, Dr. Tadashi	5	Murayama, Herbert T.	4
Okuda, Bill	5	Nagamoto, Dr. Kenneth	5
Okuda, Jim S.	4	Nakano, Viola	6
Sakaguchi, Dr. Paul K.	1	Naruse, Matsushi	5
Tadokoro, John M.	4	Nishikawa, Dr. Roy	11
Takenaga, T. Ben	4	Nomura, Tak	3
Uyesugi, Ken	7	Oi, Matsunosuke	5
		Ono, George S.	11
Pasadena		Ota, Fred K.	10
Abe, Dr. Joe	4	Shimazaki, Tom T.	4
Deguchi, Yoneo	9	Shiokari, John	2
Dyo, Ken	11	Tamaki, Carl	5
Fukutaki, Kimiko	4	Tanouye, Al	8
Hiraoka, Fred A.	2	Tarumoto, Dr. George	11
Ito, Mrs. Mary	6	Tayama, Mrs. Ohiko	Life
Ito, Tom T.	Life	Tayama, Fred M.	Life
Iwasaki, Tetsuo	9	Tschiya, Frank	6
Kishi, Takashi	6	Uba, Dr. Katsumi	5
Koike, George	2	Ueno, Tatsuya	3
Matsui, Eiko	4	Wada, Jack M.	4
Monma, Kay K.	5	Watanabe, Dr. Tom	Life
Ozawa, Harris H.	4	Yata, Tut	7
Takata, Al	7	Yoshimine, Henry K.	2
Tamura, Butch Y.	11		
Tschiyama, Mich	4	Venice - Culver	
Ueda, Yoshito, Ronald	4	Furuya, Chick	2
Wada, Florence	3	Imazu, Eddie Y.	5
Wakiji, James H.	1	Inagaki, George	Life
Yamaguchi, Dr. Ken	3	Inagaki, Kuniji	Memorial
Yusa, Mary	3	Inagaki, Mrs. Yaeko	2
		Inagaki, Mrs. Yukie	Life
San Diego		Inouye, Dr. Mitsuo	4
Asakawa, Moto	5	Isoda, George T.	4
Esaki, Ainosuke	5	Kawakami, Dr. Iwao G.	2
Hara, Dr. Shigeru	5	Kunimoto, Mrs. Toki	6
		Masaoka, A. Ike	7
		Mikawa, George S.	11
		Miyashiro, Sam S.	5
		Ryono, Dr. C. Robert	4
		Shishino, Dr. Takao	4
		Utsuki, Fumi	6
		Wakamatsu, Mary E.	7
		Yumori, Mrs. Betty	1

Ventura County	
Hirata, Willis	4
Taketa, Dr. Tom	4
West Los Angeles	
Abe, Dr. Tom	4
Akashi, David	4
Fukuhara, James	4
Goka, Robert K.	4
Ishioka, Riichi	3
Kamiya, Ichiro	6
Kishi, Frank	3
Nakano, Fred C.	4
Naramura, Hiroshi	4
Nishimoto, Ben M.	4
Nishimoto, Jim M.	4
Nishizawa, Mits	3
Ohno, Akira	4
Okamoto, George A.	4
Okinaga, Richard S.	4
Sonoda, Dr. Kiyoshi	Life
Sonoda, Mrs. Mitsu	Life
Tanabe, Mrs. Lily N.	1
Uyeda, Joe	3

INTERMOUNTAIN DC	
Ben Lomond	
Koga, Tatsuo	2
Miya, Minoru	5
Oda, Jack W.	2
Uchida, Ken	11
Yamada, Tomio	5
Boise Valley	
Hayashida, Seichi	5
Inouye, Kay	5
Koyama, George	4
Takahashi, Yoshio	10
Yamada, James	2
Idaho Falls	
Haga, Takeo	5
Harada, Deto	Life
Harper, Edward S.	8
Hirai, Charley	8
Honda, Masayuki	5
Inouye, Yukio	9
Kuwano, Todd	5
Morishita, Sadao	Life
Nishioka, Joseph	Life
Nukaya, George	Life
Ochi, Fred I.	7
Sakaguchi, Sam S.	6
Yamasaki, Frank K.	Life
Yamasaki, Sam	5
Mt. Olympus	
Inouye, Yukus	7
Katayama, Yoshio	9
Matsumori, Tom K.	1
Mitarai, Henry	12
Nakagawa, Torao	1
Tamura, George	1
Ushio, Jim	4
Pocatello	
Kato, Novo	2
Kawamura, Akira Ike	6
Kihara, Junior T. (Dr.)	1
Shiosaki, Hero	4
Thatcher, Larry	1
Yamauchi, William	7
Salt Lake	
Doi, Ichiro	2
Fujimoto, Mrs. Rae S.	12
Kasai, Henry	6
Kasai, Seiko M.	2
Okada, Hito	7
Tachiki, Roy	10
Wagner, I. J.	Life
Yano, Mas	6
Snake River	
Hashitani, George	4
Hashitani, Roy	10
Iseri, George	6
Iseri, Mun	8
Iseri, Thomas T.	12
Itami, Tom	7
Kido, Hiro	5
Mita, George	2
Murakami, Shigeo	8
Ogami, Jack	2
Ogura, Tommy	3
Saito, Abe	7
Saito, Paul Y.	8
Saito, Joe Y.	11
Saito, Kayno	7
Saito, Mrs. Nellie	2
Sakahara, Yosh	1
Sasaki, Barton	1
Schmidt, Ken	1
Sugai, George	11
Sugai, Mrs. Pil	1
Teramura, Kay	Life
Uriu, Krank	4
Vaughn, George E.	3
Wakasugi, Mamaro	10
Wakasugi, Sam	4
Watanabe, James M.	Life
Yaguchi, Dr. Kenji J.	5
Yano, Mas	6
Yasuda, Heizi	2

Yellowstone	
Hikida, Fuji T.	6
Kamachi, Mike A.	5
Miyasaki, Hiroshi	8
Miyasaki, Tommy H.	5
Sakota, Kiyoshi	Life
Yamasaki, Haruo	6
MOUNTAIN PLAINS DC	
Arkansas Valley	
None	
Fort Lupton	
Koshio, Floyd	5
Murata, Lee	6
Okamoto, Sam	3
Tsuhara, Jack	5
Uyemura, Dr. George H.	4

1000 Club Scoreboard

(As of December 8, 1959)

District Council	Current	Expired	Total
Pacific Northwest	106	57	163
No. Calif.-West Nevada	350	165	515
Central California	120	33	153
Pacific Southwest	328	384	712
Intermountain	81	66	147
Mountain Plains	44	118	162
Midwest	248	111	359
Eastern	84	42	126
TOTAL:	1,361	976	2,337

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Uyemura, Mrs. Margie	4	Kudo, Mike M.	6	Hayashi, Harry H.	6	Kyotow, George	3
Yamaguchi, Frank	4	Kumamoto, Dr. Koki	3	Hayashi, James	1	Nogaki, Kenji	3
Midwest		Kurotsuchi, Z.	2	Henmi, Richard T.	4	Sakayama, William K.	3
Ando, Toshio	7	Kushino, Dr. Kenji	5	Hiramoto, Kiichi	2	Shimamoto, George G.	3
Fujisaki, Dr. Charles K.	Life	Kuwahara, Harry T.	3	Kawashima, Jasmine	1	Shiotani, Tatsuji M.	3
Hayano, Dr. H. E.	3	Masuda, Thomas T.	10	Matsuoka, Dr. Peter	1	Sprung, Murray	4
Horiuchi, Robert M.	1	Masuoaka, Dr. Aurelius M.	3	Migita, Sam	3	Sugihara, Kyuichi	3
Hoshijima, Kazuichi	3	Matsuura, George	3	Mitsunaga, George	3	Suzuki, Alice	2
Hosokawa, William K.	8	Mayeda, Fuki	1	Miyasaka, Roger	1	Suzuki, Henry T.	2
Ida, Harry Y.	5	Mayeda, Hiro	4	Mizuki, Henry T.	1	Takami, Dr. Ralph M.	4
Imatani, James H.	9	Mertz, John E.	4	Ohmoto, Dr. Masao	5	Togasaki, Yaye	7
Iwasaki, H. Carl	5	Misaki, Mrs. Toshiko	1	Oshima, Fred	3	Yamaoka, George	3
Kaneko, Mits George	6	Mitsuchi, William T.	3	Sakahara, Dan	5		
Kobayashi, Dr. Tom K.	8	Mizuno, Mrs. Alma	3	Sato, Dr. George	3	Philadelphia	
Kumagai, Samuel	1	Mizuno, Harry	Life	Shimamoto, George	1	Date, Shoji	4
Masunaga, George Y.	5	Morimitsu, Arthur T.	8	Shingu, George	4	Endo, Susumu Sim.	6
Masunaga, John M.	2	Nakada, Maudie	2	Sueoka, Richard	1	Hirata, Dr. Mitsuo S.	6
Mizoue, Kakuzo	2	Nakagawa, Jack Y.	7	Tanaka, Dr. George M.	4	Hirokawa, Charles	3
Nakasugi, Minejiro	3	Nakagawa, Masato	3	Tanaka, Joseph K.	3	Hirose, Dr. Ruby S.	5
Ohashi, George R.	Life	Nakagawa, Mitchell	4	Uchiyama, Dr. George	4	Ishida, William T.	6
Sakata, Mrs. Mary T.	6	Nakahira, Shigeru	5	Yamamoto, Mrs. Manet E.	6	Kobayashi, Nobu	6
Shiyomura, Mrs. Bessie	Life	Nakamura, Tsuyoshi	3	Yamamoto, Yukinobu	6	Koiwai, Mrs. Chiyo	3
Suzuki, Henry M.	2	Nakane, Kenji	6			Koiwai, Dr. Eichi K.	3
Suzuki, Jack	1	Nakaya, Ruth F.	5	Twin Cities		Marutani, William M.	8
Terasaki, Yutaka	4	Nakayama, Dr. Joe M.	4	Hara, Sam	4	Matsuoka, Tokichi	3
Tsutsui, Mrs. Kinu	2	Naritoku, George T.	2	Hirabayashi, William Y.	2	Michener, Mrs. Mari.	Life
Uyeda, Robert Y.	1	Nishi, Takaharu	5	Iijima, Dr. Isaac	5	Mikuriya, Tadafumi	4
Yamaguchi, Rikizo F.	3	Nishijima, Satoshi	6	Ikeda, Dr. Kano	5	Moriuchi, Takashi	7
Montana		Nishimura, James T.	6	Kanno, Thomas T.	6	Murakami, Mrs. Mary D.	1
None		Nobe, Mrs. Catherine	1	Kosobayashi, Tomo	9	Murakami, Tomomi	4
Omaha		Nobe, Dr. Mutsumi	4	Kuramoto, Dr. Sam I.	3	Nakano, Mrs. Teru	6
Nakadoi, Mrs. Masako	8	Noma, Toshio	5	Kushino, Mrs. Kay	3	Nakano, Yosuke	6
Nakadoi, Robert	11	Nomura, Richard M.	4	Makino, Henry K.	4	Nitta, Mrs. T. Ann	9
Okura, Mrs. Lily	7	Oda, Ariye	5	Nishida, Dr. George	6	Nitta, S. John	9
Okura, Patrick	9	Odori, Masaru	3	Ohno, Tom T.	2	Ohama, Ben	5
Tamai, Frank	6	Okabe, Thomas S.	5	Omachi, Henry T.	6	Oye, Garry G.	3
San Luis Valley		Okamoto, John M.	3	Rokutani, George	4	Ozawa, Jack K.	9
Hayashida, Charles	8	Okamura, Henry K.	2	Tatsuda, Charles	8	Tamaki, Dr. Hitoshi Tom.	8
Inouye, Roy	11	Okita, George T.	5	Teramoto, Sumiko	3	Uyehara, Hiroshi	7
Mizokami, Mike	6	Okumura, William T.	1	Tsuchiya, Takuzo	6	Watanabe, Dr. Warren H.	3
Sumida, Harry	6	Okuno, Mrs. Grace	1	Yoshino, Mr. George	3		
DC Miscellaneous		Okuno, Kats	Life	DC Miscellaneous		Seabrook	
Hashimoto, Mrs. S. Ruth	4	Omori, Dr. Harry I.	5	Ishida, William T.	7	Fuyume, Robert	2
(Albuquerque)		Omori, Mrs. Sue	6	EASTERN DC		Ichisaka, Vernon	10
Matsubara, Charlie S.	5	Ota, Jack K.	6	New York		Inouye, Keigo	1
(Albuquerque)		Otake, Paul M.	2	Abe, Dr. Harry F.	3	Nagao, Charles T.	3
Shiroma, Mrs. Eureka	4	Sagami, K. Joe	2	Asai, Woodrow W.	3	Nakamura, Kiyomi	6
(Eau Gallie, Fla.)		Sakamoto, Dr. Frank	Life	Ennis, Edward J.	Life	Washington, D. C.	
MIDWEST DC		Sakamoto, Mrs. Toshiko	4	Enochty, Mrs. Masa	6	Baba, Frank	2
Chicago		Sakurada, Hiraio S.	10	Enochty, Tatsukichi	6	Endo, Aiji	3
Aki, Harvey N.	9	Seto, Paul T.	6	Enochty, Tomio	6	Furukawa, Mrs. Sally	7
Amimoto, Dr. Minoru	6	Shima, Dr. Arthur T.	4	Fistere, Harold	3	Harada, Tsuneo P. Cappy.	3
Chida, George	4	Shimidzu, Lincoln	6	Fujihira, Toge	3	Hirose, Jack M.	2
Chikaraishi, Dr. Ben	5	Shimidzu, Mrs. Mary	1	Glaeser, Marion	5	Horiuchi, Harold S.	6
Doi, Frank Y.	4	Shimizu, Michie	6	Hayashi, Akira	6	Iki, Robert S.	3
Domoto, Mo	4	Shimizu, Sumi	6	Hayashi, Thomas T.	10	Masaoka, Mrs. Etsu	9
Fujioka, Akira	1	Shiratsuki, Misao	2	Hirai, Richard T.	3	Masaoka, Mike M.	11
Fujiwara, Harvard A.	1	Sugai, Charles	2	Hirai, Mrs. May N.	6	Masaoka, Tad T.	6
Gordon, Harold	Life	Sunahara, Kay	4	Homma, Robert I.	3	Murata, Mrs. Elizabeth	5
Gordon, Mrs. Peej	3	Suski, Louise A.	4	Ikeda, Chizuko	3	Nogaki, Kenko	Life
Goya, Tachio	4	Suzuki, Harry	4	Imai, Yoshi T.	3	Obata, George I.	5
Hagio, Roland T.	Life	Suzukida, Berry	4	Ishikawa, Samuel	8	Ohara, Chisato	4
Hagiwara, Abe	7	Tajiri, Thomas	4	Iwasaki, Sakuo	3	Oshiki, Kaz	3
Hagiwara, Mrs. Esther	3	Takahashi, Frank Y.	3	Iwatsu, Sunao John	3	Sakata, Hisako	5
Hara, George	1	Takemoto, Satoru	3	Kariya, Shig	3	Shimasaki, Ira	10
Hasegawa, Dr. Susumu	6	Taki, George	2	Kimura, Mitty	3	Takagi, Harry I.	9
Hayano, Miki	4	Tamada, Kay	3	Komatsu, Katsuo	3	Tsuda, Barry	3
Hayashi, Art	2	Tanabe, Thomas	1			Yoshino, John Y.	6
Heistad, Wallace	1	Tamura, Masato	6				
Hidaka, Susumi	2	Tanabe, Henry	1				
Higashiuuchi, Jake Kazuo	3	Tanaka, George	5				
Himoto, Samuel T.	5	Tanaka, Harry Y.	3				
Hirata, Dr. George T.	3	Tanaka, Togo	8				
Hiratsuka, Frank, Sr.	4	Tanaka, Yoshitaka	4				
Hiura, Masuo Charlie	5	Tani, Richard A.	5				
Hiura, Dr. William T.	Life	Teraji, Thomas S.	4				
Honda, Noboru	10	Teraoka, George R.	5				
Hori, Earlie	4	Teshima, Dr. Roy	4				
Hori, Mike	3	Tomihiro, Chiye	3				
Ichiyasu, Harry T.	6	Tsuji, Fred Y.	3				
Ikegami, George	5	Tsunehara, Harold	5				
Ikegami, Ray	5	Urushibata, Frank T.	4				
Inouye, Isamu	3	Wakamatsu, Shig	Life				
Ishida, Calvin E.	5	Wakamatsu, Mrs. Toshi	2				
Ishida, Dixie	1	Wesley, Dr. Newton K.	9				
Ishida, Gladys	4	Yamada, Richard H.	5				
Ito, Kiyoshi	5	Yamada, Shigeo	4				
Iwata, Roy	5	Yamada, Yoshio	1				
Izui, Dr. Victor S.	6	Yamaguchi, Jiro	5				
Joichi, Max S.	4	Yamakoshi, Noby	6				
Kaneko, Richard	1	Yamamoto, Peter I.	3				
Kataoka, Fred	10	Yamanaka, Paul	1				
Katsura, Lester G.	6	Yamazaki, Charles Y.	3				
Kawaguchi, Yoshikazu	6	Yatabe, Dr. Thomas T.	11				
Kawano, Minoru	3	Yoshinari, Kumeo A.	Life				
Kawasaki, Corky T.	5	Yoshinari, Mrs. Mary F.	5				
Kawata, Tedd	3	Yoshioka, George S.	6				
Kimura, Mrs. Jean K.	2	Yoshizume, Mark S.	1				
Kita, George	2						
Kitow, Edwin	5	Cincinnati					
Kitsuse, Nelson	1	Morioka, Fred	1				
Kittaka, Dr. George J.	6	Okura, Benny	2				
Kittaka, George K.	5	Shimizu, Yoshio	3				
Koga, Albert M.	6	Sugawara, Hisashi	5				
Kohatsu, Grace S.	2						

Suggest five principles for JACL plan

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phase program — local, district and national.

Phase 1. Local Level: At the local level the concentration is on public relations as a method for greater participation in community activities. For Cleveland chapter, cultural programs have been one of the most effective means of public relations. These programs of community involvement have been successfully carried out with the aid of persons already in the field of human relations and public service such as educators, social workers, etc. They share in the leadership responsibilities. In addition, an Advisory Board to local chapter has been formed composed of persons who are closely associated with and understand the community's problems. This board's function is to assist in evaluating the chapter's program periodically and to review the plans for future programming.

Phase 2. District Level: Tanaka suggested that the District Office serve as a council with its main

function to be Planning Group for district conferences rather than as a clearing house of ideas and consultant service to member chapters. The council would also serve as a liaison between the National Office and member chapters.

Phase 3. National Level: Tanaka made the following four recommendations to the National for aiding and strengthening the local chapters.

1. Establishment of a commission of Resources Persons in the fields of human and community relations.

2. Initiation of Master Plan public relations program which would study the different community problems.

3. Organization and development of National research studies on specific issues which affect the participation of local chapter in community relations program.

4. Channeling of all communications through district office.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

PERIOD
MRS. GRACE UYEHARA: We should notice little "brush fires."

We cannot take a middle road.

DICK AKAGI: Nisei is an unique group and there should be a record of their thinking. The sensitivity of the Nisei should also be on record. This can be done on local level; also chapter interest can be concentrated on such projects as discriminatory films, sketches, etc.

KUMEO YOSHINARI: We have rushed into wanting to become Americans. We need to educate ourselves and to remember our heritage.

MIKE MASAOKA: Today the very same people who helped gain our place in the United States are wondering what we can contribute to the United States. Japanese can help understand Japan, China. We are passed the theory of melting pot. Government as well as members of Congress are coming for advice on the Orient. We can carry forth a program which would relate the feelings, hopes and aspirations of the Japanese to the people of United States. We can, at the same time, fight these "brush fires."

A Christmas Thought

"There was no room for them in the inn." Luke 2:7

During this Christmas season when we are so very busy thinking of what to buy for our family, relatives and friends and worrying about the family budget, busy too, in writing Christmas cards, that many have come to look upon this time of the year as being distasteful as well as wasteful. Yet, we continue to exchange gifts and send cards as a matter of social obligation.

We have secularized Christmas and have crowded out the real significance of this season — The Birth of Christ, God's Son and our Saviour. During His three short years' of public ministry, Christ showed His people as well as us today, through His teachings and life, the way to live a full and happy life. To be concerned for all people regardless of social status or color; to give, not because you expect something in return — tit for a tat; to be understanding and patient; to remain humble when success or honor comes, for God is the One Who has blessed you with the ability to have made the success possible — these are some of the teachings by which Jesus lived and He expects us to follow His example. In spite of our being busy during this Christmas, let us remind ourselves that we are observing the Birth of the Son of God — Jesus Christ — Who is the Prince of Peace and the King of Kings. By so doing we can bring joy not only to ourselves but to our family, friends, to all people. Christmas is a time for supreme joy and good-will.

—S. KANOW

The Rev. Shinpachi Kanow is minister of the Lincoln Ave. Presbyterian Church in Salinas and an active member of the Salinas Valley JACL. He served this past year as chapter correspondent and this "final report of the year" concerns the Message of Christmas.

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U. S. - Japan Centennial

Japan's Naval History Began 100 Years Ago With Transpacific Voyage of Kanrin Maru

BY TAMOTSU MURAYAMA

The centennial of the ratification of the first U. S.-Japan Treaty of Navigation and Commerce will be observed next spring in conjunction with the first visit of the Japanese Grand Embassy to Washington, D. C., when the Kanrin Maru, Japan's first "warship" crossed the Pacific Ocean to San Francisco.

This ratification of the treaty was very significant as far as U. S.-Japan relationships were concerned.

However, the affairs of the Kanrin Maru were equally important for Japan from the standpoint of naval and maritime history.

Just a 100 years ago in the summer of 1859, the Tokugawa Shogunate was in possession of a few foreign-built steam and sailing ships and training was being conducted with hopes of dispatching ships to San Francisco entirely manned by Japanese crews.

It was finally decided to select the Kanrin Maru out of several vessels for this purpose toward the end of that year.

The historic ship was purchased from The Netherlands. It was believed to have been constructed in 1857. She was 165 feet long, 24 feet at the widest beam and displaced 250 tons. She carried 15 guns of various calibers. The ship was equipped with a 100-horsepower auxiliary steam engine to drive a screw propeller for harbor work. Her complement was 96.

Kimura Settsu-no-Kami, as an admiral and "minister of navy" was appointed commander-in-chief and her captain was Rintaro Katsu, later Count Awatsu who was assisted by many navigators, engineers, gunners and other crew members.

Annals of Fukuzawa

Yukichi Fukuzawa, founder of Keio University and the Jiji Shimpo newspaper, was among the crew in the capacity of personal secretary to the commander-in-chief. Already an accomplished scholar in the Dutch language, he acquired sufficient knowledge of English prior to his voyage to California.

In a subsequent account of his autobiography, the journalist-educator Fukuzawa noted:

"The year after I was settled in Yedo, the sixth year of Ansei (1859), the government of the Shogun made a great decision to send a man-of-war to the United States — an enterprise never before attempted since the foundation of the Empire. On this ship, I was to have the good fortune of visiting America.

"This voyage of the Kanrin Maru was an epoch-making adventure of our nation; every member of the crew was determined to take the ship across unassisted by a foreigner. At about that time Captain Brooke, an American officer, had come to Yokohama. He had been engaged in taking soundings in the Pacific Ocean on board a small sailing vessel, the Fenimore Cooper, which was wrecked off the southern coast of Japan. The captain and several sailors, also saved from the wreck, were being kept under the protection of the Japanese government. Now, on learning that a Japanese ship was going to San Francisco, they wished to be carried across.

"The government officials agreed to this and were about to grant the permit for the Americans when the staff of the Kanrin Maru protested strongly, the reason being that if the American navigator went along, the Japanese staff would feel an implied slur on their own independent ability to sail.

"I am willing to admit my pride in this accomplishment for Japan. The facts are these:

"It was not until the sixth

year of Kaei (1853) that a steamship was seen for the first time; it was only in the second year of Ansei (1855) that we began to study navigation from the Dutch in Nagasaki; by 1860, the science was sufficiently understood to enable us to sail a ship across the Pacific. This means that about seven years after the first sight of a steamship, after only about five years of practice, the Japanese people made a trans-Pacific crossing without help from foreign experts.

"I think we can without undue pride boast before the world of this courage and skill. As I have shown, the Japanese officers were to receive no aid from Captain Brooke throughout the voyage. Even in taking observations, our officers and the Americans made them independently of each other. Sometimes they compared their results, but we were never in the least dependent on the Americans.

"As I consider all the other peoples of the Orient as they exist today, I feel convinced that there is no other nation which has the ability or the courage to navigate a steamship across the Pacific after a period of five years of experience in navigation and engineering. Not only in the Orient would this feat stand as an act of unprecedented skill and daring, even Peter the Great of Russia, who went to Holland to study navigation, with all his attainments in science, could not have equalled this feat of the Japanese.

"Without a doubt, the famous emperor of Russia was a man of exceptional genius, but his people did not respond to his leadership in the practice of science as did our Japanese in this adventure.

Arrival in California

The Kanrin Maru sailed from Uraga on Feb. 10, 1860, three days ahead of the Grand Embassy aboard the USS Powhatan, arriving at San Francisco on March 17. The arrival of the Japanese ship with its Rising Sun Flag aroused immense curiosity among the citizens of San Francisco and she was soon thronged with sightseers to her full capacity.

The San Francisco Bulletin on Mar. 22 carried an article written by Lt. James I. Johnson,

USN, executive officer of the Powhatan, under the title: "Ambassador's visit to San Francisco."

"This vessel had arrived at San Francisco a fortnight previous, and after remaining a few days off the city, during which she was an object of universal attraction, she was taken to the Navy Yard for the purpose of repairs as were necessary. The admiral and the Japanese captain, together with the officers of the vessel generally, were received by the citizens of the place with most enthusiastic and liberal hospitality, and made to feel themselves quite at home among their newly-acquainted friends.

"They had become so much attached to Lt. Brooke during the voyage from Yedo, that he was consulted with regard to every movement, and relied upon with the most implicit confidence.

"As an evidence of their appreciation of his kind and efficient services, the admiral requested him a few days before his leaving for Panama in the mail steamer to help himself to any amount he chose to take out of an iron chest, which he informed him contained \$80,000 — an invitation which he was, of course, compelled to decline, though the sincerity of the admiral's offer was beyond question.

"Lt. Brooke had been too highly gratified by the opportunity of being the first to introduce these interesting strangers to his country and people to seek or desire any other reward, and the officers of the Kanrin Maru proved their worthiness of the attention he bestowed upon them by the gratitude manifested toward him when about to part."

The Grand Embassy arrived in San Francisco on March 29 on their way to Washington, D. C.

On April 30, the drydocking and repairs being completed, the Kanrin Maru moored at her anchorage in San Francisco on May 1. Admiral Kimura inquired the cost of repair — and this document was located at Mare Island by this writer in 1955 through the Japanese Consulate General in San Francisco. In this letter, the name of Captain McGough is mentioned. Fukuzawa's auto-

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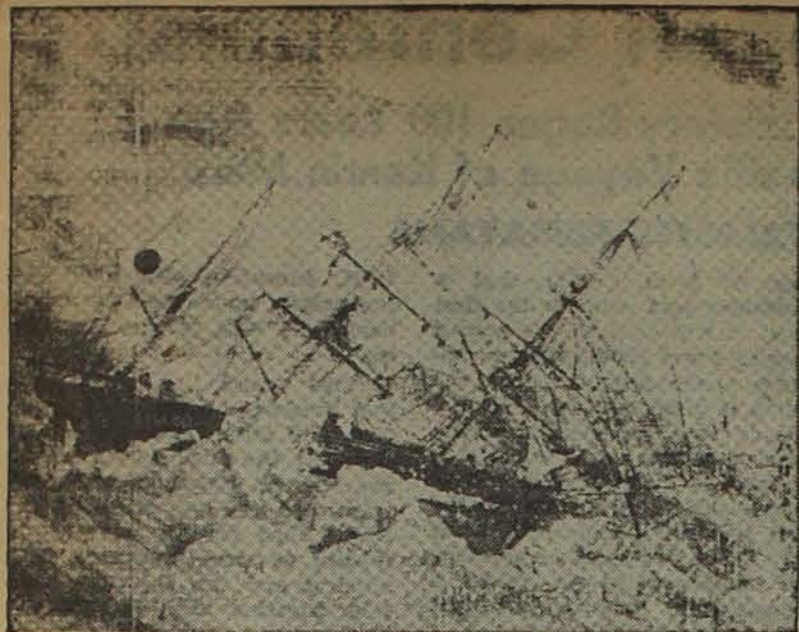
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The Kanrin Maru is depicted braving a storm in the Pacific Ocean in a drawing by Yujiro Suzuki, one of the navigation officers who sailed on this historic voyage in 1859.

Kanrin

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biography also mentions him as follows:

"A certain officer at the naval base on Mare Island, a Captain McGougal, was a collector of coins and he one day requested our commanding officer to show him some Japanese coins. Admiral Kimura must have been anticipating just such a request for he had a number of both new and old coins arranged in sequence. These he sent to Captain McGougal. In expressing their gratitude, both the officer and his wife were emphatic over their uniqueness, but they showed no sign of having received a gift that had monetary value. The next morning, the wife of the officer brought him some flowers to the admiral thanking him again for the uncommon gift

she had received the day before.

"As I received the lady and carried her message to my commandant, I was much moved by her act which had a touch of nobility. I wished that everyone could be like this American lady who thanked one for the gift of gold and silver with a bouquet of flowers."

Donation to Charity

In spite of the admiral's request to pay for the repairs, the American authorities politely declined, stating that it was with great pleasure they have done something for the august Sovereign of Japan. This attitude of the Americans touched the admiral so deeply that he decided to make a donation to the equivalent of the cost of repairs totaling \$25,000 to the charitable table funds of San Francisco—for the association of firemen's widows.

Admiral Kimura sold his properties for this voyage and he took the proceeds with him for any emergency.

The Kanrin Maru left San Francisco on May 8 and sailed into Honolulu on May 22. On May 25, the admiral and his party were received in audience by the King and Queen of Hawaii. After staying there for four days, she weighed anchor for Japan—and on the morning of June 25, returned to Uraga. Thus the epoch-making voyage of the Kanrin Maru came to an end.

Fukuzawa's autobiography will be published in English next year in connection with the Kanrin Maru centennial. His grandson, Prof. Eiichi Kiyooka of Keio University, is busily translating it.

The professor had met a Miss Brooke of the American embassy in Tokyo before the war and she was asked to type out the manuscript. "She almost jumped up when she came to passage about Capt. Brooke, who happened to be her grandfather," the professor reported. "She told me that her grandfather was responsible for the construction of the steel warship Merrimac for the Confederacy during the Civil War."

At the time, she had her grandfather's diary on the Kanrin Maru and was very much interested in having it published in Japanese, but relations between U. S. and Japan were being strained and no publisher in Japan was interested in such a manuscript.

The professor understands she is married to a diplomat named Thomason, although he has lost all track of her. "It is my sincere desire to get in touch with Mrs. Thomason as well as other descendants of persons who had something to do with the Kanrin Maru," Kiyooka added.

Masaoka Scholarship

Now ready for its 15th annual award in 1960, the Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka Memorial Scholarship has been administered by JACL National Headquarters at the request of his mother, Mrs. Haruye Masaoka, who gives an outright grant of \$200 to a most deserving Nisei high school graduate in the country.

It is made in memory of her son who was killed in action with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team in Europe.

Since 1959, an additional \$100 is being awarded the winner—the sum being donated by Dr. James Toshiaki Mimura of Royal Oak, Mich., co-recipient of the 1946 award.

The scholarship is open to Japanese American high school graduates who plan to continue their education in the fall. Nomination must be through the JACL chapters, but a chapter may nominate only one candidate. The deadline for chapter nominations is June 15 each year. Candidates will be sent official application forms upon receipt of their nomination at JACL National Headquarters.

Past recipients of Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka Memorial Scholarship.

- 1946—Harry Abe, New York, and Toshiaki Mimura, Chicago.
- 1947—Kaz Oshiki, Nebraska.
- 1948—Joseph Tanaka, St. Louis.
- 1949—Grace Taketa, Washington, D.C.
- 1950—Ken Tokiyama, East Los Angeles.
- 1951—Cherry Tsutsumida, Ariz.
- 1952—Curt Sugiyama, Detroit.
- 1953—Hideko Akamatsu, Twin Cities.
- 1954—David Yamakawa, San Francisco.
- 1955—Seiji Itahara, Chicago.
- 1956—Ted Sakano, Snake River.
- 1957—Thomas Yoneda, Sonoma County.
- 1958—Ronald Inouye, Mt. Olympus.
- 1959—Thomas Tadano, Arizona

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The National JACL awards four \$200 scholarships, starting with this year, in supplement to the Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka memorial scholarship. Previously, JACL presented \$100 awards.

1959—Misao Yamane (Cleveland), Jean Y. Muranaka (San Fernando Valley), Elaine E. Mitarai (Mt. Olympus), Stanley T. Murayama (San Diego).

1958—Deanna Honbo (Delano), Kenji Kawaoka (San Luis Obispo), Michihara Sakata (East Los Angeles), Helen Tademaru (Chicago).

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Pacific Northwest

COLUMBIA BASIN

Organized Dec. 14, 1954

1955-56—Bill Utsunomiya

GRESHAM-TROUTDALE

Organized Mar. 11, 1950

1950-51—Shio Uyetake
1952—Jack Ouchida
1953—Mas Fujimoto
1954—Toshio Okino
1955—Kazuo Kinoshita
1956—Henry T. Kato
1957—Dr. Joe Onchi
1958—Jack Ouchida
1959—Kaz Tamura

MID COLUMBIA

Hood River JACL—1931-35
Organized 1931

1931—George Kinoshita
1932—Kumao Yoshinari
1933—Kazuo Kanemasu
1934—Min Yasui
1935—Kumao Yoshinari
1936-37—Kazuo Kanemasu
1938—George Kinoshita
1939-40—Mits Takasumi
1941—Mark Sato
1942—Kumao Yoshinari
1942-46—Evacuation. Reactivated May 19, 1946
1946-47—Mamoru Noji
1948—Masami Asai
1949—Ray T. Yasui
1950—Sho Endow, Jr.
1951—Taro Asai
1952—Setsu Shitara
1953—Koe Nishimoto
1954—Bob Kageyama
1956—Mamoru Kiyokawa
1957—George Nakamura
1958—Noboru Hamada
1959—Clifford Nakamura

PORTLAND

Pioneer Chapter

Organized September 1928

1928—Charles Yoshii
1928-30—Dr. K. Kayama
1931-34—Roy Yokota
1935-36—Hito Okada
1937-38—Mamoru Wakasugi
1939-40—Howard Nomura
1941-42—Dr. Newton Uyesugi
1942-46—Evacuation. Reactivated Apr. 30, 1946. Kenzo Nakagawa (org.)
1946—Toshi Kuge
1947—George Azumano
1948—Makoto Iwashita, Toshi Kuge, Mary Minamoto
1949—No Officers
1950—Hiram Hachiya, Mary Minamoto
1951—Mamoru Wakasugi
1952—Dr. Matthew Masuoka
1953—John Hada, Mrs. Martha Osaki
1954—Dr. Mitsuo Nakata
1955—Nobi Sumida
1956—Shigeru Hongo
1957—Nobi Sumida
1958-59—Kimi Tambara

PUYALLUP VALLEY

Organized February 1931

1931-32—James M. Yamamoto
1933-34—Daiichi Yoshioka
1935-36—M. Toru Kuramoto
1937-38—Dan Sakahara
Howard Sakura (Eatonville)
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1952—Hiroshi Sakahara
1953—John Sasaki
1954—Robert Mizukami
1955—Dr. Kay Toda
1956—Yosh Kawabata
1957—Thomas Takemura
1958—Dr. John Kanda
1959—Robert Mizukami

SEATTLE

Pioneer Chapter

Organized Sept. 27, 1921

1921-24—Shigeru Osawa
1925—Inactive
1926—Shigeru Osawa
1927—Inactive
1928-30—Clarence T. Arai
1931—James Y. Sakamoto
1932-33—George Ishihara
1934-35—Takeo Nogaki
1936-37—Clarence T. Arai
1938—Saburo Nishimura
1939-40—Takeo Nogaki
Ichiro Nagatani (Bainbridge I.)
Arthur Koura (Bainbridge I.)
1941—Toshio Hoshide, Kenji Ito, Muts Hashiguchi (Bellevue)
1942—Clarence T. Arai
1942-46—Evacuation. Reactivated Aug. 5, 1948
1947—Joe Hirabayashi, chmn.
1948—Toru Sakahara, Mrs. Shigeko Uno, Kengo Nogaki
1949—Mac Kaneko
1950-51—Harry I. Takagi
1952—Dr. Kelly K. Yamada
1954—George S. Kashiwagi
1955—Howard Sakura
1956—James Matsuoaka
1957—Toru Sakahara
1958-59—Takeshi Kubota

SPOKANE

Organization Date Unknown

1942—Joe Okamoto
1943—Saburo Nishimura
1944-45—Inactive
1946—George Numata
1947—Joe Okamoto
1948—Ed Tsutakawa
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1950—Sab Hisayasu

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TACOMA

Organized 1934

1934—Ted Nakamura
1935-36—Inactive
1937—Ted Nakamura
1938—Kaz Yamane
1939—Ted Nakamura
1940—Kaz Yamane
1941—Tsuyoshi Nakamura
1942—Takeo Yoshihara

WHITE RIVER VALLEY

Civic League

Organized Sept. 15, 1930

1930-31—John Arima
1932—George Yasumura
1933—Minoru Terada
1934-36—Tom Iseri
1937—George Yasumura
1938—Minoru Okura
1939—Charles Toshi
1940—George Terada
1941—Tom Iseri
1942—George Yasumura

YAKIMA VALLEY

Organized 1932

1932—Johnson Shomizu
1933-34—Roy Nishimura
1935—Harry Masuto
1936-39—Roy Nishimura
1940—Harry Honda
1941—Harry Masuto
1942—Jesse Nishi

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1933-34—Masayoshi Morino
1935—Kay Tsuchiya
1936—Haruo Imura
1937—Mas Narahara
1938—Tim Yamasaki
1939—Mas Narahara
1940—Kenji Shikuma
1941—Sakae Date
1942—Scotty Tsuchiya
1942-46—Evacuation. Reacti-
vated June 13, 1947
1947-48—John Towata
1949-50—Shiro Nakaso
1951—Haruo Imura
1952—Dr. Roland S. Kadonaga
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1956—George Ushijima
1957—George Yoshimura
1958—Kitty Hirai
1959—Yoshio Isono

BERKELEY

Organization Date Unknown
1942—Kimio Obata
1942-46—Evacuation. Reacti-
vated as part of Eastbay
Chapter, May 1947; de-
centralized in 1953
1953—George Yasukochi
1954—Sho Sato
1955—Ben Fukutome
1956—Paul Yamamoto
1957—Jiro Nakaso
1958—Ko Ichiji
1959—Satoshi Otagiri

CONTRA COSTA

Organization Date Unknown
1935—William Furuta
1936—Katsumi Harano
1937-38—Hideo Ajari
1939—Bill Furuta
1940—George Toriyama
1941—Henry Terazawa
1942—George Kanagaki
Organized February 1953 as Rich-
mond-El Cerrito
1953—Heizo Oshima
1954—James Kimoto
1955—Marvin Uratsu
1956—Seiichi Kami
Renamed Contra Costa in 1957
1957—George Sugihara
1958—Shig R. Komatsu
1959—Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki

CORTEZ

Organized Jan. 30, 1948
1948-49—George Yuge
1950-51—Sam Kuwahara
1952-53—Jack Noda
1954-55—Ernest Yoshida
1956—Albert Morimoto
1957—Hiroshi Asai
1958—Mark Kamiya
1959—Frank Yoshida

DELTA

Organized Feb. 20, 1935
1935-36—Dr. Akio Hayashi
1937-40—Harry Shironaka
1941—Harry Y. Itogawa
1942—Sadayoshi Yagi

EASTBAY

Organized May 1947
1947—Tad Hirota
1948—Masuji Fujii
1949—Tad Hirota
1950-51—Wataru Miura
1951—Masatatsu Yonemura
1952—Tad Masaoka
1953—Decentralized to Oak-
land, Berkeley, Richmond-
El Cerrito (now Contra
Costa) Chapters

EDEN TOWNSHIP

Organized 1935
1935-37—Kan Domoto
1938—Mitsuteru Nakashima
1939-40—Yoshito Shibata
1942—Fukashi Nakagawa
1942-46—Evacuation. Reacti-
vated July 25, 1947
1947—Tom S. Hatakeda
1948—Toichi Domoto
1949—Minoru Shinoda, Kenji
Fujii
1950—Yoshimi Shibata
1951—Minoru Shinoda
1952—Dr. Keichi Shimizu

1953—Dr. Frank Saito, Kenji
Fujii

1954—Dr. Frank Saito
1955—Kenji Fujii
1956—Sho Yoshida
1957—Tetsuma Sakai
1958—Dr. Steve Neishi
1959—Kee Kitayama

FLORIN

Organized Aug. 16, 1935
In the late 1920's there was
an American Loyalty League or-
ganized in Florin, but records are
missing.

1935-36—Yoshio Kiino
1937—Alfred Tsukamoto
1938—John Hirohata
1939-40—Hugh M. Kiino
1941—Samuel Okamoto
1942-46—Evacuation. Reacti-
vated Dec. 10, 1947
1947-48—Alfred Tsukamoto
1949—Woodrow Ishikawa
1950—Charles Nishi
1951—Jack Kawamura
1952—Sam Tsukamoto
1953—Bill Okamoto
1954—Oscar Inouye
1955—Paul Ito
1956—Alvin Seno
1957-58—William Y. Kashiwagi
1959—Takeshi Saigo

FREMONT

Organized 1934 as
Washington Township

1934—
1935—Harry Kondo
1936—
1937—
1938—Kazuo Shikano
1939—
1940—Tom Kitashima
1941—James Hirabayashi
1942—Vernon Ichisaka
1942-46—Evacuation. Reacti-
vated Feb. 5, 1949 as
Southern Alameda County
1949—Kazuo Shikano
1950—Yasuto Kato
1951—Miss Kiyo Kato
1952—Kiyoshi Kato
1953—James Fudenna
1954—Miss Sumi Kato, Harold
Fudenna
1955—Ray Kitayama
1956—Isao Handa
Renamed Fremont in 1957
1957—Henry Kato
1958—Kiyoshi Katsumoto
1959—Chuck Shikano

FRENCH CAMP

Joined JACL in 1949*

1949-50—Bob C. Takahashi
1951—John T. Fujiki
1952—Hiroshi Shinmoto
1953—George Ogino
1954—George Matsuoka
1955—Harry Ota
1956—George Komure
1957—Lawrence Nakano
1958—Fumio Kanemoto
1959—Mats Murata
*As an independent French
Camp Progressive Citizens group,
the members voted to join the
National JACL at this time.

GILROY

Organization Date Unknown
1942—Jack Izu
1942-46—Evacuation. Reacti-
vated Feb. 1, 1954
1954—Hiroshi Kunimura

1955—Joe Obata
1956—Jack Nakano
1957—Tom Obata
1958—Shig Yamane
1959—Tak Shiba

LIVINGSTON-MERCED

Organization Date Unknown
1938—Roy M. Kishi
Reactivated Jan. 22, 1948
1948-49—David Kirihera
1950—Biyo Yoshino
1951—Buichi Kajiwaru
1952—Tom Nakashima
1953—Frank Suzuki
1954—James Kirihera
1955—George Yagi
1956—Lester K. Yoshida
1957—Frank Shoji
1958—Fred M. Hashimoto
1959—Roy Okahara

LODI

Organization Date Unknown
1941-42—Sam Funamura

MARYSVILLE

Organized July 18, 1935* as
Yuba, Sutter, Butte, Colusa
1935-37—Dr. Charles M. Ishizu,
Jack K. Maruyama
1938—Harry Fukushima
1939-42—Frank Nakamura
1942-46—Evacuation.
1946—Frank F. Nakamura
1947—Sam Kurihara
1948-49—Frank F. Nakamura
1950-51—Akiji Yoshimura
1952—Masanobu Oji
1953-54—Frank N. Okimoto
1955—Dan F. Nishita
1956—George Nakao
1958—George Okamoto
1959—Bill Tsuji

*Originally organized as Ame-
rican Loyalty League in 1920,
the earlier records are missing.

MOUNTAIN VIEW

Organization Date Unknown
1940—Henry Kiyomura
1941—
1942—Henry Mitral
1942-46—Evacuation
1945—Masago Shibuya

MONTEREY PENINSULA

Organized Jan. 25, 1932
1932—Hisashi Arie
1933—Sachi Sugano
1934—Hal Higashi
1934—Bob Sakamoto
1936—Fujisada Inada, Kaz Oka
1937—Hal Higashi
1938—Masato Suyama
1939—Chester Ogi
1940-41—James Tabata
1942—Kaz Oka
1942-46—Evacuation
1946-47—James Tabata
1948—Kiyoshi Nobusada
1949—Henry Tanaka
1950—Mickey Ichijui
1951—James Tabata
1952—Kenneth H. Sato

1953—George T. Esaki
1954—Harry Menda
1955—George T. Esaki
1956—George Kodama
1957—Hoshito Miyamoto
1958—Barton T. Yoshida
1959—Akio Sugimoto

OAKLAND

Organized June 7, 1934
1934—Dr. Chitoshi Yanaga
1935-37—Randolph M. Sakada
1938—Kay Hirao
1939—Kelly K. Yamada
1940—Frank Tsukamoto, Tad
Hirota
1941-42—Kay Hirao
1942-46—Evacuation. Reacti-
vated Aug. 10, 1946
1947-53—Merged with Eastbay
JACL
1953—Takeo Tachiki
1954—Arata Akahoshi
1955—Paul Nomura
1956—James Tsurumoto
1957—Asa Fujie
1958—Mrs. Molly Kitajima
1959—Marie Sato

PLACER COUNTY

Pioneer Chapter
Organized May, 1928
1928-29—Tom Yego
1930-31—Kay Takemoto
1932—Sam Sunada
1933—Kay Takemoto
1934—Tom Yego
1935—Louis Oki
1936—Tom Matsumoto
1936—Cosma Sakamoto
1938—"Hike" Masayuki Yego
1939—Bunny Nakagawa
1940—Louis Oki
1941—George Sakamoto
1942-45—Kay Takemoto
1946—Jeff K. Asazawa
1947—Tom Matsumoto, Roy
Takemoto
1948—Kay Takemoto
1949—Howard Nakae
1950—James Makimoto
1951—Frank Hironaka
1952—Homer Takahashi
1953—Tadashi Yego
1954—Koichi Uyeno
1955—Wilson Makabe
1956—George Itow
1957—Hugo Nishimoto
1958—George Hironaka
1959—Dr. Kay Kashiwabara

RENO

Organized Mar. 11, 1948
1948—Mas Baba
1949—Fred Yamagishi
1950—George Oshima
1951—Oscar Fujii
1952—Fred Aoyama
1953—Oscar Fujii
1954-55—Fred Aoyama
1956—Henry Hattori
1957—Ida Fukul
1958-59—Bud Fujii
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Most meaningful celebration of 1959 in Long Beach was the joint affair of the Long Beach-Harbor District JACL and the Harbor Japanese Community Center on Nov. 8. It was the 10th anniversary for the Community Center and the 20th anniversary of the JACL Chapter. Charter leaders of both organizations, Momota Okura of the Community Center, and Frank Ishii, first chapter president, are among those sitting at the headtable. Past national JACL presidents Saburo Kido and Dr. Roy Nishikawa were among the speakers for the evening.

JACL CHAPTER PRESIDENTS

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SACRAMENTO Organized 1922*

1922-24—Walter T. Tsukamoto
1924-31—Inactive
1931-36—Walter T. Tsukamoto
1947—Dr. Jiro Muramoto
1938—Henry Taketa
1939—Edward Kitazumi
1940—Dr. George Takahashi
1941-42—Dr. Goro Muramoto
1942-46—Evacuation. Reactivated Aug. 10, 1947
1947—Henry Taketa (org.)
1948—Dr. Yoshizo Harada, Mitsuru Nishio
1949—Mitsuru Nishio
1950—Miss Kiyo Sato
1951—Bill Matsumoto
1952—Ginji Mizutani
1953—George Tambara
1954—Toko Fujii
1955—Dean T. Itano
1956—Percy Masaki
1957—Mamoru Sakuma
1958—Katsuro Murakami
1959—Richard Matsumoto
*Originally organized as American Loyalty League and chartered as JACL chapter on Oct. 31, 1931.

SALINAS VALLEY

Organization Date Unknown

1932—Harry Kita
1933—Tom Fujino
1934—Henry Shigemasa
1935—John Urabe
1936—Harry Kita
1937—Takeo Yuki
1938—Kenzo Yoshida
1939-40—Harry Shirachi
1941-42—Henry Tanda
1942-46—Evacuation. Reactivated May 17, 1946
1946-47—James Abe
1948—Henry Tanda
1949-50—Roy Sakasegawa
1951-52—Tom Miyana
1953-54—John Terakawa
1955-56—James Tanda
1956—James Tanda
1957—Kenneth Sato
1958—Henry Tanda
1959—Kiyo Hirano

SAN BENITO COUNTY

Organized June 22, 1935*

1935-37—James Sugioka
1938—George Nishida

1939—James Sugioka
1940—Richard Nishimoto
1941-46—Henry Omoto
1947—Richard Nishimoto
1948—Takeichi Kadani
1949—Isaac Shingu
1950—Kay Kamimoto
1951—George Nishita
1952—Tom Shimonishi
1953—Glenn Kowaki
1954—Sho Nakamoto
1955—Joe Shingai
1956—Frank Nishita
1957—John Teshima
1958—Sam Shitsuka
1959—Kay Yamaoka

*This chapter is the only West Coast Chapter which maintained its active status, despite evacuation, through the war years.

SAN FRANCISCO

Pioneer Chapter

Organized 1928

1928-29—Saburo Kido
1930—Henry Takahashi
1931—George Togasaki
1932—Saburo Kido
1933—Henry Takahashi
1934—Dr. T. T. Hayashi
1935—Dr. Carl Hirota
1936—Dr. Kahn Uyeyama
1937—Tamotsu Murayama, Mikio Fujimoto
1938-39—Saburo Kido
1940-41—Henry T. Uyeda
1942—David Tatsuno
1942-43—Evacuation. Reactivated May 11, 1945
1945—Roy Takagi (org.)
1945—David Tatsuno
1946—Yoshiaki Moriwald, Dr. Tokuji Hedani
1947—Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki, Yukio Wada
1948—Yukio Wada
1949—Takehiko Yoshihashi
1950—Victor Abe
1951—Yasuo W. Abiko
1952—Fred Y. Hashiyama
1953—Dr. Shigeru R. Horio, Kei Hori
1954-55—Jerry Enomoto
1956—Hatsuro Aizawa
1957-58—Jack Kusaba
1959—Steve Doi

SAN JOSE

Organized 1923*

1923—Kay Nishida

1924-31—Records Missing
1937—Shig Maunaga
1938—Phil Matsumura
1939—Wayne M. Kanemoto
1940—Henry Mitarai
1941—Roy Ozawa
1942—Shig Masunaga
1942-45—Evacuation. Reactivated June 3, 1945 as part of Santa Clara County UCL.
1946-53—Tom Mitsuyoshi
1955-57—Phil Matsumura
1958—Harry Ishigaki
1959—Norman Mineta

*First organized in 1923 as the American Loyalty League, its subsequent years' records are missing. The name was changed to JACL in 1930 and when it was reactivated in 1945, it was merged with the Santa Clara County United Citizens League until 1954.

SAN MATEO COUNTY

Organization Date Unknown

1935—Saiki Muneno
1936—
1937—Frank Kawai
1938—Joe Yamada
1939—Hirosuke Inouye
1940—Dr. George Takahashi
1941—Fred Ochi
1942—Dr. George Takahashi
1942-46—Evacuation. Reactivated Oct. 22, 1946
1947—Ken Kato, Hirosuke Inouye
1948—Howard Imada
1949—Hiroji Kariya
1950—Kaz Kunitani
1951—Dick Arimoto
1952—Dr. Andrew Yoshiwara
1954—Howard Imada
1955—William Takahashi
1956-57—Saiki Yamaguchi
1958—Tom Marutani
1959—Haruo Ishimaru

SANTA CLARA COUNTY

Organization Date Unknown

1932—Toshi Taketa
1933—
1934—Toshi Taketa
1935—
1936—
1937—Shigeru Masunaga
1938—
1939—Shigeru Masunaga
1940—
1941—Henry Mitarai
1942—Shigeru Masunaga
1942-46—Evacuation.
1945—Shigeru Masunaga
1946—Eiichi Sakaue
1947—Akira Shimoguchi
1948—Henry Hamasaki
1949—Esau Shimizu
1950—Mrs. Ruth Hashimoto
1951—Shig Masunaga
1952—Akira Shimoguchi

1953—Sam Tanase
1953—Merged with San Jose
SEQUOIA
Organized May 18, 1952
1952—Harry Higaki
1953—Shozo Mayeda
1954—John Enomoto
1955—Hiroji Kariya
1956-57—Peter Nakahara
1958—Tom Yamane
1959—Sat Yamada
SONOMA COUNTY
Organized Aug. 4, 1934
1934-35—Masao Hasegawa
1936-38—Dr. George Hiura
1939—George Otani

1940—William Hiura
1941-42—Henry Shimizu
1942-46—Evacuation. Reactivated Aug. 4, 1948
1948-49—James T. Miyano
1950—George Kawaoka
1951—Chick Furuye
1952—Minoru Matsuda
1953—Arthur Sugiyama
1954—Riyuo Uyeda
1955—Kanemi Ono
1956—Edwin Ohki
1957—Sam Miyano
1958—Frank Oda
1959—Edwin Ohki
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Pioneer Chapter
Organized 1933

1929-33—
1933—Dr. Roy S. Morimoto
1934—
1935—
1936—James Okino
1937—Stewart Nakano
1938—Dr. Roy S. Morimoto
1939—Ted Mikiritani
1940—Dr. Charles Ishizu
1941—Al Kawasaki
1942—Stewart Nakano
1942-46—Evacuation. Reacti-
vated Sept. 22, 1946
1947—Joe Omachi
1948—Jun Agari
1949-50—Jack Matsumoto
1951—Miss Yoshimi Terashita
1952—Hiroshi Morita
1953—Sam Itaya
1954—George Baba
1955—Henry Kusama
1956—Richard Yoshikawa
1957—Lou Tsunekawa
1958—Dr. David Fujishige
1959—George Baba

WATSONVILLE

Organization Date Unknown
1934—Tom Matsuda
1935—Sumio Miyamoto
1936—Louis Waki
1937-38—Pat Matsushita
1939—Frank Uyeda

1940—Harry Yagi
1941-42—James Hirokawa
1942-46—Evacuation. Reacti-
vated Nov. 18, 1948
1948-49—Bill Fukuba
1950—Kenzo Yoshida
1951—Bill Fukuba
1952-53—William Mine
1954-55—Bob Manabe
1956—Hiroshi Shikuma
1957—Tom Nakase
1958—Shig Harano
1959—Louis Hayashida

YO-SOLANO

Organized 1935
1935-36—Allen Aoyagi
1937—Mary Obata
1939-42—Henry Aoyagi

Central California

BAKERSFIELD

Organized Feb. 8, 1959
1959—Lloyd Kumataka

CLOVIS

Organized Oct. 11, 1955
1956—James Miyamoto
1957—Fumio Ikeda
1958—Yoshito Takahashi
1959—Bob Mochizuki

DELANO

Organized 1942
1942—George Nagatani
1942-46—Evacuation. Reacti-
vated Mar. 9, 1950

1950—Noboru Takaki
1951—Sam Yukawa
1952—Bill Nakagawa
1953—Sam Azuma
1954—Joe Katano
1955—Dr. James Nagatani
1956—Saburo Okino
1957—Paul Kawasaki
1958—Mas Takaki
1959—Jeff H. Fukawa

FOWLER

Organized 1952
1952—Dr. George Miyake
1953—Harley Nakamura
1954—Howard Renge
1955—Tom Kamikawa
1956—Tom Shirakawa
1957—Frank Sakohira
1958—Mikio Uchiyama
1959—George Teraoka

FRESNO

Pioneer Chapter
Organized May 5, 1923
1923—Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe
1924—Fred Yoshikawa
1925—James Hirokawa
1926—Lillian Tomita
1927—Bob Itanaga
1928—Toshio Namba
1929-30—Fred Yoshikawa
1931—Fred Hirasuna
1932—Bob Itanaga
1933—Tom Kanase
1934—Yoshio Honda
1935—Hiro Yamamisaka
1936—Howard Hatayama
1937—Tom Nakamura
1938—Fred Yoshikawa, Bill T.
Ishida
1939-40—Johnson Kebo
1941—Dr. Joseph Sasaki
1942—Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe
1942-46—Evacuation. Reacti-
vated Feb. 1, 1947
1947—Johnson Kebo (org.)
1948—Fred Hirasuna
1949—Seiichi Mikami
1950—Mike Iwatsubo
1951—Dr. George Suda
1952—Dr. Sumio Kubo, Jin
Ishikawa
1953—Jin Ishikawa
1954—Seiichi Mikami
1955—Hugo Kazato
1956—Dr. Robert Yabuno
1957—Dr. Sumio Kubo
1958—Ben Nakamura
1959—George Takaoka

KERN COUNTY

Organized May 6, 1936
1936—Everett Itanaga
1937—Harry Tatsuno

KINGSBURG

Organized 1952
1952-57—Mats Ando

KINGS COUNTY

Organized 1939
1939—Kiyoshi Nobusada
1941-42—Tom Fujita

PARLIER

Organized 1935
1935-36—Akira Chiamori
1937—Byrd Kumataka
1938—James Kozuki
1939—Akira Chiamori
1941-42—James Kozuki
1942-46—Evacuation. Reacti-
vated Jan. 29, 1949
1949—Byrd Kumataka, Akira
Chiamori
1950—Kengo Ozumi
1951—Marcel Takata
1952—Gerald Ogata
1953—Kaz Komoto
1954—Bill Tsuji
1955—Ronald K. Ota
1956—Ralph T. Kimoto

1957—Harry Kubo
1958—Bill Watamura
1959—John Kashiki

REEDLEY

Organized June 8, 1935
1935—George Ikuta
1936—Bob Okamura
1937—
1938—Charles Iwasaki
1939—
1940—Seyichi Kiyomoto

1941—Heiji Kitahara
1942—George Ikuta
1942-46—Evacuation. Reacti-
vated Sept. 25, 1948.
1948—Masaru Abe
1949—Marshall Hirose
1950—Charles Iwasaki
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1956—Dr. James Ikemiya
1957—Tak Naito
1958—Ed Yano
1959—Frank Kimura

SANGER-DEL REY

Organized April 26, 1950
1950-51—Robert Kanagawa
1952—Tom Nakamura
1953—Tom Nagamatsu
1954—George Nishimura
1955—Johnson Kebo
1956—Johnson Shimizu
1957—Kiichi Tange
1958—Larry Hikiji
1959—Peter Hasegawa

SELMA

Organized Mar. 17, 1950
1950-52—George Abe
1953—Masato Morishima
1954-55—George Okazaki
1956—George Baba
1957—George Abe
1958—Dale Okazaki
1959—Alan Masumoto

TULARE COUNTY

Organized Nov. 15, 1934
1934-36—Harvey Iwata
1937—Ben Yabuno
1938—John Kubota
1939—Chorge Kaku

1940-42—Tom Shimasaki
1942-46—Evacuation. Reacti-
vated Nov. 22, 1947.
1947-49—Tom Shimasaki
1950—Hiroshi Mayeda
1951—Kenji Tashiro
1952—Edward Nagata
1953-54—Ted Hiramoto
1955—Yeiki Tashiro
1956—Mike Imoto
1957-58—James E. Matsumura
1959—Douglas Yamada

Pacific Southwest

ARIZONA

Organized 1934

1934—Togo Iida
1935—
1936—
1937—John Yamashita
1938—
1939—
1940—John Hirohata
1941—Dr. Paul Tanaka
1942—Bill Kajikawa
1943-45—Tsutomu Ikeda
1946—Shig Tanita
1947—Kenneth Yoshioka
1948—Carl Sato
1949—George S. Saito
1950—Masao Tsutsumida
1951—Sam I. Okuma
1952—John M. Tadano
1953—Mas Inoshita
1954—Tom Kadomoto
1955—Minoru Takiguchi
1956—Mutt Yamamoto
1957—Jim Ozasa
1958—George Kishiyama
1959—Cherry Tsutsumida,
Jim Kuhara

BAY DISTRICT

Organized Mar. 7, 1936

1936—Frank Mizusawa
1937-38—George Inagaki
1939—Philip Nakaoka
1940—Joe G. Masaoka
1941—Decentralized to Santa
Monica, Venice and West
Los Angeles chapters.

BRAWLEY

Pioneer Chapter

Organized Dec. 15, 1928

1928-29—Lyle Kurisaki, Sr.
1930—James W. Ito
1931—Charles M. Akita
1932—William Kawasaki
1933—Ernest Fujimoto
1934-37—(Records missing)
1937—Lyle Kurisaki
1938—Harvey Suzuki
1939—George Kubo
1940—Ernest Fujimoto
1941—Hatsuo Morita
1942—Shigeo Imamura

COACHELLA VALLEY

Organized Oct. 4, 1946

1946-47—Henry Sakemi
1948-49—Tom Sakai
1950—George Shibata
1951—Jack Izu
1952—Mas Oshiki
1953—Elmer Suski

1954—Tek Nishimoto
1955—Charles Shibata
1956—Ben Sakamoto
1957—Hideo Nishimoto
1958-59—Tom Sakai

DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles JACL—1929-49

Pioneer Chapter

1929—Masao Igasaki
1930—Clarence Yamagata
1931—John S. Ando, Karl
Iwanaga
1932—Karl Iwanaga
1933—Etsuo Sato
1934-35—Kay Sugahara
1936—John Maeno
Eiji Tanabe (Kibei)
Herbert Wada (Mkt.)
1937—Mike M. Horii
Masao Nozawa (Kibei)
1938—Ken Matsumoto
1939-40—Eiji Tanabe
1941—Fred Tayama
1942—Shigemi Aratani
1942-46—Evacuation. Reacti-
vated July 31, 1946.
1946—Ken Utsunomiya (org.)
1946-47—Frank Chuman
1948—John Aiso, Dr. Tom
Watanabe
1949—Eiji Tanabe
1950—Dr. George Kambara
1951—Harry K. Honda
1952-53—Harry M. Fujita
1954-55—David Yokozeki
1956—Kei Uchima
1957—Duke S. Ogata
1958—Frank Suzukida
1959—Gongoro Nakamura

EAST LOS ANGELES

Organized Sept. 30, 1948

1948—Akira Hasegawa
1949—Bill Takei
1950—Lynn Takagaki
1951—George Akasaka
1952—Edison Uno
1953—Edison Uno. John
Watanabe
1954—Wilbur Sato
1955—Jim Higashi
1956—Fred T. Takata
1957—Yukio Ozima
1958-59—Roy Yamadera

EL CENTRO

Organized Sept. 30, 1948

1938—Yutaka Nakashima
1939-40—Shinji H. Miyata
1941-42—Harvey Tanaka
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Valley was organized in August,
1927, but it was inactive for a
subsequent decade and reactiv-
ated as the El Centro JACL.
The original organization was
chartered as a non-profit coop-
erative with the Secretary of
State, Sacramento.

GARDENA VALLEY

Organized Jan. 25, 1939

1939-40—George T. Yamauchi
1941—Fred H. Ikeguchi
1942—James Yoshinobu
1942-46—Evacuation. Reacti-
vated Sept. 25, 1946.
1946—Sam Minami (org.)

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1952-53—Ryo Komae
1954—Yo Minami
1955—Frank Kuida
1956—Dr. John Koyama
1957—Frank Kuida
1958-59—Ronald Shiozaki

GLENDAL

Organized Mar. 27, 1936
1936—Miss Kiyo Kuramoto

HOLLYWOOD

Organized Feb. 28, 1931
1931-32—Henry Tsurutani
1933-50—Merged with Los
Angeles
1951—Noboru Ishitani
1952-53—Arthur Ito
1954—Miwako Yamamoto
1956—Danar Abe
1957—Paul Kawakami
1958—Hideo Izumo
1959—Mike M. Suzuki

IMPERIAL VALLEY

Organized May 12, 1958
1958-59—Harry T. Momita

LONG BEACH HARBOR DIST.

Organized Oct. 12, 1938
1938-41—Frank T. Ishii
1942—James Hashimoto
1942-46—Evacuation. Reacti-
vated Aug. 12, 1947
1947—Dr. Masao Takeshita

1948—Fred H. Ikeguchi
1949—John Morooka
1950—Fred H. Ikeguchi
1951—George Mio
1952—Mas Narita
1953—George Nakamura
1954—Fred H. Ikeguchi
1955-56—Easy Fujimoto
1957—Tomizo Joe
1958—Dr. David Miura
1959—Dr. John Kashiwabara

ORANGE COUNTY

Organized Oct. 26, 1934

1934-35—Frank Takenaga
1936—Kiyoshi Higashi
1937—Hatsumi Yamada
1938—Leonard Miyawaki
1939—Cap K. Tamura
1940—Harry Ogawa
1941—Yoshiki Yoshida
1942—Henry Kanegae
1942-46—Evacuation. Reacti-
vated Jan. 11, 1947
1947-48—Frank Mizusawa
1949—Bill Okuda
1950—Elden Kanegae
1951-52—Hitoshi Nitta
1953-54—Ken Uyesugi
1955-56—George Kanno
1957-58—Harry Matsukane
1959—George Ichien
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1941-42—Nobu Kawai
1942-46—Evacuation. Reactivated Apr. 3, 1948
1948—Nobu Wawai
1949—Kei Mikuriya
1950-51—Dr. Tom T. Omori
1952—Ken Dyo
1953—Jiro Oishi
1954-55—Tom T. Ito
1956-57—Harris Ozawa
1958-59—Dr. Ken Yamaguchi

SAN DIEGO

Organized Aug. 13, 1933

1933—Hanako Moriyama (temp.)
1933—George Obayashi
1934—Frank Otsuka
1935—George Obayashi
1936-37—George Ohashi
1938—Isamu Fujita
1939—George Obayashi
1940—Isamu Fujita
1941—Fred Katsumata
1942—Frank H. Otsuka
1942-46—Evacuation.
1947—Dr. George Hara, Masami Honda
1948—Min Sakamoto
1949-50—Dr. George Hara
1951—Masami Honda
1952—Moto Asakawa
1953—Paul Hoshi
1954—Hiomi Nakamura
1955—George Kodama
1956—Dr. Tad Imoto
1957—Bert Tanaka
1959—George Muto

SAN FERNANDO

Organization Date Unknown

1942—Tom Imai
1942-46—Evacuation. Reactivated Sept. 28, 1946
1946—Fred Muto (org.)
1947—Fred Muto
1948-53—Inactive
1954-55—Tom Endow
1956—Gene Kono
1957-58—Kay Nakagiri
1959—Sam I. Uyehara

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY

Organized Apr. 28, 1933

1933—Shizuko Shirane (org.)
1933-34—Frank Tanaka
1935—Tom T. Ito
1936—Dave Nitake
1937—James Katayama
1938-39—Masaru Kawashima
1940—Shigeru Hashimoto, Henry Kuwabara
1941—George Imai
1942—Henry Kuwabara

SAN LUIS OBISPO

Organized March 1931

1931-32—Ernest K. Iwasaki

1933—Inactive. Reactivated

Jan. 27, 1934

1934—Mrs. Kofuji Fukunaga
1935—
1936—
1937—Ben Fujiwaki
1938—Sam Oda
1939—
1940—George Horiuchi
1941-42—Karl Taku
1942-46—Evacuation. Reactivated Aug. 22, 1946
1946—Karl Taku
1947—Joe H. Komitsuka, Pat Nagano
1948—Hilo Fuchikawa
1949—Masuji Eto
1950—Karl Taku
1951—Pat Nagano
1952—Kazuo Ikeda
1953—Haruo Hayashi
1954—Saburo Ikeda
1955—George Nagano
1956—Seirin Ikeda
1957—Mitsuo Sanbonmatsu
1958—Akio Hayashi
1959—Ben Dohi

SAN PEDRO

Organized Apr. 3, 1936

1936—George Fukuzaki
1937—Katsumi Yoshizumi
1938—Dr. Yoshio Nakaji
1939—Hisashi Higashi
1941—Misako Ishii
1942—Kiyoshi Higashi

SANTA BARBARA

Organized January 1930

1930—Taki Asakura
1931—Cora Asakura
1932—
1933—Darrel Utsunomiya
1934—
1935—James Ezaki
1936—
1937—
1938-39—James Ezaki
1940-42—Tom Hirashima
1942-46—Evacuation.
1946—Tom Hirashima
1947—Ken Dyo
1948-50—Tad Kanetomo
1951—Mrs. Lillian Nakaji
1952—Ikey Kakimoto
1953—Akira Endo
1954—Lillian Nakaji, Tom Hirashima, Ikey Kakimoto, John Suzuki (each served one quarter).
1955-56—Tom Hirashima
1957—Richard Tokumaru
1958-59—Mike Hide

SANTA MARIA VALLEY

Organized Apr. 3, 1932

1932-33—Ken Utsunomiya
1934—Dr. Earl M. Yusa
1935—Ken Kitasako
1936-37—Robert Hiramatsu
1938—Ken Utsunomiya
1939—Butch Y. Tamura
1940-42—Harry Miyake
vated August 1946

1942-46—Evacuation. Reacti-

1947-48—Harold Shimizu

1949-56—Harry Miyake

1957-58—George Sahara

1959—Toru Miyoshi

SANTA MONICA

Organized 1941

1941-42—Henry Kukuvara

SOUTHWEST LOS ANGELES

Organized May 17, 1948

1948-49—Dr. Roy Nishikawa
1950-51—Tut Yata
1952—Dick H. Fujioka
1953—Mack Hamaguchi
1954—Hisashi Horita
1955—Dr. Toru Iura
1956—Roy Iketani
1957—Kango Kunitsugu
1958—Sam Hirasawa
1959—Joe Yasaki

VENICE-CULVER

Organized 1941

1941-42—John Aono
1942-46—Evacuation. Reactivated July 28, 1946
1946-47—Jack Wakamatsu
1948-49—George Mikawa
1950—Fumi Utsuki
1951—Kenichi Onishi
1952—James Yasuda
1953—James Fukuhara, Kiyo Nishi Tanaka
1954—Ken Amamoto
1955—George T. Isoda
1956—Dr. Tak Shishino
1957—Steve Nakaji
1958—Pete Furuya
1959—Mrs. Betty Yumori

VENTURA COUNTY

Organized November 1937*

* It was organized as the Oxnard Nisei Civic League, an independent group, and joined the JACL in 1941.

1941—Brownie Furutani
1942—Allen Kurihara
1942-46—Evacuation. Reactivated Jan. 1, 1947
1947—Akira Kurihara
1948—Nao Takasugi
1949—Tomio Eto
1950—Toby Otani, Dr. Tom Taketa
1951—Akira Kurihara
1952—Taro J. Inouye
1953—Izzy Otani
1954—Dr. Sam Tokuyama
1955—Nagao Fujita
1956—Tadashi Kanamori
1957—Mike Mayekawa
1958—John Takasugi
1959—James Muraoka

WEST LOS ANGELES

Organized 1941

1941-42—Tom Ikuta
1942-46—Evacuation. Reactivated Nov. 28, 1947
1947-48—Sho Komai
1949—Elmer Uchida
1950—Dr. Kiyoshi Sonoda
1951—Richard Jeniye
1952—Sho Komai
1953—James Kitsuse
1954—Elmer Uchida
1955—Steve Yagi

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BEN LOMOND

(Ogden JACL—1938-53)

Organized 1938

1940—Jiro Tamaki
1941—George Yoshida
1942—Tatsuo Koga
1943—Jiro Tsukamoto
1944-45—Toyse Kato
1946—Dr. Mike M. Horii

BOISE VALLEY

Organized 1937

1937-38—Henry Suyehira
1939—Howard Fujii
1940—Joe Saito
1941—Yutaka Tamura
1942—Mrs. Martha Nishitani
1943—Abe Saito
1944—George Nishitani, Mas Yamashita
1945—Soapy S. Sagami
1946—Tom Takatori
1947—Edson Fujii
1948—George Koyama
1949—George Ishihara
1950—Dyke Itami
1951—Tom Takatori
1952—Seichi Hayashida
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Right Direction

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tional JACL program? Can it be done?

You may be interested in knowing that the Cleveland chapter has already begun to implement these basic principles within the general framework of its present structure. This is basically a three-phase program, the degree of integration directly dependent upon the degree of effectiveness at any one phase.

Phase 1: The Local Level

A basic reorientation of chapter program which is focused on community-centered activities. The goal is to increase share in the responsibility, individually and collectively, towards the improvement of our American society.

Specifically, this is a concentration in areas of public relations as a method toward greater community involvement, both within and outside the immediate Japanese in-group. The specific types of programs (socials, general meetings, educational meetings, dances, etc.) are not so important as its use as a means to help achieve this goal.

One of the most effective public relations methods in Cleveland has been the cultural presentations. These have served to widen our contact with other community groups and have resulted in active representation in such organizations as the ARC Committee on New Immigrants, Nationalities Services Center Inter-Club Council, Welfare Federation, Inter-Group Relations Committee. Programs which have increased our involvement in the affairs of the Japanese community have been in those related to the problems of the Issei, Sansei and persons in need of welfare assistance.

These community-centered programs have been implemented by:

a. A promotion-recruitment campaign within the Japanese community to solicit the help of civic-minded persons. The sensitivity of these persons to basic human needs and their interest in helping others help themselves promote an atmosphere of community service.

The Cleveland chapter has involved persons who are already engaged in the fields of human relations and public service, such as educators, social workers, church leaders, community relations workers and personnel men. They share in the leadership responsibilities.

b. Establishment of a working Advisory Board to local chapter that is composed of persons who are intimately close and sensitive to the problems and issues of the larger community.

The Cleveland Chapter has initiated such an Advisory Board which includes prominent community leaders in the fields of community relations, housing, law, education, business, social

welfare and inter-group relations. This Board's responsibility is to assist in periodic critical evaluation of the chapter's program and the review of plans for future programming.

Phase 2: The District Level

The District Office would need to be strengthened in those areas which will reflect the major emphasis on local programs and provide more direct assistance to member chapters.

This may mean a redefinition of function and responsibilities of the Office.

It is suggested that it would cause to function primarily as a clearing house of ideas and/or as a consultant service to member chapters.

Rather, as a functional, working Council its major responsibility should be as a Planning Group for district conferences, determining and preparing conference content and appropriate speakers. The Council would continue to be represented by all chapters, with consideration being given to the selection of persons who are vitally interested and/or demonstrate ability in the areas of public relations and community participation.

The Council would also serve as a liaison between the National Office and member chapters. Thus, questionnaires and requests for reports from National Office would be reviewed by the District Office in order that local chapters can be adequately and properly prepared to submit such requests. The Council Office, for practical reasons, would continue to be located in Chicago. However, the Council Chairman may rotate among member chapters.

Phase 3: The National Level

To strengthen and assist local chapters, it is recommended that the National Office give serious consideration to:

1. The establishment of a Commission of Resource Persons in the fields of human and community relations.

2. The initiation of a Master Plan public relations program which would take into consideration the different community problems, depending upon geographical location of respective chapters.

3. Organization and development of National research studies on specific issues which affect the participation of local chapters in community relations programs. Perhaps such studies might be conducted in cooperation with academic programs of local colleges and universities.

4. The channeling of all National communiques to local chapters via the District Office, especially if the judgment and opinions of the general membership are solicited to assist the National Office to arrive at decisions on important issues.

Season's Best Wishes

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 1954—Henry Suyehira
 1955—Tom Arima
 1956—Steve Hirai
 1957—Harry Hamada
 1958—James Yamada
 1959—Seichi Hayashida

BUTTE

Organized Oct. 21, 1942

1942-43—Nobu Kawai
 JACL committees were organized in the following WRA centers during the 1942-44 period, although there were representatives from all the camps at the emergency council sessions in late 1942 and 1944.

TOPAZ, UTAH

1943—John Yoshino, Henry Tani

TULE LAKE, CALIF.

1943—Walter T. Tsukamoto, John Tanikawa

MINIDOKA, IDAHO

1943—Jimmie Y. Sakamoto, Milton Maeda

DAVIS COUNTY

Organization Date Unknown

1942—Takeo Nakano
 1943—Ted Miya
 1944—George Akasaka
 1945—Yori Kozaiaku
 1946—George Fujiki
 1947—Merged with Ogden JACL

IDAHO FALLS

(Southwestern Idaho—1939-42)

Organized May 17, 1940

1940—Yukio Inouye
 1941-42—Mitsugi Kasai
 1943-44—Yukio Inouye
 1945-46—Eli Kobayashi
 1947—Sadao Morishita
 1948—Fred Ochi
 1949—Charles Hirai
 1950—Joe Nishioka
 1951—Kay Tokita
 1952—George H. Nukaya
 1953—Takeo Haga
 1954—Sam Yamasaki
 1955—George Tokita
 1956—Shoji Nukaya
 1957—Joe Nishioka
 1958—Deto Harada
 1959—Bud I. Sakaguchi

MAGIC VALLEY

Organized Apr. 3, 1943

1943—George Makabe (org.)
 1943—Shigeo Morita
 1944—Tsutomu Abo
 1945—Yoshimo Alzawa

MT. OLYMPUS

Organized Dec. 27, 1943

1943—Frank T. Tashima (org.)
 1944-45—Shigeki Ushio
 1946—George Fujii
 1947—Tom Matsumori
 1948—George Fujii
 1949—Min Matsumori
 1950—Helen Shimizu
 1951—Mits Hoki
 1952—Jim Ushio
 1953—George Fujii
 1954—James Hirabayashi
 1955—Ida Tateoka
 1957—George Tamura
 1958-59—Lou Nakagawa

NORTHERN UTAH

Organized 1942

1942—Nobuichi Sato
 Reactivated 1959

POCATELLO

Organized 1941

1941—George Shiozawa
 1942-43—Paul Okamura

1944—Novo Kato

1945—Tom Morimoto, Tom Hatakeda
 1946—Hiro Shiosaki
 1947—Harvey Yamashita, Sam Yokota
 1948—George Shiozawa
 1949—Paul Okamura, Masa Tsukamoto
 1950—Masa Tsukamoto
 1951—Bill Yoden
 1952—George Sato
 1953-54—Ronnie Yokota
 1956—William T. Yamauchi
 1957-58—Novo Kato
 1959—Hero Shiosaki

SALT LAKE CITY

Organized Mar. 8, 1935

1935—Miye Asahina (org.)
 1935—Joe G. Masaoka
 1936—Joe Kurumada
 1937—William T. Yamauchi
 1938-40—Mike M. Masaoka
 1941—Shigeki Ushio
 1942-43—Dr. Jun Kurumada
 1944—Isamu Aoki
 1945—Kay Terashima
 1946—Mrs. Alice Kasai
 1947—Tom Hoshiyama
 1948—Dr. Jun Kurumada
 1949—George Sakashita
 1950-51—George Mochizuki
 1952—Masami Yano
 1953—Dr. Shig Matzuka
 1954-56—Rupert Hachiya
 1957-59—Ichiro Doi

SNAKE RIVER

Organized Feb. 26, 1944

1944-45—Joe Komoto
 1946—Joe Saito
 1947—James M. Watanabe
 1948-49—Tom T. Itami
 1950—George Sugai
 1951—Tom Iseri
 1952—Smith Morimoto
 1953—Tom Ogura
 1954—Paul Saito
 1955—George Iseri
 1956—Dr. Kenji Yaguchi
 1957—Gish Amano
 1958—George Mita
 1959—George Nishimura

YELLOWSTONE

Organization Date Unknown

1941—Fuji Hikida
 1942—Kiyoshi Sakota
 1943—Michio Yamagata
 1944—Kiyoshi Sakota
 1945—Stomie Hanami
 1946—Haruo Yamasaki
 1947—Thomas M. Hanami
 1948-49—Hiroshi Miyosaki
 1950—Kiyoshi Sakota
 1951—Jack K. Matsura
 1952—Haruo Yamasaki
 1953—Masayoshi Fujimoto
 1954—Haruo Yamasaki
 1955—Kiyoshi Sakota
 1956—Fuji Hikida
 1957—John Sakota
 1958—Tommy Miyasaki
 1959—Haruo Yamasaki

Mountain-Plains

ALBUQUERQUE

Organized Jan. 30, 1948

1948—Frank Matsubara
 1949—Fred Yoshimoto
 1950—Sam Yonemoto
 1951—George Matsubara
 1952—Art Togami
 1953—Charles Matsubara
 1954—Mrs. Ruth Hashimoto
 1955—Mike Yonemoto
 1956—George Matsubara

ARKANSAS VALLEY

Organized Apr. 4, 1950

1950-53—Ugi Harada
 1954—Harry Shironaka
 1955—Ted Maruyama
 1956—George Ushiyama
 1957—Ugi Harada
 1958—John Maruyama
 1959—Elmo Sakai

EL PASO

Organization Date Unknown
 1935—Willie Ando

FT. LUPTON

Organization Date Unknown

1942-43—Floyd Koshio
 1944—Lee Murata
 1945—Sam Okamoto

1946—(Inactive)

1947—Jack Tshura
 1948—Sam Okamoto
 1949—Tom Yanaga
 1950—Dr. George Uyemura
 1951—John Kiyota
 1952-53—Frank Yamaguchi
 1954—Sam Koshio
 1955—Takashi Matsushima
 1956-57—Frank Yamaguchi
 1958—Sam Okamoto
 1959—Jack Tshura

GREELEY

Organized June 24, 1944

1944—Fred Hashimoto
 1945—Hiroto Uno

MILE-HI

Organized 1938*

1939—Shimpei Sakaguchi
 1940—Charles Suyeshi
 1944—Reactivated
 1944—George S. Kashiwagi
 1945—Taki Domoto, Jr.
 1946—Dr. Takashi Mayeda
 1947—George Masunaga
 1948—George Ohashi, Bess (Matsuda) Shiyomura
 1949-50—Tashio Ando
 1951—Y. Tak Terasaki
 1952—Roy H. Mayeda
 1953—John T. Noguchi
 1954—Sam Y. Matsumoto
 1955—Harry H. Sakata
 1956—John Sakayama
 1957—Leonard Uchida
 1958—John Masunaga
 1959—Robert Y. Uyeda

* Organized on an independent basis, the Denver JACL became part of the National JACL in 1944.

MONTANA

Organized Apr. 10, 1949

1949-51—Tom Koyama
 1952—George Kawamoto
 1953—Yasua Nayematsu
 1954—Joe Nagashima
 1955—Sam Shirasago
 1956—Yugo Nayematsu
 1957—Jim Shirasago
 1958-59—Mrs. Harriet Nagashima

NORTH PLATTE

Organized 1942

1942-45—George Kuroki

NORTHERN WYOMING

Organization Date Unknown

1941—Tom Nagashima
 1942—Tom Ujifusa
 1945—Yasuo Nayematsu
 Reactivated April 1, 1949
 1949—Dr. Minol Ota
 1950-51—Jack Ando
 1952—Kay Nakamura
 1953—Tom Ujifusa, Haruki Shimogaki
 1955—George Ujifusa
 1956—Harry Ujifusa, Jr.

OMAHA

Organized June 28, 1947

1947-49—K. Patrick Okura
 1950—Robert Nakadoi
 1951—Cecil J. Ishii
 1952-53—Jack T. Tamai
 1954-55—Frank Tamai
 1956-57—Manuel Matsunami

PUEBLO

Organization Date Unknown

1945—Hideo Sagara
 Deactivated 1946

RIO GRANDE VALLEY

Organized Jan. 29, 1948

1948-52—Henry Kawahata
 Deactivated 1953

SAN LUIS VALLEY

1949—Roy Y. Inouye
 1950—Francis Wakasugi
 1951—Roy Y. Inouye
 1952—Sojiro Yoritomo
 1953—Roy Y. Inouye
 1954—Frank Uyemura
 1955—Shirow Enomoto
 1956—George Hishinuma
 1957—Roy Fujii
 1958—Charle Hayashida
 1959—George Katsumoto
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1948—Frank Ikuno
Crowley Committee
1947—Kats Akagi
Gallup Committee
1948—Ann Shibata
Houston Committee
1947—Tokuy Kobayashi
1948—Warren Saibara
La Jara-Alamosa Committee
1947—Roy Inouye
Rocky Ford Committee
1948—Ugi Harada, George Yoshimaya
Pueblo Committee
1948—Sanzo Shigeta
San Antonio Committee
1948—Goro Matsuo
West Texas Committee
1948—George Kurita

Midwest

ANN ARBOR
Organized June 9, 1946
1946—Dr. Joseph Sasaki

CHICAGO
Organized June 1944
1945—William Minami

1946—Noboru Honda
1947—Jack Nakagawa
1948—Mari Sabusawa
1949-50—Shigeo Wakamatsu
1951—Ronald Shiozaki
1952-53—Abe Hagiwara
1954-55—Kumeo Yoshinari
1956-58—Dr. Frank Sakamoto
1959—Hiro Mayeda

CINCINNATI

Organized April 5, 1946

1946—Ken Matsumoto (org.)
1946—Dr. Makoto Yamaguchi
1947—James Hashimoto
1948—Tom Kanno
1949—Kaye Watanabe
1950—Fred Morioka
1951—Masaji S. Toki
1952—Dr. James Takao
1953-54—Joe E. Sugawara
1955—Kaye Watanabe
1956—Mrs. Mutsu Takao
1957—James Hashimoto
1958—Masaji Toki
1959—James Takeuchi

CLEVELAND

Organized June 10, 1946

1946—Abe Hagiwara
1947—Frank Shiba
1948—George Chida
1949—Howard Tashima
1950—Alice Morihoro
1951—William Sadataki

1952—Henry Tanaka
1953—George Ono
1954—Robert E. Fujita
1955-57—William Sadataki
1958-59—Joe Kadowaki

DAYTON

Organized March 1949

1949—Masaru Yamasaki
1950—Dr. James T. Taguchi
1951—Sutemi Murayama, Masaru Yamasaki
1952—Dr. James T. Taguchi
1953—Hideo Yoshihara
1954—Yoichi Sato
1955—Dr. Ruby Hirose
1956—Dr. Mark Nakauchi
1957—Mas Yamasaki
1958—Mrs. James Taguchi
1959—Dr. James T. Taguchi

DETROIT

Organized June 7, 1946

1946-48—Peter Fujoka
1949—Roy Kaneko
1950—Dr. Mark M. Kondo
1951—Wallace Kagawa
1952—Shig Ochi
1953—Minoru Togasaki
1954—Kenneth Miyoshi
1955—Sadao Kimoto
1956—Mrs. Miyoko O'Neill
1957—Yoshio Kasai
1958—Charles Yata
1959—Walter Miyao

MILWAUKEE

Organized May 11, 1945

1945—Henry Sakemi (org.)
1946—Mac Kaneko, Lynn Wells
1947—Julius Fujihira
1948—Frank C. Okada
1949-50—Kazumi Oura
1951—Charles Matsumoto
1952—Nami Shio
1953—Harry Shinozaki
1954—Takio Kataoka
1955—Helen Inai
1956—Jim Momoi
1957—Walter Wong
1958—Satoshi Nakahira
1959—Albert Popp

ST. LOUIS

Organized Aug. 17, 1946

1946—Sam M. Nakano
1947-48—Henry Tani
1949-50—Joseph Tanaka
1951—Edward Koyama
1952—Dr. Alfred Morioka
1953—George K. Hasegawa
1954—Harry H. Hayashi
1955—Rose Ogino
1956—Richard T. Henmi
1957—Dan Sakahara
1958—Kiichi Hiramoto
1959—Dr. Alfred A. Morimoto

TWIN CITIES

Organized Sept. 26, 1946

1946—George Matsuyama
1947—Sam Shijo
1948—John Masuo
1948—Tomo Kosobayashi, George Yanagita
1950—Takuzo Tsuchiya
1951—Yukio Okamoto
1952—Mas Teramoto
1953-55—Dr. Isaac Iijima
1956—Thomas Kanno
1957—Henry Makino
1958—Tom Ohno
1959—Mas Teramoto, Simpey Kuramoto

Eastern

NEW ENGLAND

Organized Feb. 7, 1948

1948-49—Harvey Aki
1950—Jim Kinoshita
1951—Dr. Tetsu Morita

1952—No Officers
1953—Deactivated

NEW YORK

Organized June 16, 1944

1944—Al Funabashi
1946—Yurino Takayoshi
1947-48—Tom Hayashi
1949-50—Aki Hayashi
1951—Frank Okazaki
1952-53—Woodrow Asai
1954-56—Sam Kai
1957—William K. Sakayama
1958—Kenji Nogaki
1959—George Kyotow

PHILADELPHIA

Organized Oct. 12, 1946

1947-49—Jack Ozawa
1950—Mariko Ishiguro
1951—Noboru Kobayashi, Naomi Nakano
1952—Gary Oye
1953—Ben Ohama
1954—Dr. Tom Tamaki
1955—William Marutani
1956—S. Sim Endo
1957—Warren H. Watanabe
1958—Mrs. Louise S. Maehara
1959—Hiroshi Uyehara

SEABROOK

Organized June 18, 1946

1947—Vernon Ichisaka
1948—Ray Bano
1949—Vernon Ichisaka
1950-51—George Sakamoto
1952—Jim Mitsui
1953—John Fuyume
1954—Harry Okamoto
1955—Henry Furushima
1956—George Noda
1957—Mrs. Josie Ikeda
1958—Vernon Ichisaka
1959—Keigo Inouye

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Organized June 15, 1946

1946—Jack Hirose (org.)
1946—Jun Okazaki
1947—Harold Horiuchi
1948-49—Ira Shimasaki

1950—Henry Goshu
1951—Don Komai
1952—Rikio Kumagai
1953—Dr. George Furukawa
1954—John Katsu
1955—Ruth Kuroishi
1956—Ben Nakao
1957—Harvey Iwata
1958—Jack Hirose
1959—Hisako Sakata
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