



CIVIL RIGHTS BIG TOPIC FOR EDC-MDC PARLEY

Complete Program,
Registration Fees
for Delegates Set

(Special to Pacific Citizen)
CLEVELAND. — Under the theme of "Wider World of JACL," the forthcoming fifth biennial joint EDC-MDC convention here Aug. 31-Sept. 2 at the Sheraton Cleveland is an appropriate time to deliberate on the issues of Negro rights, host DC chairman Dr. Frank Sakamoto declared this past week.

"As we meet to deliberate on issues and problems facing this present-day world, we must realize anew the importance of all of us working together to make our lives more meaningful to ourselves, our organization, our community, our nation and the world," Dr. Sakamoto declared.

March in Washington

All JACL members desiring to participate in the March in Washington, Wednesday, Aug. 28, please notify Washington JACL Office, 919-18th St. N.W., Washington, D.C. immediately.

Eastern and Midwest district councils will hear from JACL leaders who are expected to participate in the Aug. 28 "March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom." Negro and JACL leaders will participate in the convention symposium on Saturday, Aug. 31, on the JACL position of civil rights, integration and human rights.

Convention Program

Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) will be the principal convention speaker on Sept. 1. National JACL President Pat Okura of Omaha will address the Aug. 31 luncheon and the youth banquet the same evening. The complete program follows:

"WIDER WORLD OF JACL"
5th Biennial EDC-MDC Joint Convention

August 30 - September 1, 1963
Sheraton - Cleveland Hotel

Friday, Aug. 30

1 p.m. — Registration

4-10 p.m. — Convention Mixer

Saturday, Aug. 31

9 a.m. — Registration

9-11:30 a.m. — Joint EDC-MDC Opening Council Session: John Yoshino, chair.

12:00 noon-2:45 p.m. — Sha-On Luncheon: Dr. Frank Sakamoto, toastmaster; greetings from Host Chapter, Host City and EDC Chairman; National JACL Recognition Awards; National Director; Address — National President.

2:45 p.m. — Fashion Show

3-4:30 p.m. — JACL Symposium

4-6 p.m. — Cocktail Hour

7-10 p.m. — 1000 Club Whining Dine

Sunday, Sept. 1

8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. — Tri-City Golf Tournament

8:30-9 a.m. — Coffee & Rolls

9-11:45 a.m. — Separate Council Sessions

11:45 a.m.-1 p.m. — Lunch

1-2:30 p.m. — Separate Council Sessions

2:45-4:30 p.m. — Joint EDC-MDC Closing Council Session: Dr. Frank Sakamoto, chair.

5:30-6:00 p.m. — Special Reception for Honored Guests

6-9:30 p.m. — Installation Banquet: Toastmaster — Host Chapter, Tri-City Golf Presentation, Chapter of the Bismillah, Award — National Director; Installation of Council Officers — National President; Introduction and Citation — Washington Representative; Address — Congressman Matsunaga.

9 p.m.-1 a.m. — Bayou Ball

Monday, Sept. 2

8:45-10 a.m. — National Board Breakfast Meeting

10 a.m.-2 p.m. — National Board Luncheon Meeting

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

FOR YOUTH

Saturday, Aug. 31

7 p.m.-1 a.m. — Youth banquet and dance: Pat Okura, speaker; Johnny Holiday, WFLK, disc jockey to spin latest hits and some "oldies but goodies."

Sunday, Sept. 1

9 a.m.-12 p.m. — Workshop: Role of Jr. JACL in JACL, Terry Enomoto, speaker.

1-2:30 p.m. — Workshop (reap).

Registration Fees

Pre-registration package fee (\$18) should be submitted by Aug. 20 to Dr. Tooru Ishiyama, 7703 Howard, Parma 34, Ohio. For the youth, pre-registration package fee is \$15. Package fee on day of convention will be \$2 higher in both cases.

Adult delegates and boosters are expected to make reservations of rooms directly with the hotel, but youth seeking special dormitory rates should write directly to Dr. Ishiyama.

The room rates are:

Singles — \$7.85, 9.30, 11.00, 12.50; Double — \$12.50, 15.00; Twin — \$11.50, 13.50, 15.00; Porter — \$1.00, 2.00, 3.00, 4.00 and 4.50. (Requests due Aug. 19, Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel. Indicate arrival and departure times.)

Dormitory rates (at the hotel) are:

Four to a room — \$3.50 per person; three to a room — \$4.50 per person. (Requests due Aug. 19, Dr. Tooru Ishiyama, 7703 Howard, Parma 34, Ohio.)

Package deal for JACLers covers:

Registration, \$15.00; banquet-ball, \$5.50; luncheon, \$2.50; whine-dine, \$7.50; total \$31. Package deal, \$20.00; pre-registration by Aug. 20, \$15.00.

Package deal for Jr. JACLers includes:

Registration, \$3; banquet-ball, \$6.50; luncheon, \$2.50; whine-dine, \$5.50; total \$17.50. Package deal, \$11.75; pre-registration by Aug. 20, \$11.50.

Present civil rights struggle may take lesson from Nisei efforts to achieve success, Rep. Miller says at Oakland

(Special to Pacific Citizen)

OAKLAND. — Congressman George P. Miller (D-Calif.) came home for weekend visit to be honored by a grateful organization, the Japanese American Citizens League, for his quarter century of public service.

Miller is remembered most recently for reserving two hours in the House of Representatives on June 11 when he arranged and coordinated an unprecedented program in which 24 congressmen paid high tribute to the loyalty

and devotion of Japanese Americans to the United States during World War II.

A hand-illuminated scroll citing his distinguished career was presented at the banquet concluding the third quarterly session of the Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council last Sunday at Edgewater Garden Inn hosted by the Oakland chapter.

"Since 1944 as United States congressman, he has been in the leadership to eliminate discriminatory legal sanctions against those of Ja-

pense ancestry in this country," the citation related in part.

Miller's Response

"Your kindness in granting me this citation has touched me deeply," Miller said upon acceptance. "You have all been my good friends for many years, and I thank you as such for this great honor. But anything that I attempted to do in your behalf, I did not merely because we were friends, but because I felt that you were entitled to it as Americans, as hard-working citizens."

"It is not a strange and paradoxical thing that at the very time when Japanese Americans may at last believe that their long struggle for their rights has achieved success, other Americans, also a minority, should have to demonstrate in order to obtain the civil rights which are legally and morally theirs."

"The present civil rights struggle may indeed take a lesson from your experiences. Your efforts have been unremitting, your sacrifices have been vast, your patriotism has been unexcelled, and your military service in the last war is now something in which the entire country takes pride."

Miller went on to tell of the

GOV. BROWN'S ANTI-BIAS CODE IMPLEMENTED

Comprehensive Policy
of Non-Discrimination
Encased in 15 Articles

SACRAMENTO. — An executive order designed to stop discrimination in all operations of state government by implementing California's first Code of Fair Practices was issued Saturday by Gov. Brown.

The 15-article code spells out a comprehensive policy of non-discrimination covering personnel practices of state government and directing state licensees and persons doing business with the state to avoid discrimination.

A spokesman in Brown's office said the governor signed the executive order before leaving July 26 for a six-week vacation in Europe.

He added the order was issued in an effort to obtain "voluntary compliance," but court test suits on the code are anticipated.

The governor said of the code, "Although it long has been the policy of this state not to discriminate on the basis of race, color or creed, this policy never has been codified."

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JACL expands its view on rights bill in House

WASHINGTON. — President Kennedy's civil rights program has passed the first stop down the long road toward enactment as the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Civil Rights concluded three months of hearings this past week.

It is now time for the committee to start writing the bill—an opportunity period for JACL chapters and district councils to urge their congressmen, especially members on the subcommittee, to secure meaningful federal civil rights legislation.

Members of the subcommittee are:

Democrats—Emanuel Celler (N.Y.), chairman; Peter W. Rodino (N.J.); Byron G. Rogers (Calif.); Herman Toll (Pa.); Jack Brooks (Tex.); Robert W. Kasamann (Wash.); Harold R. Donohue (Mass.); Republicans—William M. McCulloch (O.); William E. Miller (N.Y.); George Meader (Mich.); William C. Craner (Pa.).

WASHINGTON. — When the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Civil Rights began its hearings on civil rights legislation in early May, only two measures being advocated by the Administration were under consideration—voting rights and continuation of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission.

At that time, the Japanese American Citizens League through its Washington Representative Mike Masaoka declared the two measures were not sufficient to resolve the difficulties raised by the turn of events in Alabama. The subcommittee was urged to press for more meaningful legislation to assure equality of opportunity and increased dignity to all Americans, without respect to race, color, creed or national origin. (See May 17, PC).

JACL urged then to (1) authorize the Attorney General to institute civil action in courts to protect the constitutional and civil rights of all Americans, (2) establish fair employment practices, (3) assure fair housing, (4) provide for equal protection of the laws, (5) eliminate segregation in transportation facilities, (6) desegregate all places providing public accommodations, and (7) expedite the integration of all public schools.

Latest Statement

During the interim, to quote JACL's expanded statement to the subcommittee submitted last Friday, the "smoldering impatience of our Negro citizens... has fanned into a mighty conflagration that today threatens the very framework of our democracy."

"The JACL now feels duty bound to submit a more comprehensive statement concerning this most vital domestic issue of the day."

The latest statement, consisting of 23 single-spaced typewritten pages (as compared with a two-page letter submitted on May 8), suggests the role Congress has in the civil rights field, recalls contents of the original JACL statement on civil rights issued in Omaha (see July 26, PC) and reviews the civil rights problem as JACL sees it.

"JACL visualizes this civil rights problem not as one solely involving Negro citizens but as an all-American proposition, embracing the 'majority' as well as the 'minority' Americans," the statement declared. There are other "disadvantaged citizens"—the American Indians, Mexican Americans, Jewish Americans, Asian Americans including those of Japanese ancestry.

Hence, JACL believes that "it and when our Negro fellow Americans secure their constitutional rights and opportunities, all of the other racial and religious minorities (would) benefit. The same applies to the 'majority' too, for unless all are secure and free, none is truly so."

International Implications

The JACL statement also commented on the international implications on how Congress might act upon the civil rights issue.

"People and governments of the free, the uncommitted and the slave worlds, respectively, may well gauge our performance on this matter that is so clear and unequivocal to them as the measure of the sincerity of our professions. 'Indeed, what we do or fail to do in this field of human rights and decency may well be crucial to the ultimate survival of our way of life and government.'"

Unpleasant experiences of Asian and African diplomats in America "may color their attitudes toward our country, and in years to come may be decisive in the conduct of foreign affairs to the detriment of the United States," the statement continued.

"We can testify, for instance to the grave interest of the Japanese, for to them... this is another opportunity to match our practices against our precepts."

"In World War II, Fascist and Nazi propaganda ministries attempted to exploit the mass military evacuation and internment of Americans of Japanese ancestry as an example of America's hatred against all non-Caucasians and especially Asians. They were not successful because the story of Japanese Americans in World War II became the great success story of democracy in action, of the ability of democracy to correct its mistakes and even abuses that were fomented in the hate and hysteria of war."

Administration Bill

Bulk of the JACL statement consists of detailed comments on the Administration's civil rights bill—Title by title; there are eight. As a preface, Masaoka said of the Negro citizens: "No other group in our history has so less; no other minority has so far to go before catching up with the mainstream of our society. So, expedition is the essence of this com-

mon cause." JACL shares the impatience of the Negro Americans, who are "only seeking the constitutional guarantees that are supposed to be available as a matter of right to every American, and not special privileges or luxuries that need to be 'earned' through meritorious and exemplary conduct." These rights are basic, automatic upon birth. "Why should Negro Americans have prerequisites for their attainment of full citizenship rights when most other Americans receive them through no action or fault of their own?"

Title I—Voting Rights

JACL believes that the right to the franchise is fundamental to responsible government. Given the franchise in certain areas of our country, the Negro vote should prove most salutary to efforts to secure corrective legislation. JACL further recommends Title I be expanded to apply to both state and federal elections.

Japanese Americans know from bitter experience the importance of being able to vote for until 1952, Issei were denied the right to become naturalized even though they paid taxes, served in the armed forces and contributed to the welfare of their adopted land.

As a consequence of being given the right to vote, increased attention and respect was paid by public officials to newly naturalized citizens. "If these were the consequences to the small Japanese American minority that comprises less than 1/2 of 1 pct. of the national population, imagine what it might well do for those who make up more than 10 pct. of our country's people!"

Title II—Accommodations

"The Washington Newsletter this week goes into detail on what the JACL statement says about Title II—Public Accommodations."

As the most controversial section of the Kennedy civil rights bill as far as the Congress and the public are concerned, JACL recommends that Title II be predated on both the "commerce clause" and the 14th Amendment.

In this way, the right of public accommodation will be "doubly assured" and all establishments catering to the general public would be affected. "As we see it, there should be no dollar sign on freedom and equality. Once exemptions are considered, complications will result to severely compromise this right of public accommodation."

The Administration's proposal is limited to those that "substantially" affect interstate commerce. JACL believes effective penalties should be imposed to help assure compliance.

Japanese Americans know what the Negro citizen encounters today in too many places for the patterns of segregation are similar to those that were used against them in the Yellow Peril era before and during World War II.

Instances of Japanese Americans being refused service today at swimming pools, motels, hotels and other places of public accommodation make this particular Title of real significance to all disadvantaged Americans "for the ugly fact of prejudice knows no boundaries or persons."

Title III—Schools

JACL believes that an enlightened education of all our youth in desegregated schools provides the best hope for a truly integrated, harmonious, cooperative Nation.

Under this Title, the Attorney General is authorized to institute civil actions for school desegregation upon receipt of a complaint and a determination that the party complaining is unable to start action on his own.

JACL feels this authority should be enlarged so that the Attorney General would serve as "the official guardian of civil rights of all Americans," permitting court action to secure, protect and preserve all the civil rights of all Americans. In this capacity, he could seek court injunctions to preserve the peace, provide equal protection of the laws, eliminate police brutality and enforce any other civil right in jeopardy.

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JACL chapters urged to program meetings to make Nisei aware of civil rights issue

Special to the Pacific Citizen

OAKLAND. — "JACL chapters ought to make their membership more aware of the civil rights problems and circumstances in their local communities..."

"The Nisei need to take a more active interest and participate with community coordinating groups seeking equal opportunities for all..."

"And the Nisei need to do some soul-searching of their own with regard to their own prejudices against Negroes. And if they have prejudices, it should not show up as discrimination."

Such expressions were voiced at the NC-WNDC panel discussion here Sunday on the topic: "Where should the Nisei be in the current struggle for civil rights?"

The discussion began with why the Negroes are now more militant in seeking their civil rights.

The process of courts and legislation has been too slow. The political climate is opportune. The emergence of new nations in Africa and Asia has given encouragement. And the established legal machinery places the burden of proof on the aggrieved.

And demonstrations are being held to highlight the grievances.

The current struggle was viewed as a problem not only of Negroes but of all Americans.

Steve Doi, DC program chairman, organized the panel discussion which was moderated by Prof. Sho Sato of U.C. Boalt Hall. Panel members were Jerry Enomoto, Mrs. Chiz Iiyama, Norman Mineta, Tad Masaoka and Bill Matsumoto.

Business Session

The NC-WNDC, after discussing the JACL statement on civil rights and its implementation at the chapter level, went on record to commend the special committee which drew up the statement.

DC membership chairman, Dr. Clifford Fujimoto, reported 6,147 current members as compared to 6,262 last year. On 1000 Club, there are 442 current members, of which 88 are due to be renewed by the end of this year and 39 have lapsed this year.

Yone Satoda, national assistant treasurer, reported NC-WN chapters have remitted \$32,336 against the quota of \$36,029.

John Yasumoto reported on the details of voter registration and requirements. Frank Oda made a progress report on the Japanese History Project. Frank Iiyama, DC nominations chairman, will be assisted by Steve Doi, Mrs. Molly Kitajima, George Matsumoto and Eiichi Sakaguchi.

San Mateo JACL will host the next quarterly meeting Nov. 3.

San Leandro editorial in tribute to Miller for showing U.S. does correct its mistakes

(Special to the Pacific Citizen)

SAN LEANDRO. — The San Leandro Times Star and Morning News recently paid special tribute to Congressman George P. Miller in performing a significant and important service with his tribute to Japanese American servicemen of World War II on June 11.

The editorial was reprinted in the appendix of the Congressional Record, July 30, under extension of remarks of Rep. Jeffery Cohelan.

The editorial said that two hours of time reserved by Miller was "of great significance to the entire country in this summer of 1963..." it bore most pointedly on the question of civil rights in this democracy of ours and because it so clearly showed how our democracy has demonstrated its ability as Miller said, to "correct its mistakes and even its abuses."

"Furthermore, it did this without once mentioning the difficulties which Americans of Negro ancestry are now experiencing."

"The way in which Miller accomplished this was through his exposition of how the country had wrongfully treated Americans of Japanese ancestry in World War II, how these same Americans of Japanese ancestry had offered their services by the thousands at that very same time to the country's armed services, how the offer was accepted, how valiantly the Americans of Japanese ancestry fought for the United States throughout the war and how, after the conflict, they assumed the place in the life of the country that is rightfully theirs and which no one today could possibly deny them."

Titled, "Miller Tells How De-

mocracy Corrects Even its Abuses," the San Leandro editorial explained that the speech was to commemorate the services sponsored by the Japanese American Citizens League on June 2 at Arlington National Cemetery.

The editorial continues: "Whoever reads Miller's address, and the speeches of the other Members of the House who rose to comment during the two hours, cannot fail to see that the essential truth of Miller's thinking is, to quote his words again, that our democracy does 'correct its mistakes and even its abuses.'"

"That is the fact which forms the heart difference between our society and that of the monolithic, crushing dictatorships, be they of the proletariat or of individuals. 'And because of that fact we should all know and clearly see that our country will win through its present difficulties involved in civil rights controversy and emerge stronger for it,' the editorial concludes."

And that was not all. When the float stopped in front of the reviewing stand at the Memorial Stadium at Century 21 grounds, it was awarded the Allied Florists Trophy for best use of fresh flowers. As this is the third time the Community float has won this award, the huge sterling silver mug is ours for keeps.

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BY ELMER OGAWA

(Special to the Pacific Citizen)

SEATTLE. — Many hundreds of hearts beat a little faster and chests swelled with justifiable pride last Saturday as the Japanese Community Float swung into line near the front of Seafair's Grande Parade. As it moved off, two naval reservists appeared carrying a banner indicating that the Japanese American float had been awarded King Neptune's trophy for the best in the parade.

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20,000 Blossoms

Frank Hattori and Jim Baba are Float Committee co-chairmen, and the former reports that more than 150 members of the Community worked on the float during the 5 weeks it was under construction. Several of the "lead men" of the construction crews like "Mikado" John Nakashima worked on the project daily and far into the night. On the final night a large crew, male and female, turned out to attach the 20,000 blossoms, half of which were Hawaiian orchids to make up the blossoms of the "Yum Yum" tree.

It was interesting to watch the reactions of spectators at the parade assembly point. Quite a few, including some of the judges, touched the orchid and gladiolus blossoms as if to check that they were not some supercilious imitation. One official pointed out to his female colleague, the fine points of the mortise work on the Taikobashi (arched bridge), and

the railing around the Mikado's throne. The work is exquisite and authentic right down to the Japanese tools used, as for example "reverse" teeth planes and saws.

Committeemen of the various floats appraise competing entries at the parade assembly area. Said one: "In our neighborhood a guy will throw you a \$5 bill, but you can't get him to contribute an hour's work — this entry shows many man-hours of painstaking work plus generous contributions."

Pre-Parade Prattle

Information is freely exchanged in pre-parade meetings of the float committees and queen sponsors. For example: Frank Hattori learned that no other organization awards scholarships to its girls and few can put up a wardrobe allowance such as provided by the Japanese community.

A couple of people inquired if we would sell the little arched bridge or the "house" over the Mikado's throne, once the float use is over. The answer was a regretful "no" — we have use for our mounting stockpile of props.

Our "Mikado" characters re-

quire 2 hours for make-up, even with the help of professionals, and for their parts wear authentic ancient Japanese Court costumes.

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CIVIL RIGHTS ISSUE

Much has appeared and will continue to appear in the Pacific Citizen on the current issue of equal rights for Negroes. We sense that interest on this question in the Letterbox will be high for weeks to come.

The Letterbox was instituted as a sounding board for the membership primarily. Names will be withheld or non de plume will be honored upon request, but the original letter requires the writer's signature.

Comments should help to make the membership more conscious of the civil rights problem and JACL's role in this area.

After Sept. 29, it'll be against the state law to write any news paper editor and try to make him think someone else was the author. Assemblyman Gordon H. Winton, Jr.—Livingston-Mercer 1000er—introduced the bill. Intent of the law is to stop people from illegally using the names of well-known citizens to endorse controversial local projects in letters-to-the-editor columns.

PHILADELPHIA QUIZ

About the time, Allen Okamoto's report on the re-analysis of the Philadelphia JACL appeared in this column (July 19 PC), the Philadelphia JACL chapter president Tosh Kaname forwarded a report of their picnic, but included the questionnaire which was used in preparing the report.

"I thought it would be nice to have this report presented in the PC since it may guide other chapters in reanalyzing their present organizational set-up." Kaname suggested.

While we're reprinting the Questionnaire verbatim, each chapter anxious to review its own program can make the necessary changes to meet its purposes. At the right side of each question were boxes under "YES" and "NO". Each member was asked to sign the survey.

We believe chapters are interested in the overall program of other chapters and while there is not enough time at national conventions to discuss this in detail, the columns of the PC are always open to assist chapters in general.

Questionnaire

(Answer: YES or NO)

1. Do you believe in the National JACL?
2. Are you familiar with the National JACL program?
3. Should there be a JACL in Philadelphia?
4. Do you believe Philadelphia should continue its present operation format?

Impressions

BY ISAAC MATSUSHIGE, PSW Regional Director

FEET ON THE GROUND

While there are some who feel that JACL chooses to fold its hands and pat heads in mere token expressions of active concern for the Negro in their struggle for equal rights, I am certain that here in the PSW, we have not left our feet to remain idle. Our feet have not been left to dangle in useless immobility. The PSW has moved with their feet... on the ground.

While many words of expressions, opinions, fears, discussions and other such time-consuming terms are involved in defining position, purpose, direction, affiliation, etc., we must, however, yield to consent that these often from these significant words that ideas for solution and methods to achieve are gained. I am sure we do not expect resolutions to be organized at Sunday School picnics nor do we expect to bring orderliness without responsible planning.

Here in the PSW, we will not be precluded to feel when we should walk or when we should run. Our hope is that we will be granted wisdom enough to know when to walk and when to run. The coming Aug. 25, PSWDC 2nd Quarterly District meeting, held at the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel, will upgrade the PSW Chapters with the business of responsible planning. With responsible planning, we move toward orderliness.

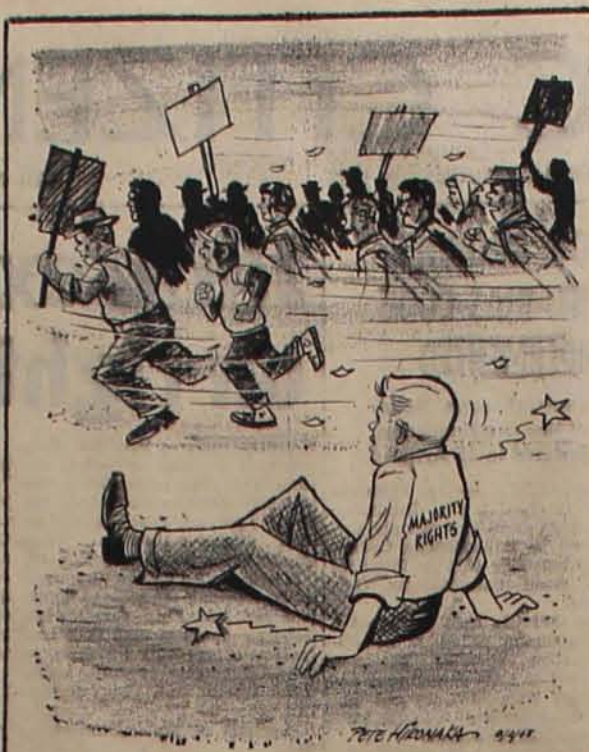
It is with these few remarks of concern for responsible planning and orderliness, whether in the areas of civil rights, membership, youth, finance or whatever the agenda for the business of the PSWDC meeting may be, that I wish to make mention as to how deeply I am impressed by our PSWDC Chairman Mas Hironaka. However difficult, controversial, delicate or pressing the issues may be in our coming PSWDC meeting, I know that Chairman Mas Hironaka with his usual calmness, ease and alertness to the parliamentary procedure, can move our members to achieve our goals. This I feel we will accomplish by moving with our feet on the ground.

SCHOLARSHIP

The PSWDC Chapters were extremely happy to hear the good news that two of our Chapter sponsored nominees for the 1963 National Scholarship competition were named recipients, one for the coveted Pot Ben Frank Masakawa Memorial Scholarship and the other for the Walter T. Tsukamoto Memorial Scholarship.

Our congratulations go to Lenice (Liz) of Los Angeles, nominated by the East Los Angeles Chapter, for winning the Pot Ben Frank Masakawa Memorial Scholarship and also to Amy Munaka, sponsored by the San Fernando Valley Chapter.

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Forgotten in Their Rush?

PC LETTERBOX:

Nisei Advises Nisei to Do 'Soul Searching'

Dear Editor:

As an official member of the JACL family, I have been privileged to contribute articles and columns to our Pacific Citizen over the years. This is the first time that I have been moved to write spontaneously on any matter, with the hope that our good editor sees fit to publish it.

Like many Americans I have been reading much about the events occurring throughout our country, in the wake of the determined efforts of the Negro to obtain complete equality. This subject more or less came to a "head" in my own mind when I read Howard Imazeki's column "This is Our Voice," printed in the July 12 PC. I have subsequently obtained copies of several later editions of the Hokubei Mainichi and have read the flood of reactions, both pro and con, that Howard's editorial unleashed. As might be expected, these reactions (to me) range from the "sublime to the ridiculous" — but without doubt all sincere.

In order to avoid the pitfall of "painting with too wide a brush," I would like to comment specifically upon Dr. Clifford Uyeda's letter printed in the July 19 PC. I do this because Dr. Uyeda's main point, regarding demonstrations is one that I have heard from many Nisei. Frequently this protest goes something like this, "I agree with the objectives of the Negro but I don't agree with how they are going about reaching them." Let us recognize the stark truth of Mr. Imazeki's opening statement "We feel it is difficult indeed for us Nisei to really appreciate the suffering and agony of our Negro-Americans." I feel like going further and saying that it

'This Is Our Voice'

In recent weeks a number of my associates in Congress—partly in jest but also with a degree of serious indignation—have called my attention to the Imazeki editorial.

This editorial has been inserted in the Congressional Record and is being used effectively by a number of organizations opposed to civil rights legislation. It also has been cited in many anti-civil rights letters addressed to Congressman Kastenmeier, for whom I am administrative assistant.

I do not know why Mr. Imazeki wrote this particular editorial, but, whatever the reason, he has succeeded in providing much help to those who oppose any civil rights legislation. But even more shocking than the editorial itself was the fact that neither the Pacific Citizen nor West Coast Nisei saw fit to refute it. Worse yet, it seems to me that the Pacific Citizen, in reprinting the Imazeki editorial without appropriate comment except for the heading, "This Is Our Voice," seemed to be giving its tacit endorsement to the views expressed—notwithstanding the forthright JACL statement.

I was pleased to read Mike Masakawa's reply in your recent issue.

The Pacific Citizen, from time to time, reprints comments diverse and otherwise of particular interest to our readers as a service. The Imazeki editorial was published in the same light. Traditionally, what appears in the PC does not necessarily reflect JACL policy so far as news and columns are concerned, except for the National Director's report "Ye Editor's Desk" in the same issue pointed to the dangers of falling into racial stereotyping, in effect our comment on the editorial in question. The unwary would have been lured in this trap.

is presumptuous of us Japanese Americans to criticize the direct action efforts of the Negro, when most of us don't even know what they have endured (except vicariously) and some of us are lukewarm in our support of their struggle.

Rev. King's Letter

For those who are interested I would like to share the very informative, effective and logical piece written by Dr. Martin Luther King, titled "A Letter from Birmingham Jail," appearing in the S.F. Chronicle: July 6, 1963. I am personally profoundly impressed by the following quote: "I have almost reached the regrettable conclusion that the Negro's great stumbling block in the stride toward freedom is not the White Citizens' Council or the Ku Klux Klan, but the white moderate who is more devoted to 'order' than to justice; who prefers a negative peace which is the absence of tension to a positive peace which is the presence of justice; who constantly says 'I agree with you in the goal you seek, but I can't agree with your methods of direct action'; who paternalistically feels that he can set the timetable for another man's freedom; who lives by the myth of time and who constantly advises the Negro to wait until a 'more convenient season'." Shallow understanding from people of goodwill is much more bewildering than outright rejection.

Perhaps we Nisei should do a little "soul searching." We may look in our mirrors and see the "white moderate" of whom Dr. King speaks, and might have to admit that we have been among those of goodwill with "shallow understanding."

Contrary to Dr. Uyeda's statement, it is my impression that the demonstrations have, in large measure, been unusually well organized and well disciplined.

'Cart Before Horse'

As a Nisei born and reared in the Fillmore District "Nihonmachi" I am fully aware of the things that Howard describes. I cannot disagree with his feeling that rights carry with them responsibilities. I do disagree with the wisdom of placing the "cart before the horse," and distorting the current basic issue which is, whether the U.S. as a Democracy can morally continue to stand by white rights, which are presumably "inalienable" to her citizens, continue to be denied the Negro. In plain words, I am not aware of any qualification in our Constitution that says that any citizen, black, white, yellow, etc. must prove himself "responsible" before he is entitled to his rights. I am, of course, overstating here to make a point.

I do not believe that I am alone in my conviction that the Negro's present struggle is to eliminate discrimination against his people. I do not believe that his abiding desire is to marry into non-Negro families, live next door to non-Negroes who don't want him, or to do some of the other dramatic things that are often the topic of conversation. None of us are naive enough to believe that we can legislate away prejudice. Our experience does tell us that discrimination can be effectively fought in the "American way," through courts of law.

As an American and a national officer of the JACL, I feel that it is my responsibility to do some soul searching of my own. To, as others have already said, be as good a neighbor, fellow worker, etc. to all minorities as I can. To speak, when the opportunity

Washington Newsletter: by Mike Masaoka

Accommodation Controversy

WASHINGTON. — Among supporters of the equality in public accommodations proposal in the Administration's civil rights package, an unfortunate controversy has developed, not over the merits of the proposal itself, but rather on the better constitutional grounds for such legislation.

This controversy is whether the so-called commerce clause or the 14th Amendment should be cited as the authority for this public accommodations section.

The division has been almost along party lines.

The Republicans quite naturally feel a proprietary interest in the 14th Amendment, for they took the lead in its enactment after the Civil War. The Democrats, on the other hand, have a somewhat similar feeling towards the commerce clause, for this clause was resorted to by President Roosevelt and the New Deal as the basis for the social and economic legislation of the 1930's.

Both parties also have important

substantive arguments in favor of their respective constitutional approaches.

Constitution Says

Article I, Section 8, of the Federal Constitution gives Congress power "to regulate commerce among the several states."

It certainly appears to be a regulation of "commerce among the several states" to regulate services at places of public accommodation which utilize supplies or personnel from outside the state. Can anyone seriously argue that Congress has the authority to regulate the color of the margarine that goes on the restaurant table but may not protect a citizen of color who seeks to sit at that table?

Commerce Clause Cases

The recent cases under the Fair Labor Standards Act and other laws predicated upon the commerce clause make clear that minimal crossing of state lines is

still difficult for some Americans to look at another American of Oriental descent and see a man—to know the other is moved by the same impulses, and cherishes the same desires and aspirations. Yet until this is done, America cannot become a leader that the whole world can accept. If we do not treat the minorities in our midst with justice, how can we hope to appeal to the newly emerging nations of Africa and Asia? Our minorities, both Oriental and Negro, must at long last be treated as full citizens. They can no longer be deprived of their rights.

The past must be overcome. The folkways of prejudice, bigotry and intolerance must be changed. Discrimination is outmoded as an aspect of our modern American society. It is time to bring ourselves up to date.

Akiyoshi Yoshimura presented the scroll to Congressman Miller as chairman of the JACL National Public Relations Committee, and also as a Military Intelligence combat veteran who served with Merrill's Marauders. He thanked the Congressman on behalf of all Nisei veterans. The audience of 250 gave the Congressman a standing ovation. More than 60 in the audience were Junior JACLers.

Greetings were given by Mayor John C. Houlihan of Oakland, acting Mayor William McColl of Alameda, and Ken Pursell, chairman of the Alameda County Board of Supervisors. All three paid high tribute to Congressman Miller for his many services to the nation and state and his district over 25 years of public service. Mrs. Miller was also a guest of honor as were Mr. and Mrs. Donald Muir. Mrs. Muir is the daughter of Congressman Miller. Paul Yamamoto served as the able toastmaster.

In making the presentation, Yoshimura read telegrams of testimonial from JACL National President Patrick Okura, JACL Washington Representative Mike Masaoka, and from Congressman Spark Matsunaga.

Karie Yamashita sang the JACL Hymn, accompanied by Roy Endo, both of the Oakland Chapter.

JACL Pins Awarded

National 1st V.P. Jerry Enomoto presented the Silver JACL pin to Mrs. Margaret Utsumi, who has been one of the mainstays of the Oakland Chapter since its postwar reactivation. A Sapphire JACL pin was also awarded to Dr. Charles Ishizu, who helped to organize the present Marysville Chapter in 1935 and served as its first president for three years, moved to Stockton where he was the Stockton Chapter president in 1940, and has been a very active member of the Oakland Chapter in the postwar years.

Ogawa —

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To introduce our float personnel: Harry Toshi is the "Lord High Executioner" at the head of the float. Gaily kimonooed princesses on the second island of the float are Pauline Fujino, Pamela Fukuda, and Kathleen Kinoshita. Queen Carolyn Murotani is "Yum Yum" and Roy Nakatani is "Nanki-Poo", the wandering minstrel on the third island. John Nakashima, the float building carpenter and electrician is the "Mikado" and escorts Roger Tanabe and Grant Kuramoto share the dais with his highness.

Banner bearers who walk beside the float are Paul Toshi and Dean Nomura; John Tanabe and Shig Takahashi; Nishi Kumagai and Shiro Sasaki share the driving honors. Both ride at all times. While one drives the other controls the sound effects consisting mostly of recordings from Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Mikado".

In summation, it now appears that everyone is happy that the tradition and momentum gained by continuous participation in Seafair, collapses the split views on participation which came up because manpower problems at convention time last year. The older Nisei are leaving a proud tradition and legacy to the younger generation we see growing up all around us.

Civil Rights Fund

All JACL members wishing to contribute to the JACL Civil Rights Fund, which will be donated to the National Leadership Conference on Civil Rights in addition to the \$2,000 contributed by National Headquarters, should send their checks to the JACL Civil Rights Fund, Washington JACL Office, 919-18th St. N.W., Washington, 6, D.C., immediately.

sufficient to bring the commerce clause into play.

Furthermore, the United States Supreme Court's decisions on "affecting commerce", which is highlighted by its 1942 decision that Congress can regulate the growing of wheat for consumption right on the farm, support regulation of public accommodations without any crossing of state lines. Discriminatory public facilities, which might otherwise be deemed local, adversely affect other establishments clearly in interstate commerce.

Thus, there can be little doubt that the commerce clause is one very certain and broad basis of congressional power in the area of public accommodations.

14th Amendment

Section 5 of the 14th Amendment provides that "Congress shall have power to enforce, by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this article."

Section 1 of the Amendment directs that no state shall "deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws". Accordingly, Congress clearly has the authority to enforce the equal protection clause.

The argument against the power of Congress to act under the 14th Amendment in the area of public accommodations is that discrimination by a restaurant, hotel, or movie is the action of a private owner and not of the state, and that the equal protection clause applies only to state denials of equal protection.

But this argument would no longer appear valid in the face of continuing Supreme Court decisions like the restrictive covenant cases and the Delaware restaurant case, where a limited degree of state involvement was deemed adequate to bring the 14th Amendment into the picture. These and similar cases point the way toward invoking the 14th Amendment wherever the state authorizes, licenses, protects, or regulates private facilities open to the public.

The 1883 Cases

Nor need the 1883 Civil Rights Cases, holding unconstitutional the 1875 public accommodations law, frighten one off from this position. That case was decided at a time when the concept of state action was narrow and property rights were deemed practically inviolable. The underpinnings of that case have been swept away by the broadening concept of state action and by the ascendancy of the public interest over property rights. The probabilities favor a distinguishing or overruling of the 1883 case, quite likely with the same unanimity that the Supreme Court overruled another doctrine of this same era, that of "separate but equal" facilities.

The Administration bill, as originally drafted, was based on the commerce clause alone. Because of pressure from those who relied in whole or in part on the 14th Amendment, findings were inserted into the preamble of this proposal concerning the 14th Amendment.

But the operating sections of the legislation are drafted solely in terms of the commerce clause. These operating sections use such terms as "traveling in interstate commerce", goods and services "provided to a substantial degree to interstate travelers", and activities which "substantially affect interstate travel or the interstate movement of goods". These varying commerce concepts have caused some confusion at the hearings to date.

The JACL position is that this controversy over the constitutional basis for equality in public accommodations should not be allowed to defeat the noble purposes of this proposal. Moreover, JACL is interested in the broadest possible coverage.

Therefore, JACL urges that both the commerce clause and the 14th Amendment be used to provide the necessary constitutional grounds for equality in public accommodations.

There is very direct precedent for combining the commerce clause and the 14th Amendment as the constitutional underpinnings for the President's civil rights proposal. The Tennessee Valley Authority was based on three constitutional powers—the war power, the navigation power, and the right to dispose of property. The Holding Company Act and the Securities Exchange Act were both based on the commerce and the postal powers of the Constitution.

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By Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

POINTS OF VIEW—If you read all the way to the end of the Wall Street Journal's report, July 25, on the effect the Negro civil rights drive is having on other American minorities, you would have come across some rather interesting quotations. For example:

"There's no doubt that when Negroes win a victory, as they did when the California state legislature passed a fair housing bill recently, it's a break for us, too."—Masao Satow, national director of the Japanese American Citizens League.

"Because of the pressures from the Negro community, employers are hiring more Negroes. There are just so many unskilled jobs available and we feel the Negro is taking them away from us."—George Borrell, head of a new Los Angeles Mexican-American group called the Equal Opportunity Foundation.

"Socially and economically, we've reached a much higher plane than the Negroes, so we don't feel mass movements are necessary. The Negro number of uneducated, unemployed and therefore hot-under-the-color people is much higher than ours."—Fred R. Chung, president of the Los Angeles chapter of the Chinese American Citizens Alliance.

"We've gone in very willingly because all minorities benefit from extension of civil rights."—Arnold Forster, general counsel for the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, referring to local and national civil rights conferences.

IN THE MIDDLE—An interesting phenomena of the civil rights struggle is the role that three Nisei—Frank Chuman in Los Angeles, Min Yasui in Denver and Phil Haysaka in Seattle—are playing in the human rights commissions of their respective communities. Representatives of a minority group that has suffered and largely won its struggle, these Nisei are in position to take on large and important responsibilities in the nation's effort to achieve social justice.

In a sense, these Nisei are in a position somewhat like that of U Thant in the United Nations, a representative of a small group called on to seek cooperation and understanding between two great protagonists. More power to them.

A NEW CULTURE—Takahiko Mikami of the Japanese Art Center in San Francisco visited our town not long ago and, among other things, showed a film depicting the life of an upper-middle class Tokyo family. The commentator observed that this family was living in a new culture combining the desirable parts of both Japanese and American ways of life. In other words, culture as well as merchandise has traveled a two-way road across the Pacific since war's end, and if Nikkon and Sony have become American household words, Kellogg's and Heinz are also familiar to Japanese housewives.

According to recent press reports, marriages of economic convenience were consummated by H. J. Heinz Co. and Nishiro Fisheries to produce Nishiro Heinz Co., producers of 15 varieties of canned and strained vegetables for babies. The Kellogg Co. and Ajinomoto have entered into partnership to change the breakfast habits of the Japanese. And now there is Sanyo Scott Co., half-owned by the Scott Paper Co., to provide Japanese with American quality toilet tissue.

But not all these partnerships succeed. One dispatch reports the Lovable Brassiere Co. of Japan, partner of Lovable Brassiere Co. of Atlanta, found that its American-style bra was a luxury item for most Japanese women.

SHOOTING FOR '68—Sapporo, Japan, is making a strong bid to host the Tenth Olympic Winter Games in 1968. In addition to bragging about its fine snow, Sapporo publicity makes a point of asserting that it is the home of excellent beer and beautiful women.

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Betty Taira, Nisei Week queen candidate

TWO-CHAPTER QUEEN—Betty Taira, Nisei Week queen candidate from both Downtown and East Los Angeles JACL, received "koushiki" from Downtown treasurer Frank Onatsu, East L.A. board member Mable Yoshizaki presented the tiara headdress. —Toyo Miyatake Photo.

Hagiwara resigns Olivet Center post

CHICAGO—Resignation of Abe Hagiwara as Olivet Community Center's Director of Services was announced last week by Wallace Heistad, director of the Near North Side settlement.

Hagiwara, a director in Nisei Bowlum, Inc., Sheridan and Montrose, resigned to devote fulltime to the management of the company's bowling alley and real estate interests. His resignation becomes effective in September.

He has been associated with the Center for more than 13 years, is president of the North Central Kiwanis Club, a member of the JACL National Youth Commission and chairman of the Midwest District Youth Committee. He is active in many community groups and helped organize and is past chairman of the Inter-Agency Committee on Neighborhood problems.

In announcing Hagiwara's resignation, Heistad said "His contributions to the Center and the neighborhood have been invaluable."

Olivet located at 1441 N. Cleveland provides a four focus program of social, recreational, educational and welfare services.

Hagiwara plans to be connected with Olivet in some limited capacity in order to assure continued working relationship between the agency and the Japanese community which has come to rely on Olivet's facilities for so much of their community and special activities requiring the use of gymnasium, large hall and meeting rooms.

442nd 20th anniversary fete in Chicago planned

CHICAGO—A group of Nisei veterans have formed a committee this past week to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the activation of the 442nd RCT. Festivities with other civic organizations will be held in the fall. On the committee are:

Tom Kishida, insurance representative; Vince Taira, picture editor, Playboy Magazine; and Tak Hirai, commercial artist.

Sab Kido recuperating

LOS ANGELES—PC Board member Saburo Kido, hospitalized for abdominal surgery July 23, is recuperating at home since Sunday and doing well.



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Anti-bias code—

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"The Code of Fair Practices will serve as guide of conduct to all departments of the state in their relations with minority groups and individuals."

"California is proud of its fine record of minority group relations and its legislative and judicial record to eliminate discrimination but new steps are needed."

"I will expect from all departments of state government not only affirmative action to assure equality of opportunity in every activity the state engages in."

A bill requested by Brown which would have made discrimination grounds for revocation or suspension of any license issued by the state died in the Assembly Ways and Means Committee at the 1963 general session.

Wide Scope

The 15 articles in the code pertain to employment policies, state services and facilities, contracts, employment services, educational programs and institutions, licenses and regulatory agencies, housing, schools, law enforcement, and recipients of benefits, loans and grants.

The order requires annual progress reports to Brown and posting of the code "in conspicuous locations in all state facilities."

The code was developed in a series of meetings between Atty. Gen. Stanley Mosk and state agency heads.

Mosk is heading a statewide civil rights task force to insure compliance with the code and to coordinate all civil rights activities of the state.

Guarantees Noted

Brown met with Mosk and department heads last month to outline in broad terms the problems and objectives of state government in seeking to stop discrimination in its own activities and in public areas.

The governor pointed out that the code is based on "sound legal and judicial foundation—the many laws of the state prohibiting discrimination" and court decisions holding that segregation and discrimination are illegal.

The code preamble notes the constitutional, legislative and judicial guarantees of non-discrimination that exist in California, but says these "are only a beginning."

The governor said, "If discrimination and segregation have been legally forbidden, a more subtle, but equally restrictive discrimination exists and grows."

"Justice demands that we not only banish old forms of discrimination but that we act affirmatively to assure those who contribute fully to our society a chance to share fully in its rewards."

Disciplinary Action

The code calls for disciplinary action against any state licensee who fails to comply with its provisions, which could mean loss of the license.

It also specifies state agencies shall not provide grants, loans nor other financial assistance to public agencies or private organizations who engage in discriminatory practices.

State contracts will contain non-discriminatory employment clauses and any departure from this regulation will be regarded as a material breach of contract under the code.

State officials are directed to hire and promote employees "on the basis of merit and fitness" without discrimination.

Colorado Order: Governor John Love has issued an executive order to prohibit discrimination in the several aspects of state government functions, including appointments to state positions, promotions, contracts for public works, and in the services provided by state regulatory and licensing agencies.

In describing problems relating to minority groups, Governor Love cited the population figures in the state for three groups: 157,000 Spanish Americans, 40,000 Negroes and 3,000 Japanese Americans.

The Japanese American population for this state was 6,846 in 1960, according to the U.S. Census.

Dayton Conference: Representing JACL, Mrs. T. Taguchi attended the recent Catholic Conference for Interracial Justice at the Univ. of Dayton. Delegates from various local organizations attended this meeting, described as "stimulating and timely" by the ex-chapter president.

Ohio Housing Bill: The JACL chapters in Ohio, under leadership of Joe Kadowaki of Cleveland, urged support for the Ohio fair housing bill in the past session. Replies received from Gov. Rhodes and state legislators were favorable, but the bill never came out of the House subcommittee.

Jr. C of C election

LOS ANGELES—Tom Kamel, Univ. of Colorado graduate and partner of Bernhard Garden and Associates, structural engineers, was elected president of the L.A. Japanese Jr. Chamber of Commerce recently.

Sumitomo Bank dedicates Gardena Office, third in fast-expanding Southland area

GARDENA—A gleaming white, three-story building of ultra-modern design was dedicated Aug. 1 here by the Sumitomo Bank of California as it opened its sixth office in the fast-expanding system.

Mayor Pete Jensen cut the ribbon in the opening ceremonies. Participating with him were Japanese Consul General Matsuo Uru of Los Angeles, bank president Makoto Sasaki, Rokusaku Mukasa, superintendent of overseas branches for the Sumitomo Bank, Ltd., of Osaka, the parent bank; chief examiner Gilbert Schneiders of the State Banking Dept., and Shinji Suzuki, branch manager of the new bank at 1251 Redondo Beach Blvd.

The tallest building in the city, the new Sumitomo office contains 15,500 square feet of space of which 11,000 will be utilized by the bank on the main floor and a part of the second floor and the remaining 5,500 feet will be rented as office space.

The dramatic growth of the Sumitomo Bank of Calif. since it opened in 1953 is continuing with an expansion program of which the Gardena office is a symbol. Sasaki told newsmen in Los Angeles earlier that the bank intends to add more offices in Southern California during the next 10 years.

Ground-breaking: Formal ground-breaking ceremonies for the new \$500,000 Bank of Tokyo of California San Jose branch were held Aug. 1 at N. 1st and Younger Sts. A stylish two-story building will replace the temporary quarters at 1336 N. 1st St.

Designed by Takenaka and Associates of San Francisco and Ken Nakamoto of Pasadena, there will be full length glass walls on all four sides, 5,800 sq. ft. on the ground floor and the second floor will include a 600 sq. ft. Japanese garden plus 1,200 sq. ft. room for business and social purposes for the community.

Participating were: Tokinaka Takahashi, bank president; Mayor Robert Welch of San Jose; Russell Pettit, pres. S.J. Chamber of Commerce; Tatsuchi Shibata, chmn., Bank of Tokyo board; P.A. Hamann, city mng.; Kazuo Akaiyama, San Jose bus. mng.

Merit S&L tops \$5 million in assets after 8 months

LOS ANGELES—Eight-month-old Merit Savings and Loan Assn. continues to set records as it surpassed the \$5 million mark in total assets as of July 31, according to Bruce T. Kaji, president.

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EDC-MDC JOINT CONVENTION

BY KUNEO YOSHINARI
Natl JACL Treasurer

CHICAGO. — The fifth biennial EDC-MDC Joint JACL Convention will be held by the Cleveland Chapter during the forthcoming Labor Day weekend. With President Henry Tanaka and General Chairman Masayoshi Tanaka supervising the preparations, there is no doubt that this affair will be another memorable gathering in keeping with the traditions of the past conventions.

The theme, "The Wider World of JACL" — is thought-provoking when considered in the light of what JACL's obligations and responsibilities are in regard to the current national issues, especially in the field of civil rights.

Aside from the exhilarative fellowship, it can be expected that there will be many hours of sober deliberations on how to improve and strengthen the organization. I shall confine my remarks here in to these general areas:

Program and Activities

There is a growing concern that new ideas and innovations are needed to entice membership participation. A dynamic chapter program is the positive way to attract prospective members as well as to retain those who have constantly supported us through the years.

With the changing of times and social order, our JACL program and activities must keep attune to the occurring evolutions. Such opportunity is now at hand in the area which is mentioned below.

Civil Rights

The profound impact upon social history will be made as the consequence of what effect the present uprising of Negro Americans on civil rights will have on the destiny of all Americans. The JACL must intelligently share in the outcome of this campaign because it is akin to the very purpose for which it was originally organized to eradicate racial discrimination and segregated treatments of minorities.

The recent statement of our national policy on civil rights eloquently speaks of our role in this crusade. However, there remains the necessity of implementing the policy into working ways and means by which the chapters and members can best contribute to the success of the civil rights objectives.

With many thinking minds expected in attendance, the convention will surely resolve the way by which the JACL can constructively engage in the process which will insure first-class citizenship treatment to our fellow Negro Americans and to all other minority Americans.

The JACL should utilize its association in human relations to put

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ter, for being awarded one of the two Walter T. Tsukamoto Memorial Scholarships. In such keen competition with so many outstanding Japanese American scholars throughout our nation, we are most pleased that these two PSW young people have been attained such outstanding recognitions.

I was deeply impressed by a letter received from Lance Ito, which I wish to quote in part. "As I continue my education with the help of the Pvt. Ben Frank Masakata Scholarship, I will always try to keep in mind what it stands for. As Pvt. Masakata went beyond the call of duty for his country and the Japanese American community, so shall I endeavor to do my best in all that I attempt."

To Amy Muneoka and to Lance Ito, we are indeed proud of you. . . PSW congratulates you!

Calendar

Aug. 10 (Saturday)
Philadelphia — Outing, Menlo Park, Belleville.
Aug. 11 (Sunday)
Pocahontas — JACL meeting.
Aug. 12 — JACL meeting.
Hollywood — Nisei Week Carnival booth.
Aug. 17 — 28
Honolulu — JACL Invitational Bowling Tournament, Stadium Bowl-O.
Aug. 18 (Sunday)
Portland — Japan Night, Washington Music Festival.
Cincinnati — Chapter picnic.
Aug. 24 (Saturday)
Eden Township — Barbecue.
Aug. 25 (Sunday)
Hollywood — PSW-DC quarterly session, Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel, 9 a.m.; Atty. Frank Chuman, luncheon 4:30 p.m.; "Race Relations in L.A. County."
Dayton — Picnic, Triangle Park, 1 p.m.
Aug. 26 (Friday)
Seattle — CCDC meeting.
Long Beach — Harbor Community Center carnival.
Aug. 31 (Sept. 1)
Cleveland — EDC-MDC joint convention, Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel; Banquet, Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel, 7:30 p.m.; Atty. Frank Chuman, luncheon 4:30 p.m.; "Race Relations in L.A. County."
Sept. 1 (Sunday)
Santa Barbara — Fishing Derby.
Chicago — JACL meeting, Olivet Center, 8:30 a.m.
San Jose — Baseball night, Candlestick Park.
Sept. 7 (Saturday)
Detroit — Picnic, Inland Park, 10 a.m.
Oakland — Night in Hawaii, Inland Park, 8:30 p.m.

Civil Rights

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"As minority Americans, we have learned over the years to put our trust in the courts," the JACL statement said. "We may not always agree with the ultimate decisions, as in the so-called evacuation test cases, but our experience especially since the end of WW2 is that . . . the judiciary seems to understand and defend the rights, privileges and immunities of minorities, even under the most difficult of circumstances."

Title IV—New Agency

JACL believes the creation of a Community Relations Service, which would provide an opportunity to bring various leaders and people to help resolve local problems arising from discriminatory practices, is a "useful public function."

Declaring that it should not be accepted as a substitute for enforcement or a voluntary alternative to implementing civil rights, JACL feels such an agency can help prepare an area to accept public policy as enunciated by the government.

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NC-WNDC appoints Kusaba legal aide

SAN FRANCISCO. — Jack Kusaba, attorney and an officer of the Sumitomo Bank of California, was appointed legal counsel of the No. Calif.-Western Nevada JACL District Council by James Murakami, council chairman.

As legal counsel, Kusaba will be working closely with the national legal counsel William Muratani, and giving legal advice to the district council executive board on all League matters.

Other DC legal counsel include Mark Kiguchi, Southwest L.A. attorney, for the Pacific Southwest; and attorney Mas Yano of Salt Lake City for the Intermountain.

1000 Club Report

Last Half July Report: National Headquarters received 47 new and renewal 1000 Club memberships during the last half of July. The current total is 1,547.

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CCDC convention note

(The Pacific Citizen regrets the announcement of Pat Okura, national JACL president, as the CCDC Convention principal speaker in the July 26 PC. Though Okura will have an important role in the convention, CCDC Chairman Ben Nakamura reports L.A. Superior Court Judge John Also will be the keynote speaker. The CCDC Convention is scheduled for Dec. 8 at the Hacienda Motel, Fresno.)



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cans in this somewhat similar arrangement lies in their association with the War Relocation Authority that instituted programs to enable evacuees live outside of camp and resettle on the West Coast when it was reopened.

Title V—Rights Commission

While the Administration asks for a four-year extension of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission and expansion of its services to become a national clearing house of civil rights information, JACL believes it can become an invaluable independent agency on a permanent basis.

Need for a permanent agency is shown, the JACL statement points out, by the fear that "this national shame will be with us for many, many years." JACL has no illusions concerning the timetable for ultimate resolution of the civil rights problems.

JACL further proposes that the commission be given "over-all responsibility for making all civil rights meaningful for all Americans." It already has a competent and experienced director and staff; advisory citizen committees are organized in every state; and it has the background of information to understand the problems.

Title VI—Use of Funds

JACL agrees with the thesis that federal funds contributed to the national treasury by all the people should not be utilized in a way that discriminates against some of the people who contribute those funds.

JACL agrees that public funds should not be used to subsidize continued violation of constitutional rights of some of our citizens.

Title VI has to do with withholding federal funds from any project that receives federal assistance if discrimination is found in such program or activity.

"As we envision this proposal, withholding of funds by the President is a discretionary authority—not a mandatory one—to be exercised in the national interest . . . and in terms of specific projects and programs."

Title VII—Employment

JACL believes a "fair employment practices" provision should be substituted for the President's request under Title VII to re-establish the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity as a commission.

The President's commission would only be concerned with businesses and companies having government contracts. Under "fair employment practices," racial discrimination in all job opportunities would be outlawed.

JACL also believes Title VII should include a fair housing enforcement authority for the problem of jobs is related to housing in view of the companion executive order that established the President's Committee for Equal Housing Opportunity.

The JACL statement discussed the economic and social gains to be had if, for example, the Negro enjoyed the right of equal employment opportunities. Manpower resources would be utilized more effectively. Production costs would be lowered and allow U.S. goods to be more competitive in the foreign market. And if minority Americans feel secure in their jobs and confident of promotions based on performance, they would be

Jr. JACL Jottings

Sacramento Jr. JACL

"Once in a While": Sacramento Jr. JACL will have its annual dance, "Once in a While," on Saturday, Aug. 17, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Newman Hall across from Sacramento State College. A combo will provide music for this dressy sports affair.

Beverly Nakano, dance chairman, will be assisted by: Margaret Nakayama, refreshments; Alan Ota, music; Joan Fujii, door; Naomi Hara, bids; Newell Noda and Satoshi Kollma, arr. and Martha Kubo, pub.

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come more interested in "good citizenship," more education, better housing, etc.

In the case of Japanese Americans, the wartime FEPC opened employment in previously closed industries, such as aircraft, industrial research and defense production.

"The right to fair employment and fair housing opportunities are basic to the well-being of these currently being deprived of these human rights (and) to the 'general welfare' objective of the U.S. Constitution."

Title VIII—Miscellany

Title VIII has to do with the miscellaneous provisions for necessary appropriations to effectuate the proposal and for the usual "separability clause" to insure that all other sections of the President's package are constitutional should one be held invalid.

JACL offered no comment on this title.

In conclusion, the JACL statement called upon the subcommittee and the Congress to "act fast and favorably on meaningful civil rights."

The central issue is: "whether any citizen, of any race, creed or color, can be deprived—openly or covertly—of such basic human rights and social justices as herein involved."

While JACL concedes that laws themselves will not correct the present inequities, it is a start. The courts have pioneered in this field, the Chief Executive has promulgated orders where possible.

"The Congress has been the laggard thus far in the great civil rights revolution that is shaking the Nation."

JACL believes the voluntary approach is ineffective when high tension and emotionalism are involved as the Attorney General has stated. The state of civil rights after 100 years is still deplorable.

"We are confident that if this Congress meets this great issue head-on, in the spirit of a legislative proud of its tradition of leadership and prouder still of its respect for the dignity of every human being, the rest of the Nation will gladly follow, for this recognition of the individual citizen is not only what sets this country apart but also makes the American dream more meaningful for all."

Nisei gains support for transpacific flight in '64

LOS ANGELES. — Henry Ohye, auto salesman and veteran amateur pilot who is planning to make a goodwill transpacific flight to Tokyo next April, received the support of the Japanese American Aeronautical Assn. for his proposed trip at a meeting of the group July 27.

Ohye is an adviser of the local Nisei flying club. At the meeting Mrs. Betty Miller, 36-year-old Santa Monica flying instructor, said she never felt tired at any time during her recent trip across the Pacific to Australia. Her total elapsed air time for the flight was 53 hours.

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Ondo Practice: Kanya Sanjo, chief choreographer for the 1963 Nisei Week Ondo Parade, has introduced three new dance steps for the Harbor Community Center Ondo at practices which began in the Community Center yard last Monday. Practice sessions will continue on Monday and Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., until the Harbor Community Center carnival, Aug. 31-Sept. 1, according to Jim Okita, general chairman.

The ondo will be a principal attraction of the carnival. Mrs. Kiyoshi Harada is in charge of the ondo and Masao Inouye is providing the sound system and music.

Downtown L.A. JACL

Philharmonic Orchestra: Downtown L.A. JACL is co-sponsoring with the Japan America Society the Nisei Week concert of the Japanese American Philharmonic Orchestra at Koyasan Hall, Aug. 15. Kei Uchima and Mrs. Saku Shirakawa are members of the orchestra committee.

Washington, D.C. JACL

JACL Bazaar: The second biennial D.C. JACL bazaar is being planned by Ed Mitoma, chairman, and his committee for Oct. 12 at All Souls Unitarian Church, 16th and Harvard Sts., N.W. Both Pierce Hall and the dining hall are being reserved to allow more room for dining and concessions areas. Other committeemen are: Harry Takagi, Kay Kobayashi, associate; Alice Endo, Eiko Mitoma, foods; Charles Pace, Masao Hashiguchi, concessions; Fujio Tsutsumi, gen. arr.; Jeanne Goshu, fin.; Harvey Iwata, procurements; Aki Sano, pub.; Aki Iwata, Don Komai, conc. consultants; Haruko Ishiyama, sec.

Eden Township JACL

Graduates Barbecue: Eden Township JACL will honor local high school graduates of 1962 and 1963 at the chapter barbecue Aug. 24, according to Tosh Nakashima, chairman.

Dayton JACL

Shelter at Triangle Park has been reserved by Dayton JACL for its chapter picnic Aug. 25 from 1 p.m. Ken Sugawara is in charge and Gladys Inouye will handle the games and races.

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Eden Township helps in community service

HAYWARD. — Eden Township JACL is cooperating with local institutions on various enterprises, the current chapter newsletter reports.

The San Leandro Boys Club recently requested the services of landscape architect to finish the outside of their building. Harry Kawabata volunteered.

Hayward Postmaster A. J. Foster has issued an appeal for substitute clerks and carriers. Chapter president Sam Kuramoto responded by placing the details in the newsletter.

Exchange Student: Tak Terasaki's 16-year-old daughter Alene of Denver is sailing from New York Aug. 17 to spend a year in Hanover, Germany, under the American Field Service American's Abroad program for the coming year. She will be staying with Dr. and Mrs. Karl Genger, a physician, who has a 15-year-old daughter, Alene would have been a senior at East High in the fall, but she will now attend St. Ursula High School for Girls.

Picnic Reports

KENSINGTON, Md. — A raw-egg catching contest for D.C. JACLers was part of the fun at the chapter picnic July 7 here at Ken Gar recreation center. About 75 members and family enjoyed the day. The Capitol Grocers Assn. provided the soft drinks, the Voice of America supplied the background music.

JACKSON, Wyo. — An Idaho Falls JACL caravan of seven cars trekked here for a two-day outing in late July for mountain-lake fishing, water skiing, swimming and boating. Sam Yamasaki and Mrs.

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