



CCDC ISSUES ITS STATEMENT ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Fear Precedent Created
by \$2,000 Donation
to Civil Rights Group

FRESNO. — The Central California District Council, at its Aug. 30 meeting, set forth its views on civil rights and the National JACL's \$2,000 donation to the National Leadership Conference on Civil Rights by National JACL.

The statements were issued this week by CCDC Chairman Ben Nakamura. The views were formulated after a report by the council's legal-legislative committee.

Recognizing that many Americans suffer discriminatory treatment in the matter of civil rights "in certain areas of the United States", the CCDC civil rights statement noted that "civil rights brings with them the concomitant obligation that such rights be not abused."

While civil rights can be and should be legislated for all Americans regardless of color or creed, social acceptance cannot be legislated. "This is an individual matter. Color or creed cannot and should not protect an individual from his own failings, nor should it endow him with virtues he does not possess."

\$2,000 Donation

The manner and procedure followed by the special National JACL civil rights committee meeting in Omaha was regarded by the CCDC as "contrary to the express provisions of the JACL constitution and greatly fears the precedent this has created."

The CCDC was unable to agree with the explanations set forth by the National Director in the Aug. 18 Pacific Citizen.

The CCDC did not disapprove the \$2,000 donation, however.

The complete text of both statements follows:

CCDC Civil Rights Statement

"The Central California District Council recognizes that many Americans, and especially Negro Americans, are suffering discriminatory treatment in the matter of civil rights in certain areas of the United States.

"The Central California District Council reminds all Americans that civil rights bring with them the concomitant obligation that such rights be not abused. In the process of asserting such rights, care must be taken not to ignore the rights of others because this may alienate the very people who seek to support these rights for all Americans without discrimination.

"Equal civil rights can be legislated, and should be obtained for all Americans regardless of color or creed in conformity with the basic principle upon which our country exists. On the other hand, social or community acceptance cannot be legislated for any group or segment of the American population. This is an individual matter. Color or creed cannot, and should not, protect an individual from his own failings, nor should it endow him with virtues he does not possess.

"What is truly desired is the recognition of the individual as such, the recognition of his virtues and his failings regardless of his color or creed, and not as a member of any particular ethnic group or any other general classification.

"To this end, the Central California District Council urges all chapters to give support to all legitimate and orderly activities to the degree which in their judgment best fits the circumstances in their respective communities."

Re \$2,000 Donation

"The Central California District Council does not disapprove the \$2,000 donation to the National Leadership Conference on Civil Rights as such; however, it feels that the manner and procedure followed to commit the JACL to this donation is contrary to the express provisions of the Constitution of the Japanese American Citizens League and greatly fears the precedent this has created.

"The CCDC is unable to agree with the explanations given by the National Director in the August 16 issue of the Pacific Citizen, justifying the method used and the constitutional authority cited for the appropriation.

"Publicity of the donation being released at Omaha immediately after the meeting, the JACL was committed to the \$2,000 donation before the approval of the National Board was sought by mailed

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TWELVE DETROIT ladies are being groomed for the title of 1964 Miss National JACL, who will reign as official hostess of the 1964 National JACL Convention in Detroit, July 1-4. The eight candidates (from left) are Shirley Kinoshita, Elaine Ohno, Doris Sasakura, Alyce Satoh, Elaine Takemoto, Shirley Satow, Sarah Shirane, Marcia Matsumoto and Anne Makino. Three missing are Marilyn Nagano, Janice Fujita and Jane Itami. The convention queen and her court of two attendants will be selected at the Sheraton Cadillac during the Detroit JACL Coronation Ball next month on Oct. 12.

'64 JACL Convention pace in Detroit to gain momentum with naming of Queen

(Special to Pacific Citizen)

DETROIT. — Crowning of Miss 1964 National JACL Convention will be the highlight of the Detroit JACL coronation ball scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 12, at the Sheraton Cadillac Hotel's stately Crystal Ballroom.

As convention queen, she will reign during the 1964 National JACL convention being hosted by Detroit JACL next July 1-4. She will be assisted by a court of two attendants.

Twelve candidates have been training for the finale of the queen contest, being given lessons in proper posture, grooming and other essentials. The fairest of Detroit's Samsel girls competing for the honors are:

Janice Fujita, 20 years of age,

attends Highland Park Jr. College, interests are swimming, skiing, flower arrangement.

Jane Itami, 22 years, Wayne State University student, textile and clothing merchandising major, enjoys swimming and sewing.

Shirley Kinoshita, 19 years, IBM key punch operator at Kresge Foundation, hobbies include bowling, dancing and sports.

Anne Makino, 19 years, attends Wayne State University, likes sewing and dancing.

Marcia Matsumoto, 18 years, interests are fashion design and journalism.

Marilyn Nagano, 18 years, Wayne State University student, interested in all phases of home economics.

Elaine Ohno, 21 years, attends

Wayne State University, hobbies are refinishing furniture and sport cars.

Doris Sasakura, 21 years, pharmacy major at Wayne State University, enjoys cooking, sewing and piano.

Alyce Satow, 17 years, student at Lowrey High School, hobbies are sewing and reading.

Shirley Satow, 21 years, student at Henry Ford Community College, enjoys sewing, cooking, music and dancing.

Sarah Shirane, 20 years, Wayne State University, likes to sew and read.

Elaine Takemoto, 19 years, University of Michigan student, hobbies are music and piano, sewing, reading and knitting.

Judges for the Queen Contest

are:

Lorraine Schultz, of La Fen Charn School; Judge Theodore Bohn; George Kawamoto, photographer; and Dr. George Bohman, chin speech dept., Wayne State University.

The coronation ball will be a semi-formal affair with Phil Gram's orchestra providing the music. Dr. Ted Kokubo will emcee. The dance starts at 8:30 and tickets are selling for \$5 per couple, \$3 single and \$2 student.

JACLers from other Midwest and Eastern District chapters are expected to attend the gala event.

Impressions: by Isaac Matsushige Love That Forgives

The bombing of the 16th Street Baptist Church in Birmingham on the Sunday morning, Sept. 15, turned a quiet day of religious worship into a shocking experience of terror, confusion and even violent death for four young Negro girls for having attended a regular Sunday School class.

This tragic drama in this Birmingham church has shocked and moved the people of the nation and the world.

Today, here in Los Angeles, the PSW area is being blessed with a good portion of that Southern California "drizzle". The warm and dry spell of summer heat now welcomes the refreshing rain.

To those of us who may feel that such a refreshing rain should fall on only the just . . . or that the sun should rise but for only the good . . . that love should flow for only the beloved . . . that salutations should be voiced for only the friend . . . I am wondering if we are yet failing to understand or to believe in the deeper significance and meaningfulness of the simple Sunday School lesson of "the love that forgives", left tragically unfinished by our four young girls in the Birmingham church last Sunday morning.

I am hopeful that here in the PSW as in all other District Council areas, that we as Japanese American people were able to capture the message from the unfinished lesson of these four young Negro girls.

This message to us is not that we should forgive, but rather that we be forgiven. It is not that we solely understand, but rather that we also believe.

The case in point is loud and clear. The unfinished Birmingham lesson was meant to be finished. The lesson yet awaits to be realized.

To this end, we will move.

OFFICE SECRETARY

Pearl Mughishina, Regional Office secretary, has informed the office that she will be leaving her post at the end of this month.

We have each and all, counted heavily on her Regional Office experience, her loyalty and dedication, her willingness to always help, that her notice of leaving was greatly felt. Pearl has been the heart of the Regional Office. She has carried on the responsibilities of the Regional Office during the period when the PSW had

'Harry's all wet' say Islanders on his mixed marriage stand

HONOLULU. — Former President Harry Truman, who says he's against racial intermarriage, got roasted this week by some of Hawaii's prominent and racially intermarried citizens.

The furor was raised by Truman's statement in New York that racial intermarriage was against the teachings of the Bible and that he hoped it would not become widespread in the United States.

The hottest retort came from Univ. of Hawaii lecturer Joseph R. Mottl, a Caucasian whose wife is Negro.

Said Mottl:

"I'm amused and astonished that a man of his intelligence and background—a former president whom I respect for his frankness—would not have insight into the fact that the fundamental fact of integration is not fair employment practices, or integration in the schools but is actually racial intermarriage."

"The result of intermarriage is positive and Harry Truman is a haberdasher."

Nisei Reactions

State Sen. Sakae Takahashi, whose wife is Caucasian, said racial intermarriage "is a pretty common thing in Hawaii and is becoming more prevalent on the

Mainland.

"I think that President Truman, much as I admire him for his views on other important subjects, is completely off base in this particular case," said Takahashi.

State Rep. Howard Y. Miyake, another attorney of Japanese ancestry with a Caucasian wife, said he felt Truman's stand will change nothing.

"Regardless of Mr. Truman's position on intermarriages, there have been intermarriages in the past, there are in the present and there will be in the future. Period!" he said.

Percy Mirkitali, Republican candidate for lieutenant governor in last year's primary election, whose wife is Caucasian, said he

was uncertain about the exact meaning of Truman's remarks.

"If President Truman meant by his statement that he's against interracial marriage, all of them, then this is certainly contrary to the make-up of the American way of life," he said.

"It hits at the very foundation of what America is made of, because, historically, America is composed of people from all over the world regardless of racial background."

State Sen. O. Vincent Esposito, whose wife is of Chinese ancestry, said Truman is "maybe reading a different Bible than I read."

"I really feel sorry for Harry in last year's primary election, if he said something like that," whose wife is Caucasian, said he

PARKING PROBLEM MAY BE MET IN LI'L TOKIO REDEVELOPMENT

LOS ANGELES. — Accommodations for parking cars must be included in any redevelopment program within the city of Los Angeles.

To meet this regulation, the Little Tokyo Redevelopment Assn. reported last Saturday that such a step has been advanced by the announcement of one group in Little Tokyo planning to buy a five-story building on the southwest corner of Second and Central Ave.

A wholesale pharmaceutical storehouse at one time, the structure will be converted into an indoor ramp parking lot for several hundred vehicles. "We hope this meets the requirement for expansion of facilities within the area," one spokesman said.

If the city requirements are met by this plan, then much of the so-called Kajima redevelopment plans for Little Tokyo, introduced through efforts of the Sumitomo Bank of California, may materialize.

The Kajima drawings show a cultural trade center, an Oriental garden and theater being surrounded by high-rise office buildings. Its center would be marked by a pagoda, which would be situated at the present intersection of Second and San Pedro Sts.

Various Plans Weighed

LTRA officials, headed by Bruce Kaji, president of the Merit Savings and Loan Assn., are to weigh the various projects "to fit the need of future Little Tokyo."

At their recent meeting, the members were told that LTRA has received some \$4,500 in donations to date to bring about the successful solution of redeveloping First and San Pedro Sts. area.

Funds through merchant contributions are to go to "paper work" in planning a master draft. The group, at the same time, voted to retain the services of Tosh Terasawa, architect, to map out blueprints. The estimated cost would be between \$7,500 and \$10,000, the committee said.

The project will be worked out by other Japanese American architects and structural engineers under Terasawa's chairmanship. They are to schedule their own meetings with interested professionals.

Reuben Lovret, of the city planning department, indicated his ideas on local redevelopment coincide closely with those of LTRA.

West L.A. JACLers to hear housing chief

LOS ANGELES. — Federal Housing Administrator Robert C. Weaver is addressing the 17th annual dinner of the Community Relations Conference of Southern California on Sunday, Sept. 29, 7 p.m., at the UCLA Student Union. It was announced by the So. Calif. JACL Regional Office.

Dr. Weaver, one of the most authoritative men in the field of community relations, will speak on "Crisis in the Community". During his 25 years' distinguished service, he has been adviser on Negro affairs in the Dept. of the Interior, executive director for the Mayor's Committee on Race Relations in Chicago and vice-chairman of the New York City Redevelopment Board.

West L.A. JACL is assisting with dinner arrangements. Mrs. Toy

Kanagai, flower committee chairman, said donations of flowers have been received from:

Westgate Florist, 1185 Santa Monica Blvd., S.M.; 3322 Santa Monica Blvd., S.M.; and Zanks Nursery, 1214 Wilshire Blvd.

The donors are all members of West L.A. JACL.

Peace Garden Day

BY TOMOKO YANO

SALT LAKE CITY.—A program of Japanese dances and songs was presented during the recent International Peace Garden Day celebrations here through efforts of Salt Lake JACL public relations chairman Henry Kasal.

An overflow audience witnessed the program, which was cut short by an untimely shower of rain. Japan Air Lines presented a Japanese flag to the Gardens, which boast uniquely landscaped areas representing 12 countries:

U.S.A., England, Germany, Switzerland, Sweden, Norway, Finland, Denmark, Holland, Lebanon and China.

The Japanese garden, considered one of the most beautiful, features an arched bridge and stone lanterns from Japan.

Rep. Roybal Interested

The committee also received a moral boost from Rep. Edward H. Roybal (D-Calif.), who was formerly a city councilman in the Ninth District which embraces Little Tokyo.

He indicated in a letter to Katsuma Mukae, president of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce, that he would be in Southern California at month's end and would confer with LTRA officers on Oct. 28.

"We are happy to make this announcement since Mr. Roybal has been closely associated with our problems in Little Tokyo many years before being voted to Congress last November," Mukae declared.

San Francisco Nihonmachi development co. formed

SAN FRANCISCO. — The United Committee for the Japanese Community will organize a new Nihonmachi Community Development Corp. to develop a four-block area between Bush and Post Sts. from Laguna to Webster Sts.

Articles of incorporation will be filed as soon as several minor details are ironed out. It was announced by Sho Sato, legal counsel for the new group. He had been asked by UICJ to prepare a preliminary draft for approval at an organizational meeting held last week.

Statewide association for Gakuen organized

LOS ANGELES. — To help augment the recently-enacted Assembly Bill 1800 to allow public school credit for foreign languages learned in private schools, representatives of Japanese language schools in the state unanimously agreed recently to organize a statewide association of Japanese language schools.

The decision was made over the Labor Day holidays during a conference held at the Dalich Gakuen in southwest Los Angeles and at the Tokyo Kaikan.

Dr. Yasumitsu Sugimachi, who spearheaded the drive to have AB 1800 amended to include foreign language credit at private schools, was conference chairman.

ELA's Issei program

LOS ANGELES. — About 300 Issei attended the East Los Angeles JACL Issei appreciation night program at Tenrikyo Hall last Saturday, according to co-chairmen Roy Yamadera and Henry Onodera, who claimed that the Issei were taken back 30 years to Japan with a predominantly Japanese program.

The eldest Issei who were present were singularly honored by this chapter with gifts. They were Keisaiji Urata, 94, a resident of the Old Folks Home operated by Nishi Hongwanji at Michigan and Breed Sts., and Mrs. Tame Tanaka, 84, under care of the Tenrikyo welfare society.

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WE DID IT; WHY CAN'T THEY?

BY WILLIAM MARITANI
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PHILADELPHIA — One may be tempted to look upon the Negroes' plight—from the comfort of the Nisei's present acceptance, economic progress and civic beachhead, mostly realized in the breathlessly short span of two decades, up from the depths of being summarily cast behind barred wire fences and proffer, with a note of finality, the sage observation: "We did it; why can't they?" I know because I've posed this pharisaic query in the past. It was not very long ago that I, perhaps not unlike a few others, while "fully sympathizing" with the Negroes' struggle for inalienable rights placed conditions thereon such as going gradually, in strict observance of all laws, suggesting that Negroes first "face up to their responsibilities." And perhaps I still adhere to this approach, at least in its vestiges.

But this flip evaluation—"We did it, why can't they?"—grossly overlooks both the nature and scope of the suppression clamped against the Negro from the inception of his bondage to this date.

Mental Block of Shibboleths

There are off-repeated shibboleths about, and characterizations of, Negroes transmitted as whispered confidences (which thereby masquerade as truths) which, consciously or unconsciously, may operate as mental blocks against accepting facts.

Example: "The Negro never had a cultural background; therefore he is incapable of attaining culture."
Fact: Five hundred years before Columbus stumbled upon America (Santo Domingo), the Negro had established in Africa the thriving, mighty kingdom of Ghana (from which the modern day Ghana derives its name) developed with wide streets, stone buildings and a culture boasting of weapons of gold and ivory. Also, elsewhere in Africa the Negroes had established great universities and cultural centers in Timbuktu, Gao and Jenne to which scholars came from Europe and Asia to study and to learn. Negroes already had a cultural "Marshall Plan" by sending teachers and educators to Arabia, Egypt and Spain.

In those years about 1,000 A.D., what was the state of culture in Europe? Of our own ancestors?

Let's Just Suppose

"We did it; why can't they?" Well, let's try superimposing the Japanese immigrant into the role of the first Negro "immigrants" and see how the story unfolds.

After being captured by Dutch marauders, chained and stacked like logwood in the dank holds of ships bound for the American colonies (at least 20 per cent died en route) the first Japanese immigrant slaves are landed in 1619 in Virginia.

Follow the narrative in the lives of a single family: Papa and

Mama Yamamoto with their daughter Yukiko-san and their young son Ichiro-kun. To discourage revolt by the slaves, the family unit is methodically split asunder: Papa Yamamoto is sold into slavery to Georgia, Mama to the Carolinas, Yukiko to Maryland and young Ichiro to Virginia, never to see one another again.

For similar reasons, every effort is made by the slave masters to avoid accumulating slaves from the same tribe or those who speak the same dialect. Thus the basic foundations for family and group development are shattered and kept fragmented.

In contrast, the Japanese immigrants, not unlike other American immigrants, not only retained their close family units but also maintained their community bonds intact in the "Jenjin-kais"; indeed, it was not surprising to find within the "Nihon-machi" here a great percentage from, say Hiroshima-ken and even many with common ties in a specific "gun"—Saikyo-gun and Asa-gun are good examples—or even from the very same, little village, e.g. Yasu-mura. Thus while the Japanese were made to suffer many indignities and disadvantages, they were able, by and large, to maintain the stability of community life and culture intact, keep their family lives and behavior of its members under some pattern of supervision, control and direction.

But back to our "Japanese immigrant slaves," the Yamamotos.

Yoke of Social Environment

So that the Yamamotos will be shackled educationally as well as physically, laws are enacted making it a crime to provide any book learning for slaves. A devious law is passed in Virginia with the perverted rationalization that all persons who do not believe in Christ (the immigrant slaves, of course) may, therefore, in good Christian conscience be held in slavery for the rest of their lives.

Moreover, the Yamamotos are prohibited from receiving religion because of the dangerous doctrines of Christ, namely, equality and brotherhood of man. Also, by being exposed to the Bible, the slaves might learn to read, a dangerous habit.

Because slaves fetch a good price, Yukiko-san is encouraged and forced to bear children indiscriminately and prolifically. Perhaps among her offspring are those fathered by her slave-master, Yukiko-san's brood is taken from her as soon as there are buyers, all in keeping with the diabolical principle of preventing unity.

And thus the Yamamotos are propagated, without semblance of a family life, encouraged or forced into casual and frequent production of offspring, forbidden to gain book learning. Yes, the Yamamotos and others tried to break their shackles as early as 1663 Ichiro-kun, now a middle-aged slave, joined in a revolt in Virginia only to be ruthlessly beaten down. Subsequent efforts at revolt were also mercilessly snuffed out.

Suppressive Laws to Be Obeyed?

Our Revolutionary founders said "No" at the Boston Tea Party (in which many Negroes participated, incidentally) and shed blood to prove it in the Revolutionary War, in which many Negroes served with distinction.

Ichiro's two children, Peter and Betsy Yamamoto, manage to attain status as "Freemen" living north of the Mason-Dixon Line, Peter having purchased his freedom and Betsy by escaping as a "fugitive."

But in 1850 President Millard Fillmore signs the Fugitive Slave Law which permits summary arrest and return of any slave suspect simply upon a claimant's sworn testimony—and many greedy kidnappers freely swore to such affidavits in order to gain the money in selling Freeman back into slavery. Peter Yamamoto is so falsely apprehended and even though he is well educated by now, under the law he is forbidden to testify on his own behalf and he is dragged back into slavery.

The Dred Scott decision in 1856 by the United States Supreme Court, pecked mostly with Justices from the South, held that such a human being was inferior and was "an article of merchandise." Thus, it was really reasonable that the sanctity of a courtroom ought not be defiled by a mere chattel who



Guest Columnist:

Dramatic Events in Negro History

BY SABURO KIDO
"Observation"

"A Letter To The Editor" published in the latest Time magazine, questioned the statement about Negro soldiers' participation in the American armed forces. In reply, a long list of battles was listed. This made me go back to the Ebony Magazine's special issue. Among the many interesting articles is one which lists "The Ten Most Dramatic Events in Negro History." They are as follows: The First Negroes Land at Jamestown; The Boston Massacre; The Nat Turner Revolt; The Civil War; Emancipation Proclamation; First

might seek to utter his innocence.

Some Early "First"

And despite all this, among the first to give their lives for the American Revolution against British "taxation without representation" was a Negro; many of them enrolled in the colonial armies, including Negro commanders and even a captain in the Navy.

The first American woman to enroll in the American forces was a Negro woman, Deborah Sampson Gannett, who served in disguise in a Massachusetts regiment and was cited by that State for her "extraordinary instance of female heroism." And from the Revolution, the War of 1812 ("When America has such tars as Negro seamen—she has little to fear from the tyrants of the oceans"), Commander Nathaniel Shaler, speaking of Negroes in the War of 1812, the Civil War and America's wars for democracy, the Negro served with gallantry and high distinction.

School Book History

Of course, there is much, much more.

The Emancipation Proclamation of 1863 is known to school children, the Civil War that followed (in which Negroes served with whites in integrated units), the abrupt casting loose of slaves, the Reconstruction Period, the Ku Klux Klan (formed in 1865 with the first Grand Wizard being Nathan B. Forrest, a Confederate General), the Fourteenth Amendment which 95 years ago solemnly forbade the depriving "any person of life, liberty or property without due process of law," the Fifteenth Amendment in 1870 guaranteeing the right to vote (93 years ago), the enactment of the Civil Rights Act of 1875 (to which no one paid much attention and which the Supreme Court declared unconstitutional eight years later), the lynchings, chain gangs, the separate-but-equal pronouncement of the Supreme Court which was ultimately replaced by the 1954 School Decision as being the supreme law of the land.

And nine years later the highest executive officer of Alabama brings to bear all the powers of his high office to thwart the law of the land.

Conditional Justice & Freedom? It is a sober and grave, if not dangerous, role to play judge and jury in taking upon oneself the functions of deciding when the "inalienable rights" of the Negroes are to be "inalienable" in fact.

To be free and equal is just as "inalienable" as to breathe freely and fully; yet can anyone set himself up as the Supreme Judge and declare that before a Negro can breathe freely and fully the air of freedom he must first show himself "worthy" by running society's race abreast—but until then he may conditionally take half breaths and at times none at all? Those are rather difficult odds.

So if one is tempted, in whatever words, to say "We did it; why can't they?", think of Yamamoto's progeny.

Negro in Congress; Atlanta Compromise; Supreme Court School Decision; Montgomery Bus Boycott; and The Little Rock Crisis. During the Civil War, it took the Union two years before it was decided to accept Negro soldiers. Some 180,000 enlisted. They participated in 449 battles, including the famous charge on Fort Wagner by the Fifty-Fourth Massachusetts Volunteers.

Of the 118,044 soldiers in the Union Navy, 29,511 were Negroes. Without the help of the Negro soldiers, sailors and laborers, Lincoln said, the war could not have been won.

The first contingent of 20 Negro slaves had been brought to Jamestown in 1619. By the start of the Civil War, there were 4 million slaves. And they were worth some \$4 billion. The Southerners intended to fight to protect their investment.

'Atlanta Compromise'

On Sept. 18, 1895, Professor Booker T. Washington, the 39-year-old president of Tuskegee Institute, spoke at Atlanta, Ga. He set the tone of Negro leadership for a while when he renounced social and political equality, temporarily.

"The wisest among my race," Washington said, "understand that the agitation of questions of social equality is the extreme folly, and that progress in the enjoyment of all the privileges that will come to us must be the result of severe and constant struggle rather than artificial forcing."

The speech was known as the so-called "Atlanta Compromise." In return Washington hoped to have support for Negro education, an end to the lynchings and killings and a square deal in the economic field.

There was a group, however, which did not agree with such a passive attitude. It was led by William Edward B. Du Bois, a Harvard man, who organized the

PC LETTERBOX: Civil Rights - Orange County JACL

Dear Editor:

Before the Orange County JACL Board of Directors are all given a one-way ticket on a "slow boat to (free) China" because of an article in the August issue of the Santa Ana Wind entitled "O.C. JACL Discusses Civil Rights," I would like to correct some assumptions made by editors of various publications in picking up the story.

The article read in part (the caps are mine), "In the ensuing DISCUSSION a majority of the board FELT that taking part in demonstrations would not..." and "The majority also AGREED that..."

In the pick-up stories, such words and terms as "voted against," "decision," "decreed" and "formulated a stand," were used. Nowhere in the Santa Ana Wind article were any of these terms used. The only "vote" taken by the board was to ratify the National JACL policy statement. In other words, it was a meeting to discuss (as the Wind story stated) the matter of civil rights as it applied to Orange County and how the board members felt about the subject.

The Orange County JACL considers itself a democratic organization in which the board members represent the membership and takes action according to the wishes of its members. In the somewhat volatile subject of civil rights, the board felt that it should discuss the matter, for the membership know the thinking of the board through its chapter newsletter, then take action when necessary in accordance to the reaction of its members.

Washington Newsletter: by Mike Masaoka

Immigration Legislation

WASHINGTON: — As our Nation, Government, and Congress considers internal civil rights legislation for all Americans, it seems most appropriate to us that those of Asian ancestry in the National Legislature are taking the lead in advocating equality in immigration opportunities for all the peoples of earth.

Under existing law, those of Asian ancestry suffer double racial discrimination—from the racist national origins system and from the even more racist Asia-Pacific Triangle that compounds the discrimination of national origins.

United States Senators Hiram Fong and Daniel Inouye and United States Representative Spark Matsunaga, all from Hawaii, are officially committed to support the major efforts to equalize immigration opportunities now pending in the Congress.

Native-Born vs. Naturalized

In addition, Representative Matsunaga is the author of legislation to eliminate the discrimination between native-born and naturalized citizens.

Sensors Fong and Inouye are co-sponsors of both the Hart Bill and the Administration Bill, while Representative Matsunaga has introduced both bills in the House

to indicate his endorsement of their provisions. In the Senate, any number of Senators may join in co-sponsoring legislation, but in the House every Representative must introduce his own separate though identical-to-others bill.

Realistic Appraisal

Any realistic appraisal of the current parliamentary situation in the Congress suggests that no substantial immigration legislation will be considered this session, no matter how long it remains in business this year.

Nevertheless, as among those organizations most concerned with equality in immigration opportunities, JACL welcomes the introduction of these various bills, not only for their general educational value to the public but also as the rallying point for individuals and organizations interested in seeking equality of peoples and nations for immigration purposes and otherwise modernizing our immigration laws to meet the changed situations in the world today.

JACL is proud of the acknowledged role it played in securing the enactment of the Immigration and Nationality (Walter-McCarthy) Act of 1952, for we believed then—and continue to believe now—that it represented substantial improvement over the hodgepodge of immigration and naturalization laws previously in force, especially those racially discriminatory ones denying to the Japanese and most other Asians both immigration and naturalization opportunities.

At the same time, aware that part of the price we paid for the elimination of certain discrimination was the perpetuation of others, JACL has consistently urged the ultimate removal of all racial discriminations in our basic immigration and naturalization statute.

Issei Naturalization

During the war years, when we first started to lay plans for the naturalization movement for the Issei, some of our friends in Hawaii suggested we join forces with the NAACP. Here and there on the mainland we have had Nisei suggest something along this line.

As JACLERS, we took the stand that we have a big enough problem, which deserves the concentrated attention and efforts of persons of Japanese ancestry. If we should join up with the Negroes, their problem is so huge compared to ours that ours would become secondary. For this reason, it was deemed advisable that we concentrate on the Japanese problems under the banner of the JACL.

When the liberal groups had to choose between FEPC or giving us aid on the alien land proposition and the naturalization bills, their choice went to FEPC. Of course, moral support was given; so the campaign had to be financed by persons of Japanese ancestry. It seemed to me that there is enough in the past history of the Negro people to make them have pride in the past. If this feeling is inculcated among the young, a strong foundation should be laid in making them become ambitious and have hopes for the future no matter how desolate the dreary present may appear to be.

When we were being discriminated and persecuted there was that feeling of pride in our ancestral background, a defensive mechanism.

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JACL will be active in any legislative effort to equalize immigration opportunities, as proposed by the Hart and Administration Bills, and to eliminate discrimination between native-born and naturalized citizens of the United States, as advocated by the Matsunaga Bill.

Fong's Two-Hour Plea

On August 23, the Friday before the historic August 28 March in Washington For Jobs and Freedom, Senator Fong took the floor of the Senate and devoted most of two hours to a plea for equity and equality in our federal immigration law. It was the longest speech by the Senator from Hawaii since he first took his seat after the Pacific Territory became our 50th State four years ago.

He traced the development of our immigration laws and pointed out the racial discriminations that have existed and now exist in those laws, declaring that "Since 1923... when racial immigration

restrictions reached their peak in the United States... we have come a long way in our immigration laws. Let us go the final mile in writing a fair and just law. We will then be demonstrating to the whole world that we practice what we preach, and that all men are equal under law."

Anticipating arguments based on the current unemployment conditions in our country, Senator Fong spent much of his speech in demolishing such opposition. And, as the first non-white to be elected to the United States Senate and also the first of Asian ancestry, he questioned the traditional arguments used against the admission of immigrants from the Orient.

It may be significant that Democratic and Republican Senators have praised the Chinese-American lawmaker for his speech, describing it not only as eloquent and impressive but instructive and informative.

All stressed that Senator Fong's documentation that increased immigration would not add to the unemployment problem was a most significant contribution to an understanding of the true nature of immigration as being in the best interests of the Nation.

Bills Under Study

JACL is now in the process of studying not only the Hart and Administration Bills but also that of Senator Jacob Javits of New York. It will soon determine which bill, if any, we will support, though the probability is that JACL will urge a combination of all the bills and that of Congressman Matsunaga relating to naturalized citizens.

JACL endorses the principle of eliminating the national origins system and the Asia-Pacific Triangle discriminations in the Administration's bill, although we have some grave reservations regarding the suggested procedures. JACL prefers the increased annual immigration quota of the Hart Bill and the non-immigration provisions of the Javits Bill that deal with exclusion, deportation, and other aspects of the immigration and naturalization code.

In any event, because of the information packed into his speech, particularly those relating to discrimination against those of Asian ancestry, JACL is hopeful that Senator Fong's speech will be reprinted and made available for public distribution.

We believe that the reprinting of his speech will be in the public service and an important contribution in securing legislation equalizing immigration opportunities among the peoples and nations of earth.

Northwest Picture: by Elmer Ogawa Pat Suzuki Was Back in Town

Dear Joe:

There were thirteen at the impromptu "reunion" following Pat Suzuki's final performance of the week last night. It is not that any of those present retain any superstitions about numbers, but you should have been around instead of emigrating to far off Los Angeles. We thought of you.

And the thoughts were of many things. Of how Pat finally returned to Seattle after being away for little over five years. Of course this was a supper club engagement at the relatively spacious Town and Country; but we wonder how many theaters full would have loved to see the adopted daughter of whom we are so proud. The T. and C. was sold out weeks in advance, and so numerous were the beefs over no reservations, that a special cocktail session was held for one evening.

Unfortunate Coincidence

A rather unfortunate coincidence was the appearance of the Civil Rights Discussion article in the same issue with the column "President's Corner" written by Chapter Chairman Min Inadomi, since the two stories were correlated by many editors into one article, further amplifying the "revolt" by the Orange County Chapter.

In the previous issues of the Wind, I have pushed for stronger civil rights in Orange County. Therefore, in order to give our readers a cross section of feeling on the matter, Chairman Min wrote his column with the "individual action" approach. The column was written two weeks prior to the board meeting and was not an amplification of the discussion. In the overall subject of civil rights, our common denominator is that we are of Japanese ancestry by the JACL in the field try, but we are still individuals and will express varying opinions. We in Orange County respect the right not to agree. I guess we're not very good at playing "follow the leader."

ROY UNO
Editor, Santa Ana Wind
Orange County JACL

The previously mentioned little "au revoir" party was held at Gim Ling which is really getting to be a well patronized spot since it has been taken over by Cathy Post Legionnaire Tak Wong. The dinner followed the pattern of the traditional gourmet sessions. After all, the elegant eating custom originated when Pat was here in Seattle before. Wouldn't that be a life photographer. Well, I just wanted you to picture in your imagination what a captivating little youngster is David.

Dave Tuttle, trombonist from Pat's original combo showed up. Incidentally he has invested about \$1,500 in a Hasselblad outfit, and is a salon photographer now. And there were the Nordens, the Bob McCarthys, and of course, Henry K.W. Chin. And some names which I believe are new to you: a female journalist, don't know whether it's spelled Dewey or Dawe. And Jerry Dolan, a music impresario with his missus (I think). And a very attractive young couple whose name eludes me just now, neighbors of the Claibornes. The party broke up at 4 a.m. and it was "au revoir" to Pat. As we were saying, wish you were here.

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By Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

MEASURING THE EARTH — An erudite group known as the Association of American Geographers met here early this month, and among the speakers was Toshio Hoshide who used to be a pretty snappy sandlot centerfielder back in Seattle. Hoshide, who has been with the Army Map Service since early in World War II, presented a paper entitled "Long Distance Measurements—An Aspect of Note in Our Knowledge of the Earth," and what he said was as impressive as the title.

The Army Map Service, he reported, has been using satellites to measure distances on the surface of the earth and has made some odd discoveries, such as that the earth rather than being perfectly round is slightly pear-shaped. The North Pole, he said, is about 15 yards farther from the center of the earth than the South Pole. There is a slight "neck" around the North Pole and a small bulge a few yards thick in the southern hemisphere. It's also been found that the equator, rather than being perfectly circular, is slightly elliptical.

You'd think grown men would have better things to do than go around destroying illusions about this old globe of ours, but minute measurements become progressively more important as missiles and satellites shrink distances. Hoshide could talk knowingly about the size and shape of our earth, but he didn't have time to make it out to our house which is only miles from the center of town.

OF MEN AND MUSHROOMS — Although Mitsu Yasuda writes from New York that mention of mushrooms is torture for displaced Northwesterners, the season cannot be allowed to pass without additional comment about how amazingly prolific our Rockies are in a rainy season.

With the intention of sharing our goodies with the less fortunate, and perhaps turning a quick buck besides, Frank Torizawa at the Granada Fish works on Lawrence Street advertised last week that he would buy mushrooms, \$2 per pound for buttons, \$1 per pound for the mature open variety. Such a flood of mushrooms inundated the market that he quickly cut the price in half. Even so, last Monday an estimated ton of mushrooms were delivered and that makes an astonishing sight.

These mushrooms were crated and air-freighted to food brokers in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Chicago and New York where, no doubt, they have been snapped up by eager addicts at a fearful price.

The odd thing about mushrooms is that they seem to bring out the greed in people the way nothing else can. What does a fisherman do? He exaggerates shamelessly about the big one that got away, and he brags about how many he caught. But a mushroom hunter (picker? gatherer? seeker? harvester?) becomes suddenly modest, disclaims any great luck, and pretends he was lucky to escape from the deep woods with his life even though he walked himself bow-legged carrying out his haul. Does a mushroomer tell you where he's been? Not on your life. He points in the general direction of the high Rockies, and you can't worm out any detailed information about his favorite haunts with threats of mayhem or offers of bribes.

A mushroomer may have his freezer chock full, his friends may be satiated, and he has no further use for fungus, but he climbs precipitous slopes, clambers over fallen timbers, and risks life and limb for even more mushrooms. It was inevitable, therefore, that what was wonderful sport should be converted into a crass business, like harvesting sugar beets and selling it by the ton. It is a sad thing to see. Sadder still is the way the more fanatical of mushroomers have torn into the humus beds and mossy glades in search of the objects of their greed. In the absence of any bag limits, their avarice is endless. I weep for next season.

Efforts to place Cal. housing law on referendum failing

LOS ANGELES. — Opponents of the Rumford fair housing law appeared Monday night to have failed in their efforts to qualify a November, 1964, referendum on the measure scheduled to take effect Friday.

It would take 292,662 valid signatures in Secretary of State Frank M. Jordan's hands by midnight Thursday to block implementation of the anti-discrimination housing law. But tabulations indicated there were only 153,802 petition signatures certified as of Monday night.

Benjamin S. Hite, Los Angeles County Vote Registrar, said he certified 93,312 signatures out of 123,047 filed with his office.

In addition, Hite was told by Asst. Secretary of State Walter Stutler that Jordan's office already has 66,490 certified signatures, making grand total of 159,802.

An additional 132,860 signatures would be required to qualify the referendum petition sponsored by the Citizens' League for Individual Freedoms.

Valid signatures here ran just over 75 per cent of the total filed. It was estimated at least 180,000 more names would have to be obtained to certify the required number to Jordan by midnight Thursday.

The Rumford law bans discrimination because of race, color or creed in sale, rental or lease of multiple dwellings of four or more units or in publicly-assisted housing.

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ballot.

"On page 24 of the 17th Biennial Convention Report is listed in the tentative budget for 1963 and 1964 as Item 25—Washington Office Misc., \$2,350. On page 26 of the same report, Paragraph H, the following comment is made: 'The biggest utilize of this source of funds is our Washington representative for travel and other out-of-pocket expenses. This is also the catch-all kitty for things unlisted.' It is difficult to agree with the National Director that this budget item would cover the \$2,000 donation.

"Article XV of the JACL Constitution is headed 'Limitations'. Section 4 of this Article specifically prohibits contributions to any organization except upon unanimous approval of the National Board. This section certainly seems to supersede Article VI which is quoted by the National Director as authority for this appropriation.

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NISEI CAPITALIZES BOTTLE CAP FOR CAR

MAGRATH, Alta.—An Alberta Nisei recently opened a bottle of Coca Cola and found a car under the bottle cap.

Sherwin R. Moriyma discovered the word "Coke" underneath his bottle cap, sent it in to the manufacturers, and won a new Ford Galaxie "500" convertible.

30 Nisei teaching in Denver schools

DENVER. — Nearly 30 Japanese American teachers have been assigned to public schools in the local area, a recent tally indicated. There are 20 women and 8 men instructors here. Two of the men are teaching in high school.

Yoshio C. Nakamura of Whittier, magna cum laude graduate from USC whose artistic works have graced many national exhibits, was named chairman of the fine arts division of the new Rio Hondo Jr. College this past week. Several years ago he was named "teacher of the year" by the San Gabriel Valley Federation of Women's Clubs.

The new \$4 million complex addition to the San Francisco College for Women was designed by Nisei architect John Ohmura and his associate Harold Teague. Included among the improvements are a seven-story dormitory, cafeteria, ballroom with a stage, chapel building, theater, classrooms and other facilities.

Attending the Univ. of Vienna this fall are two Nisei: Bruce Horiuchi, 19, son of the Robert Horiuchi of Denver, political science major at the Univ. of Washington; and Valerie Tatsuda from Ketchikan, Alaska, co-ed at Pomona (Calif.) College.

Chicago enacts fair housing ordinance

CHICAGO. — The Chicago City Council voted 30-16 to enact its fair housing ordinance last week. It prohibits discrimination based on race, color, creed, national origin or ancestry by real estate brokers in the sale or rental of housing, but does not cover such action by individual property owners.

The council action came Wednesday after a four-hour debate. Negro Alderman Leon M. Despres, co-sponsor of the original bill, said the ordinance doesn't go far enough but admitted it was a "step in the right direction."

The penalty provided for violation of its provisions is suspension or revocation of a broker's license. An attempt to introduce stiffer punishment was voted down.

Also, the question of whether the city has the legal right to pass such an ordinance has been raised. The Chicago Real Estate Board, which includes some 1,800 of the city's 2,149 licensed brokers, promises to fight the measure through court action.

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Making life on wheelchair easier, aim of organization, says Nisei paraplegic

FRESNO.—Knowing the dull, aching hurt of loneliness that afflicts persons who have suffered injuries or diseases of the spinal cord, three Fresnoans medically classified as quadriplegics have organized a nucleus of an organization which, they hope, will eliminate it from the lives of as many others as they can.

One of them is Tad Tanaka, who was involved in a motorcycle accident 14 years ago, a mishap which has left him unable to use any of his arms or legs. The other two are Larry Cunningham, hurt in a diving accident three years ago, and Stanley Pavlovich.

If sufficient support is evident locally, a local chapter of the National Paraplegia Assn. will be formed. A paraplegic is a person with a spinal disease or injury affecting the lower half of his body.

Actually, there have been other chapters started. The last one was headquartered in Visalia. But the local members found it too difficult to make the trip for meetings.

Self-Help

Go Detroit in '64

PROMOTING AT CLEVELAND

BY YOSHIO INOUE

CLEVELAND. — Accelerated interest in the EDC-MDC convention in Cleveland over the Labor Day weekend was two-fold for the Detroiters who attended:

1. The anticipation of hearing the inspiring and thought-provoking ideas brought up and discussed by the National, Eastern and Midwest District JACL leaders, and

2. The opportunity to remind the EDC-MDC delegation that the 1964 National Convention in Detroit July 1-4 is not far in the offing and that the time is now to make '64 vacation plans with the confab in Detroit as a focal point.

To advertise the '64 Convention, Detroit had promotional articles and ideas displayed conspicuously throughout the Convention Arena. At the registration desk was a colorful tuffable display of brochures on "See Detroit", a silent Detroit chamber of commerce at work.

The now familiar white sport shirts emblazoned with "Detroit '64" was presented to each of the national JACL peripatetic trio: namely, Masao W. Sato, National Director; K. Patrick Okura, National President; and Mike M. Masaka, Washington Representative, by the Detroit convention board.

"Go Detroit in '64" should blaze a trail from San Francisco to Omaha to Washington, D.C.

Not to overstep Chicago, Dr. Frank Sakamoto, Kumeo Yoshinari and Abe Hagiwara, staunch JACL supporters from the Windy City, also have ordered the convention shirts.

Masaka wore this informal attire to the Shig-On luncheon and was overlooked in the first inter-districts. Mike was heard bawling the indignity of it all. Don't feel bad, Mike. Dr. Frank was saying the best till last.

For relaxation, after hours of workshops, committee meetings and symposiums, the local delegation set up a hospitality room and entertained delegates during the break.

To climax a weekend of putting Detroit on the map, during intermission at the Sayonara Ball, our own demure Miss Marilyn Nagano was selected queen of the ball in an impromptu queen contest. The regal diadem was placed on her head by none other than the distinguished Congressman Spark M.

Calendar

Sept. 21 (Saturday)
Chicago — Election meeting.
Pasadena — Concession, Presbyterian Church, 8:30 p.m.
San Francisco — Auxiliary fashion show-luncheon; Fairmount Hotel.
Seattle — Splish party, 6:30 p.m.; Crystal Springs, 8:30 p.m.
Sept. 22 (Sunday)
West Los Angeles — Dinner meeting, 8:30 p.m.; Restaurant, 9:30 p.m.; Dr. Robert Weaver, speaker, "Crises in Community."
Oct. 4 (Friday)
Chicago — Jr. JACL meeting, Olivet, 8 p.m.
Oct. 5 (Saturday)
Pasadena — Benefit movie.
Detroit — Japanese movie.
West Los Angeles — Community talent show, 8:30 p.m.; 11th Corinth Ave., 8:30 p.m.
Oct. 6 (Sunday)
San Jose — MC-WMDC executive meeting.
Oct. 11 (Friday)
Philadelphia — General meeting.
Oct. 12 (Saturday)
Detroit — JACL Convention Coronation Ball, Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel.
D.C. — JACL Dinner, All Souls Unitarian Church, 10th and Harvard Sts. NW, 12-17 p.m.
Oct. 12-13
East Los Angeles — International Days, International Institute.
Oct. 13 (Sunday)
East Los Angeles — General meeting, Chicago — Jr. JACL hayride.
Oct. 14 (Monday)
Chicago — Lunch.
Santa Barbara — Inel recognition dinner.
Oct. 24-27
Oakland — Festival of Nations, Oakland Auditorium.

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IDC CONVENTION PLANS UNDERWAY AT BOISE VALLEY

'Brighter Horizons' Selected as Theme for Nov. 29-30 Meet

CALDWELL, Idaho. — "Brighter Horizons" was selected as the theme of the 12th biennial International District Council convention to be hosted by the Boise Valley JACL on Nov. 29-30.

Henry Suyehira and George Koyama, convention co-chairmen, and their committeemen have been meeting regularly to assure a successful convention. On the committee are:

Mrs. George Koyama, sec.; Seiichi Hayashida, souvenir booklet; Masahito Yamada, treasurer; Midori Furushiro, facilities; Yumiko Yamamoto, pub.; Jim Oyama, housing; Yaei Ogawa, fund-raising; Yumiko Takahashi, spl. guests; Sike Okazaki, transport; June Matsumoto, talent contest; Kay Inouye, 1000 Club whiling ding; Mr. and Mrs. John Arima, regis.; Carol and Jeanne Yasuda, Jr. JACL regis.; Mr. and Mrs. Mas Yamashita, reception; Bette Tule, fashion show; James Yamada, opening luncheon; Mrs. Mary Inouye, recognition banquet; Frances Yamato, Saturday luncheon; Sam Fujishiro, Sayonara banquet; Roy Oyama, Archie Yamamoto, Sayonara Ball.

National JACL President K. Patrick Okura of Omaha will be a principal speaker. Heading the youth phase of the convention will be Iris Ogawa, chairman; and Midori Furushiro, adviser.

Chapter Call Board

San Francisco JACL

Fashion Models: Fifteen Nisei misses and matrons were chosen to display the fashions of Saks 5th Ave. at the ninth annual San Francisco JACL Auxiliary fashion show luncheon tomorrow at the Fairmount Hotel Tonga Room.

According to Mrs. Yo Hironaka, in charge of models, eight are new to this year's audience. They are:

Mrs. Takako Tanino, former Univ. of Wash. beauty queen; Mrs. Lois Miyakawa, Lee, studying professional model; Mrs. Elaine Higashi, Mrs. Mari Sugita, Mrs. Marian Watanabe, Mrs. Hana Kawahara, Mrs. Mary Matsushima, Mrs. Barbara Mizota, Mrs. Jean Okubo and Helen Oshima.

Oakland JACL

Blood Bank Empty: The Oakland JACL Blood Bank is depleted. It was revealed by Mrs. Margaret Utsumi (TE 6-4066) this week. The last pint was recently donated to a needy Japanese family. The blood bank is located at 6230 Claremont Ave.

Festival of Nations: Oakland JACL will again participate in the International Institute's Festival of Nations to be held Oct. 26-27 at the Oakland Auditorium. Gloria Buol is event chairman for the chapter.

House hearings -

(Continued from Page 3)

ings was to determine if new laws are needed to prevent unauthorized Americans from traveling to Cuba. But much of the questioning of counsel Alfred Nittle was aimed at linking the Cuban student trip with the progressive labor organization, which he said was founded by two Communists expelled from the party for deviationism.

The witnesses all tried to make these points: that there was no law against their going to Cuba, only a State Department regulation; that the right to travel is guaranteed to them under the Constitution; and that the House committee is illegally prying into their private affairs and associations.

'BLACK TEST CAR'

Kokusai's double feature this week is headed by "Black Test Car", depicting spy activities in the automotive business world. Jiro Tamiya and Junko Kano are paired in the lead roles.

Tamura & Co. to build two-story building

LOS ANGELES. — A two-story, fully air-conditioned brick building is under construction for Tamura & Co., on ground east of the present store at 3420 W. Jefferson Blvd. Opening date is expected around the first of January.

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CHIEF PLANNERS of the recent EDC-MDC joint convention hosted by the Cleveland JACL include (from left): seated — Henry Tanaka, Maso Tashima, gen. chmn.; Tochi Kadowaki, and Art Yamane; standing — Joe Kadowaki, Robert Fujita, Frank Shiba, Masao Yamada; and Paul Sakuma, Jr. JACL conv. chmn. Other convention board members absent when the picture was taken are Howard Tashima, Peggy Tanji, Toaru Ishiyama, George Ono and Emily Matsumoto. — Jiro Miyoshi Photo.

EDC-MDC Confab Hailed a Success

BY ART YAMANE

CLEVELAND. — For the first time in its chapter history, Cleveland JACL staged a full-dress convention for the joint Eastern and Midwest District Councils over the Labor Day weekend.

In assuming this responsibility, it was the chapter's belief that such projects would strengthen and give greater meaning to the JACL. It was Cleveland JACL's major project for 1963.

In charge was Maso Tashima, past board member and former JACL Bulletin editor.

Overall planning was coordinated by a board comprised of eight former chapter presidents, whose past experiences and knowledge was invaluable. They also assumed chairmanships for various areas of responsibility and "broke in" members participating for the first time. Past presidents on various committees were:

Joe Kadowaki, Robert Fujita, Frank Shiba, William Sadatsaki, Henry Tanaka, Howard Tashima, Dr. Toaru Ishiyama and George Ono.

Drawing from his reservoir of experience and know-how, the current chapter board was able to carry out the normal functions of the chapter as well lend assistance to the convention board. For example, fund raising to help subsidize convention costs was a responsibility of the ways & means subcommittee.

There were two major fund-raising projects: a sukiyaki dinner for the total Cleveland community, which was successfully concluded through the combined efforts of all organizations active in the Japanese American community, and the support of the Chicago Japanese American Service Committee campaign with Jr. JACL participating in both projects.

Needless to say, the chapter could not handle all the convention details. The Jr. Matrons, Golf Club, Bridge Club, JACL Bulletin, and the Fuji Club helped.

A special note of thanks should be given to the Buddhist Fujiaki under leaders of the Rev. Nishii and the Christian Fujiaki under leadership of the Rev. Akagi, for they prepared all the Japanese food enjoyed so much by those who attended the convention.

Joe and Tochi Kadowaki were cited by general chairman Tashima for their untiring efforts to make the convention the success that it was. Credit should also go to Mike Masaka for helping the convention obtain Rep. Spark M. Matsunaga as keynote speaker.

Paul Sakuma was general chairman for the Jr. JACL convention.

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Heads IOOF pilgrimage

TOLEDO, O. — Gary Kusumi, 16, Whitmer High senior, was selected president of the IOOF youth pilgrimage to the United Nations recently. The group was comprised of students selected by faculty members from 10 states and Canada.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Satoru Kusumi, former Seattleites. He is currently senior class president and is a member of the varsity tennis and debate teams.

Nisei flyers reunion

LOS ANGELES. — A dinner reunion for Nisei who participated in the 1934 goodwill flight (from L.A. to San Francisco), the Henry Ohae Trophy Races of 1950, 1952 and 1954 will be held at Imperial Gardens on Sept. 29, 5 p.m. Former Nebraska Al Kushihashi of Los Angeles is president of the Nisei Flyers of America, sponsors of the dinner.

Whereabouts of James Sakai and Saburo Yamaguchi, who flew in the 1934 flight, is being sought by dinner committeemen Frank Chuman, 257 S. Spring St.

John Yamaguchi, Joyce Shirasawa, Jeanna Tanji, co-chmn.; Richard Asawa, Stephen Fujita, Bette Furuki, Yasuko Kuratani, Ken Kurakawa, Keiko Takayama, Frederick Toguichi, David Yamaguchi
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Customs Stumped

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The books on customs duties and fees didn't mention pizzas and the shipment was held up while officers tried to identify them.

They let them through only when they were told pizza is much the same as apple pie, a popular dish in Japan.

Pizzas are being turned out in an Osaka shop, though the nine girls who put them together didn't know for days what they were making.

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