

# Congressmen learn proper use of 'Chinaman'

(Special to the Pacific Citizen) WASHINGTON — During the 42 days of debate in the House of Representatives on the civil rights bill, it is order to emphasize that other minorities than the Negroes would be affected by some of its provisions. Southern Congressmen, almost all of whom opposed the legislation, often referred to "Chinamen" as among the nationalities to be affected.

On the next to the final day of the debate, Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii), took Rep. Basil Whitener (D-N.C.), who had been most persistent in using that term during the lengthy debate, to task. As JACLeers know, Matsunaga, a member of the Washington, D.C. Chapter, has many Americans of Chinese ancestry

among his constituency in the Aloha State.

Whitener was trying to persuade the House to adopt his amendment that would have eliminated special protection for political campaigners who are threatened or assaulted because of their race, religion, or national origin.

## Official Record

The Congressional Record for August 8 records the colloquy in the following words:

Mr. WHITENER. Mr. Chairman, I offer an amendment.

The Clerk read as follows: Amendment offered by Mr. Whitener: On page 74, lines 16 and 17, strike out "or campaigning."

Mr. WHITENER. Mr. Chairman, this amendment is offered because of the further demonstrated absurdity of the total language of title V. Let us look at what the committee is recommending we do. They are saying we should create a Federal offense which is punishable by up to 10 years in prison or \$10,000 fine if any bodily injury is done at all.

How could this bodily injury occur? According to the bill, looking at lines 16 and 17 on page 74, if anyone interferes with any person because of race, color, religion, or national origin, while campaigning as a candidate for elective office, then that person interfering can get a \$10,000 fine and as long as 10 years in the penitentiary.

So if you have a Chinaman running for Congress out in California and some Japanese Nisei stands up in the crowd and yells, "I do not like Chinese and I do not think he has any business in Congress," and then throws an egg at the Chinaman and a piece of eggshells go flying in the air, the Japanese has to be tried in a State court of California and not in the Federal court.

Are they trying to offer some kind of protection to certain classes of candidates which they are not willing to offer to you and me?

We all remember that President Truman used to say, "If you can't stand the heat, stay out of the kitchen." I suppose one could paraphrase that and say, "If you can't catch a tomato occasionally you ought not get out at the home plate of a political arena."

I seriously urge Members to accept this amendment. It is ridiculous in a free country to say that we are going to pass a bill that will protect folks in a right to march over folks' property and get in their houses and carry on, but if he is running for office, if he is a member of that protected group, he might have just gotten off from a slow boat from Red China.

Mr. MATSUNAGA. Mr. Chairman, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. WHITENER. I am glad to yield to the gentleman from Hawaii.

Mr. MATSUNAGA. I take it the gentleman means, by "Chinaman," a Chinese-American or American of Chinese descent?

Mr. WHITENER. I mean a Chinaman. He may be a red Chinese Chinaman. He might be from Red China and might have just gotten off from a slow boat from Red China.

Mr. MATSUNAGA. And by "Nisei" the gentleman means "Nisei"?

Mr. WHITENER. I said "Nisei."

Mr. MATSUNAGA. And by "Jap" the gentleman means American of Japanese descent?

Mr. WHITENER. Of course, this is all irrelevant. Perhaps my knowledge of the English language is not as good as it should be. I believe my knowledge of what this bill will do is fairly accurate.

Suppose we strike out any reference to Nisei and Chinese and let it be Greeks and Arabs, or Greeks and Turks.

Now, Mr. Brademas does not like that.

Mr. MATSUNAGA. In this day of international tension perhaps the suggestion to strike out all derogatory references to any racial group would be acceptable to this august body.

Mr. WHITENER. Perhaps we could make it the Cameroons against the Sierra Leones.

Mr. BRADEMAS. Mr. Chairman, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. WHITENER. I am always happy to yield to the gentleman from Indiana.

Mr. BRADEMAS. Mr. Chairman, I happen to be the smallest minority group in this Congress, and the only minority of either body of Greek origin. I just want the gentleman to know he has gone too far.

## Allow foreign airliners to service Islanders

WASHINGTON — Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) introduced legislation last week to permit foreign airlines to carry passengers between Hawaii and California for the duration of the airline strike.

The bill would authorize the Civil Aeronautics Board to issue any foreign air carrier such permission for not more than 30 days in case of emergency.

Two of the three domestic airlines serving Hawaii have been grounded by the strike. Matsunaga said foreign carriers reportedly have been departing with 1,000 empty seats per week between Hawaii and the west coast while hundreds have been unable to hold space on domestic airlines.

## Shigeru Hashimoto, 67

SAN JOSE—Shigeru Hashimoto, 67, formerly of Turlock, died of a heart attack Aug. 15. He is the father of Joyce Enomoto, wife of National JACL president Jerry.

Other survivors include wife Teru, son Harry (Los Angeles) and daughter Sue Shimoto (San Jose). Final rites were held Wednesday at the San Jose Betsuin.

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FESTIVAL ROYALTY—Ruby Komal, 21 (center) of Long Beach-Harbor District JACL is the 1966 Miss Nisei Week, seen in this formal portrait with members of her court: (from left) Barbara Endo,

Hollywood; Christine Sanada, Gardena Valley; Georgianna Yamaguchi, East Los Angeles; and Marilyn Wada, Orange County; Karen Yokoyama, Westside; Arlee Morishita, San Fernando Valley.  
—Toyo Miyatake Photo.

## Rumford Act stand cast as election bait

SACRAMENTO — A Rumford Act Commission, comprised of an equal number of Republicans and Democrats as well as supporters of the two major gubernatorial candidates, was proposed by Governor Brown this past week at the biennial Democratic state convention.

The bipartisan commission, Brown said, would recommend amendments to or substitutes for the state fair housing law, enacted in 1963 and under legal attack almost continuously since.

The commission, somewhat along the lines of the McCone Commission which was named to investigate the causes of the Watts riot a year ago, would have two objectives:

1—"To recognize the continuing objectives of relieving tensions within our society and eliminating the blight of urban slums."

2—"To preserve the rights of individual homeowners to dispose of their property as they wish."

## Prop. 14 Results

Speaking generally in support of civil rights laws, the Governor noted that "the people of this state, by a two-thirds vote (on Prop. 14) have said there are aspects of the Rumford Act they don't like."

"They have said they want protection of the homeowner's right to sell or rent his property to whomever he pleases."

The commission would report to the legislature by late February, Brown said, since he believes it "vital to the peace and security of our cities."

Saying that Ronald Reagan, Republican nominee for governor, favors outright repeal of the Rumford Act, Brown noted, "simple repeal solves nothing and provides no answer."

## Reagan's Comment

Speaking at Santa Monica, Reagan regarded Brown's proposal for a bipartisan committee as a purely political move.

"The governor is busy forming committees and commissions during election years, but that is the extent of the work that is done—forming the committee."

"If you remember, the Democrats said they would meet this issue in a head-on and forceful manner. So Gov. Brown has appointed a committee," Reagan said.

Asked if his supporters might join the committee as Brown has suggested, Reagan replied, "They're free agents."

## GOP Convention

In the Republican state platform adopted the previous week here (Aug. 6-7), it called for repeal, amendment or re-

peal of the Rumford Act.

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## Loss of civil rights can be costly to youth

SANTA BARBARA — Man's most valuable possession on earth is his time and it is priceless, but if one could put a tag on it (\$2 per hour, for instance) and compute that into the number of hours a person would spend in jail...

## Policy Changed

(Federal agencies which hire help through the Civil Service Commission Monday were notified of changes in employment policies of former criminal offenders, the government now deciding to take a chance on individual merit.

Parolees and probationers can be employed without prior approval. The new policies were developed in response to President Johnson's message on crime to Congress last March in which he urged re-examination of federal policy in hiring released offenders.)

Their camp program for youth sponsored by both Ventura and Santa Barbara counties, Fryer said, is the "granddaddy" of camps for helping to prevent juvenile delinquency.

Fryer was introduced by George Ohashi, luncheon emcee, Richard Tokumaru, host chapter president, led in the Pledge of Allegiance. District Gov. Akira Ohno presided during the morning business session. A separate District Youth Council met in the afternoon, chaired by Martin Koba of San Diego.

## DC Nominations

Dr. Robert Obi, DC nominations chairman, announced 10 candidates for the PSWDC executive board elections at the Nov. 6 meeting hosted by Orange County JACL at Disneyland Hotel. There are seven vacancies. Nominated were:

Dr. Richard Sakai, Venice-Culver; Sam Uyehara, San Fernando Valley; Roger Kame, Progressive Westside; Mike Hilde, Santa Barbara; Charles Yata, Long Beach Harbor; George Akasaka, SELA-NO Counties; Harris Ozawa, Pasadena; Takiko Yamaguchi, Downtown L.A.; James Kasahara, Hollywood; and Ronald Shiozaki, Gardena Valley.

## Civil Rights Bill

Statements in principle supporting the House-passed 1966 Civil Rights bill and for a more meaningful and non-political consideration of the California Fair Housing Act were adopted by District.

The PSWDC delegates, as recommended by its civil rights committee chairman Wilbur Sato of Gardena, hoped

## SISTER CITY IDEA

## TO MARK 10TH YEAR

OAKLAND — City Councilman Frank Ogawa was named personal representative of Mayor John Reading for the 10th anniversary Sister Cities conference at Washington, D.C., Sept. 11-13. Ogawa has been active with the Oakland-Fukuoka sister city project.

## Leftist group supports

## Nisei bid to assembly

NEW YORK — Wendy Nakashima, candidate for the 69th State Assembly, has gained the support of the left-wing Progressive Labor party, according to leaflets being circulated last week at a sidewalk rally near Broadway and 412th St.

Leaflet was bilingual—English and Spanish.

## Jesuit high schools out to improve its racial mix

LOS ANGELES—Students of minority backgrounds, including the Oriental, will be attracted through scholarships to Jesuit high schools in the nation to improve the racial climate and get the dynamic civil rights situation into the classroom.

This is part of the recommendations revealed Monday at the close of a unique two-week workshop of 122 Jesuit educators here.

Jesuit high schools are predominantly white middle and upper class. Last year, Loyola High here had 40 Negroes, 60 Orientals and many Spanish-speaking pupils, and was commended for its efforts at integration.



MRS. RUTH BRANDWEIN

## Woman to direct Seattle JSCC office

(Special to the Pacific Citizen) SEATTLE — Mrs. Ruth Ann Brandwein was announced as the new Executive Director of the Jackson Street Community Council. She succeeds Kenneth Latcholia who resigned to accept a Dept. of Commerce job.

Mrs. Brandwein has been with the Seattle Park Department since 1964 as recreational supervisor at the Yesler Terrace Housing Project. She is the first woman to hold the title of executive director at the Jackson Street Community Council.

She graduated from Brooklyn College, magna cum laude and is a Phi Beta Kappa. Attorney William C. Wong, who headed the trustee committee that selected Mrs. Brandwein, indicated that she was a particularly good choice because of her extensive background in community work

which she brings to the Council at a time when it is enlarging its area of concern and scope of activities.



DOUBLE WELCOME—Outgoing Seabrook JACL president Henry Kato (left) greets New Jersey State Sen. John A. Waddington while incoming president Masaaki Ooka welcomes Washington Representative Mike Masaoka, who was

the main speaker at the chapter's recent installation dinner. Event also honored 40 June graduates. EDC chairman Kaz Horita of Philadelphia presided over the impressive installation ritual.



Washington Newsletter: Mike Masaoka

# Civil Rights Bill

Washington  
Just before eight o'clock, Tuesday evening, Aug. 9, the House passed its latest civil rights bill by a 259-157 margin.

And, on Friday, Aug. 12, the Senate invoked a special parliamentary procedure by which this legislation was placed directly on the Senate Calendar, without being first referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee. At the same time, the Senate leadership announced that debate on this 1966 Civil Rights Act would begin on September 6, when the Congress returns from its traditional Labor Day recess.

On final passage, 183 Democrats and 76 Republicans voted for the bill, while 95 Democrats and 62 Republicans voted against it. The vote came after the longest civil rights debate in recent House history, for the 12 days taken up by this measure were three days more than that required to pass the 1964 Civil Rights Act in the House.

As approved by the House, the bill in brief provides the following:

Title I—Forbids bias in the selection of federal jurors and calls for uniform selection of federal juries.

Title II—Prohibits racial discrimination in the selection of state jurors.

Title III—Permits the Attorney General of the United States to file a civil suit to bar any person "about to" deprive another of any of his constitutional rights.

Title IV—Bars discrimination in the sale or rental of housing, exempting most individual home sales owner-occupied apartment and boarding houses of four family units or less.

Title V—Makes it a federal crime to harm or threaten anyone exercising his constitutional rights with punishment up to life imprisonment if death is involved and 10 years for bodily harm. Also makes it a crime to use interstate commerce to incite or carry out riots.

Title VI—Empowers the Attorney General to institute federal court suits to desegregate public schools and other facilities on written complaints signed by individuals claiming discrimination.

Titles VII, VIII, and IX—Relates to keeping voting records for 22 months after elections, requires the Attorney General to submit annual reports, and authorizes "necessary" expenditures, respectively.

## ROLL CALLS ON AMENDMENTS

The crucial roll call vote in the House came Monday night, Aug. 8, on a motion to strike (eliminate) the housing section, already weakened considerably from the original proposal of the Administration that would cover all housing and rental. By a 222-190 margin, with 172 Democrats and 50 Republicans for and 104 Democrats and 86 Republicans against, Title IV was retained in the bill.

Hardly less crucial was the 237-176 roll call vote on the amendment that would exempt real estate brokers who merely follow instructions of exempt homeowners in the sale, rental, or leasing of their dwellings. Earlier, in the Committee on the Whole House, the House had on a teller (being counted as one passed down the center aisle) vote tentatively adopted this amendment 180-178. On the formal roll call vote, 168 Democrats and 69 Republicans confirmed that preliminary vote, while 107 Democrats and 69 Republicans opposed it.

An overwhelming roll call vote of 389-25 upheld the amendment tentatively adopted on Aug. 8 to punish persons who go from one state to another or use interstate facilities to incite riots and other violent civil disturbances.

On another close 214-201 roll call vote, an amendment requiring written complaints before the Attorney General might intervene in Title III cases was upheld.

And, proponents of the measure did not demand a roll call vote on another "crippling" amendment, to clarify congressional intent that school desegregation does not necessarily mean racial "balancing".

## JACL'S STAND ON BILL

While civil rights advocates will not deny that the original Administration suggestions, particularly as they related to open housing, were watered-down considerably by the House, the JACL is among those which feels that the 1966 Civil Rights Act represents another forward step toward the goal of equality in opportunity and of human dignity for all Americans.

For the first time, the House is on record that racial discrimination in housing is against the national policy. If the Senate concurs, this faltering first step could be the beginning of future legislation to expand and enlarge the law's coverage to include more and more housing.

Every civil rights statute of the recent past has been the result of congressional compromises. None went as far as civil rights adherents would have wanted. But, each became the foundation on which further advances were made. So, though the 1966 Civil Rights Act falls far short of the mark desired by JACL, it at least represents significant advance over what is the status quo in housing and in other areas. And each advance, however slight, is better than no advance at all, for progress in human relations and social advancement has been a matter of many small advances adding up to significant breakthroughs in the end.

## PROCEDURE IN SENATE OUTLINED

The Senate leadership bypassed its Judiciary Committee in placing the House-approved bill directly on the Senate Calendar, where it may be called up by the leadership, because Judiciary Committee Chairman James Eastland of Mississippi and Constitutional Rights Subcommittee Chairman Sam Ervin of North Carolina are skillful opponents of civil rights legislation who probably would have prevented any measure on the subject from ever being reported, if past performances are any criterion.

The procedure followed, however, allows the Senate Judiciary Committee enough time, if it so wills, to report its own civil rights bill, which its Constitutional Rights Subcommittee has had under hearings for the past several months.

At the same time, that Committee will not have the power to deny the Senate the opportunity to "work its will" on civil rights legislation this session though a prolonged filibuster has been promised against which ever bill is finally considered by the Senate.

Though the House passed its version of civil rights legislation, eventual passage of a Senate version is far from assured, particularly if the housing title is retained.

## NEWS CAPSULES

### Courtroom

A misdemeanor conviction of Mrs. Rena Erye, who helped spark the 1965 Watts riot, was reversed by the Superior Court appellate dept. Presiding Judge John Also held "that the unfortunate totality of circumstances climaxed by the prejudicially improper prosecution argument which crept into the trial of this case (last October), frustrated the defendant's receiving a fair trial in consonance with contemporary standards of due process". While the jurors were admonished to ignore the prosecutor's remarks about the riot, in practice this had become almost an impossibility.

### Medicine

With Medicare, patient lead a City View (L.A. Japanese) Hospital has jumped 40 pct., according to administrator Edwin Hiroto. Many are being urged to postpone treatment, he added. Harold Ouye of Sacramento was elected director of the Sacramento Valley Pharmaceutical Assn. Dr. Raymond Hirose, recently named city-county physician in Honolulu and director of the city's health department, received his M.D. degree at Creighton University, was in private practice for five years in Joliet, Ill., before returning to Hawaii in 1947. He served as a commander in the Navy from 1935-37.

### Music

The L.A. County Music Commission has allocated \$2,500 to the Japanese Philharmonic Orchestra this year, representing a \$1,500 increase from last year and placing the group on par with other community symphonies, such as the Pasadena Symphony. The Japanese Philharmonic, established in 1961, is comprised of 35 musicians. Roy Tanabe, son of the Eiji Tanabes, and T.K. Wong are two Oriental Americans now playing with the Los Angeles Philharmonic at Hollywood Bowl. Roy is playing in the second violin section. Japanese conductor Seiji Ozawa, 30, is divorcing his wife, concert pianist Kyoko Edo, 28. They were married in Tokyo four years ago.

### Politics

Art Takei, president of the Japanese American Democratic Assn. of California, is the first Nisei to be elected chairman of a county central committee delegation, from his 40th Assembly District. Hiroshi Tateyama was one of 56 Weld County delegates to the Colorado Republican state assembly last month.

### Sports

Bruce Ureda, a San Francisco physician, fired a 2,138 total to win the 21st annual California state men's bowling handicap all-events title. He teamed with his brother Lance for sixth in the doubles at 1,385 and his team, Manicini Motors of Mountain View, won the team title with a 3,323.

Bruce and Lance are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. John "Bee" Ureda of Mountain View. Sansei quarterback Ron Fukukawa of Long Beach View High helped the South All-Stars score a decisive 24-14 victory over the North All-Stars in the annual Shrine high school football game at the Los Angeles Coliseum July 28. He hit his favorite end Terry DeKraal on paydirt to send South into a 9-6 lead in the second quarter. Ron passed 8 times, completed 4 for 54 yards, had 2 intercepted and carried the ball twice for 12 yards. Word now has it Ron's headed for UCLA instead of Stanford. State Sen. Alvin Weingand (D-Santa Barbara) is proposing judo for girls as part of physical education programs in California schools in view of an alarming increase in assaults on girls and women. Sansei golfers between the ages of 7 and 19 are invited to compete in the fifth annual Jr. Bay Area Nisei Golf Assn. tournament Aug. 28 at San Jose's Hill View course. There are no green fees.

### Entertainment

Japan Air Lines is offering a 12-inch LP "Songs and Sounds" of the Orient for \$1. One side is devoted to Japan, where the sounds of a noodle vendor's flute, geisha samisen, the bustling crowd at Tokyo Central Station and Japanese folk songs are included. Flip side explores the sounds and music of Hong Kong, Bangkok and Singapore. Capitol Records has released Japan's best seller, "Kimo to Tsunamodemo", which has sold 3 million this year. Tune is written and sung by Yuzo Kayama, motion picture and singing star. Capitol released Kyu Sakamoto's "Sukiyaki" in 1963 that sold a million in the



**PLANT for a more BEAUTIFUL AMERICA**  
AMERICA BEAUTIFUL—Gyo Fujikawa's second designed U.S. commemorative to encourage President Johnson's Natural Beauty campaign will be released Oct. 5 in Washington, D.C. The three-colored stamp depicts Jefferson Memorial framed by a bough of Japanese cherry trees. Miss Fujikawa also designed the 1960 U.S.-Japan commemorative.

## House civil rights bill outlined in summary

(Special to the Pacific Citizen)

The 1966 civil rights bill, as passed by the House, has these major purposes and provisions:

### TITLE I

Declares that all litigants in federal courts entitled to trial by jury shall have the right to a jury selected from a cross section of the community or district where the court convenes. No citizen shall be excluded from jury service on account of race, color, religion, sex, national origin or economic status. The master list from which prospective jurors are chosen would contain names of at least one-half of 1 percent of the total number of persons listed in the voter registration lists for the district. In no event could the number of names be fewer than three times the number of jurors actually called for jury service during the previous calendar year.

### TITLE II

Declares that no citizen shall be excluded from service as a grand or petit juror in any state or federal court on account of race, color, religion, sex, national origin or economic status. The U.S. attorney general could institute civil court proceedings for preventive relief if he had reasonable grounds for belief that any person was engaged or about to engage in any act or practice that would abridge rights secured by this title. The attorney general would have to give advance notice to appropriate state or local officials and reasonable opportunity for compliance before bringing suit in court. Women could not automatically be excused from state court jury service merely on the ground that they are women.

### TITLE III

Permits the U.S. attorney general to institute federal court civil action or other proper proceeding for preventive relief if he has reasonable grounds to believe that any person is about to engage or continue to engage in any act or practice of discrimination on account of race, color, religion or national origin. Persons claiming to be aggrieved also could institute such proceedings. Similar steps could be taken by the attorney general or the aggrieved person in connection with alleged acts or practices that would deny or hinder another person in the exercise of free speech, assembly or other "expression for the purpose of securing recognition or protection for equal enjoyment" of such rights.

### TITLE IV

Declares that the policy of the United States is to prevent discrimination on account of race, color, religion or national origin in the purchase, rental, lease, financing, use and occupancy of housing throughout the nation. This title was amended to apply likewise to discrimination because of the number or age of a family's children.

States... Discovered in Tokyo after auditioning some 200 Japanese, kimono-clad, guitar-plucking Kiyoko Ito is now singing some 20 tunes with the new Christy Minstrels in New York. She knows little English.

It applies specifically to real estate brokers and others in the business of building, developing, renting or leasing of residential dwellings. It would exempt most individual home owners because it defines "persons in the housing business" as those who participate in three or more sale, rental or lease transactions involving a dwelling within the preceding 12 months. It would exempt rooming house proprietors and other owner-occupants of dwellings occupied by not more than four families living independently of each other. Real estate brokers would be exempt if they merely followed instructions of exempt owners in disposing of dwellings. Religious and denominational institutions and bona fide private or fraternal organizations would be exempt.

A Fair Housing Board with powers similar to the National Labor Relations Board would investigate complaints and issue orders.

### TITLE V

Makes it a federal crime to injure, intimidate or interfere with any person because of his race, color, religion or national origin while he is lawfully engaging or seeking to engage in activities specified in the bill. Prohibitions and penalties apply also to actions or attempts to discourage anyone from lawfully participating in such activities or rights, and to attempt to encourage public officials from protecting persons seeking to exercise their rights. Maximum penalties would be \$100,000 and one year imprisonment if death resulted. An amendment would fix a maximum penalty of \$100,000 and five years imprisonment for anyone who travels in interstate commerce or uses any interstate facility, such as mail or telephone, to incite riots or other violent civil disturbances.

### TITLE VI

Empowers the U.S. attorney general to institute federal court suits for desegregation of public schools and other public facilities. An amendment would require the attorney general to have a written complaint signed by an individual claiming he was deprived of or threatened with the loss of his right to equal protection under the law. Another last-minute amendment would make clear that the title "shall not be construed to authorize action by any department or agency to require the assignment of students to public schools in order to overcome racial imbalance."

### TITLE VII

Relates to preservation of voting records for at least 22 months after an election. The attorney general could permit earlier destruction of the materials if this would not hamper enforcement of the legislation.

### TITLE VIII

Directs the attorney general to submit annual reports beginning in September 1967 to the President and Congress concerning activities under the legislation.

### TITLE IX

Authorizes "such sums as are necessary" to carry out the legislation. It is estimated that this would cost about \$12 million a year.

Aloha from Hawaii: Richard Gima

## Final Rites for Nisei GI

Honolulu  
Funeral services over the ashes of 1st Sgt. Yoshiwa Nagato, 37, of 1662 Walea St., Wahiawa, Oahu, were held Aug. 3 at Schofield Barracks. He was killed July 19 in a mid-air collision over Vietnam. He was a native of Los Angeles and had relatives in that city.

A pre-dawn fire wiped out Benjamin Parker School in Kaneohe Aug. 1. Fourteen classrooms, the offices, library, cafeteria and auditorium were burned to the ground. Nearly 11 of the 300 public school teaching positions still vacant for the fall are in rural Oahu or on the neighbor islands. Central Pacific Bank opened a branch July 30 at Kahului, Maui, with Harold Kuwahara as manager. Clifton Terry, Jr., executive vice-president of the Bank of Hawaii, probably will become the next president of the bank in December. Edward A. Schneider, president, will retire Nov. 30.

Ken Miyakawa won the 1966 Manoa Cup by drubbing longtime friend Jack Omuro, 5 and 3, in the 36-hole finals July 31. Omuro was the pre-match favorite. Dick Kenney, Michigan State's kicking specialist, has been named to the U.S. team for the first World Baseball Tournament here Aug. 23-28. Dick is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Kenney, 89-150 Holo Place, Aiea, Oahu.

## Queen to teach...

Jo-Ann Yamada, Cherry Blossom queen of 1961, became the bride of Ronald H. Komata July 23 at Iolani School's St. Alban's Chapel. Mrs. Komata, who won her M.A. at Cal State College, L.A., is with the Port Hueneme School District and will teach at Sunkist Elementary School. Komata, a graduate of Northrup Institute of Technology, is an electronics engineer at Naval Ship's Engineering Command at Port Hueneme. Mr. and Mrs. Fusho Teruya of Maui have announced the engagement of their daughter, Leinaala Ann Teruya, and Pierre C. Apisaloma. Miss Teruya was Miss Hawaii of 1964. She will graduate from Cannon's School of Business in September. The wedding is planned for later this month. Apisaloma is employed at Pearl Harbor. Mr. and Mrs. George Nakatsu, who were married here July 31, are making their home at 1707 1/2 Barry Ave. in Los Angeles. The bride is a Univ. of Hawaii graduate, and her husband is electronics engineer for Litton Industries, Inc. On the basis of 1964 registrations, Hawaii had 41.2 cars for every 100 residents. The national average for the year was 45.1 vehicles per 100 people. Hawaii as a state stood well down the list in auto density—38th place. Attorney Shiro Kashiwa, former State attorney general, has been named president of the laymen of the statewide Hongwanji Mission. State Rep. Ted T. Morioka is seeking re-election to the House; he's a Democrat.

Mr. and Mrs. Shigeru Hotoke will teach and conduct the Idyllwild School of Music and Arts. They will return to Kailua, Oahu, in time for the opening of the new school year. Harry C. Chuck, former Hilo High principal, has been appointed district superintendent of education for the Big Island. He will be honored at a testimonial dinner Aug. 27 at Hale Nani in Hilo.

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## From the Frying Pan

By Bill Hosokawa

**PROGRESS REPORT**—At the recent National JACL convention in San Diego delegates were presented with a small pamphlet titled "Report of Japanese American Research Project". Its text was printed in The Pacific Citizen last week and, as a very brief preview of things to come, the pamphlet was reported to have been well-received.

The vast scope of the Research Project, far broader than anticipated when the project was first being talked about, is evident even on a casual reading of the pamphlet. It will be, among other things, an effort to tell the Nisei what makes him the way he is. One section of the pamphlet reads:

"Like other visible, ethnic-name minorities, the Japanese are an identifiable group having had, like other groups, a systematic racial discrimination imposed upon them. Yet, how can we explain the Japanese ethnic community pattern which has resulted in present circumstances of higher education, less demand on welfare agencies and mental hospitals, and low crime and delinquency rates as compared to the general community level?"

"What is the source of these responses? Can it be the value system of the ethnic group, cultural identity, in-group cohesion, family upbringing, heritage, strong emphasis on individual achievement, in-group view of the majority group, well-oiled mechanisms of social control, and a strongly supportive belief system (e.g., a belief in their ethnic superiority)?"

Challenging questions all, and undoubtedly worthy of scholarly delving and analysis.

Still, there are disquieting elements in the reports, not least of which is the "proposed timetable of operations on sociology". It projects into the period between September, 1969 and August, 1970 the "setting of survey materials into historical content", and "preparation of various monographs and articles."

August, 1970, is four years from now. I have in my files a document titled "A proposal for a definitive history of the Japanese in America, 1860-1960." It was prepared by Dr. T. Scott Miyakawa who labeled it only a "preliminary study outline for discussion and review", and the significant thing about it is that it is dated Dec. 20, 1960.

Dr. Miyakawa revised his outline and it was circulated under date of March 1, 1961, and shortly after that, the work of raising funds for the project got under way. All this is a matter of record, so it appears now that the research project is destined to become a decade-long effort.

Scholars and scientists cannot be hurried, they often remind us, but it is difficult for a journalist, accustomed to working under daily deadlines (and sometimes turning out deplorably superficial work, to be sure), not to become impatient with the academic pace.

A second disquieting note is found in the report on the books to be published as part of the project. "The sociological study together with its historical counterpart is expected to produce several volumes, some by scholars associated with the project," the pamphlet reports. After listing several of the proposed volumes, the pamphlet says: "It is hoped that along with the publication of these volumes and papers a popular edition of the history of Japanese in the United States will be written."

It is distressing that the so-called popular edition is still in the "it is hoped" category when so much emphasis was placed on this volume during the fund-raising campaign. If the language of the pamphlet is any basis of judgment, the erudite (and unquestionably very significant) volumes on the political and economic history of the Japanese in the U.S. will prove to be tough reading for the average Nisei.

Take these two sentences, for example: "We have generated a set of hypotheses that proved a framework for explaining differential patterns of achievement. There will be a focus on intergenerational mobility spanning three generations."

You tell me what that means. The Nisei public was sold on the idea of the project largely on the basis of being provided with a story about themselves and their antecedents, and a fulfillment of this obligation is at least equally important as the writing of scholarly, learned and academically laudable texts.

## Bottle-fed baby may have problems reading later in life, says Dr. Shishino

**LOS ANGELES**—If you bottle feed your baby, he may have problems with reading later in life. This is a recent finding announced by Dr. Takao Shishino, a member of the Los Angeles County Optometric Society. Seem far-out? It's easy enough to understand when reasons are given.

Most mothers are right-handed. When they feed their babies with a bottle, the bottle is held in mom's right hand. The infant's held with her left. While being fed, baby's right eye will often be covered. So he uses his left-eye to watch what's going on around him.

This can amount to forcing the baby to do eye exercises every time he eats. It might establish left-eye "dominance." No problem for the south paw. But if baby is right-handed, he may have trouble a few years later when he tries learning to read.

Actually, we're all "left-eyed" or "right-eyed", just as we're left-handed or right-handed. One eye dominates, meaning we use it and rely on it more than the other eye. To function best, right-handed people should be right-eyed, lefties should be left-eyed.

Among people with reading problems, there are 3-times more right-handed, left-eyed folks than those using any other combination. This is cited by the Los Angeles County Optometric Society in support of its contention.

The breast-fed infant doesn't run the risk of having his eye dominance affected when he nurses. Mother switches him

### 150 golfers compete in Seattle tourney

**SEATTLE**—Some 150 golfers scrambled over three courses in the third annual Seattle JACL golf tournament July 24.

Rick Yoshijima won the junior flight title with 84-11-73 for the third straight year. Other flight winners were: 1st Flight (Allentown)—Yone Nakao 76-9-67; 2nd Flight (Allentown)—John Katayama 80-14-56; 3rd Flight (Eastington)—Pete Yoshino 80-15-65; 4th Flight (Eastington)—Frank Kato 84-10-65; Ladies Flight (Jefferson)—June Kumasaka 109-47-62.

Fuzzy Fujiyama emceed the awards banquet at Bush Gardens. Min Tai was tournament director.

### Dodger Night

**LOS ANGELES**—Venice-Culver JACL's annual Dodger Night attracted in excess of 100 adults and youngsters at Dodger Stadium July 8.

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# WW2 snuffs public tribute to Ohnick

BY JOE GRANT MASAOKA  
Administrator, JACL-UCLA  
Japanese American Research Project

That 21st day of October, 1881, in Tombstone, Arizona Territory, is long remembered. The town was electrified with news the Clanton Brothers gang was out to get the town marshal Virgil Earp. The Clantons and their gang were notorious outlaws and killers.

The Earps rallied around—there was Wyatt and another brother who stood up with Virgil. Doc Holliday, the tubercular dentist from Georgia, joined the Earps. There was going to be gunsmoke and the townspeople took cover. Gun-slingers like Bat Masterson, Luke Short and Johnny Ringo continued dealing cards.

Word came that the Clanton gang was heading toward the OK Corral. It was 2:30 p.m. on that hot, dusty afternoon. The Earp boys together with Doc Holliday walked deliberately four abreast down Fourth Street, rounded Fremont and moved to the rear of the OK Corral. The measured strides of the law men on the deserted street seemed like the echoes of slow drum beats in a funeral procession.

They walked into the corral and at a stone's throw met Ike and Billy Clanton, Frank and Tom McLaury and Billy Claiborne. Virgil called out for the outlaws to throw down their guns. Instead they reached for their six shooters and the most famous shoot-out of the West, the gunfight at the OK Corral, exploded. The McLaury and a Clanton were killed and Virgil and Holliday were wounded.

### Residents Take Cover

Tombstone's residents stayed away from the line of fire, one of whom was Hutchon Ohnick, later to become the first Issei industrialist. But the now legendary gunfight at the OK Corral is a prototype of the western gunfight in the movies and TV and play-acting of kids in the backyard.

Arizona's big public utility, the Arizona Public Service corporation, covers most of Arizona with its power poles and gas pipelines. A pioneer Issei, Hutchon Ohnick, started it with two other partners at a time when the electrical industry was just beginning to take shape.

The faded and aged records of the Phoenix City Council show this entry: On April 29, 1886, the Phoenix City Council passed Ordinance 33 which reads in part—"That a franchise be and the same is hereby granted to Hutchon Ohnick and to his successors or assigns to supply the said city of Phoenix and its citizens and residents with illuminating gas or electric light or both, as he may determine with consent of city council."

Armed with this exclusive privilege Hutchon Ohnick began work to develop the first utility in the Arizona Territory. Eighty years later the successor in interest to this pioneer Issei's efforts is the corporation known throughout Arizona as the Arizona Public Service Company.

Beginning with less than a hundred customers rounded up by Ohnick, Public Service today services over a half million users.

Where Ohnick made his plunge with the few thousand dollars of his entire savings, Arizona Public Service rates is an investment of over a third of a billion dollars.

### His Real Name

Ohnick was an Issei whose real name was Hachiro Onuki. He came to the United States for the purpose of attending the Philadelphia Centennial Exposition of 1876. Japan at the time was in the throes of peasant and samurai unrest. It was some 20 years since Commodore Perry had negotiated for the opening of Japan to western commerce.

The United States had only 11 years earlier emerged from the Civil War. In 1869, the Schnell party with whom Okei (first Japanese woman to have died in the U.S.) is identified had settled near Placerville, Calif., on an ill-fated venture of raising silk cocoons and tea culture. The same year as the founding of the Okei settlement, the first transcontinental railroad was joined together at Promontory Point near Ogden, Utah.

There were still millions of buffalo on the Western plains and sometimes trains waited as the tremendous herds took hours to cross the rails. It was in that year of the 1876, Philadelphia Centennial Exposition that Gen. George A. Custer and his cavalry regiment was wiped out by Chief Rain-in-the-Face with his Cheyenne Indians.

On his return to San Francisco from Philadelphia, Ohnick became aware of the

stories by Mark Twain and others about the fabulous gold fields of Nevada. He headed for Virginia City and Gold Hill, but found out upon his arrival that the "Big Bonanza" of the Comstock Lode was playing out.

### Tombstone-Bound

He followed the other miners to Tombstone, Arizona, where a silver strike had been discovered. Now a tourist ghost town, Tombstone was then a thriving town of some 10,000 inhabitants. Tombstone was renowned as the West's most lawless mining town and bad gunmen pitted themselves against the lawmen's fast guns.

While in Tombstone a couple of friends, one an Irish miner and a German, decided that the frequent jibes directed at Ohnick's Oriental appearance might be more tolerable if his unpronounceable name of Hachiro Onuki were Anglicized. They contrived that henceforth his name should be Hutchon Ohnick.

The uniqueness of a Japanese, dignified yet polite in manners, in a country where it was the usual custom to be rough in language and uncouth in habits attracted a brace of Easterners who were involved in some mining ventures in Arizona. Ohnick had started a business of well digging and the Easterners liked his conscientious attention to business without courting. These men had utilities interests in the East.

Becoming friends the utilities men urged Ohnick to join them in setting up a gas and electric plant in Phoenix. Ohnick liked the idea and entered into a three-way equal partnership deal.

### Ambitious Project

The Easterners wanted Ohnick to be in charge as the front man. Ohnick remonstrated that he still talked a bit awkwardly in English, but his friends brushed aside his objections.

"We want you to be the builder and superintendent," the partners agreed on Ohnick. "We want you to take out the franchise."

This was an ambitious project. Phoenix had been incorporated just five years before. The West was still wild. Geronimo, chief of the Chiricahua band of Apache Indians, had held the southern borders of Arizona, New Mexico and the Mexican state of Sonora in a reign of terror and had just been cornered by General Crook. It cost \$6 a week for room and board. Work boots, not the cowboy kind, were priced at \$4 and a Sunday suit \$18.

In the desert town of Phoenix a lighting company was on everyone's tongue where even talk of a new cigar store "In-

jun" was big news. Ohnick's backers, W.C. Parsons and Josiah White, helped in the application for the franchise and saw it issued April 29, 1886.

They named the new utility the Phoenix Illuminating Gas and Electric Co. Then the three partners journeyed to San Francisco for the formal articles of incorporation. The incorporation authorized 50,000 shares of stock at a par value of \$1 per share. The trio split the shares evenly between themselves.

Perhaps, nostalgically, the by-laws called for an annual meeting to be held in Tombstone some 200 miles south-east of their Phoenix operations, where the trio first became friends.

### Electrical Power

The electrical industry began in 1885 to take shape and to receive public attention seriously. In the next 20 years tremendous strides were made, forming the bases upon which the electrical industry has continued to progress. Between 1885 and the 1890's many important developments took place, mainly in the production and use of alternating current. At that time it was realized that direct current was limited in respect to the distance it could be transmitted, at best only a few miles. This restriction called for the building of many power plants, and practically eliminated the use of hydroelectric power not generated within city limits.

In 1886, the year Ohnick obtained his franchise, the first alternating current commercial lighting system was built at Great Barrington, Mass. That same year, Westinghouse Electric Co. at Pittsburgh, Pa., built the first commercially successful alternating current generating system. The following year, Westinghouse was given a patent for his electric transformer. Since the turn of the century the growth of the electrical industry has been phenomenal. Ohnick was involved in these fast paced developments.

When Ohnick started, the emphasis was on illuminating gas. The Phoenix Daily Herald wrote the "gas works will be hailed with delight here and receive a good support. The town can't afford to burn coal oil any longer."

The editorial reference about coal oil was timely. Six fires had been started by exploding coal oil lamps that week.

### Ohnick Lobbies

The new enterprise faced extinction. A group of dissidents formed fearing a gas works constituted a danger to the town. They pressured the city council to repeal the franchise. Ohnick got busy and lobbied. The council refused to rescind



**GIFTS TO JAPAN**—San Francisco Boy Scouts of Troops 12 and 58 stand with Jesus Alou and Juan Marichal of the Giants, among those who signed baseballs and bats as a gift to Prince Hiro,

eldest son of Crown Prince Akihito and Crown Princess Michiko. Others are Kei Hori, leader; Roddy Wada, Kent Hori, Keith Hori, Sterling Sakai, and Harry Katsuyama, tour organizer. —S. Onodera Photo.

# Crown Prince Akihito impresses visiting Scouts

BY TAMOTSU MURAYAMA  
(Special to the Pacific Citizen)

**NIPPONBARA**—Crown Prince Akihito, who reviewed 30,000 scouts and 600 contingents from foreign countries at the 4th National Jamboree of the Boy Scouts of Japan Aug. 7, shook hands with two Nisei scouts: Kei Hori of San Francisco and Claude Yamamoto of Honolulu.

Hori was one of 14 Nisei scouts who surrounded and defended the American flag during the Manzanar riots of 1942. Project director Ralph Merritt said the lads, armed with stones, surrounded the mast when trouble started, defying

its earlier action and construction of the plant was started.

The coming use of electric lighting was in the headlines. Eight 6,000-watt lamps were installed around the torch of the Statue of Liberty.

As the plant in Phoenix was under construction pick and shovel crews began digging ditches for gas mains and users began installing gas fittings. On Nov. 29, 1886, Ohnick served notice to the city council the company was ready to provide gas for street lighting. And in less than a month the first street light began to shine at Phoenix's Washington and Center Streets.

Since those pioneering days the Phoenix Gas and Electric Illuminating Co. has become the Arizona Public Service.

Some 35 years later the citizenry talked of erecting a statue to Hutchon Ohnick, pioneer Issei industrialist. As the hysteria in the months before World War II grew, the hard heads prevailed and the project to give him recognition disappeared.

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the so-called pro-Axis sympathizers to come near. One did and was stoned into retreat. Yamamoto, a scout executive with the Aloha Council, said he was not going to wash his hand until he returns home, looking at his husky hand after his audience with the Crown Prince and Princess Michiko. "I was really inspired by the Crown Prince when he

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**WASHINGTON**—Scholars will be able to study State Dept. records in the archives after they're 30 years old. Previously, only records through 1933 were available.

Announcement last week also opened records through 1935 and each Jan. 1 additional sets would be made available.

### Oakland tour director hit in Tokyo collision

**TOKYO**—Mrs. Grace K. Yokouchi of Oakland, tour director for many years, had accompanied a group of Nisei this past spring.

So it was with great surprise that she reappeared with crutches this past week. She explained that while riding in a Tokyo taxicab on June 21, a small truck collided with her car. She was hospitalized for a fractured ankle and wounds on her right leg. She expects to return home by the end of this month.

Tourists coming to Japan must be very careful as there are too many accidents in Tokyo.

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helped the Crown Princess off the jeep. The way he extended his hand demonstrated so naturally his love to her," Hori commented. "Such manner of Japanese was never witnessed before. Then I was able to shake hands with the Crown Prince. It was an honor because the Nisei scouts of America were duly recognized."

The young scouts from California and Hawaii marched past the review stand in proud fashion, in spite of the broiling heat and swirling dust of Nipponbara. It was a demonstration of "guts."

The youngsters all promised to come in 1971 if Japan is privileged to host the 13th World Jamboree. There should be enough water next time for thousands—a commodity which was very scarce during the jamboree just concluded.

(Before the San Francisco scouts of Troops 12 and 58 departed late last month, they secured bats and baseballs autographed by 10 members of the S.F. Giants to give to Prince Hiro, eldest son of Crown Prince Akihito. The group is scheduled to return Aug. 21.)

### Cherry trees presented by bank to Oakland

**OAKLAND**—Marking its first year of pleasant operation in Oakland, the local Sumitomo Bank of California promised to give 100 flowering Kwanzan cherry trees to the city next winter, which is the best time for planting.

Accepting the gift were City Councilman Frank Ogawa and Park Commissioner William Jamison, who said the trees would be placed around Lake Merritt.



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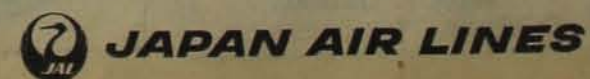
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By Alan Kumamoto

## Accent on Youth



**FESTIVE MOOD**—With Nisei Week action on you could say that Li'l Tokio, Los Angeles, is hopping. For people who attended the National JACL Convention, this mood seems to be just a continuation of what prevailed down in San Diego. Ah, will I be glad when we can get back to earth and serious work.

Since most everyone has reported on the National Convention and before this topic becomes absolutely downright stale, here are some parting thoughts, comments and reactions.

**NOTABLE QUOTABLE**—It is interesting to note that many non-convention hotel guests and employees at El Cortez in San Diego during the National JACL Convention were very much impressed with the manner and conduct of the youth. In fact, some stopped some of us and told us so. A fine tribute to the way the youth conducted themselves.

One observation might be made that many past conventions, conferences, and workshops under JACL auspices were a little "wilder". This, perhaps, was the most sedate and well-mannered group we ever had in a conclave. It is interesting to note that again, although many Nisei may become alarmed at the way the Sansei are becoming "hakujin", that still the mass populus of non-Japanese folk look with delight on the Sansei youth for their conduct, courtesy, and orderliness. And remember, we had over 320 youth officially registered.

**HOMEWORK**—Someone might remark that homework equals clockwork. Although some of the youth sessions had time lags and lapses in between, by and large, the meetings were well conducted under National Interim Youth Council Chmn. Paul Tamura. Perhaps the sole factor which helped to expedite the youth meetings was the fact that the NIYC met on Monday night, discussed and debated many of the issues which were brought before the general youth assembly later.

Of course, the NIYC itself could not have had an efficient, well-conducted meeting on Monday if its members from the eight districts did not prepare and do their homework. Most representatives prepared written reports on the state of their districts, along with National Committee Reports. Believe me, these really helped!

**LANTERN'S GLOW**—Aside from just downright sheer paperwork involved with activities before the Convention, many NIYC members stayed up 'til the wee hours discussing with their own district representatives, lobbying, and trying to catch a few winks and socialize as well. And as if this wasn't enough, came the early dawn and being harassed by the National Youth Director to get up, eat breakfast, get to that morning session and start the meeting.

The phrase "Early to bed, early to rise" did not always apply, but I am sure that as a result of the concerted effort on the part of all the "Detroit-selected" NIYC members, San Diego was a success. Another interesting note is that the members selected to the new National Jr. JACL Youth Council were quite involved with the proceedings of the week and many of them could be seen side by side with their respective NIYC district representatives, trying to take in as much of the color and glamour and work of the Convention.

Today, we find that the newly installed eight-member National Youth Council seems to have the same enthusiasm and drive with perhaps the added advantage of a clearer understanding and picture of what lies ahead than those who preceded them.

**WHY, OF COURSE**—As if pre-convention reports and paperwork were not enough, a post-convention report is now needed and is being prepared. Already received in the office are the names and addresses of delegates prepared by PSWDYC Representative Martin Koba. Have also received the final report which the then National Youth Commissioner Jerry Enomoto presented to the JACL National Council. Expected are the adviser session reports from PSWDC Youth Commissioner Kay Nakagiri, along with a request by some San Diego youth to include youth convention events reports. All this is jumbled with minutes prepared by Paul and Pam Tamura as they stopped over in Los Angeles on their way home. These will be included in this monumental document. So, anyway, look for the post-convention report to be sent to official delegates by the time school starts in mid-September.

**BACK AT WORK**—I am glad to see that NC-WN-DYC and PSWDYC didn't let any "grass grow under their feet", holding their meetings last Sunday. PSWDYC held its elections for new DYC officers and had as guests Misako Hasebe and Joyce Sudo, both of Central California.

I can't forget to mention that the Orange County JAYS will begin their new administrative term after their installation this Saturday. Justice Stephen Tamura is the featured speaker. PSWDC Board Youth Chairman Ted Tsukahara is emcee, and I happen to be the installing officer.

Good to hear that Cleveland Jr. JACL will host the winter '66-MDYC Workshop sometime late in December. Anne Bacnik and crew are assured of getting a good response in a well-designed workshop.

**FINAL THOUGHT**—Since Ole '66 columns by National Interim Youth Council members are no longer in the PC, why not start a column rotated among the National Youth Council members titled "Ikimasho '68"—or is that premature?

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## JACL: Youth and His Identity

BY MARTIN KOKA  
Second Prize  
Oratorical Contest

San Diego  
In discussing the topic "JACL - Youth and His Identity", I would like to talk about people. Not statistics or percentages, but real people; the kind of people not very

abundant in today's world—people who need people.

Our society is developing an age of independence and non-involvement. Actually, people are more dependent than ever before, but to admit dependency is a mark of weakness. And so we avoid being people and assume the stature of individuals.

Before we can associate youth and his identity, let us examine the world as the youth evaluate it.

The world is troubled with many of the perils of the past and a multitude of new ones. The myriad problems confronting the contemporary youth are complex and overwhelming. They bear such labels as inflation, water, pollution, automation, and civil rights.

However, the average youth is more concerned about his personal success than water pollution. He is acutely aware of the demands and pitfalls of adult life; and is efficiently indoctrinated with the philosophy of every man for himself and the winner take all.

The vast majority of today's youth are bewildered by a mixture of multi-colored dilemmas, vexing enigmas, and countless frustrations.

Now, I do not subscribe to the cult of pseudo-psychology prevalent in America today. But eventually all young people ponder the meaning of it all and ask themselves the inevitable questions: "Who am I? Where am I going?" and "How am I ever going to get there?"

We have then, three challenges facing youth of today which cause lack of identity: a trouble world; the need for success, and the search for direction.

Obviously, not all young people can meet these challenges. Those that cannot conform to the rigid confines that we establish often rebel; venting their rebellion through crime. Last year, 48.5 of those arrested were under the age of 18.

For those who cannot accept reality, there is the escape of narcotics and alcohol.

Finally, when life becomes unbearable, the mind seeks refuge in protective shells. President Johnson recently reported that one out of every ten Americans should be in a mental institution.

Perhaps you have been wondering how all this pertains to the subject under discussion. The Sansei, being a part of American youth, experience the three challenges that I have related. He must cope with the same problems and has the same difficulty in locating his ideals and beliefs as everyone else his age.

However, he has another factor which must be taken (Continued on Page 5)

## Tie and Garter: 'Sir' Frank Sakamoto What a Whing Ding

Chicago  
Having attended many National 1000 Club whing dings, this last one in San Diego certainly surpassed many of the past. The Miyako Restaurant and its night club setting was most unique. But the most important part of the Whing Ding was not only the quantity of people attending, but the quality; for the distinguished 1000 Club delegates attending the Whing Ding certainly came out with enthusiasm for establishing not only the financial arm of the JACL, but also a program so badly needed to bring out and to meet its requirements of many social and fraternal activities. . . . In my tenure of office as National 1000 Club Chairman, I will try to meet these obligations.

I would like to list many of the exciting things that went on at the Whing Ding—such as the many "thought-provoking" jokes. . . . And in my opinion "Wild Bill" Matsumoto of Sacramento is a "must" at a Convention and certainly our most recent National 1000 Club Chairman, Joe Kadowaki of Cleveland, who did a marvelous job as the M.C. of the evening. . . . Couple from Arizona, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Tanaka, certainly added color as did the many outstanding 1000 Club live-wires who made the Whing Ding a success—Chie Tomihoro of Chicago; Mrs. Betty Yumori of Culver City; the wife of our 2nd Vice-President Mrs. Barbara Miura, who certainly must have made Dave's election easier; and also the Pacific Southwest District Governor's wife, Mrs. Sue Ohno. . . . There were many others who did their share to make the evening a highly successful one and who certainly made it so that the party could not become dull.

Although many outstanding names run through my mind, they would only make this article a long one to list them all. I think I had better get down to business. . . .

In that busy evening, I was

also able to confer with Harris Ozawa of Pasadena, that there must be something done about the 1000 Club program and activities and on which he later consented to help me, for as you know, he has done a marvelous job in Pasadena.

I met another interesting young man, the president of the Arizona Chapter, Johnson Sakata. I was so overwhelmed by his enthusiasm that I asked him to be the 1000 Club member of us—Harris, John, and myself—agreed that we should immediately look into the various 1000 Club matters so that we could boast about some of the activities we put on in behalf of the 1000 Club. And there we agreed that we should strive to attain a goal of 3,000 members by the end of 1968.

So that would mean to all Chapters, to please appoint a Chapter 1000 Club chairman (the barons) and put on such activities to help bring in 1,500 more new members—meaning, if a program could be established where every 1000 Club member would bring in a renewal or a new member, we would reach this goal of 3,000 members.

Now I ask that our barons (chapter 1000 Club chairmen) put on an activity to help meet this goal collectively. And if you need help, John Sakata in Arizona or Harris Ozawa of Pasadena certainly can supply you with information so that we might double your chapter 1000 Club membership.

I think that as our program progresses, we will "knit" those Chapters which obtain the most new members in a certain given time. So won't you please help us in attaining this goal?

For your convenience you may call John Sakata, Membership drive chairman at (602) 936-3345 office or (602) 937-2692 home, Phoenix, Ariz., or Harris Ozawa at (213) 792-4242 for information on program and activities.

By the Board: Jack Kusaba

## New Leadership

San Francisco.  
On behalf of the NC-WN District Council my sincerest congratulations to Jerry Enomoto on his election as our National President, to Treasurer Yone Satoda, to Secretary to the Board Dr. Tom Taketa, and to all the new National officers.

Our district is extremely proud to have such dedicated and capable JACLers serving as National officers.

As an official delegate representing the District, it was my duty to attend all the official meetings of the National Council and certain of the committee meetings. All of the business sessions went off exceptionally well, indicating well-organized advance planning. Things have been considerably streamlined compared

to some previous national confabs.

Committee reports were prepared and printed in advance for distribution to the delegates thereby eliminating a long and oftentimes tiring verbal presentation. The quality of the reports testified to the long hours that must have been devoted by the chairmen in putting them together. These written reports permitted the business session schedule to be on time.

Perhaps two other factors that may have contributed towards keeping the meetings on schedule were that our good Washington representative Mike Masaoka appeared to have restrained himself from excessive dissertations and secondly that our Treasurer Yone Satoda did such an outstanding job in laying the groundwork and presenting the next biennium's budget and quota that its acceptance was a foregone conclusion even before it came on the floor of the council.

This is indicative of how we are getting more sophisticated as to how to get things done without getting into a long drawn out and unnecessary hassle.

### Election Post-Mortem

Election of national officers seems to indicate that there might have been a shift in philosophy in the selection favoring merit and qualification rather than geographical representation. Six of the seven that were elected are from California. This situation also brings to the fore the lack of candidates since there

were only nine people running for seven offices resulting in five offices being unopposed. More effort should be made by the District Councils, especially those districts outside of California to encourage more candidates to seek office.

### Nat'l Jr. JACL

One of the most significant and hopefully long lasting things to come out of this convention was the establishment of the National Jr. JACL organization. The enthusiasm and hard work that the young people put into this project and the part they played as an arm of the convention business was a refreshing inspiration to all who witnessed their activities.

We, in the NC-WN District are proud that Russell Obana of San Francisco was selected as the first national head of the Jr. organization. Marie Kurihara who has for years devoted her time towards this goal was justly recognized by being awarded the coveted Sapphire Pin.

### Testimonials

Two events which I am sure will long be remembered by all who were fortunate enough to be in attendance were the long overdue testimonial luncheon for our pioneer JACLer Saburo Kido and the luncheon which honored Mrs. Haruye Masaoka for the establishment of the Masaoka scholarships. Both were extremely impressive and heartwarming.

The San Diego Chapter made the 19th Biennial National Convention one to be remembered. The San Jose Chapter and the NC-WN District will be setting their sights high to try to out-do them in 1968 in the city of San Jose just one hour from the land of the topless.

## 1000 Club Notes

Aug. 15 Report: National Headquarters reports 26 new and renewing memberships in the 1000 Club for the first half of August. The six new members are the results of the hustle and knack of the new 1000 Club chairman Frank Sakamoto, who also has "signed" up his two young sons, perhaps the youngest among 1000ers.

14th Year: Spokane—Dr. Mark M. Kondo.  
15th Year: Washington, D.C.—John Y. Yoshino.  
12th Year: San Francisco—Marie Kurihara.  
11th Year: Livingston-Merced—Fred M. Hashimoto; Salinas Valley—Frank K. Hibino; Seattle—Tad Yamaguchi.  
10th Year: Chicago—Hiro Masuyeda; St. Louis—Sam Mita.  
8th Year: Cleveland—Frank H. Santoni.  
7th Year: Chicago—John Y. Kitazaki.  
6th Year: Orange County—Harry H. Nakamura; Dayton—Roy F. Sugimoto.  
5th Year: Cleveland—Donald W. Ellefson; Alameda—Mrs. Yuri Uchiyama.  
4th Year: San Diego—Masato Asakawa; Chicago—Kazuo Kawamoto; Detroit—James N. Shimoura.  
2nd Year: Berkeley—Yukishige Hayashi.  
1st Year: San Francisco—Mrs. Char Dol; Sequoia—Mrs. Masaye Hura; San Fernando—John S. Kaneko; San Diego—Mrs. Marian Muto; Mt. Olympus—Mrs. Aiko N. Okada; Chicago—Glen David Sakamoto; Randall T. Sakamoto; Arizona—Mrs. Mary Tanita.

## Jr. JACL Jottings

### San Jose Jr. JACL

**Newspaper Drive:** San Jose Jr. JACLers are calling for bundled newspapers (no magazines) to be placed in a bin in front of the JACL Bldg., 565 N. 1st St., Aug. 27-28. Russ Nakano (736-128) is drive chairman.

**Pre-School Party:** A back-to-school barbecue and scavenger hunt was announced for Sept. 10 by the San Jose Jr. JACL.

### Portland Jr. JACL

**Beach Party:** Portland Jr. JACL's beach party Aug. 28 offers those signing for Jr. JACL membership good through 1967. Members are being assessed \$3 for the party, \$5 for non-members.

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Philadelphia.

Just south of Santa Monica there tragically stands the once magnificent dream of financiers. It's located about six miles north of the Los Angeles International Airport, up Lincoln Boulevard, make a left toward the Pacific Ocean and there it is: Ocean Park. Its once hoped-for magnificence is readily evident from the commanding fountain in front bravely and gaily spraying jets of water into the air, followed by the row of cosmopolitan restaurants of Chinese, German, French, etc., cuisine with facades tastefully reflecting the international fare each promised once upon a time. "Once" because this complex stands starkly unreal like some movie studio set, for the restaurants are not operating, the doors are dusty and locked and the windows dark and grimy.

The anomaly of trying to mix oil and water exists here for behind these elegant restaurant structures is an amusement park complete with cotton candy, roller coasters, ill-attended rock 'n roll band sessions and game concessions bravely seeking to hold on among a number of empty stalls. Toward the end of the amusement park, all of which is on a pier jutting out into the ocean, stands an inaccessible Tahitian village in a very much dilapidated state—like some South Pacific village which neither warring faction considered worth bothering with.

## A NISEI IN THIS CORNER

As I wandered about this forlorn scene I came upon a Nisei who had the "ring-the-bell-with-a-sledgehammer" concession. He was earnestly trying to stimulate business by offering two fellows an opportunity to show their lady friends the scope of their muscular prowess, for the price of one. When the fellows hesitated, Nisei lad and swiftly followed up with a guarantee of a prize, bell or no bell. I stood amused to see if the fellows would go for this "sure shot" deal. But alas they turned away, the Nisei entrepreneur's final sales patter fading after them as they walked away.

I guess their lady friends must have been their wives.

## IN ANOTHER CORNER OF CAL

On the other hand there's Disneyland, the dreamland of every child. Unless on a lark, I generally do not favor visits to amusement parks. Frankly I enjoy visiting them with kids about as much as I enjoy going shopping with my wife into department stores: both kill me. But I've got to grudgingly admit that if there must be an amusement park, then Disneyland's "got class". Everything freshly painted, streets immaculately clean, attendants neatly attired and polite, things geared to appeal to the child (and to the grown-up child in each of us) and nothing that I could see which was simply out to get your money—which all too often is not the case in most amusement parks. Disneyland gives you your money's worth although the money goes awfully fast, as I learned in financing (and I do mean "financing") four kids for two days. I left it calling it "Dizzyland".

But once is enough for me, although realistically I guess I'll have to face up to the fact that if I'm within so much as a 100 miles of Disneyland with some kids I'll get dragged there, even with a forced smile on my face.

I bumped into True and Min Yasui there and, as I recall, the Yasui's told me it was their seventh (and hopefully last, said Min) pilgrimage with children to this mecca. If after one session I call the place "Dizzyland", I wonder what True and Min must call it after seven visits. It would be interesting to hear True's characterization. Min's is probably unprintable.

## Northwest Pic: Elmer Ogawa

## Apprentice Jockey Scores

An "easy money" yarn is perhaps one of the most likely of all to attract attention of the casual reader. There are the old classics like "Three Men on a Horse" and the well known plot (with variations) about the down-and-out newspaperman who becomes the target of gangster bullets when he successfully runs a tipster column on information supplied by a nice old lady who wouldn't ever bet, but made her daily selections just for fun.

For many years on the New York Daily Mirror there was a guy named Ken Kling who ran a "Joe and Asbestos" comic strip tipster deal and each week put out a little booklet with "13 sleepers" and other information. He kept score on his predictions just to show that he was making a profit every week (almost) and became the idol, of shall we say, over a million horse-players, and the hate object of tens of thousands of bookies.

The fame of Ken Kling as the man-in-the-street's handicapper was so great that Life magazine ran a feature on him, and at last reports was still going great after your reporter had returned to Seattle and had "reformed."

So now one just naturally wonders what would be the treatment were Kling faced with the situation we have here at Longacres, two Nisei jockeys who are just going to town.

### Apprentice Jockey

We have mentioned Roy Yaka, the leading jockey at this track who has since been edged out of the lead by Paul Frey. The other, John Ishihara, an apprentice with the five-pound allowance whom we have described as king of the

long shot jockeys, is still going strong, although he is getting more and better mounts, the plungers are getting on his back and consequently the prices are going down. To mention most of the mutual returns on his mounts, his winning prices have been: \$39.70, 27.30, 72.70, 14.20, 13.60, 20.60, 8.70, 9.90, and 4.80—not mentioning a swarm of mounts who go off at 50 to 1 and come in to show at better than 5 to 1.

John, a 4-foot-10 inch hundred pounder, was a basketball guard and wrestler at Livingston (Calif.) High School, and put in one year at Modesto Junior College, where he was planning a career in physical education, but somewhere along the line he was induced to try riding and by now has made his contribution to the sport, and most certainly retains the likelihood of becoming one of the greats.

Athletic career and all, John's "daikon ashi" type calves make it necessary to slit the riding boots and add a patch. He is powerful in the shoulders and arms, and with these attributes mounts with authority and confidence, making of the two, a coordinated team.

### Long Working Day

Worthy of mention, is John's dedication. A bachelor, his home is at the track. Up early, he rides workouts for long hours seven days a week, most of the time, as favors for owners and trainers, and with such dedication you may expect to see a "go for broke" desire to win.

So, with all this praise of the apprentice, don't forget 35-year-old Yaka. He has already established himself as a headliner, and the two do indeed have bright futures ahead.

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## San Francisco's pioneer artisan Ashizawa dies

SAN FRANCISCO — Riechi George Ashizawa, 85, retired art repair expert and Issei pioneer, died Aug. 10 at the home of his son, Roy, 235 Frederick St.

(Some of his photographs and documents dating back to the 1900s have been forwarded to the JACL-UCLA Japanese History Project, some of them on display at the recent San Diego convention.)

Coming to the U.S. in February, 1888 at the age of 17, he found employment in a Japanese laundry here and later bought the Kinnon Laundry with his brother.

They also owned the Yamato Laundry when both establishments were destroyed by the 1906 earthquake and fire.

He then went to Rochester to study photography at Eastman Kodak.

He also attended a textile school in Philadelphia for three years where he learned chemistry, the art of moulding clay and also repairing rare china and vases.

He then turned to art repair work. In 1916 he bought one of the first Studebaker automobiles and constructed an attractive domed body covered with real gold leaf which could be converted into a photographic dark room.

He was active until earlier this year, regularly driving his own car into the city from Pacifica.

He took his unique ambulatory photo studio vehicle up and down the state as a photographer for the next several years.

Following his marriage in 1919, he again turned to art repair work and for many years until moving to Pacifica maintained studios on Polk St. Also surviving him are his widow, Mrs. Suzu Ashizawa and daughter Mrs. Sumi Nishimi of Altadena, Calif.

## Fr. Zimmerman, 83

ST. LOUIS — The Rev. John Zimmerman, SVD, died here Aug. 9 while reading a letter at his home. He was 83. After working as a missionary in Japan for 17 years, he was stationed at San Francisco's St. Francis Xavier Church from 1926 working among the Issei and Nisei and through the Evacuation period.

## Chapter Call Board

### Sequoia JACL

Movie Benefit: Titles of two Japanese films in color for the Sequoia JACL movie benefit tomorrow at the Palo Alto Buddhist Church were announced: Anko Tsubaki wa Koi no Hana, starring Yoshiko Kiyama, and Suttobi Yaro, starring Yukio Hashi and Chieko Baisho.

**Downtown L.A. JACL**  
Golf Tourney: Reservations for 60 players will go on a first come-first serve basis in the third annual Downtown L.A. JACL golf tournament Sept. 11, 9:30 a.m., at Los Serranos Country Club in Chino, according to Ed Matsuda and Takiko Yamaguchi, co-chairmen. Tournament is open to JACLers and their friends. Entry fee (\$8), due Aug. 30, may be sent to Matsuda, 204 S. San Pedro St., or Yamaguchi, 120 S. San Pedro St.

### Monterey Peninsula JACL

Blue Cross: New subscribers for Monterey Peninsula JACL's Blue Cross program will be enrolled on Tuesday, Aug. 23, 7:30 p.m., at the JACL Hall.

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## Oratorical —

(Continued from Page 4)

into consideration . . . he is different. Not as obvious as the Negro, and thus not as easily understood.

The Samsel, like all young people, wants desperately to be like everyone else. He speaks in the accepted jargon, dresses in the latest fashion, and most cases is completely Americanized.

Unfortunately, while a person can adjust in many ways, even Anglicizing his name, the pigmentation of his skin and the slant of his eyes are constant reminders.

Many Samsel are often unsure as to what attitude toward their ancestry he should adopt. Some of them ultimately reject their ancestry because it makes them different. They also refuse to accept their heritage because it is intrinsic within their ancestry and seemingly out-of-place in twentieth century America.

For the Samsel, the universal quest of locating ones identity

is complicated by the burden of finding a suitable place for an ancient and foreign heritage in a modern society.

The Japanese American Citizens League has long been a champion in gaining civil rights for those of Japanese descent and now the advent of the Junior organization and the ambitious project that it represents, can mean a revitalization of its program and a rejuvenation of its membership. The JACL can clarify the proper position of the Japanese heritage in our society.

Ladies and Gentlemen, it is time to stop thinking of ourselves as Japanese Americans, emphasizing the fact that we still regard ourselves as only half-Americans, and instead consider ourselves as Americans of Japanese ancestry—100 percent American, and as such proud of our Japanese heritage as all races and nationalities in a free land should be.

The self-consciousness on the part of the Samsel is self-

inflicted and will be ended when he is taught to recognize and respect the dignity, culture, color and proud military bearing inherent in his Japanese heritage.

Now that we have a remedy for this specific aspect of our challenges for identity, let us examine the over-all confrontation.

The Samsel, unlike the rest of society, has an advantage which encourages communication. The equanimity of their ancestry can serve as a common denominator and can facilitate the closer relationship and greater cohesion of a group of youth. The anonymity of our social life can be replaced with familiarity. You know, it is important to have faith in other people, it's good for the soul.

The young person, under his own volition, must come to the realization that if he adds a part of himself, an idea or thought into the group, and assimilates the thoughts of others, he will gain the knowledge and confidence of the entire group.

One, lone, immature Palladium riding off to face the dragon of contemporary life does not stand much of a chance. But a body of people, all relying upon one another and all supporting one another, is much more likely to succeed.

The JACL can assist the young in finding solutions to those three challenges by: instilling in their junior counterparts the desire to face our troubled world as a united nation of people;

By teaching them to find success and accomplishment without sacrificing compatibility with other people;

And by demonstrating that a person must find his direction in life through discussion and contact with others. The means of achieving these goals can be found in the junior organization being formed at this convention. The JACL has provided the initial surge and must follow up with the vital support of

## Japanese Recipes: Kimi Shimamoto

### Ebi no Kuzuyose

St. Louis  
The pleasure and anticipation in partaking of Japanese foods can be highlighted by the employment of beautiful serving dishes and bowls that are now readily available in the gift shops. Fine China, porcelain, lacquerware, the choice is yours.

A beautiful lacquer bowl with a clear soup containing just a few pieces of choice vegetables and fish will add much grace and appeal to a company meal. Such a soup is the shrimp ball suimono for today. It is a simple soup but the soft pink of the shrimp makes it interesting and colorful.

**Ebi No Kuzuyose**  
(Soup with Shrimp-Balls)

6 Servings  
1/2 lb. shrimp  
1 tsp. corn starch  
1 tsp. dashi (stock)  
1/4 tsp. salt

On a chop board mince the shrimp with a knife. Mix the starch, dashi, and salt to make a paste. Add this mixture to the shrimp on the board and "chop" it into the shrimp. Drop by spoonfuls into a pot with one inch of boiling water and a small piece of tangle or seaweed. Cook a few at a time and remove when they float.

Place 3 or 4 shrimp balls in a bowl with a few pieces of silvered green onions and gently add hot soup.

**Soup**  
4 1/2 cup dashi (stock)  
2 dried mushrooms soaked and cut into strips  
1 1/2 tsp. salt  
1 1/2 tsp. soy sauce  
Aji

Add mushroom to dashi and bring to a boil and add flavor-

### Sukui-Tofu

3 eggs  
1 1/2 C dashi (stock)  
1 tsp. salt  
1 tsp. sake  
dash Aji

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## Chapter Call Board

### Salt Lake JACL

Summer-End Outing: Salt Lake JACLers will mark the end of summer with an afternoon at the Fun Spot of Utah—the Lagoon—this Sunday from 3:30 p.m. with supper at the Utah Terrace.

Members shall be able to purchase discount price tickets for the rides and swimming pool from chapter committees rather than stand in line at regular ticket booths, according to Sue Kaneko and Tomoko Yano, co-chairmen. Punch, beer and fruit will be furnished by the chapter for the afternoon. Door prizes are also slated.

### Nonstop flight

LONG BEACH—Douglas DC-8 Super 61, world's largest commercial jetliner, flew nonstop from here to Tokyo, covering the 5,630 mile route in 11 hr. 32m. 42s, on a technical demonstration flight Monday. It was the first commercial plane to make the trip nonstop.

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## Ye Editor's Desk

### NISEI WEEK—WATTS FESTIVAL

Last year, the 25th annual Nisei Week festivities were disrupted by an appalling riot that has become a world-wide symbol of what happens when racial discord, poverty and social dislocations are ignored.

This week, local community attention hitherto saved in mid-August for Japanese Americans through its Nisei Week Festival was shared with the Watts Summer Festival—the first giant step marking some of the progress in the relatively small enclave of the Negro sector of south central Los Angeles and the conviction that a better future is at hand.

By means of the festival, celebrated last weekend, the residents of Watts presented themselves to the world with new pride and dignity, with an awareness of their own ability to generate constructive power, and with a new poise and self-respect in Negro identity.

One of the most exciting symptoms of the new Watts was the cultural stirrings within the community. Besides a beauty pageant, a parade (with anti-poverty chief Sargent Shriver as its grand marshal) and carnival, there were jazz band concerts by noted artists, tents in which plays were staged, dancing and exhibits of some more than 1,500 paintings and sculptures. In turning to the cultural arts, Watts was reaching for something valuable beyond racism, beyond politics, beyond fear, tedium and despair.

Sponsored by the Jordan High School Alumni Assn., which in prewar years counted several Nisei students including our 1000 Club Life member Dr. Kiyoshi Sonoda of West Los Angeles, the Watts Summer Festival is to be viewed as an assurance that Nisei Week Festivals in the future shall not be disrupted.

### NORTHERN HATRED

An old slogan about protecting "white womanhood" was resurrected to keep the flames of hostility high as white Chicagoans screamed their hatred at civil rights marchers. Outbreaks of racial strife scattered in dozens of cities outside of the Old South—New York City, Cleveland, Detroit, etc.—laid bare of myths of a racist South and the moderate North.

We recall Chicago Mayor Daley proudly announcing a year ago that his city had had no racial strife and expected none. He has seen so much this summer that he is devoting all of his time to this problem.

Violent white reactions to non-violent Negro demonstrations, even the face-to-face confrontation of marching Negroes with a group of hooded Ku Klux Klansmen, are creating crises in the community which even felled Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with a stone.

This is part of the white backlash that politicians have been carefully eyeing in recent years now that it's time to account for their stewardship in office.

The emotional impact of a civil rights issue may never equal the more sobering aspects to improve race relations through such programs to provide recreation, employment, swimming pools in riot-prone areas, and rent supplement to make a better grade of housing available to the poor. But such are the measures now being planned in Congress and state legislatures.

This wholesale, ambitious reform of life in the American cities only attracted scant majorities in Congress for passage. The Administration has asked for a \$2.3-billion five-year demonstration cities plan and when the bill was voted out of the Senate committee last week, it amounted to about half of the original requests.

Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.), speaking in Jackson, Miss., noted: "We are spending \$2 billion a month to defend the freedom of 14 million people in South Vietnam. Why shouldn't we make the same kind of effort for the 20 million people of the Negro race right here in America whose freedom and future is also at stake?"

Despite the rising cost of living, the war in Vietnam, airline strike and a bearish stock market, President Johnson hit the nail on the head in his comment of the past turn of events—I don't know of anybody who would want to move out of this country to find a better place.

This is our country, indeed. It behooves everyone in it to make it better. Recognition of Negro problems and our responsibility to help them help themselves is a first step.

### JACL DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Now that JACL district council chairmen are to be called "district governors" district councils will be changing their own constitutions to conform with the National JACL Constitution.

Question now confronting the Pacific Southwest district, which met at Santa Barbara last Sunday, is what to call the "vice-chairman"—lieutenant governor or vice-governor? A constitutional committee will make its recommendations known by the next quarterly session in November.

Question also was raised whether PSW chapters should elect its district governor or have him chosen as at present by district executive board members.

By following the practice observed in nation-wide service clubs, lieutenant governors are heads of designated zones or regions within a district. Such not being the case in JACL, perhaps the title, "vice-governor", may be proper for the JACL district council vice-chairman.

District council coming forth first with a title for chief assistants to the district governor may well set the pattern for other JACL district councils. We prefer vice-governor if a district is to remain intact; lieutenant-governor if a district decides to designate zones—like the Pacific Southwest JACL District Youth Council has, though its leaders still answer to "chairman and vice-chairman".

We are for less confusion in office titles.



## Letters from Our Readers

### Do you open doors?

Editor:  
I was planning earlier to applaud the PC for publishing Rev. Roy Sano's recent speech, but after reading the current issue (August 5, 1966), especially the "Letters from Our Readers" section, I was glad I waited. Though there are many points with which I find agreement with the writer Dr. Uyeda, I sense flowing through his letter ideas often voiced by Nisei which I feel need some comment.

I would be the first to acknowledge that the Issei and Nisei certainly have come a long way in this society; and much of it has been due to the hard work, perseverance, patience and close family ties possessed by the Issei pioneers. I realize that as a Nisei I have benefited from the efforts of my parents and other Issei as well as from the efforts and sacrifices of the so-called older Nisei. So to them I will always feel grateful, grateful that in such a short time, I, a second-generation offspring of immigrant parents, am able to enjoy life in this abundant country of ours.

**Disturbing Element**  
However, I am disturbed by the spirit often overtly or indirectly expressed that "we did it, so why can't they?" This usually implies that other minorities can rise on the economic and social totem pole

by a simple formula of patience, hard work, good citizenship, etc., "like we did"; and that others should be able to do it on their own, without anyone's help, "like we did". First of all, I feel we need to understand that we did not do it alone, strictly by ourselves. Instead our situation in society today, however, one defines it, is in part due not only to the course of World War II but also to the voices of many individuals and organizations, known and unknown to us, who through the years before, during and after the war spoke up and acted on our behalf, some perhaps because of conscience and others moved by deep human concern.

Then I am reminded of a thought-provoking article written by Mr. William Marutani (PC, Sept. 20, 1963). In this article Mr. Marutani suggested that before we judge other minority groups who are still striving actively for their "place in the sun" that we consider how it might be for us today had we instead of the Negroes been brought to these shores as slaves. He takes a mythical Japanese family and traces their lives through successive generations—deprived from the beginning of any semblance of family ties (with resultant sociological, psychological and cultural implications), subjected to almost any type of indignity imaginable, for six to seven generations denied through law as well as perversion of the law the opportunities for full citizenship. Given these circumstances then, I wonder how long it would take those of us of Japanese ancestry finally to exert our outrage and cry out in no uncertain terms, "We've had it. Freedom now!"

**Not Comparable**  
As Mr. Marutani's article pointedly brought out we cannot equate our given history in this country with those of the Negroes and so flippantly say, "...so why can't they?" Simple formulas overlook the vast diversity and complexity of human life. Also I think we Nisei forget that unfortunate truth: that in this country yet, skin color does make a difference as to how one is

"accepted". If one has doubts, may I suggest a book, "Black Like Me" by John Howard Griffin.

Like most people I am deeply disturbed by violence in any shape or form and from whatever direction. But in the midst of these confusing events I feel we need to keep in perspective the compounding of circumstances which have finally given rise to the outbursts of frustrations. Also we easily forget that most of the violence comes first not from those peacefully marching and assembling to address their grievances but from those who resent seeing the status quo challenged.

In saying this I do not condone senseless rioting and destructiveness. However, though admittedly it is difficult at times, I do try to grasp what all these human events are saying to us today. They seem to be saying with more and more urgency that the solution to these complex problems will not be forthcoming so long as the majority of us sit back with a judgmental attitude and spin our wheels trying to justify (or is it protect?) the good Japanese image. Pride in the accomplishments of the many Issei and Nisei is great, but let us not forget that this particular time in our nation's history calls all Americans of all ethnic backgrounds to reevaluate and broaden our concepts of citizenship to include an active concern for those who are still struggling for their basic human and civil rights—to "open doors", as Rev. Sano so aptly put it. And let us not forget that we have a stake in this struggle, for our rights are not fully won though many are prone to think otherwise.

**The Challenge**  
I believe it was to Nisei like myself who Rev. Sano was addressing his comments—to challenge Nisei to a new level of thinking and responsibility, to seek creatively with our God-given talents, abilities and opportunities avenues whereby we might help open some of those doors. Pride, void of a sense of concern for others who are yet shut out from the promise of freedom and justice, is indeed arrogance and smugness. It would seem more empathy and understanding are in order.

A thank you to Rev. Sano for his challenges. It is good and healthy for us to be thusly confronted by a courageous man who speaks with honesty as he sees it and with con-

viction. We need these challenges to judge us into rolling up our sleeves to "get with the work" that needs to be done. And thanks to the PC for sharing Rev. Sano's talk with the readers!

MRS. FRAN WADA  
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Editor:  
I wish to express many thanks for the fine challenge presented by Rev. Roy Sano, "Do You Open Doors?" (July 15, PC).

However, the accurate descriptions, the searching analysis, and the necessary suggestions will probably not be understood by the Nisei reader. "Fine sermon" will be the thought, and people will probably go on their way without change. For some, a searching analysis is considered enough punishment for the conscience; and no action follows.

Possibly exposure to some of the exciting attempts of the Civil Rights movements may reach some of us. Some of the Saneis seem to taking part. These Japanese individuals and institutions that have some sense of responsibility and opportunity should simply move out into the "door-opening" activities necessary; it might be the best way to impress people who enjoy the fruits of the labors of others in our nation.

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