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NEW 'HOMES' INSPECTED—Three Nisei girls, evacuated from the West Coast, are shown looking over their new "homes" in America's first wartime evacuee colony for persons of Japanese ancestry at Manzanar.

below the majestic High Sierras in Owens Valley. In background, workmen are putting finishing touches on the far-paper barracks. —UPI Photo.

Why leadership of Japanese community at time of Evacuation fell upon JACL

After Japan attacked Pearl Harbor, the leadership of the Japanese population on the mainland of the United States fell to the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) more or less by default because it was the only organization of American citizens of Japanese ancestry functioning at that time either on a local or regional basis.

In order to appreciate the resulting situation, it is necessary to understand the makeup of the Japanese communities, particularly those in California, Oregon, Washington, and Arizona — the areas in which the Evacuation took place.

Because the Japanese were among the latest of the immigrant groups, for all intent and purposes there were only two generations to consider. The first generation or immigrant parent group is called the Issei. Their average age at the time of Evacuation was about 55 years. All of them were subjects of Japan, since none of them could become naturalized citizens until the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 was enacted. The second generation, called the Nisei, are American citizens by virtue of having been born in this country. Their average age at the time of Evacuation was about 19 years.

Of the approximately 127,000 persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States in 1940, two-thirds were Nisei or United States citizens. 110,000 resided on the west coast in 1941. Since the Nisei group was so young at that time, practically all of the business, agricultural, civic, religious leaders were Issei. This accounted for the fact that most of the larger claims were those belonging to this group.

After Dec. 7, 1941, all of

the Issei were automatically classified as "enemy aliens" since, through no fault of their own, they were subjects and nationals of enemy Japan. Many of the Issei leaders were interned by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) as a precautionary measure. All of them were later released or paroled.

Executive Order No. 9066

For about six weeks after the outbreak of war, the public and government treatment of the Japanese gave no indication that such drastic action as mass evacuation was contemplated.

Thus, when the President issued Executive Order No. 9066 on Feb. 19, 1942, the officials of the JACL as well as most of the friends of the Japanese on the west coast were surprised and caught completely unawares. This Executive Order authorized the Secretary of War, or any military commander designated by the Secretary, to establish "military areas" and to exclude therefrom "any or all persons."

JACL has raised the question (and may do so again) of the necessity or the constitutionality of that arbitrary racist action which was taken at a time when the courts were functioning and in the absence of martial law.

JACL Policy

Once Evacuation became an established government policy — sanctioned by the President, ordered by the military, and approved in a sense by the Congress which passed implementing legislation — although JACL steadfastly refused to concede either to its legality or need, the JACL decided that it was a patriotic duty as Americans to abide by this wartime decision and to urge the Japanese, aliens and citizens alike, in the areas concerned to cooperate in their

own removal to the best of their respective abilities.

JACL appreciated the great economic losses, the sacrifices, and the suffering that such a mass movement entailed, but felt there was no alternative. The Japanese Americans were in no position, even if they had wanted to do so, to challenge the Army in this matter — for it was wartime and, by the accident of birth and the hysteria of the moment, the Nisei were identified with the Japanese enemy.

This was a most difficult JACL decision to make. Nevertheless, once JACL's policy was agreed upon, everything possible was done to cooperate with the various military and government agencies concerned. One of JACL's first recommendations was to the effect that as far as possible every protection ought to be given to the property of the evacuees. It went so far as to suggest a special government custodian similar to the one appointed during World War I to handle the property of certain German aliens. But this suggestion, like so many others, was never accepted.

While practically all of the evacuees acquiesced in the recommendation that they cooperate in their own evacuation, frankly speaking, it was not a popular alternative. JACL's own organizational membership, for example, dropped from its all-time pre-evacuation high of 20,000 to less than 2,000. And there were many who, in the idleness of the camps, charged the JACL with having "sold them down the river."

In spite of the ill will that decision evoked, the fact that the JACL as the one functioning responsible organization urged cooperation is credited with the generally cooperative atti-

tude assumed by almost every evacuee, an attitude that bordered on submissiveness and that probably could have been matched by no other racial or minority group in the United States. This significant role of the JACL in the Evacuation is attested to by Dr. Milton S. Eisenhower, the President's younger brother, who was the first director of the War Relocation Authority (WRA), in hearings before the House Appropriations Committee in 1942.

Even after the Evacuation itself was an accomplished fact and the 110,000 Japanese had been removed from the west coast and placed in so-called relocation centers without trial or hearing, the JACL continued to stress Americanism in its program.

From the very beginning, JACL urged that high school and college students be allowed to leave the centers in order to complete their education in normal communities. The next step was to recommend that Nisei, and finally the Issei, be permitted to find employment and housing in areas outside the Western Defense Command in order that they might not only enjoy normal lives but might also contribute to the war effort at a time when manpower was short.

Selective Service

When Selective Service adopted a policy of reclassifying Japanese Americans so that they could not be called up for service and when the Army itself refused to accept Nisei volunteers, the JACL carried its fight to Washington. After several months of representations, in which JACL was supported by many Americans of good will, the Army relented to the point of first using qualified Nisei in its intelligence work against

the Japanese enemy and then agreeing to the formation of a special Japanese American Combat Team.

Once the Army agreed to use Japanese American troops on a voluntary basis, JACL carried on extensive campaigns within the barbed-wire confines of the camps to urge all eligible Nisei to volunteer for either military intelligence against the Japanese enemy or for what eventually became the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. The aggressive campaign aroused the antagonism of the bitter and resentful element in the camps, with the result that many JACL leaders were beaten up. Our then national president, Saburo Kido, for example, was mobbed so badly that he was hospitalized for a month.

In spite of threats and in-

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It Really Happened

Twenty-five years ago, the arbitrary mass evacuation of 110,000 persons of Japanese ancestry from the West Coast took place because of alleged "military necessity." In that summary movement, nearly 70,000 were United States citizens, evicted from their friends and home and herded in what the government called War Relocation Centers.

Because of the very nature of that unprecedented action and the war hysteria on the Pacific Coast, property losses were inevitable. Some lost everything they had; many lost most of what they had. Every evacuee suffered substantial and irreparable property losses.

The U.S. Supreme Court, late in 1944, in a 6-3 opinion (Fred Korematsu Case) upheld the right of the military in wartime to take such precautionary action with a group who had "an affinity with the enemy."

In 1948, the Congress enacted legislation authorizing the Justice Department to adjudicate certain claims resulting from the Evacuation. In October, 1965, the last of some 26,000 claims was settled — and a grand total of \$38,474,240.49 was paid in awards.

The Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco estimated in 1942 that evacuees lost about \$400,000,000 in property — which means evacuees were paid less than 10 cents on \$1 of their estimated losses. The JACL felt this program was about as generous and expeditious as the Congress was willing to approve. Some congressmen have also stated this claims program as the fastest and most liberal ever carried out.

The completion of the claims program indicates that the Government recognized its error is misjudging the loyalty and devotion of those of Japanese ancestry during the war years and was confessing its error by redressing its wrong through this compensation program.

It was, in the words of Washington JACL Representative Mike Masaoka, "another example of the ability of democracy to make amends for some of its abuses and excesses."

Concern of the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) in having this remedial legislation approved and the claims program expedited is a matter of history — but to the postwar generations, what happened 25 years ago seems unbelievable.

That America was quickly mobilized to wage war after the attack on Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, is in every history book. But how some 110,000 persons of Japanese ancestry were treated is not.

Perhaps this particular Holiday Issue will be able to shed some highlights of the Evacuation history, chronological highlights of the Evacuation program, JACL's policy on Evacuation, a summary of Evacuation in relation to the handling of evacuee property and some case histories. —Editor.


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Ye Editor's Desk

IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE

When this Holiday Issue was still incubating several weeks ago, we suspected extra pages beyond our usual 48 on the basis of additional chapters taking advantage of bulk rates. But we hardly fancied or even wanted a 60-pager (what our 48-page standard and 24-page tabloid means). Only the staff which stuck through the wee and ungodly hours knows the triumph of putting to bed a 60-pager six days before Christmas.

And the staff — Alan Kumamoto handled dummies (layout of pages) and working up the Jr. JACL chapter presidents list which is new in the JACL References. . . Jeffrey Matsui was all-around because of some prior journalism experience. . . Floriance Morimoto and Joanne Sasada (Alan's secretary) cared for the one-liners. . . Yuki Kamayatsu of our Circulation Dept. handled head proof-reading chores. . . Charles Kamayatsu, our ad man, of course, stayed in his bailiwick keeping account of local area advertising. . . Charles Fullert, senior Holiday volunteer staff member, kept an eagle-eye on all ads — noting where the holdover ad type was to be located in some 100 galleys. . . Edith Divelbiss squeezed in some late hours reading page proofs. . . Newcomer Jim Kasahara, Hollywood chapter president, assisted in production. . . Henry Mori of the Ratu Shimo checked in with some proof-reading as did Alan's pal, Harry Fujimoto, erstwhile Coloradan, when the pinch was hard for an additional pair of eyes for the onslaught of galleys that had to be read.

We may have missed our sleep getting this week's issue out—but the grand spirit of working together at Dixon-Bell Press vanquishes the aches and pain from staying awake at 24-hour stretches.

ATTENTION: HOLLYWOOD AND SAN JOSE

In the process of dummieing out Section "A", when we came to page 24 we ascertained there was still sufficient copy and pictures on our theme to fill two additional pages. Rather than eliminating all of the pictures used in the first 24-pages or killing nearly 200 inches of type to keep it 24 pages, we stuck to our original plans to make this year's edition meaningful to students wishing an in depth story on the property losses sustained by evacuees.

But the pressman said we couldn't run 26 pages, suggesting we have to either kill copy or pull two pages from Section "A" and run them tabloid, which was just minutes away from press-time. The stereotyping department, fortunately, had two plates of Section "A" cast—these being the full-page spreads of Hollywood and San Jose JACL.

As inserts in the Winter Quarterly containing the JACL References, we believe the position of these full-page ads makes for a more spectacular presentation. Everyone will take notice, talk about it or remember this unusual turn of events.

SPECIAL CONTRIBUTORS, ARIGATO

Maybe the theme (Evacuation) had something to do with encouraging contributors, but the appearance of new by-liners to our Holiday Issue is most welcome. To them, and others who have stories on file for future use, our million thanks. This kind of variety a reader appreciates.

Henry Taketa, distinguished Sacramento attorney, pieced together the story of Okei, or more properly, the Wakamatsu Tea and Silk Farm Colony. His story, "Mayflower of the Pacific", was submitted by our Nov. 30 deadline — so it doesn't carry the additional good news of favorable action expected to be taken by the California Historical Landmarks Advisory Committee of the Division of Beaches and Parks on the basis of a request by Malcolm L. Veerkamp to register his property as a historical landmark. Veerkamp is the owner of the knoll where Okei-san is buried. . . Marie Kurihara of San Francisco, about as knowledgeable as anyone in JACL on the development of the Jr. JACL program, brings that story up-to-date. . . Ellen Nakamura of Seabrook, N.J., has unearthed a yellowed sheath of notes type-written while on her train ride from Fresno to Jerome, Ark., 25 years ago. . . Richard Gima, our reporter par excellence of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin, recalls one of the most stirring incidents to hit the Japanese community on the islands — the prospect of Hiroshima picture brides for the young men of Hawaii. We had seen some of the photographs in his paper and wished we had them to accompany his article for it might have stirred some Mainland reaction, too. . . Henry Mori found time to chat with a Hollywood luminary, Mrs. Muriel Merrell, who is quite a writer in her own right. Some of her talent will be featured in a future PC quarterly.

A new poet in our midst, Mas F. Shono, is a Terminal Islander, who attended Long Beach Poly, served overseas in Germany in the 1950s and is married to the former Doris Tanouye of Lahaina, Maui. They have four children—Eric 10, Cozette 7, Lynette 6 and Nadine 2. We met him one rainy Monday afternoon at the shop—not unusual for a self-employed gardener. . . The other poem in this Holiday Issue goes anonymous for the simple reason that Abe Mukai of San Diego,

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Farewell to Poston

A line to two, I write to you
To bid you fond farewell,
To let you know before I go
How I've enjoyed this Hell.

Now I'll admit I've had a bit
Of clean and wholesome fun . . .
Some days of ease 'neath mesquite trees
And baking in the sun.

The friends I've made I wouldn't trade
For barrels full of gold;
The things I've learned cannot be earned
Or stolen, bought, or sold.

In reverie I'll often see
The silvery moon;
The stars up high in a velvet sky.
The hush on Sleepy Lagoon.

Sometimes I'll long for the cricket's song,
For the sad coyote's cry;
For the rustling breeze thru willow trees
Where the River wanders by.

I'll tell you this, I know I'll miss
Those meals at the Cooking School,
The shows outdoors, the C. E. Stores,
The gang at the swimming pool.

I'll off recall my old messhall,
And the lack of privacy;
The barren gloom of my barrack room
In Block 323.

I'll remember names like Norris, James,
Townsend, Chandler, and Dies,
DeWitt and Best, and all the rest
Of those double-dealing guys.

And you can bet I'll ne'er forget
The dust, the blistering heat . . .
My forehead all wet with slimy sweat,
B. O. and athlete's feet.

And rattlesnakes and belly-aches
Bad boils and heat rash too.
Potatoes hashed and noodles mashed,
Boiled beans and meatless stew.

As years go by, I'll heave a sigh
For squids, neck-bones and kraut;
That so-called treat, "coyote meat"
I'll miss without a doubt.

I think, per chance, I'll miss the ants,
The bugs, and perky gnats;
Mosquito bites on sultry nights
And flies that drove me bats.

How dear to me the memory
Of Poston 'er will be
The times I've had, but good and bad
I'll cherish tenderly.

So goodbye, pals, you guys and gals,
In Poston, Unit III
I've had enough, excuse this stuff,
And now, farewell to thee.

—Anonymous

YEAR OF THE TRUCK

By GWENN NAKANISHI
Cleveland, Ohio

One Christmas morning, several years ago, my husband Hideo and I were watching our little son Eric as he unwrapped his gifts. He received so many trucks that I remember saying that it must be "The Year of The Truck."

But there was one truck that was special. I watched my husband pick it up and saw the wistful look that crossed his face as he glanced at the gift card that fell out.

"I knew it was from George," he said softly. "I wonder if Anisan was thinking of . . ." His voice trailed off. Then he remembered me and told me a little bit about another "Year of The Truck."

The family was raising tomatoes in Isleton, California. Everything was going so well that they were able to purchase a brand-new International truck and have it completely paid for by the end of the year. My husband was a boy of eleven at the time. Feelings of pride and confidence were just budding.

Then came the unbelievable shock of the Evacuation and "The Year of The Truck" was abruptly ended for everyone of Japanese ancestry in America.

CASE HISTORIES

Kinds of property losses hitting evacuees without U.S. precedent

Even from a brief glimpse into the history of evacuation it can be readily seen that a forced migration of people such as that of the Japanese Americans from the west coast in the spring of 1942 could not be administered without a great amount of sacrifice to the people and their property. This Evacuation was without precedent in the history of the United States.

Obviously, governmental agencies responsible for its execution had no previous experience on which they could rely for guidance. Administrative techniques had to be formulated and revised with the needs as they arose.

The formation of sound policy and procedure was further complicated by racial prejudice and war hysteria. Caught in this mesh of events were the Japanese evacuees.

Losses, by the very nature of this wartime expedient, were substantial and inevitable. A survey shows that the range of losses extend from one extreme to the other.

But, in the main, for purposes of illustration they can be placed in the following categories: (a) Losses incurred at the time of movement; (b) Losses sustained because of inadequate storage facilities; (c) Losses due to vandalism, pilferage, arson, burglary, etc.; (d) Losses caused by the Farm Security Administration collection policy; (e) Losses attributable to individuals who took advantage of the evacuee's misfortune; (f) Losses chargeable to mismanagement of property; (g) Urban and business losses; and (h) Rural and farm losses.

(a) Losses Incurred at the Time of Movement

Witnesses appearing before the Tolan Committee in February 1942, deplored the fact that no provision was being made for protecting the property of the persons who had already been or were about to be evicted. Evidence that there were numerous instances of sales of personal property at great sacrifice appear throughout the record.

Instances of persons taking advantage of the situation by purchasing the belongings of evacuees at sacrifice prices were reported to the Tolan Committee by G. Raymond Booth of the American Friends Service Committee on the west coast. He declared:

"In most cases that came to our attention the individual received a telephone call, purportedly from an agency of law enforcement, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Navy Intelligence, or the police, in which they were giving them a friendly tip, that

"You are going to move sooner than you thought. We are giving you a break. You had better start packing."

"Well, some time in the same day, this person would be visited by someone who was very generously offering to buy. It is that sort of thing that is going on and on until, well, you can realize the state of dismay and despair, and even terror resulting from that."

"Junk dealers moved down on Terminal Island in advance. They came down there in great numbers on one particular occasion."

"Here is another case. Frank B. Johnson of 1301 Wilmeton Avenue, Compton, bought one horse, four tons of hay, three-quarter ton of fertilizer, harrow, cultivator, and plow all for the sum of \$100."

In describing the problems faced by Japanese families living on Terminal Island, who were evacuated on summary 48 hours notice, Miss Winifred Ryder, Director of Social Assistance Program, Social Security Board, Los Angeles, stated:

"Two typical stories are of a piano valued at \$300 which was sold for \$25, and a stove and electric refrigerator probably worth several hundred dollars, sold for \$25. Nets and fishing equipment which could not be handled were in many instances abandoned and are reported to have been picked up by cannery firms. Workers, on the island during the 48-hour period in which the hurried preparations and moving were conducted, all described the outstanding uncertainty and confusion which dominated the picture. This experience indicates that total evacuation brings serious social and financial impact if time and sound planning do not precede movement."

Miss Ryder also testified that equipment of all kinds, enough to fill eight trucks, were abandoned because there was no time to move it and no custodian to whom the care of such property could be assigned.

Testimony of Rev. Gill

Reverend Thomas Gill, committee member on wartime social services, Puget Sound Chapter, American Association of Welfare Workers, reported: "The Columbia Grocery Co. and the Marion Grocery Co., owned by the same Japanese individual, are valued at about \$4,000. The owner was offered \$1,500 for them. Six hundred dollars was the sale price offered to the owner of the Pacific Cafe, which is valued approximately at \$2,500. The owner of the Orpheum Hotel, who paid \$12,000 when his lease was purchased, offered to sell it for \$7,500 and received in turn an

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THE EVACUATION

Chronological Highlights

Dec. 7: Japanese planes attacked Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

Dec. 8: Congress declared war against Japan.

Dec. 10: Attorney General Francis Biddle assured persons of Japanese ancestry, citizens and aliens alike, that they would be treated fairly and without discrimination.

Jan. 19: Attorney General Biddle issued first of series of orders establishing limited strategic areas along the Pacific Coast and requiring the removal of all (German, Italian, and Japanese) enemy aliens from these areas.

Feb. 10: Department of Justice refused to order aliens evacuated from Bainbridge Island, Washington, as requested by Navy Department.

Feb. 13: West Congressional delegation sent a letter to President Roosevelt recommending the "immediate evacuation of all persons of Japanese lineage . . . aliens and citizens alike" from the "entire strategic area" of California, Oregon, and Washington.

Feb. 14: Lt. Gen. John L. DeWitt, Commanding General of the Western Defense Command, sent a memorandum to Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson recommending the evacuation of all Japanese from the west coast.

Feb. 19: President Roosevelt signed Executive Order No. 9066, authorizing the Secretary of War, or any military command designated by the Secretary, to establish "military areas" and exclude therefrom "any or all persons."

Feb. 20: Secretary Stimson wrote to General DeWitt designating him as a military commander empowered to carry out an evacuation within his command under the terms of Executive Order No. 9066. (No other military command, including Hawaii's, requested this power.)

Feb. 21 - Mar. 12: Tolan Congressional Committee on National Defense Migration conducted public hearings on possible evacuation of Japanese Americans in San Francisco, Los Angeles, Portland, and Seattle.

Mar. 2: General DeWitt issued Public Proclamation No. 1 designating the western half of Washington, Oregon, and California and the southern third of Arizona as a military area and announced that eventually all persons of Japanese ancestry would be removed therefrom. He also urged the Japanese to voluntarily leave Military Area No. 1 for other areas.

Mar. 8 - 10: National JACL Council met in emergency session in San Francisco and agreed to cooperate in the Evacuation as a patriotic contribution, though protesting its necessity and legality.

Mar. 11: General DeWitt established the Wartime Civil Control Administration (WCCA) and appointed Colonel Karl R. Bendet-

sen as director to carry out the evacuation program.

Mar. 18: President Roosevelt signed Executive Order No. 9102 creating the War Relocation Authority (WRA), a civilian agency, to assist persons evacuated by the military and named Dr. Milton S. Eisenhower as director.

Mar. 21: President Roosevelt signed Public Law 503 (77th Congress), making it a federal offense to violate any order issued by a designated military commander under authority of Executive Order No. 9066. General DeWitt issued curfew and travel restrictions for all enemy aliens and Japanese Americans.

Mar. 23: General DeWitt issued Civilian Exclusion Order No. 1 ordering the evacuation of all persons of Japanese ancestry from Bainbridge Island, Puget Sound, Washington, and their removal to the Puvallup Assembly Center near Seattle by March 30.

Mar. 27: General DeWitt issued Public Proclamation No. 4 (effective March 29) forbidding further voluntary migrations of persons of Japanese ancestry and "freezing" them to their homes as of that date.

May 8: First contingent of evacuees arrived at Colorado River (Poston) Relocation Center near Parker, Arizona.

May 21: Group of 15 evacuees left Portland Assembly Center for seasonal agricultural work under civilian restriction order of the Western Defense Command.

May 27: First contingent of evacuees arrived at Tule Lake Relocation Center in Northern California.

June 1: Manzanar Reception Center was transferred from WCCA to WRA control and renamed Manzanar Relocation Center.

June 2: General DeWitt issued Proclamation No. 6 forbidding further voluntary migration by persons of Japanese ancestry from the eastern half of Military Area No. 2 of California and simultaneously announced that all such people would be removed from this area directly to WRA centers. (Though not mentioned in General DeWitt's Final Report on the Japanese Evacuation from the West Coast, 1942, most of these persons had moved voluntarily at their own expense from Military Area No. 1 to Military Area No. 2 with the express understanding that they would not be evacuated.)

June 17: President Roosevelt appointed Dillon S. Meyer to succeed Dr. Milton S. Eisenhower as WRA director after Eisenhower's resignation to become Deputy Director of the Office of War Information.

July 20: WRA adopted its first leave policy permitting Nisei evacuees to leave its centers for private employment in the Middle West. The first contingent of evacuees (from Turlock Assembly

Center) arrived at the Gila River Relocation Center near Sacaton, Arizona.

Aug. 7: Western Defense Command announced the completion of the first phase of evacuation — removal of 110,000 persons of Japanese ancestry from their homes in Military Area No. 1 either to WCCA assembly centers or to WRA relocation centers.

Aug. 10: First contingent of evacuees (from Puvallup Assembly Center) arrived at Minidoka Relocation Center near Twin Falls, Idaho.

Aug. 12: First contingent of evacuees (from Pomona Assembly Center) arrived at Heart Mountain Relocation Center near Cody, Wyoming.

Aug. 27: First contingent of evacuees (from Merced Assembly Center) arrived at Granada Relocation Center near Lamar, Colorado.

Sept. 11: First contingent of evacuees (from Tanforan Assembly Center) arrived at Central Utah (Topaz) Relocation Center near Delta, Utah.

Sept. 18: First contingent of evacuees (from Stockton Assembly Center) arrived at Rohwer Relocation Center near McGehee, Arkansas.

Sept. 26: WRA issued its basic leave regulations to become effective Oct. 1.

Oct. 6: First contingent of evacuees (from Fresno Assembly Center) arrived at Jerome Relocation Center near Darmot, Arkansas.

Nov. 3: Transfer of evacuees from WCCA to WRA jurisdiction was completed with arrival of final contingent to the Jerome Relocation Center.

Nov. 25: Emergency meeting of National JACL Council, with delegates from all ten WRA centers and the "free zone," held in Salt Lake City, Utah. Among decisions reached were those calling for restoration of Selective Service to eligible Nisei, expedited leave clearances, and consideration of compensation for evacuee property losses.

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Jan. 28: Secretary Stimson announced plans for the formation of a combat team to be composed of volunteer Nisei from the relocation centers, the "free zone," and Hawaii. This Combat Team was later designated as the 442nd Central Postal Directory and saw service in Italy and in France.

May 17: United States Supreme Court unanimously upheld rights of American-born Nisei to United States citizenship in suit brought by the Native Sons of the Golden West (John T. Reagan v. Cameron Kiang, as registrar of voters for the County of San Francisco, California).

June 21: United States Supreme Court unanimously held to be constitutional as a valid exercise

of the war powers the curfew (Minoru Yasui v. United States of America) and the travel (Gordon K. Hirabayashi v. United States of America) restrictions imposed by General DeWitt prior to the issuance of the evacuation orders.

1944

Jan. 20: Selective Service System was reopened to eligible Nisei on same basis as for other Americans.

Feb. 16: President Roosevelt signed Executive Order No. 9423 transferring WRA to the Department of the Interior. Previously, the WRA was an independent agency.

June 30: Jerome Relocation Center, last of the WRA camps to open, was the first to be closed, with its 5,000 remaining residents transferred to other centers.

July 1: President Roosevelt signed Public Law 45 (78th Congress) permitting United States citizens to renounce their citizenship under procedures approved by the Attorney General. This was to allow several thousand disillusioned Nisei evacuees to renounce their American citizenship.

Dec. 17: War Department announced the revocation (effective Jan. 2, 1945) of the West Coast mass exclusion orders which had been in effect against persons of Japanese ancestry since the spring of 1942.

Dec. 18: United States Supreme Court ruled 6-3, with Justice Roberts, Murphy, and Jackson dissenting (in the case of Fred Toyosaburo Korematsu v. United States of America), that the Evacuation was constitutional as a valid exercise of the war powers of Congress. The same day, in a unanimous opinion, the same Supreme Court held (in the case of Ex Parte Mitsuye Endo) that it was unconstitutional to detain a loyal American citizen in a WRA camp.

1945

May 14: Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes publicly denounced incidents of west coast terrorism and violence against returning evacuees.

Aug. 15: VJ Day.

Sept. 4: Western Defense Command issued Public Proclamation No. 24 revoking all individual exclusion orders and all further military restrictions against persons of Japanese ancestry.

1946

Feb. 26 - Mar. 4: Ninth Biennial National JACL Convention met in Denver, Colorado, in its first postwar session. Among resolutions unanimously adopted was one to secure enactment of an evacuation claims law.

Mar. 20: Tule Lake Segregation Center, the last of the WRA camps to remain in operation, was officially closed.

May 15: Last of the WRA field offices was closed.

June 30: WRA program officially terminated.

Evacuation as seen through JACL eyes needed

By MIKE MASAOKA

Next spring, 1967, will mark the 25th anniversary of the Evacuation of 110,000 children, women, and men of Japanese ancestry from their West Coast homes and associations because, in the words of the United States Supreme Court, they had an "affinity" with the then Japanese enemy.

Since that time, perhaps a hundred books and documentaries, several hundred magazine articles, and many college and university treatises have been written about Evacuation. And, there are more to come. We know, for instance, that Retired Navy Captain Allan Bosworth's "America's Concentration Camps" will be published in mid-January, with at least three others that we know of due sometime in the next year or two, including one by WRA Director Dillon Myer.

And yet, not one of them, including those in the Pacific Citizen, has written the definitive and authoritative story of the reasons that compelled JACL to decide on the historic decision that urged cooperation in the Evacuation movement, once the fateful determination of military necessity was made.

Indeed, we fear that even the heralded UCLA-JACL Japanese American Research Project may not be able to document, let alone recall for posterity, the real motivations that prompted JACL leaders to make the decision that they did. For the intimate details and discussions have never been recorded or documented.

Actually, from our view, there are perhaps not more than three or four JACLers now living who could even begin to reveal those innermost thoughts that went into the ultimate JACL decision, as the years pass into history, more and more commend as being truly visionary and statesmanlike, even in retrospect.

It is not our intention in this Newsletter to event attempt to begin on our version, for there are too many factors to recall and too many considerations to put down to confine to such space as is available to this Newsletter.

But, it seems to us that no documentary could

be complete without such a chapter, and also additional chapters on the significant and substantial contributions that JACL made on practically every decision of consequence to those of Japanese ancestry on the continental mainland of the United States.

Frankly, and we may well be prejudiced for understandable reasons, no true and factual account of the Evacuation and its aftermath can be put together without several chapters on the JACL and its role all the way through the World War II years and beyond, until the corrective and remedial legislation have been enacted, until the great court holdings regarding the constitutionality of the rights of Japanese Americans have been established, and until the last vestiges of legal, economic, and social discrimination against those of Japanese ancestry in this nation have been eliminated.

Not one of the books published so far has even begun to suggest the part that JACLers played in this unprecedented experience for any American

minority or nationality group. Most of them have only made passing comments, none definitely, regarding JACL's participation in the tragedy and travail, as well as glory and greatness of the Japanese American epoch of World War II. As a matter of fact, most of such references are not particularly complimentary, sympathetic, or perceptive. Indeed, up to this point, no author or writer has really attempted to do research on the JACL leadership in this period.

Thus, as this Holiday Issue of the Pacific Citizen appropriately notes the quarter-century anniversary of the Evacuation experience, we feel that the JACL owes an obligation to the nation, to those of Japanese ancestry, and to our own members to provide that these momentous chapters in the JACL epic are properly recorded.

To begin with, what are the actual facts regarding the JACL and the Evacuation decision? What were the pressures directed on the JACL? Who

were the principal pressure suppliers? What were the alternatives? Who made the ultimate decisions? Why?

There are those who charge that the UCLA-JACL Japanese American Research Project missed the boat in that practically all of the truly significant Issei pioneers have passed on to their greater reward. We fear that unless the JACL acts now, it will be too late to secure the first-person, first-hand facts on JACL's role in the Evacuation history.

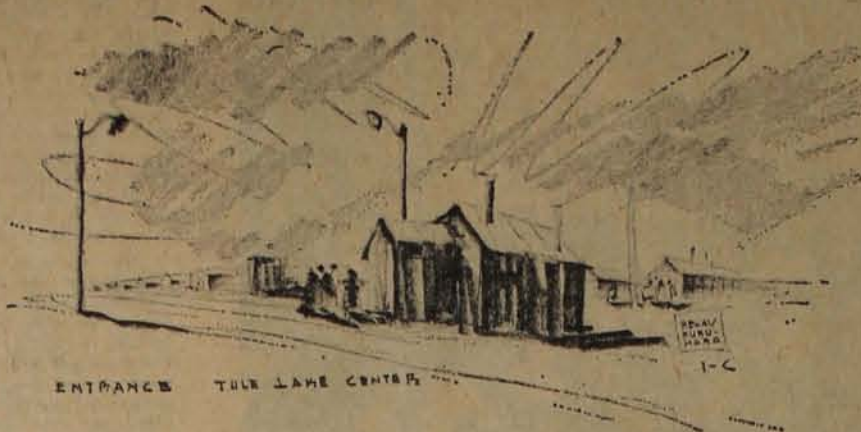
And that is why we are writing as we are today, for we do not want to permit this most important crossroads in the history of those of Japanese ancestry in this country and of JACL to go unrecorded because the few who really know the story firsthand as actual participants of Evacuation and JACL's moments of truth may no longer be with us.

After all, it is now 25 years since Evacuation took place. And, while the JACL leaders were comparative youths who were forced to take over the leadership of the Japanese community then because no other group was prepared and willing to do so, they are now in their fifties, sixties, and even seventies.

One such resource is Saburo Kido, wartime JACL President who had such a prominent part in helping to make those great decisions of yesteryear that have proved through the years to be so correct. No longer the publisher of a leading Japanese American newspaper, as a practicing attorney we believe that he, of all persons, should be commissioned by JACL to at least draft his recollections of what, why, where, who, and how the significant events of Evacuation, as participated in by JACL, took place.

We know that the UCLA-JACL Japanese Research Project may attempt to do this, but with the jaundiced eyes of the academicians, sociologists, and historians. We believe that the JACL story should be written as we in JACL lived through it—of, by, and for JACL.

We can think of no more appropriate way in which to commemorate the 25th anniversary of Evacuation than to start now on a special project to have the Evacuation Epic written as only JACL can, and should, write it.



ORDER OF EVACUATION BRINGS ON ONE OF AMERICA'S GREATEST SWINDLES

The history of Evacuation is also a history of property losses and the steady deterioration of property values. The very nature of the movement and the general circumstances made substantial losses inevitable. The administrative defects, too, contributed to the very real and grievous losses suffered, many of which could and should have been avoided.

Bradford Smith, chief of the Central Pacific Division of the Office of War Information during the war, who has made a critical study of the Evacuation, asserts that the forced disposal of the property owned or controlled by persons of Japanese ancestry following the issuance of the exclusion orders was "one of the greatest swindles in America's boisterous history."

The opportunity for this indiscriminate and wholesale grabbing of property was provided by the Evacuation which Smith suggests might have been originated by pressure groups who had the most to gain from it. For Evacuation was not even suggested at the time of Pearl Harbor, was not recommended by the Pacific Coast congressional delegation until more than two months thereafter, and was actually carried out only after the Battle of Midway, when any presumed danger to the Pacific Coast has been thoroughly dispelled, as Smith points out.

After two extensive surveys conducted as a Guggenheim fellow after the war, this same Bradford Smith estimated that 95 percent of all the Japanese who had anything at all to lose suffered losses of some kind. He also estimated that less than five percent of the more than 110,000 who were evacuated were able to make satisfactory arrangements for the disposal or use of their property.

WRA Report

The War Relocation Authority, in its final report entitled *The Wartime Handling of Evacuee Property*, released by the Department of the Interior in October 1946, frankly concedes that "It is too early yet for any sort of final estimate to be made of actual financial and property losses sustained by the Japanese Americans because of the enforced evacuation, but it is recognized that their losses have been heavy. Some lost everything they had; many lost most of what they had."

This report amounts to a 112-page apologia of the

government's failure to cope with the timetable and plan of Evacuation. It begins with a consideration of "the factors which combined to make a considerable loss inevitable."

The report goes on to say:

"First of all, under stress of wartime fears and hatred, the prevailing sentiment of the west coast population was opposed to any recognition of the rights and privileges of this little known and habitually misrepresented minority that was racially associated with the enemy across the Pacific."

"Second, with the Evacuation a foregone conclusion, the Federal Government was slow to set up machinery for safeguarding the property of the people who were to be evacuated, thus allowing an interval of golden opportunity to swindlers and tricksters who had a terrified group of people at their mercy."

"Third, when Federal provisions were made for assisting evacuees with unsolved property problems, they were inadequate to prevent initial loss or steadily mounting loss to the absentee owners during the period when the Exclusion Orders remained in force."

"Fourth, responsibility for safeguarding evacuee property bounced from agency to agency, finally coming to rest in the War Relocation Authority after Evacuation was an accomplished fact, well after the period when strong measures might have prevented much hardship. In August of 1942, after the Evacuation had been accomplished, the War Relocation Authority had transferred to it not only the responsibility for evacuee property protection but also all the problems which had developed in the period when two other agencies had shared the responsibility. WRA was handicapped at the start by the necessity to finish work begun by other agencies operating under different policies."

"Fifth, most of the local and state law enforcement authorities of the west coast, throughout the years of the exclusion and to a great extent for some time after the Exclusion Order was rescinded, have shown a considerable indifference to vandalism and even to arson committed upon evacuee property and have put up effective passive resistance to requests to conduct investigations which might lead to arrest and prosecution of offenders."

"Sixth, the Western Defense Command, after ordering and conducting the Evacuation, took no direct responsibility for safeguarding the property which the evacuees were obliged to leave behind them, although that responsibility was very clearly assigned to the Western Defense Command in a memorandum of February 20, 1942, addressed by Assistant Secretary of War McCloy to Lt. General DeWitt.

"These factors," the report admits, "have contributed heavily to the failure of the Government's attempts to protect the property of the evacuated Japanese Americans and have made the wartime handling of evacuee property a sorry part of the war record. Whether it is possible for the Federal Government to prevent heavy property loss to any group of persons excluded with emotion and in time of war from the region which contains their property is highly problematical. Whether the evacuees will receive remuneration for losses depends upon the will of Congress to acknowledge Federal responsibility for losses sustained."

Events Leading to Evacuation

A brief summary of the events leading up to the evacuation itself may be helpful in explaining WRA's position on this matter of evacuee losses.

The war with Japan, notwithstanding the rather conspicuous handwriting on the wall, came as a rude shock to the greater part of the American public. During the entire period between Dec. 7, 1941 and Mar. 2, 1942, when the Western Defense Command announced all people of Japanese ancestry would be excluded from the coastal areas, the Japanese American population was suffering the effects of a severe war of nerves.

"The west coast was zealous to get rid of everyone with a drop of Japanese blood in his veins, and to do it in a hurry, but such practical details as what should be done with more than 100,000 evacuated persons and the responsibility of a non-fascist government to a dispossessed segment of its population," WRA declares, "were not being realistically considered in the early part of 1942."

The attack on Pearl Harbor having occurred on a Sunday, and the Government having frozen bank accounts of all enemy nationals at once, the heads of most resident Japanese

families were stranded with whatever cash they had in their pockets or homes over that weekend. Business establishments of the Issei were closed on government order and placed under armed guard. Issei and Nisei workers in Caucasian homes or businesses were promptly released by panicky employers; Nisei soldiers were being discharged without explanation by many commanding officers. Later, with the press, radio and politicians clamoring for the removal of all Japanese, there was every condition favoring mass panic on the part of the Japanese Americans.

The utter insecurity of their position, their bewilderment, their frequent lack of money to buy food, all conspired to make them the victim of bargain hunters. Destitution among Nisei and Issei families increased with frequent FBI raids and removal of alien family heads. With the announcement of clearance of prohibited zones, from which the Japanese were to be moved, second-hand dealers and thrifty housewives began to work on a terrified segment of the population to sell anything of value for far less than it was worth.

Verbal assurances of the government's intention to help the destitute were made through the press, but WRA concedes: "Substantial losses had been sustained before actual machinery for giving assistance was set up, and extraordinary hardships were experienced by the Japanese because of the failure of the government to make specific arrangements for shelter and care for the dispossessed who could not finance their own removal and subsequently because of the failure of the government to publicize adequately such provisions as were made."

From day to day the newspapers in California carried conflicting reports of rumors and proposals for dealing with the Japanese Americans. What happened to the residents of Terminal Island, a fishing village just outside of Los Angeles, gave the Japanese Americans an inkling of what fate had in store for them. The Terminal Islanders as a group were perhaps more thoroughly victimized than any other group of Japanese Americans, notes WRA.

These unfortunate people were given just 48 hours notice to move out. No provisions whatever were made to help them; they were

simply left to shift for themselves.

The story of the tragedy of Terminal Island, repeated wherever west coast Japanese congregated, added to the fears of the evacuees. And nothing in the way of government announcements eased the situation.

Executive Order No. 9066

On Feb. 19, acting on the joint recommendations of the Commanding General of the Western Defense Command, General J. L. DeWitt, the west coast congressional delegation, and members of his Cabinet, President Roosevelt invoked the extraordinary war powers vested in him as the Chief Executive and authorized the Secretary of War to carry out an "evacuation" program.

"... I hereby authorize and direct the Secretary of War, and the Military Com-

LEADERSHIP UPON JACL

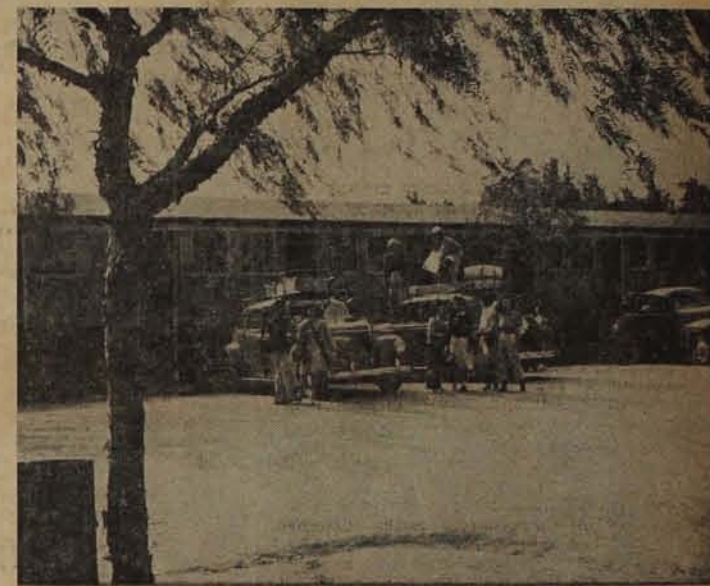
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timidation by the disgruntled and the disillusioned, as the records show, several thousand Japanese Americans whose loyalty had been questioned by their own government volunteered to fight, and if necessary to die, for America. This was a demonstration of real faith in America and the American way seldom, if ever, surpassed.

Nisei War Record

General Charles A. Willoughby, intelligence officer for General MacArthur, General Bonner Fellers, psychological warfare officer for General MacArthur, and General Joseph E. Stillwell all have testified to the great and gallant work of the Nisei in combat intelligence against the Japanese enemy in the Pacific. Colonel Sidney F. Mashbir, chief of the Allied Translator-Interpreter Service, devoted considerable space to the contributions of the Nisei who saved thousands of American casualties and millions of dollars in material, in addition to shortening the Pacific war by months, in his book "I Was An American Spy."

The record of the 442nd Central Postal Directory, featured in the MGM motion picture "Go For Broke", is too well known to need repeating here. Suffice it to say that this Combat Team, serving in Italy and France, is generally recognized as the most decorated military unit in American history for



SANTA ANITA STALLS — Evacuees arrived at Santa Anita Assembly Center—though the tweedy atmosphere of the as soon as housing facilities were completed in the spring of 1942. Seen are families moving into the "fancier" stalls

its size and length of service.

Many of the Issei, though technically subjects of Japan, taught in military language schools sponsored by the Army and the Navy; served as interpreters, translators, and documenters of captured Japanese documents; drew the maps by which Japan was bombed into submission; and even engaged in counter-intelligence work with the Office of Strategic Services. As nationals of Japan because they could not become naturalized citizens, had Japan won the war or if they had been captured by the enemy, they would have been shot for treason or subjected to brutal treatment that is worse than death.

From time to time, especially after the Exclusion Orders were lifted early in 1945 and evacuees allowed to return to their former homes, questions were raised as to whether the evacuees should seek restitution or indemnification as individuals or await possible government action to this end.

There were many who felt that either the military establishment or the federal government should be sued in the courts; there were others who believed that private bills for individual relief should be introduced into Congress; and there were still others who hoped for general remedial legislation.

In view of the many oral promises made by various

government officials that they would recommend appropriate group legislation for general compensation, evacuees to wait for the enactment of a public law as the most effective and reasonable method of resolving this matter. And the JACL assumed the leadership in the drive for corrective legislation. This, perhaps, accounts for the rather startling fact that neither litigation was instituted in the courts nor thousands of private bills dropped into the congressional hopper prior to consideration of legislation leading up to the passage of the basic statute in 1948.

Throughout the entire evacuation process, the JACL had maintained a consistent program — to do nothing that would hamper, jeopardize, or compromise America's war effort, but rather to aid in every way possible the achieving of victory. The faith of the Nisei has been, and is, that American democracy, once the facts are in, will correct its mistakes and its abuses; that the American people, in the long run, tend to be honest, fair, and just. Once the hysteria and confusion of war were removed, we were confident that the Congress, representing the American people, would not let us down.

Evacuation Claims Law

The 80th Congress justified that faith and confidence by enacting the Japanese American Evacuation Claims Act, Public Law 886,

the Act of July 2, 1948.

When administrative difficulties threatened to nullify that law, the 82nd Congress amended the basic statute to authorize the compromise settlement of smaller claims under \$2,500 by enacting Public Law 116, the Act of Aug. 17, 1951.

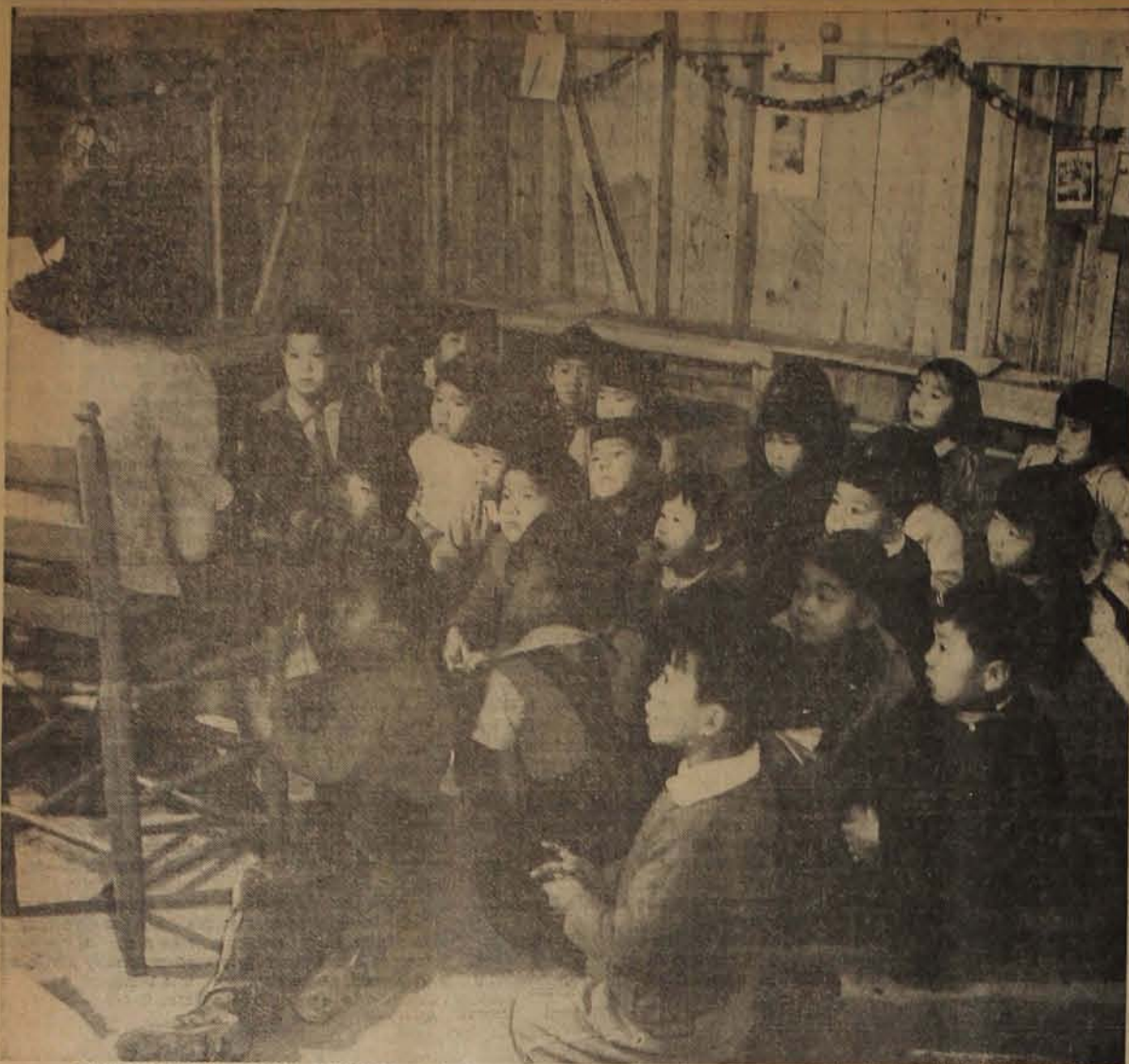
The final amendment to expedite the final determination of the remaining claims came when the 74th Congress passed Public Law 763, the Act of June 27, 1956, allowing claims up to \$100,000.

On Nov. 10, 1958, the final evacuation claims was settled, terminating the program except for eight appealed to the Court of Claims. Total of 26,552 claimants was awarded \$36,874,240.49.

On Oct. 4, 1965, the Koda Rice Farm claim was approved by the Court of Claims for \$362,500 as the final settlement under the 1948 Evacuation Claims Act.

Alameda fishing results told

ALAMEDA — Tate Hanamura, Alameda JACL fishing derby chairman, named the winners of the recent contest. Nish Yamamoto was first with a 22 lb.-12 oz. catch, about five pounds over Ben Barr's 17 lb.-14 runner-up prize winner. It is one of the three chapter events sponsored to meet the varied interests of the members. The other two are bowling and contract bridge.



THESE YOUNGSTERS MIGHT REMEMBER—A kindergarten class in Barracks 36-4-F at Rowher (Ark.) WRA Center listens to instructor Shigeko Tabuchi during

Story Time. Photo was taken in the fall of 1942—which would make these youngsters in their early 30s or hearing that.

CASE HISTORIES—

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offer of \$4,000. A beer parlor, the name of which I do not know, valued at \$3,500, brought an offer of \$2,000.

"A Japanese farmer by the name of M. Jio of Wapato, Washington, was subleasing some land from a Mr. John. He had already paid \$800. Recently, I am informed, Mr. John told Jio to leave. Mr. Jio protested that he had paid \$800 to Mr. John and ought to have most of it back. Mr. John said that he (John) had spent nearly all of it and did not have it to return. He paid Jio \$100. There is some impression in the Japanese community here that this episode was precipitated by pressure from a farmers' group in that area.

"I have been told by another Japanese who is very active in the community at the moment that he has heard of about 15 hotels other than the Orpheum being approached by persons seeking to purchase at abnormally low exchange.

"Also, I was told that the Togo Realty Company has had half a hundred persons looking for bargains. Some have said quite frankly that they were waiting in belief that the Japanese would eventually be forced to sell at any price. Their confidence, or at least the seriousness of their attitude is indicated by the fact that they have usually made very low offers. Most of them are said to have twelve to fifteen hundred dollars in cash and are looking for four or five thousand dollar business enterprises.

"The report was also made to me that some small dealers have been going around to individual homes offering to buy movable goods and chattels, such as refrigerators, at very low prices."

Many government authorities made announcements which were believed to be policy by the evacuees and the issuing agency. Too often changes in circumstances caused these regulations to be summarily rescinded. These fluctuations in "policy" contributed to the property loss.

Double Evacuation Losses

Early in March, the Western Defense Command encouraged voluntary evacuation from the coastal

zone to inland areas. People were told that once they moved from the "prohibited" areas they would not be asked to move again for the duration of the war. With these promises in mind, many evacuees moved from Military Area No. 1 to Military Area No. 2 at great expense to themselves incurred from the sacrifice sale of their property and the cost of the movement. Once they had established themselves in new communities, the evacuees began planting crops in cooperation with the Farm Security Administration's "Food for Victory" program. Within two months, however, the Western Defense Command ordered these "voluntary" evacuees in Military Area No. 2 to relocation camps. No explanation for this change in policy was given.

To illustrate the losses involved in this "double" evacuation, consider the case of Masao Hirano, a 25-year-old Nisei, his elderly father, his mother, and his 15-year-old brother, who operated 55 acres on the coast under a lease. They realized a net income of about \$2,000 annually over a period of years.

On receiving the first evacuation notice, they abandoned their house, garage and packing shed (value \$2,300) which they had built on the leased land, their underground pipe and irrigation equipment (value \$1,000), a crop of peas they expected to harvest and sell for \$3,000 in a few weeks, less mature crops of tomatoes and beans, and about \$1,300 worth of farm tools and fertilizer which they were unable to sell or move. On what they sold, they accepted a \$700 loss in their equity on the equipment and a \$350 loss in selling their horses. An additional \$500 loss was accepted for two trucks.

The Hiranos then moved to Military Area No. 2 where, according to all indications in early March, they would be permitted to farm without further interference. But in five months, the Army ordered the Hiranos to a government camp. In moving to Area No. 2, the Hiranos had brought their household furniture, some tools, and the family passenger car. The cost of moving was about \$300. When Area No. 2 was evacuated, the Hi-

ranos were able to store only a part of their furniture. They lost another \$300 on the furniture, \$100 on tools, five months of labor, and all of their savings (\$500) which they had invested in this new venture. In selling their car they lost an additional \$400. Not including bad debts and insurance losses, their total assets of at least \$10,500 were wiped out.

(b) Losses Incurred Because of Inadequate Storage Facilities

The lack of storage facilities—private as well as public—caused a great deal of hardship and expense. The original instructions to the evacuees before entering Assembly Center (the initial temporary stations under WCCA control), were to take only "hand baggage." This meant that only the bare essentials could be taken with them. Often with invalid or aged relations, or children too young to handle their own baggage, many had to carry not only their own personal belongings, but those of others. Usually an evacuee took only the clothing on his back and two suitcases. As for the rest of his personal belongings, he had the alternative of storing, selling, giving, or leaving them behind. Whichever choice he made, he lost.

An example of this type would be the story of Joe Oda. He was the only son of an aged couple. Both of his parents could not carry much baggage with them. When the order for evacuation came, it was necessary for Joe to carry four suitcases for his aged parents. It was only with the help of his friends that he was able to take even the bare essentials to camp. The remainder of his family's personal goods were stored with a neighbor. These were eventually lost when this neighbor moved to another city.

There have been many reports concerning losses of stored goods in WRA warehouses, especially when resettled evacuees asked for the return of their property after the lapse of two or three years. An example is a case in Detroit, Michigan. The family in question resettled in Detroit. When delivery was made of the goods stored in a WRA warehouse, the loss of the following was noted: Silver-

ware valued at \$1,000; radio-phonograph, \$200; typewriter, \$50; clothing, \$100; two floor lamps, \$50; kitchenware, \$25. Most of these items were new and had not been used.

(c) Losses Due to Vandalism, Pilferage, Arson, Burglary, etc.

Because adequate provision for storage was not made by the government agencies in charge of the evacuation, the evacuees were forced to make whatever arrangements they could. Some left their possessions with their neighbors; others left them in a room of a house or garage, in churches, chicken coops, etc.

If the evacuees were able to comply with the arbitrary government restrictions on the size, shape, and weight of the property boxed for storage under WC supervision, they found that the Army was not willing to provide the necessary guards to protect the property. Both the Army and the government refused to insure the stored goods or to guarantee that they would be returned in good condition.

Private insurance companies, knowing that the government refused to provide guards for even their own warehouses, refused to insure private dwellings or buildings used to store evacuee property. These private insurance companies also refused to insure the property in the government warehouses.

Moreover, since the service charges and rentals of the private warehouses and storage companies were prohibitive for most people, the average evacuee's usual recourse was to store his property in either a public or private building in concert with other evacuees.

The WRA's Report on the handling of evacuee property cites as typical the experience of a number of Japanese in Los Angeles.

Nichiren Church Case

"The Nichiren Buddhist Church, located at 2806 East First Street, Los Angeles, was used as a storehouse for the household and personal goods of its evacuated members. The parsonage next door was rented to a woman who was duly appointed as custodian of this church, with power of attorney. The appointment was made in a name, to which she was not legally entitled, the surname being derived from a man with whom she was then living.

"On June 22, 1943, the

Los Angeles police informed the WRA office that they had, on June 21 at 12:45 a.m., discovered a man who can be called F in the Nichiren church and another man, G in a truck just outside the side entrance to the church, and that they had proceeded to arrest both men. Mrs. H, the official custodian of the church, pleaded for F, declaring that he had a right to be in the church, regardless of the hour, because he was acting as her "caretaker." According to the police report, nothing had been removed from the church on that night, and the two men were subsequently released.

"Less than three weeks after this episode, the WRA property office was informed by the police that they had been called on July 6, by Mrs. H, who asked them to arrest F, whom she at this time accused of stealing her radio. The evacuee property officers immediately visited the Nichiren church and found the side door broken open. Inside the church everything was in a state of chaos; trunks had been broken open and their contents scattered; most of the crates had been broken into; all refrigerators, stoves, washing machines, sewing machines and radios had disappeared. Information was teletyped to all the relocation centers to residents who had stored their possessions in this church; photographs of the wreckage were taken, and an inquiry was made throughout the neighbor-

... double losses sometimes

hood. In the course of this investigation it was learned that Mrs. H, who was actually Mrs. I, had moved out about July 8. Neighbors reported that whereas she moved in with little or nothing in the way of furniture, she took two truckloads away with her. The evacuee property officer on the case managed to locate the woman's husband, Mr. I, in another section of the city, but Mr. I had no idea of where Mrs. I might be.

"The property officer recommended to Rev. J. Ishihara, absentee priest of this church, that a patrol service be installed. This was done, and military permission was sought and granted for the priest and three other evacuees of the group affected to return under escort to attempt to identify the little remaining property that was worth salvaging.

"The following is a statement submitted by Mrs. Cecil Itano, who was a member of this group which returned with a WRA internal security officer to Los Angeles to identify goods in the church:

"On October 11, 1943, we went to view the Nichiren church. The catastrophe before my eyes was a hopeless mass of deliberate destruction. Everything was a conglomeration of unrecoverable damaged things. Nothing was untouched. Sewing machines were ruined, furniture broken, mirrors smashed to smithereens, broken glass from breakable articles, household goods scattered helterskelter, trunks broken beyond repair, albums, pictures precious only to the respective owners, thrown to the four winds. Standing among this debris of disreputable damage—my heart was full of unwept tears and compassion for the people who trustingly stored their valuables and treasured household belongings. These things were all carefully packed and separated and divided into two categories: necessities of life and keepsakes. While surveying the irreparable damage, I noticed that things of intrinsic worth were what the plunderers were searching for and any things that could be converted into immediate cash were taken and the residue abandoned regardless of value and preciousness. Electric irons, sewing machines, refrigerators, washing machines, radios, Persian rugs, typewriters, were systematically filched—not one box went by unscathed."

"Through days and nights of endless separating, dividing, segregating merchandise to the rightful owners, my only thought was how I was to face these unhappy people again and report their losses that money could never buy again. Things that we did gather up carefully were not so much of monetary value but for sentimental reasons dear to the owners' hearts only. The other things—those that had been stolen—were things needed to carry on in the future the necessities of life."

Fish Market Example Cited
An example of vandalism in Guadalupe, California, is that of "Today's Fish Market."

In the spring of 1944 the Transportation Section of the Evacuee Property Division of WRA, acting on a request from an evacuee that certain personal property of his should be shipped to him, sent a representative to a building known as "Today's Fish Market" in Guadalupe. The WRA agent discovered that the place had been ransacked, and immediately reported the matter to the Evacuee Property Division. WRA made an investigation on April 17, 1944.

They found the second floor of this building had contained a large amount of personal property. All the trunks and boxes had been broken into and ransacked; clothing, furniture, household goods and splintered crates were strewn about. The investigation took place in the presence of Deputy Sheriffs Bidwell and Oxford of Guadalupe and photographs were taken of their findings.

At the sheriff's office in Guadalupe, the WRA investigators discovered a report dated February 20, 1943, which stated that a Fred Shaffer had reported to the sheriff that the building had been broken into. The report did not indicate that the sheriff's office had made any attempt, in the 14-month period between the date of the report and the WRA discovery of the situation, to communicate either with the owner of the building or with any government agency with a view to ending such depredations.

In the Florin, California area, the train in which the evacuees were leaving had hardly left before looters entered their homes and ranches, broke windows, filled wells with debris, and committed other acts of vandalism. The County Sheriff refused to take any action.

Widespread Vandalism

The WRA Reports show that vandalism was widespread. The Reports reveal these cases:

"Mr. Kitasako, a master craftsman, arranged with a Mr. P for the storage of his personal property—including a set of tools valued at \$1,000—in a room on the third floor of the Pioneer Building in Seattle. In September of 1943 Mr. P reported to the WRA office that the room in which Mr. Kitasako's possessions had been stored had been broken into. The WRA representative visited the room, made a report and reboxed the remaining property. Mr. P died, and the management of the building was assumed by a Mr. Q. Mr. Q disappeared from the city, and the management passed to a third man.

"When Mr. Kitasako was preparing to return to Seattle, he requested WRA to investigate the contents of the property stored in the Pioneer Building, and it was discovered that the room had again been entered and rifled. Household items had been taken from trunks and boxes and thrown about the room, and the thousand-dollar tool set was missing.

The building manager reported that the pilfering had been reported to the police but that no action had been taken. He informed the WRA representative that a living room set and a dining room set of furniture, stored by Mr. Kitasako in two other rooms of the building, were also missing. It was reported that Mr. Q, the second in this series of building managers, had absconded with \$1,500 or \$2,000 belonging to a partnership composed of himself and another man.

"Mr. Ishimoto, at the time of evacuation, leased his furnished residence in Seattle to Mr. and Mrs. R. Mr. Ishimoto reserved one room of the dwelling for storage purposes, placing in the room about \$2,000 worth of personal property including furniture. He locked this room and departed for the assembly center. Upon his property there was also a greenhouse, which a Mr. S took over from Mr. Ishimoto at the time of evacuation and continued to operate.

"In 1943, some time prior to July 1, Mr. Ishimoto's brother, as a soldier in the United States Army, was permitted to enter the evacuated area. He visited and inspected his brother's property in Seattle, discovering that the room reserved by his brother for storage of personal possessions had been broken into and everything removed therefrom. The greenhouse operator informed the owner's brother that Mr. R had been moving the missing articles and much of the furniture from the leased part of the house away from the premises. Mr. S had questioned R about his activities, but R informed him that he was shipping the property to Mr. Ishimoto at the Minidoka Relocation Center. However, Mr. Ishimoto had not made any request to have his property shipped to him, and no property ever reached him at the project. By the time that this discovery was made by Mr. Ishimoto's brother, R had disappeared.

"WRA files show that R, at the time of renting the Ishimoto house, was an inspector at Boeing Aircraft Company. In September 1944 he was employed as a patrolman in the navy yard at Terminal Island, California. In the spring of 1945 when the assistance of the WRA office was requested by Mr. Ishimoto, WRA reported the disappearance of Mr. Ishimoto's property to the King County sheriff's office. That office, however, has professed an inability to locate R."

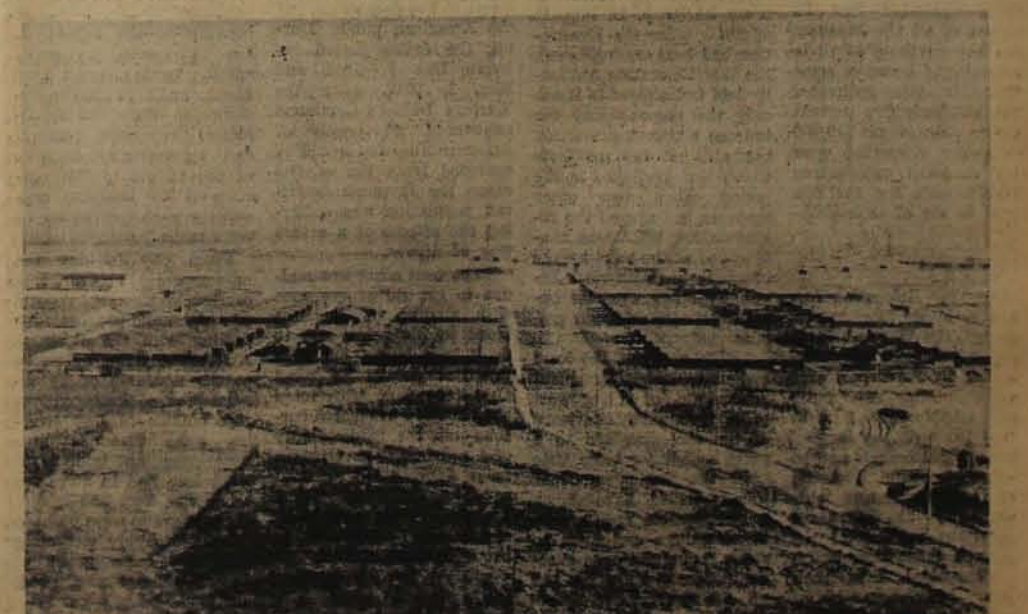
Arson Too

Instances of arson were not uncommon.

The experiences of the Miyoshi family of Vashon Island, Washington, is a case in point. They owned a well-insured home on Vashon Island. When evacuation was ordered, they stored in their home furniture, clothing, farm equipment, and also the personal property and agricultural equipment of four other Japanese evacuees.

Not long after the Miyoshi family had left, the in-

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DESERT CAMP—Central section of the Minidoka Relocation Center at Hunt, Idaho, showing the newly erected gymnasium and high school at left, vividly shows the barren wasteland evacuees endured under guard during World War II.



CAMP HIGH SCHOOL—Scene is a study hall at Rowher Relocation Center High School in Arkansas. It was taken during the first fall semester of 1942.



THE CAMP DANCES—One of the chief forms of recreation at the relocation centers was the weekend dances. This scene, in the Heart Mountain High School

gymnasium, shows a portion of the crowd at a school dance to which the public was invited.

CASE HISTORIES—

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insurance company cancelled the insurance on the property on the grounds that the property was not occupied. Other companies refused coverage. Brothers Glenn and Masaru Miyoshi, title holders to the home, volunteered from the Minidoka, Idaho, camp to serve in the armed forces. Masaru was wounded in the Italian campaign.

On February 1, 1945, before daylight, the Miyoshi home on Vashon Island was burned to the ground. It was later established that the fire was of incendiary origin. The "Seattle Times" of February 28, 1945, carried a story stating "a mysterious series of house fires on Vashon Island during the past two months was solved today when three Vashon youths admitted to Deputy Sheriff Louis Benard that they had set fire to several vacant houses on the island 'just for the thrill.'"

(d) **Losses Incurred Because of Farm Security Collection Policy**

Not long after the WRA had taken over the responsibilities of the FSA with regard to evacuee property, a major problem emerged as an outgrowth of the FSA policy of collections on Wartime Farm Adjustment loans made to operators who took over evacuee farms. The approach of the FSA was that of a firm collection agency. All other considerations including the protection of evacuee property were subservient to collecting every dollar loaned them.

When evacuees sold out to prospective buyers, most of the buyers received loans

through the FSA. The first lien on mortgage was held by the FSA.

If payment could not be made in one year the mortgage was foreclosed.

A memorandum from Lieutenant Colonel Claude B. Washburne, Civil Affairs Division, Chief, Inspection and Fiscal Division, to Col. Karl R. Bendetsen, Assistant Chief of Staff, Civil Affairs Division, WCCA, says:

"A conversation with Mr. Hollingsberry (Hollenberg) of Farm Security Administration reveals the following pertinent information. Maturity date of crop loans and extensions thereof do not in any case run beyond the end of fiscal year 1943. Extensions of loans are not made unless Farm Security Administration feels confident that a greater portion of the loan can be collected if an extension is granted. These cases are few.

"The policy in general is that these loans were made to cover the emergency need of evacuating Japanese and insuring harvesting of growing crops, that the obligation of the borrower is positive and that the loans will be collected from any monies available from the crop and equipment chattels notwithstanding it may work a hardship on the borrower and possibly mean the other creditors, including the Japanese, may get nothing.

"Under this procedure the borrower must renege through normal credit channels. In many cases the Japanese have agreements with the borrowers whereby the Japanese are to receive 50% of the net proceeds of the sale of crops. In the event the

Farm Security Administration takes all proceeds under their first liens, it means the Japanese get nothing. The likelihood of charges that the evacuees have been robbed of their equipment and interest in leases becomes obvious."

(e) **Losses Attributable to Individuals Who Took Advantage of Evacuee's Misfortune**

In many cases, property was left in charge of friends or acquaintances who were trusted by the evacuees. Unfortunately, in many instances, these "trusted" people took advantage of evacuees once they had left their homes.

Woodrow W. Higashi operated a drug store in Los Angeles up to the time of evacuation. He was unable to dispose of his movable property before he was obliged to enter the Santa Anita Assembly Center in the spring of 1942. A Caucasian acquaintance, who was a man of some prominence in the neighborhood, called on Mr. Higashi at the center and offered to assist the evacuee in selling certain property. This man was a disabled World War I veteran drawing a Government pension. He said he could dispose of Mr. Higashi's drug store equipment for \$350, his neon sign for \$75, his 1935 Oldsmobile coupe for \$100 and offered to take care of his household furniture and goods. Mr. Higashi gratefully accepted the offer of assistance.

A few weeks later, the veteran, whom we will call Mr. E, visited Santa Anita again, to inform Higashi that all his furniture and furnishings had been stolen. Mr. E said he believed he knew who had stolen the things, but without power of attorney to act in Mr. Higashi's name, he was

powerless to act. Higashi granted him the requested power of attorney. He wrote Mr. E but he had subsequently disappeared.

From the assembly center, Higashi was sent to the Granada Relocation Center in Colorado. There he consulted the project attorney, who advised him to place the case in the hands of an attorney. On October 27, 1943, the case was turned over to the WRA attorney in the San Francisco office. The government property officers conducted an investigation of Mr. E's activities.

Investigation revealed Mr. E had no assets which could be reached by attachment, that he was definitely guilty of misappropriation and misrepresentation—not only with regard to Higashi but also with regard to other evacuees.

The facts assembled were presented to the Los Angeles district attorney's office, but that office stated that it was not interested in filing charges against Mr. E. Bradford Smith recalls the story of a Nisei who left his car, some farm implements, and a radio with a Caucasian neighbor. When he realized that the evacuation would stick for awhile, he asked the neighbor to sell his car, which had a book value of \$500. This the neighbor did—for \$475, after keeping the tires for himself. He then wrote the evacuee saying that his wife wanted some furniture and that he would like to use the \$475 for this, adding that if he had a debt it would help him to avoid the draft.

When the evacuee declined this deal, his "friend" charged him \$25 for selling the car, \$30 for travel expenses allegedly involved, \$20 for his time, and other items of expense. When the evacuee tried to get his radio back, he was told that

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manders whom he may from time to time designate, whenever he or any designated Commander deems such action necessary or desirable, to prescribe military areas in such places and of such extent as he or the appropriate Military Commander may determine, from which any or all persons may be excluded, and with respect to which, the right of any person to enter, remain in, or leave shall be subject to whatever restriction the Secretary of War or the appropriate Military Commander may impose in his direction.

"The Secretary of War is hereby authorized to provide for residents of any such area who are excluded therefrom, such transportation, food, shelter and other accommodations as may be necessary in the judgment of the Secretary of War, or the said Military Commander, and until other arrangements are made, to accomplish the purpose of this order . . ."

In authorizing the exclusion of "any or all persons" whom the Army might see fit to designate from home and source of livelihood, the Chief Executive was giving the military power over civilian life that was unprecedented in American history except under conditions of martial law; he was also "incurring an obligation on the part of the Federal Government to protect the property rights of such persons as should be excluded by military order," the WRA conceded.

Assistant Secretary of War, John J. McCloy, under whose supervision the Executive Order had been drafted, did not include in that document any instructions for the protection of evacuee property. However, in a memorandum he forwarded to General DeWitt on Feb. 20, he stressed the necessity of safeguarding the property of those to be evacuated.

"It will, of course, be necessary that your plans include provisions for protection of the property, particularly the physical property, of evacuees. All reasonable measures should be taken through publicity and other means, to encourage evacuees to take steps to protect their own property. When evacuees are unable to do this prior to the time when it is necessary for them to comply with the exclusion orders, there is always danger that unscrupulous persons will take undue advantage or that physical property unavoidably left behind will be pillaged by lawless elements.

"The protection of physical property from theft or other harm is primarily the responsibility of state and local law enforcement agencies, and you will doubtless call upon them for the maximum assistance in this connection. Where they are unable to protect physical property left behind in military areas, the responsibility will be yours, to provide reasonable protection, either through the use of troops or through other appropriate measures . . ."

WRA says that by this time it "was certain that a mass evacuation of the people of Japanese ancestry from the west coast would take place."

On March 2, General DeWitt issued Public Proclamation No. 1 in which he designated Military Area No. 1, consisting of the western halves of the Pacific Coast states and the southern portion of Arizona and Military Area No. 2, the remaining area in these four states. He followed up the Proclamation with a press release in which he stated that Japanese nationals and all persons of Japanese ancestry would be first to be excluded from Area No. 1. He advised all persons of Japanese ancestry to leave the excluded region voluntarily. He also announced that Military Area No. 2 would not be evacuated.

DeWitt's Final Report

In General DeWitt's final report on Evacuation, issued in 1943, it is conceded that the Wartime Civil Control Administration, created by the Western Defense Command to

supervise the initial stages of the movement, was slow in developing any program to safeguard property.

"Between Mar. 2 and Mar. 10, 1942, the discussions as to evacuation procedures were general in nature and specific planning had not emerged. The voluntary movement did not gain momentum because means had not been provided on the ground for aiding evacuees in the solution of personal problems incident to their voluntary exodus.

"Prior to Mar. 10 the General Staff of the Western Defense Command and Fourth Army had not engaged in any extensive planning or preparation for the program. The tactical duties imposed upon it were such that it was unable to do so and at the same time meet the responsibilities imposed on the Headquarters by the essentially military aspects of its mission."

A little further along the report states: "As an initial step in the facilitation of voluntary emigration, 43 Wartime Civil Control Administration (WCCA) offices were established, one in each important center of Japanese population in the affected areas. These offices were staffed by representatives of the cooperating Federal agencies which had agreed to undertake certain specific responsibilities in the program.

"The Federal Reserve Bank and the Farm Security Administration (FSA) had undertaken to provide property protection, under the direction of the Wartime Civil Control Administration—the former, primarily as to business and personal property; the latter primarily respecting agricultural property. The Federal Security Agency, through its various associated agencies, had agreed to provide necessary social services . . ."

Tolan Committee Report

Responsible citizens and some officials had been concerned about the lack of provisions for safeguarding the property. The Fourth Interim Report of the Tolan Committee in its "Findings and Recommendations on the Evacuation of Enemy Aliens and Others from Prohibited Military Zones", May 1942, was emphatic in its criticism of this lack. This Congressional Committee, headed by Representative John Tolan, gathered valuable data for the House and made constructive recommendations as to the evacuation.

The Report emphasizes: "Witness after witness, appearing before the Committee, deplored the fact that no provision was being made for protecting the property of persons who had already been, or were about to be, evacuated. Evidence that there were

numerous instances of sales of personal property at great sacrifice appear throughout the record. In addition to the unanimous demand for appointment of some agency with authority to take custody of property, both personal and agricultural, suggestions were made that other minor but important details, such as tax deferrals and mortgage moratoriums should be given serious consideration."

The Tolan Report refers to and quotes from the testimony of lawyers, ministers, the regional director of the Social Security Board, the regional director of the Farm Security Administration, State attorneys general, welfare workers, educators, and representatives of benevolent societies, pointing to specific instances of widespread preying upon a frightened segment of the population.

It quotes at length from the testimony of Carey McWilliams, then chief of the division of Immigration and housing, California Department of Industrial Relations, given in Los Angeles in early March—the hearings took place from Feb. 21 through Mar. 12, at San Francisco, Los Angeles, Portland, and Seattle.

"There is ample evidence that social and economic vultures are already preying upon the unfortunate aliens who expect to be evacuated. They are told to dispose of their property and are frequently offered ridiculous sums which in panic and desperation the evacuees are inclined to accept. Stories are also being circulated which indicate that unless great care is exercised, and that immediately, we shall have a repetition here of what transpired in Germany and in other countries as the result of large-scale evacuation. People have been threatened that unless they dispose of their property to those who are eager for it, they will be reported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation and their property confiscated. In the absence of a statement from high Government authorities to the contrary, the aliens who are at the mercy of rumor mongers have no choice but to accept what they are told at the moment. The immediate creation of an Alien Property Conservator or a bureau for its conservation, with an immediate announcement that transactions under duress will not be recognized and that the interests and property of aliens will be protected in every way, would not only give the unfortunate victims a sense of needed relief, but make them feel that they are living in a country where human dignity and human values are more than mere phrases mouthed by politicians. It is absolutely essential that

the problem of alien property conservation be handled as an integral part of the entire program. In other words, alien property conservation should constitute a function of the authority proposed, and should not be handled in an unrelated and uncoordinated manner.

"Also a moment's reflection will suffice to indicate that there are literally hundreds of minor but important problems involved, such as the possible necessity for working out ways and means to defer payment of taxes and contractual obligations. All of these problems should be centralized in the Authority, because of their intimate connection with the problem of welfare, maintenance, property conservation, preservation of morale, etc.

"The foregoing program will, no doubt, require modification from time to time as the situation develops. But if put into execution promptly with scrutinizing attention to the selection of personnel and the elimination of the usual inter-departmental difficulties and jurisdictional conflicts, it would, I am confident, meet all the requirements set for it. It would above all demonstrate that democracy can work efficiently, effectively, and with that consideration for the welfare of people who brought it into being, which differentiates it from autocracy and makes it worthy of any sacrifice."

The Tolan Report continues:

"The unanimity of demand by responsible public officials for immediate appointment of a custodian to conserve the property of evacuees emphasized the proportions to which the disadvantaged prospective evacuees were being victimized.

"Attorney General (later Governor of California and now Chief Justice of the United States) Earl Warren, on Feb. 21, 1942, in response to a question regarding the care of alien properties, answered: 'I am afraid that that is a situation that has not been adequately taken care of up to the present time.'

"Mr. Tom C. Clark, then Coordinator of Enemy Alien Control for the Western Defense Command, deplored sacrifice sales without custodial machinery."

Committee Recommendation

The Committee at the close of the first hearings—in San Francisco—sent a telegram to Speaker Rayburn, the President, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney General, and the Secretary of War. This was done on Feb. 23.

"We urge the immediate establishment of a regional alien property custodian office for the Pacific Coast

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JEROME CAMP BREAKS UP—First WRA Relocation Center to be closed was Jerome, Ark., by June, 1944. Seen are friends bidding adieu by the rail cars,

with MPs mingling about. Till this photo was taken, friends stood on the other side of road behind the barbed wire fences of the camp.



LOVE OF FLOWERS—Mrs. Muriel Merrell, 1967 president of Hollywood JACL, waters her floral arrangement of succulent plant, geranium and succulent plant. She is a head of a Shofu-Ryu school branch at Los Angeles and has been instructing a class for Hollywood JACL members at Flower View Gardens this past year. The class has attracted students from throughout the greater Los Angeles area.

Flowering of a New Era

Hollywood JACL Finally Lives Up to Reputation of Environment with Theatrical Pro as President

By HENRY MORI
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If Muriel L. Merrell was to do it over again, she would no doubt become a horticulturist because of her deep interest in flowers. She would love to till the soil and grow pretty plants.

"I always seem to return to the floral art even though much of my life has been devoted to show business, writing and working in the government as a career," the wartime member of the Counter Intelligence Corps related.

Mrs. Merrell's life began in Concord, Mass., where she was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Lawlor. It was Muriel's mother who sang with the Handel and Hayden Society to encourage her daughter to study singing, dancing and acting.

At the ripe old age of six, Muriel already had spent some time in a professional school, learning the art of the theatre. During her two decades behind stage lights, the vivacious tutor of the Ikebana sang, danced and later performed as a musician. An actress of the legitimate stage, Muriel soon was an arranger, composer and conductor for classic concerts.

But what is this strange attraction for the soil? It came not too early for the only Caucasian member of the Japanese Bunka Center, a group comprised of artists in the allied arts in Nippon.

For one, Mrs. Merrell's mother came from a descendant of an asparagus king in Massachusetts. On her father's side, relatives were of seafaring families.

Early Acquaintances
"The combination may have brought some restlessness and adventure for the Lawlor's. My dad, who passed away in 1937, was district passenger representative for Baltimore-Ohio Railroad Co. In early 1920s we moved to the west coast and since then have lived at the same Laurel Ave. address."

In the mid-1930s, the family first became exposed to persons of Japanese ancestry, but strangely not with the state's alien Issei or their offsprings.

"I must admit that my contacts with the Issei and Nisei came rather late," she would repeat when asked where she first befriended her present group of Japanese American leaders and personal acquaintances.

Mrs. Merrell said her father would invite many of the Nipponese dignitaries when they pass through the state through arrangements made by the Japan Tourist Bureau. His association even netted a courtesy trip to that country in the 1930s but Lawlor's company would not grant him a leave.

"In 1935 my love for Japanese art and culture was quite extensive and I wanted to learn more about the Orient. But World War II took care of that." She wastes no words on how bitter she felt about the war between the two nations.

She confesses frankly how impossible it seemed for two countries at that time which had advanced so far in the enlightenment of international goodwill to explode into such deadly open conflict. She said she was very bitter about the whole thing.

Having her own personal troubles at the time, Mrs. Merrell simply was void of Japanese American contacts between 1941 and 1954.

Flower Arranging Class
But soon the intense love for the beauty of natural flowers and trees brought about new blossoms for the former showgirl. However, her first step started with the attendance at a flower arrangement class at Hollywood High School in 1952.

Two years later, sparked by some notice that a well known Japanese Ikebana tutor was prepared to begin a class in L.A. Tokyo, Mrs. Merrell took upon herself to visit the session.

It was not too long later that she was one of the

students of Mmes. Gasul Inada, working eventually up to the point of becoming the president of the Los Angeles chapter of the Ikebana International, 1959-61, with a degree to teach others.

Her touch with the Japanese American community was initiated in 1961 when Dr. H. Carroll Parish of UCLA contacted Muriel to assist in the Oriental cultural series planned by the Japan America Society.

"Here, my whole desire to serve the community triggered, and soon we were able to combine Japan America Society's annual banquets with introduction of 32 Nisei and Sansei debutantes as an added feature in 1965." The patrons and patronesses would recall how masterful Loren Greene emceed the program through Muriel's "romaji" assistance.

Ikebana Instructor
The winner of the Silver Wreath from the War Dept. for meritorious service during World War II remembers the first struggling years learning Ikebana when most Caucasians "were not too welcome" by instructors. However, she received full professor degree with Shofu Ryu School of Japan flower arrangement, the first Caucasian in the state to gain the "instructor's degree."

Though she is a full-fledged teacher of the Ikebana and no doubt quite thorough in her ability as one, the image of a white person as tutor doesn't seem to set well with her Caucasian pupils. "Of course, Ikebana must be taught by a Japanese since they are more versed in the field," the general consensus speaks out.

Mrs. Merrell puts it up as a subtle "discrimination" in reverse, however not resenting such opinion of others. Under such a circumstance, she has limited her teachings to only those who are members of the JACL.

The response to her Ikebana courses has been so impressive even with the limited scope of the membership, the newly-elected president of the Hollywood JACL chapter finds little time for "outside" tutoring, if at all.

The floral expert in the western design who is the only woman on the Civic Center Horticultural Committee of the Los Angeles Beautiful and the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce declared sadly that some of the points in Ikebana have succumbed to Occidental taste.

"The Japanese style of floral arrangement is constant and utilizes the timeless principle of good design as reflected in natural growth.

"But some of the more recent Ikebana experts from Japan have capitulated to please the western viewers, a sin which can eventually mean the end to one of the most feudal arts coming out of the Orient."

In the field of horticultural display and judging, the Dutch-English descendant from Europe claims a list of activities and programs in the last decade arm's long. She serves quite frequently as a judge of a flower show at exhibitions

or at the fairs. She lectures on the subject whenever asked by organizations interested in horticulture and Ikebana. She designs for florists and for programs held at Southland campuses. And, among her distinguished affiliations, she is a fellow of the Royal Horticultural Society of London, England.

As Chapter President
Focusing her thoughts to the future programs of the Hollywood JACL chapter, the 1967 president intends to perpetuate the traditional events, add several new programs such as a chartered bus trip to witness wild flowers in April; a possible fishing derby; and a Little Theater concert, presenting the chapter's talent.

Mrs. Merrell is planning to inspire the members to hold a hobby exhibition in September and create a friendship fund for Thanksgiving baskets for the less fortunate families in November. The chapter may be geared to entertain the small fry in December by sponsoring a Christmas party.

As a person who has been exposed to JACL projects and aims only two years, Muriel will be able to bring in fresh ideas without involvement of personality clashes so often created when oldtimers insist on remaining at the top. This is at least the hope of the new chief.

The recipient of the Victor Carter Award, 1963-64, from the Japan America Society, and the Frank F. Chuman Plaque for her outstanding service to the Hollywood JACL chapter this January, Mrs. Merrell, nevertheless professes that one of her greatest thrills in life was receiving the Ikebana Kamban from Josui Oshikawa, headmaster of Shofu Ryu School in September of 1965. She ex-

plained the kamban as being a three-foot wooden board with Japanese characters on it under the seal of the School, attesting to the fact that the person whose name appears thereon is an authorized instructor.

"It's comparable to an attorney tacking up his shingles on the door following his successful law examinations, Mrs. Merrell mused with a proud smile.

The board is always hung outside the official flower arrangement instructor's studio. In Muriel's case, the kamban could well grace the classroom at Flower View Gardens where Art Ito, owner of the Hollywood shop, so kindly provides space.

Behind the Scenes
One of the behind-the-scenes secrets which failed to break into print last August was that through the efforts of the Los Angeles Beautiful member, the Nisei Week Festival committee was able to have Mr. and Mrs. Norman Chandler as grand marshals in the L.A. Tokyo weekend ondo parade this summer.

When Muriel retired from the legitimate stage in 1938, her mother's wishes were apparently fulfilled, but like a good trouper, "the show must go on," in this case making a living.

Since 1949, the ghost writer for some of the most important Hollywood personalities is employed by the U.S. Attorney's Office Los Angeles branch of the Dept. of Justice as chief librarian and claims examiner.

On the latter, the Ikebana artist defines it as a "glorified bill collector."

Whatever the position, the Hollywood chapter has high respect for Muriel. Without sounding facetious, 1967 may be the "flowering" of a new era for the membership.



YOUNG MODEL—Part of young Muriel's training in Hollywood was posing as a photographer's model. This one is appropriately titled: "Fully covered with insurance." It was used commercially for an insurance firm.

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Junior JACL Comes True

By MARIE KURIHARA
NC-WNDC Representative
Youth Commission, 1961-65

On Saturday, July 30, 1966, at 12:45 p.m. during the 19th biennial National JACL Convention at San Diego, Russell Obana, first national Jr. JACL chairman, and his cabinet officers were introduced to the National JACL Council then in session. It was a moment of reality for some of us who had been working with the youth since 1961.

Two youth leaders who worked diligently were not present but they were there in spirit: the late Abe Hagiwara of Chicago and the late Bob Mukai of Ogden.

Foundations for a National JACL youth program began on Nov. 18, 1961, when eight JACLers met in San Francisco to discuss the development of a youth program. They were:

Jerry Enomoto, JACL national youth commissioner; Abe Hagiwara, chairman, Midwest District Council youth committee; Mrs. Sue Kaneko, Salt Lake City, Intermountain DC; Mrs. Miki Fukushima, Los Angeles, Pacific Southwest DC; Marie Kurihara, San Francisco, No. Calif.-West. Nev. DC; Mrs. Paul Suzuki, Seattle, chairman, 1962 Convention youth program; Kei Hori, San Francisco; and Masao Satow, national JACL director.

Seattle Convention

When some 80 youth met at the 17th biennial National JACL Convention in Seattle, July 27, 1962, presiding youth assembly chairman Masao Tokita of Seattle led the youth in realizing that committees were needed to adequately develop a national youth program.

Heading the various committees were Margaret Kai (San Francisco), purposes and objectives; Roger Nikaido (Sacramento), finances; Roy Ikeda (San Francisco), organization; Gil Furusho (Chicago), constitution; Bob Akagi (Draper, Utah), program.

At that time there were three District Youth Councils organized, forming the nucleus of JACL's youth program. The chairmen were Miss Margaret Kai (NC-WNDC), Gil Furusho (MDYC) and Ben Kawakami (IDC), who selected to present the resolution concerning the formation of a National Jr. JACL to the parent body, the National JACL Council.

The working committees on organization agreed to report on the progress of their studies as an interim meeting at Salt Lake City June 8-9, 1963.

1963 Interim Meeting

Under sponsorship of the National JACL Youth Commission, 17 youth delegates and adult leaders in the youth program convened at Salt Lake for its first interim meeting.

The discussions supplemented and refined the various committee reports, subject to further revisions and recommendations to be made at various district youth meetings before being presented in final form to youth commissioner Jerry Enomoto.

Present were: Youths—Bob Akagi (Mt. Olympus), Rosa Harano (Chicago Jr. JACL), Roy

Ikeda (San Francisco Jr. JACL); Ann Kanomata (Footello Teens), Roger Nikaido, Sacramento Jr. JACL; and Alan Kumamoto (Hi-Co).

Adults — Youth Commissioners Jerry Enomoto, Abe Hagiwara (CMDG), Sue Kaneko (IDC), Marie Kurihara (NC-WNDC); observers Bob Endo (Pocatello), Bob Mukai (Mt. Olympus), Ronnie Yokota (Pocatello), Clarence Nishizu (PSWDC), Tats Misaka (Salt Lake), Rupert Hachiyu, (IDC chmn.), and Masao Satow.

Appointed to lend staff assistance to the youth program in September, 1963, was Jack Mayeda.

Detroit Convention

At the 18th biennial convention, which met July 1-4, 1964, at Detroit, a total of 94 youth and 14 advisers assembled to consider the work of the interim committees.

Outcome was the formation of an Interim Youth Council with representation from the eight JACL district councils. Paul Tamura of Portland was elected IYC chairman, with Cheryl Endo (Washington, D.C.), secretary, and Bill Nagata (Tulare County), treas. Other committeemen to prepare for second interim youth meeting in 1965 were Richard Kawasaki (Hi-Co), constitution; Marilyn Nagano (Detroit), program; and Nagata, finance.

The National JACL youth committee, which discussed the 1963 interim reports, were headed by:

Ross Harano, chmn. program; Akagi, program; Furusho, constitution; Ikeda, organization; Nikaido, finance; and Ron Takahashi, purposes and objectives.

Heading the three district youth councils were Ikeda, NC-WNDC; Ronald Inouye, IDYC; and Miss Nagano, MDYC.

Alan Kumamoto was appointed full-time National JACL youth director in April, 1965, succeeding Mayeda who has resigned from the staff earlier.

1965 Interim Meeting

The second interim youth meeting was held June 26-27 at Salt Lake City to finalize the formation of a national youth organization and have it presentable for action at the 1966 national convention.

Members of the Interim Youth Council, youth representatives from district councils and district youth commissioners (adults) sat together to iron out the form for a Jr. JACL organization.

San Diego Convention

A council form of Jr. JACL government was adopted at the San Diego convention this past summer. A constitution in principle was adopted with ratification by Jr. JACL chapters, comprised of dues paying members, coming when its final form was presented.

Other highlights of the first biennial National Jr. JACL assembly include the address by Ron Inouye in both English and Japanese thanking Mrs. Haruyo Masaka, donor of the Pvt.

Ben Frank Masaoka Memorial Scholarships, on behalf of all previous awardees on the occasion celebrating the 20th annual award this year. An album of letters from the awardees was also presented.

Inouye is an accounting graduate from Brigham Young University and is currently working on his master's in business administration at the Univ. of Utah. He will attend law school in the spring. He studied Japanese for 18 months prior to his 2½ years as a voluntary missionary of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in northern Japan.

Personal Comments

A personal surprise for this writer was the presentation from the Northern California - Western Nevada of a DYC memento with a JACL sapphire pin-attach-

ed, which was presented during the youth delegates luncheon at the San Diego convention.

To adults and youth advisers, may we encourage you to become involved with the Jr. JACL program. It is most rewarding to see the youth in action, giving them opportunities and skills to develop leadership, responsibility, creative thinking and initiative.

The most essential element that we can help provide is a sense of identity as Japanese American youth and with JACL.

I feel very confident that National Jr. JACL will thrive under the leadership of its current national chairman, Russell Obana, whom I met for the first time in 1963 while San Francisco Jr. JACLers were rehearsing for its "Ura-shima Taro" production. He

was the umpire in the Little Giants skit of the musical.

In order to concentrate on my studies and professional work, I have taken a sabbatical from JACL activities this year. Even though I miss them, I hope to meet many JACL friends throughout the country as I shall be travelling in the spring during my professional lecture tour.

My work with the youth program has been completed except for one thing — the preparation of an adviser's handbook, which is receiving YMCA leader Fred Hoshiyama's expertise.

In closing, our best wishes to the Jr. JACL leadership, the commissioners and advisers and most of all to Alan Kumamoto for a job well done as national youth director.



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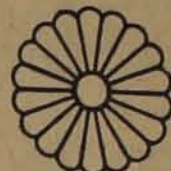
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JR. JACL QUEEN—Miss Trilla Toyota of Portland reigned as Miss National Jr. JACL during the 1966 convention at San Diego.

A YOUNG PERSON'S VIEW

Hardly a Dull Moment

BY MACK YAMAGUCHI
Pasadena, Calif.

When the war clouds were gathering, I once dreamt of thousands of planes with the Hino-Maru coming over the hills of peaceful Cortez and trainloads of war goods and soldiers moving on the Santa Fe which cuts through the community. . . . Actually, there were fighter pilots in training at a nearby field, diving up and down over Cortez.

It was reporting to work as usual at our Growers Association to ice-pack carrots for the Eastern market that Sunday morning of Dec. 7 only to be told we were out of work. Our brothers and friends who were in the Army and on furlough were being called back by radio to report for duty. They left in a hurry.

Things happened fast when news to evacuate came. Some left in the dead of night for points east to beat the Evacuation deadline (the date when the Army clamped down on all voluntary travel by Japanese Americans). Many of the confused populace "loaned" their many valuable belongings to their neighbors for safekeeping. Much of the personal property, however, was stored in churches and community center buildings. Some was left in homes and garages. Bargain hunters drove through the community, buying up appliances and goods at surprisingly low costs.

When D (or better yet) E Day came, we drove the ford for our last trip as the buyer said to ride it to the evacuation point and leave it there. There lined up were our many friends, totting what they could carry. I only had my portable radio. We boarded a Greyhound bus and headed toward Merced Assembly Center, only a few miles from home.

Life in the assembly center was orderly, everyone doing their share to make it as comfortable as possible.

After washing dishes in the mess hall for a while, I joined the sports staff of the camp newspaper, the Mercedian. Many of the finest Nisei athletes of that period were residents and the competition was the keenest in the valley. . . . And where are the Mercedian staffers today who worked so hard: the Akakis, Onos, Itos, Fuchigamis, Shojis, Miyamotos, and the top man Yoshida? And who will forget Lil' Neebo and Eva Cuee, the comic strip characters?

Much of the time was spent visiting old friends or looking over the new arrivals. Needless to say, many of the young people liked what they saw and pursued it further.

The assembly center administration and block managers did wonders and the residents enjoyed excellent sporting events, mixed choral group, Boy Scouts, Issei sports, talent shows, music appreciation, community singing and movies. But the biggest of these recreational events were the dances at the Ad Building sponsored by various groups within the center. The Mercedian staff staged a Sadie Hawkins Day dance. Jitterbugging was the fad and the Higakis, Furukawas, Nagais and the Yamagis showed them how to do the light fantastic.

Just as we seemed to be settled down, news that we were all going to be moved inland spread like wild fire — to where, no one knew. Each day, the constant

question was: Would we ever see California again?

Advance crews made up of the brave and hardy took off from Merced to get the future campsite in order. Letters came back telling of the rattlesnakes and the many hardships they faced in the strange land called Colorado.

Soon, the rest of us were boarding chair cars heading eastward with the main concern being whether our friends were on the same train. We couldn't move from one car to the next as the military police with their rifles instructed us to stay inside. Many sought to get together on the train with their friends in the next car by various means.

I'll never forget the vast loneliness I felt when I looked upon the hills of Granada, Colo., and detected rows and rows of barracks. The Issei wept openly, many of them wondering if they would live through this — and many did not.

Our good friend was driving a truck and how good it was to see him. We excitedly boarded the truck and drove into our new "home".

Leave it to the Japanese people for it wasn't long before the evacuees were working and playing and making the best of the situation. Recreation — even rattlesnake safaris — and planting of gardens kept everyone occupied.

Again, the camp newspaper had to spearhead the success or failure of the relocation camp so came the Granada Pioneer and its fine staff who published the orders of the Blacks, the Lindleys and the Knodels. Midnight oil was burned by such staffers as the Tanikawakis, Ishis, Yatabes, Yoshidas, Arimas and the Watanabes.

Grabbing the sports headlines were the stars from the Livingston Dodgers, Cortez Wildcats, Courtland Camel Caravans, Walnut Grove Deltans and Sebastopol Sakuras in baseball and basketball. There were also judo tournaments and other sporting events to keep the many, many evacuees occupied.

The Flea-House Gang, comprised of the sports figures in retirement, took care of the field and staging of events. There were all-camp selections by the Pioneer staff, model airplane contests and marble champions.

We also remember the star entertainers, such as the Kawamuras, Shiotanis and the tap-dancing of Yokoi, the bands of the Higakis and Brush Arais.

It was soon to come to pass very soon to see the action in camp slowly fading away as Issei and Nisei left camp with heads up high to do their part in the war effort. Some of them went to the 442nd, never to return like Shellac and Pete and others. Others went to top sugar beets, work in ice plants and enlist in the Military Intelligence school. Families were moving to Seabrook, N.J.

I shall never forget the feeling of breathing "free" air while working on a sugar beet farm and the first newscast showing the 442nd in Italy and the ovation they received in the theater. We had been slumped low in our seat before this, but feeling everyone's eye and thanks to the 442nd, we stood straight and true on the way out.

Only two events mar the memories of these war years—one of which was to be ejected from a cafe after dining previously with a friend who was in uniform; the other a scare from rock-throwing youngsters who saw me cycle through a little town which hated us.

We called ourselves the Four Vagabonds while working on the farm. Our kindly boss was having his plows sharpened when the huge blacksmith had the audacity to ask about the four "Japs" helping him with the late harvest. Mr. Reyer, the second wealthiest in town, after informing the smith that the four workers were the finest he ever had, asked for the bill. Ired by the smith's actions, he paid the bill and added: "That's the last dollar you're getting from me."

The gigantic blacksmith was upon him, breaking his glasses and nearly tearing him limb to limb. This caused a real summit meeting of the Four Vagabonds.

Such are the memories of this Californian who returned. Thousands more have similar remembrances of what it was like on Dec. 7, the day they left their home for the assembly center, the life in the assembly center, the second move to a relocation center inland, and the day they left the camp.

They all have picked up from that ghastly morning of Dec. 7—carrying on as proud Americans of Japanese ancestry and striving to become even better Americans in a greater America.



HEADING FOR AMACHE—Stake truck is loaded with young evacuee men leaving for Amache Relocation Center 2½ miles from the railroad siding at Granada, Colo.

CASE HISTORIES—

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he had "given" it to the family, and that if he wanted it back he would have to pay storage charges of \$39.

An evacuee farmer near Madera leased twenty acres to an Italian enemy alien at five hundred dollars an acre. Prices on grapes skyrocketed. In 1944 the Italian netted \$15,000. He is reported to have publicly said: "I hope that Jap gets killed in Italy. Then, this'll be mine."

Variations of this story have been heard in almost every area from which the Japanese were evacuated.

(f) Losses Chargeable to Mismanagement of Property

Many evacuees left their property in charge of operators, managers, and even speculators. Often these agents, because of lack of experience or initiative, mismanaged property and businesses. The kind of losses incurred because of mismanagement are illustrated by the following cases:

The Yano family leased and operated a rooming house in Seattle, Wash-

ton. All the furniture and furnishings belonged to them. At the time of evacuation, they left their property in the hands of an Agent, Mr. Tee. This Mr. Tee shortly thereafter acquired an operator, Mr. You. On August 11, 1942, the Yanos entered into an agreement with Mr. You. In this written agreement, Mr. You contracted to manage the rooming house, and to make written financial statements to the Yanos before the tenth of each month. No period of time was set for the termination of the contract.

In June of 1943, Mr. You submitted his first and last report, which covered the months of February through June of that year. With this report he sent \$80.00, which represented the amount of profit due the Yanos for this five-month period.

Prior to the evacuation, Mr. Miyamoto was a prosperous greenhouse and nursery operator, conducting his business on his own land in Seattle. The nursery was operated in a plant comprising about 15,000 square feet under glass. In addition to the nursery, the

land had a large house and a small house and various small outbuildings and sheds.

Mr. Miyamoto dealt in cut flowers, potted and bedding plants, greenhouse cucumbers and tomatoes. Before entraining for the Puyallup Assembly Center, the Miyamotos stored all their more valuable personal property in the small house and locked the building securely. They left the entire property in the custody of an old friend and family adviser, an attorney. This attorney, an aged man of good will but poor health, unfortunately was not capable of giving sufficient attention to the Miyamoto property. In fact, he made neither regular nor irregular inspections.

In the spring of 1945, after the rescission of the exclusion orders, the Miyamotos returned to their old home. The WRA reports: ". . . they found that this (the small) house had been completely emptied of the goods they had left there and that it had been rented to an itinerant war worker for some time. Many of the items of furniture left in

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Farming

The agricultural facility at Tule Lake WRA Center produced enough for its 15,000 residents as well as shipping 150 carloads of assorted vegetables to other projects.



RARIN' TO GO—Mack Yamaguchi, sports scribe for the Granada Pioneer, relocation camp publication, gets ready for assignment.

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(Continued from Page A-8) the house were also found to be missing. The green-house property itself was in such state that it could not be operated due to broken glass, stolen motors, stolen and broken pumps, missing pipes, missing parts and missing tools which are necessary for the operation of such an enterprise.

"It was only after Mr. Miyamoto had secured new legal representation that the tenant was evicted from the small house, thus giving him (Mr. Miyamoto) a place in which to live, but restitution of missing property still remains to be accomplished. The total value of this property is set by Mr. Miyamoto at an estimated \$10,000. Detailed lists of missing items in our files mention such articles as carpenter tools \$125, plumber tools \$275, flower shop materials \$350, while one trunk alone contained the finest of Japanese fabrics valued at over \$1500 as well as a diamond ring valued at \$1500."

Mr. Miyamoto had left instructions with the attorney that under no circumstances was the small house to be entered or molested in any way.

(g) Urban and Business Losses

Every conceivable type of business and property holdings in urban areas took losses. These losses were in the form of canceled leases, loss of good will, loss of equipment, etc.

The Matsumotos operated a retail produce store in San Francisco for 21 years. In 1941 the widowed mother, her married son, and her daughter worked in the store, and employed two additional persons. The daughter-in-law worked part-time, since she had three small children to care for. The family net income in 1941 was around \$5,000. They rented their house and store.

In the week prior to evacuation, they sold furniture valued at \$750 for \$250; a 1939 coupe with a Blue Book value of \$645 for \$500 and spent \$250 for clothing in preparation for evacuation. Their tangible business losses included the forced sale of equipment, office machines and furniture, safe, and scales at 25 percent of their value, a loss of \$3,025. Two thousand dollars in collectible customer charge accounts became uncollectible.

Malcolm E. Pitts, Assistant Director of WRA, tes-

tifying before the House Subcommittee in 1947 said:

"One other instance came within my purview while I was with the WRA. It was a nurseryman in Los Angeles who came to us after he had been in the center for about two and a half years. He said: 'I haven't got any money from my agent in Los Angeles from my nursery. Is there something your office can do for us?'"

"We tried to find out what the story was and we finally got it back — we found that he had given power of attorney, he had literally signed away everything he had loose, somewhere in the neighborhood of \$28,000 or \$30,000 worth of stuff. The fellow had sold it out and had not sent him a dime. There was no recourse under the power of attorney."

Tom Tanaka, a thirty-year-old Nisei, had a wife and two small children. They rented a house and had managed to acquire about \$500 worth of furniture in three years of marriage. The furniture brought \$50 in a panic sale. Tanaka was a contract gardener. His gardening tools worth \$200 brought him \$20. He was unable to collect \$150 owed him by contract customers before being evacuated.

During three and a half years in camp, Tanaka had to give up payments on the endowment insurance policy they had taken out for the children's education. Their total property losses were about \$850. Tanaka's case is typical of the people whose losses were small, but they amounted to everything they had.

The owner of a prosperous produce market in Los Angeles left his business in the hands of an employee. It was agreed that the evacuee would receive \$100 a month as token rent and that this employee would be made a full partner on his return. This employee was clever. He asked for, and received, a letter stating that the evacuee was no longer the owner, in order, he said, to convince the customers that it was all right to deal with him. As a result of wartime inflation, this man became wealthy and the rightful owner was robbed of his super-market with its entire inventory.

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assets aside from good will were small. It was sold for \$15,000.

Losses often ran into five figures when commercial property was involved. The lessees of a business building in Los Angeles, for instance, had put \$92,000 into property under a long-term lease. At evacuation time, they had to forfeit the entire amount before the lessor would cancel the lease.

Mr. Yokomizo was a successful laundry operator prior to evacuation; he had two panel trucks, up-to-date equipment, and a fairly new plant. He sold everything for \$4,800.

(h) Rural and Farm Losses

The evacuee farmers in many instances returned to find tractors and other farm equipment they had left in perfect running order rusted and worn out. Parts were found missing. The cost of replacement and repair was often excessive, but the returnees had to pay what was demanded in order to meet planting and other agricultural deadlines. Having missed many lucrative harvest seasons, when almost any kind of produce brought high prices, the returning evacuees could ill afford to "sit out" another harvest.

In many places, farmers returned to find that because of improper use, wells had become dry. The evacuee was required to drill elsewhere for the precious water at great expense.

But the greatest losses were often invisible to the eyes of the layman.

Take for example the case of several orchardists in Newcastle, California. Before evacuation their trees produced the finest and heaviest harvests. When they were ordered evacuated, persons who had never worked trees or knew even the rudiments of farming, let alone horticulture, were brought in to operate these orchards.

These amateur orchardists never pruned the trees, irrigated properly, or ever performed the hundreds of detailed chores that go to make a bountiful harvest. They simply picked the fruit when they thought it was ripe.

The evacuees returned several years later to find that their trees had been so neglected that they had to be replaced by new trees, that the land itself had deteriorated so much that tons of fertilizer were needed before it was again productive, that noxious weeds had overrun once well-kept farms.

It will be several years—eight years in the case of some trees—before the productive capacity will be up to normal, or what it was at the time of evacuation. In the meantime, these farmers will have no income from their orchards, yet must spend hours with the soil and the trees to restore the fertility of other years.

Florin-Livingston Area

The WRA study on "The Wartime Handling of Evacuee Property" reports that its historian, after visiting the evacuee farms in the Florin area, remarked:

"Invariably the returning farmers reported that their land had suffered from neglect of vines, lack of knowledge of peculiar trimming and training of the Tokays if these grapes were to produce in shallow soil and be sheltered from the sun, and the unwillingness of substitute operators to perform the tedious labor necessary to strawberry production. Whereas there had been 1,600 acres of strawberries in the district at the time of evacuation, there remained 30 acres in the spring of 1945. Farm equipment had been worn down by careless handling and also by the heavy use to which it was put in a day when farm machinery was at a premium.

"The men who had returned were resourceful farmers and were figuring out ways to overcome the damage to their habitual crops. They said that by rotation of other crops, by ex-



FIRST STEP OF REMOVAL — Japanese residents from the Lodi grape producing district are being checked by officials as they leave the buses in front of the Stockton Assembly Center in May, 1942. Each family group had an identification number. Each was directed to a place where their baggage was checked for contraband, medically examined and then assigned to their barracks.

perimenting, by working a little harder, they could get along — it was good to be home again, even if they had to start out once again as they had years ago when they had taken over unimproved or hay land and made it productive."

The Livingston, California, area was a wasteland when the Japanese came there some forty years ago. They made it a land of vineyards and orchards. When they went away, most of them turned their affairs over to a single contractor, a Caucasian "big-shot" of the community, who together with three trustees was to manage the property (mostly in grapes) and remit the profits over and above expenses and compensation for himself.

Prices skyrocketed. The produce of the farms grossed over a million and a half dollars. But many expenses at fancy figures were recorded to diminish the sum. Alleged repairs to the property were charged for but never made.

The trustees each received \$5,000 a year for doing little or nothing. Picking baskets which the Japanese had been forced to sell at two cents each when they evacuated were rented back to them at 2½ cents a year. The owners finally received less than ten percent of the gross. They did not complain. They wanted to return to their homes, and they were fearful that if they demanded their rights, the community would turn against them.

Meanwhile, their personal belongings were pilfered right and left. The church was broken into and ransacked of the goods they had stored there. The tenants who moved into their houses walked off with radios, refrigerators, and furniture before the evacuees could return.

This case is best described in Mr. Mori's own words from a letter written to the Director of the War Relocation Authority on November 2, 1945, from Parlier, California:

"... During my years in camp, I rented the ranch to local Spaniards. They milked it for all it was worth, never bothering to keep it up nor improve it, knowing that during the term of their lease no one would come to inspect their work. Though the entire ranch was supra-marginal during the years of the war, certain portions that were poorer than others were totally abandoned. The result is that the productivity of the ranch is now but a fraction of its full potential, thereby making it a poor prospect for sale or lease.

"When I was evacuated, I was told to leave all equipment necessary to the operation of the ranch on the ranch or stand possible charges of sabotage, so I had left them. Now, what remains are only those that are old and useless; all the other pieces that I had accumulated during my thirty years of farming are gone. Even such things as water faucets have been stolen, as well as household equipment and personal property which I had stored in a closet, the door of which I had locked. Were I to re-

turn to again operate my ranch, I would require a greater initial capital than I could possibly command at my disposal.

"We were evacuated as a wartime measure. And, as a result of this evacuation, we suffered losses from negligence that borders on sabotage and looting such as can be associated with ransacking hordes of an invading army. Is it not only fair that restitution for such losses incurred as a result of this evacuation — proper restitution to put us back on the economic status from which we were forced — be treated by a measure as forceful as our evacuation?"

Okada Experience

Hito Okada, formerly of Portland, Oregon, owned 640 acres of standing timber and had contracted to have this timber logged out before a certain deadline.

Because he could not remain to supervise the complete operations, he arranged for another logger to accomplish the work. By deliberately mis-scaling the logs, the logger gained more than a 10 percent advantage over normal mea-

surements, an advantage he pocketed. He cut timber improperly, logging only the easily accessible sections. When he failed to pay his workers, they began to attach labor liens against millions of board feet that had been felled.

The loggers simply left them to rot in the forest where they had been cut, since no one could remove the logs as long as the liens had been levied on them. His contract logger then went into bankruptcy, and since he could not return to complete the logging before the expiration of the logging agreement, Okada had no opportunity to salvage any part of the losses. A rough estimate, excluding any profits whatsoever, would show that his actual losses were more than \$33,000.

Summary

The case histories and examples of losses sustained by the evacuees presented in this section are not selected isolated ones. They are typical illustrations of the kinds of losses suffered by the evacuees, much of it through no fault of their own.

These are kinds of losses claimed under the basic 1948 statute.



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GREATEST SWINDLE—

(Continued from Page A-5) area. We have learned of numerous sacrifice sales by aliens; this office should have existed before the evacuation of Feb. 15 (from prohibited areas established by the Justice Department). It must be functioning before additional prohibited areas are evacuated. Many witnesses before this committee have urged this action.

"Citizens who may be evacuated will require similar protection for their property, and legislation may be needed to set up such custodianship.

"It is our impression that the need for an alien property custodian on the coast is but one example of a general need for advance planning for the civilian problems which are accompanying the evacuation of aliens and will accompany any future evacuations. The Army, after designating strategic areas, needs the planned assistance of the civilian agencies of the Federal Government in handling the evacuation and in resettling the evacuees. The need for advance planning and coordination of all civilian agencies concerned with evacuation problems exists now."

On Feb. 26, the Committee received a reply from the Secretary of the Treasury, which indicated that the Treasury Department was of the view that the social problems involved in resettlement "should be handled by one or more departments of the Federal Government handling similar social problems or if need be, a new agency created for the purpose of dealing with the problems of national defense migration." It declared that as the uprooting of a large segment of the population from an area and transplanting them to a new locality is a social problem, "vesting title in the United States Government of the property of groups being resettled would only further complicate an already aggravated social problem."

Treasury Department Reply

Having agreed to the soundness of creating a federal agency for handling the evacuation, the Secretary of the Treasury, however, continues the government report, between Feb. 26 and Mar. 5, altered his views to the point of sending the following telegram, bearing the latter date, to the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, parts of which are quoted:

"Suggested program for the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco and other public agencies to deal with property of evacuees from Pacific Coast military areas: The success of the proposed program will depend upon placing complete responsibility for its execution in a responsible west coast agency acting under the general directions of the local military authorities.

"I. Scope of Problem: The Evacuation on short notice of tens of thousands of persons from military areas on the Pacific Coast raises serious problems in connection with the liquidation of their property holdings and the protection of the property of such persons against fraud, forced

sales, and unscrupulous creditors. Obviously the emergency will cause financial loss to the group involved.

"However, the following program is intended to accord to this group reasonable protection of their property interests consistent with the war effort.

"II. Legal Authority: Since the program is one basically to assist the evacuee in the liquidation of his property, it is expected that in most instances the evacuee will voluntarily avail himself of the facilities afforded by this program. Government sanctions will be necessary to deal with creditors and others who seek unfair advantage of the evacuees."

The telegram said the keynote of the program was speed.

On Mar. 9, the Secretary of the Treasury addressed the Tolcan Committee in a telegram which duplicated the one which he had sent to the San Francisco Federal Reserve Bank on Mar. 5, and which contained this additional paragraph:

"This program is being put into effect at the request of the Secretary of War and will be carried out under the general direction of the local military authorities. Full authority has been delegated to the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco to carry out such a program."

Alien Property Custodian

On Mar. 11, 1942, the President signed Executive Order No. 9065, creating the office of Alien Property Custodian within the Office of Emergency Management. But, under the regulations and practice, the Alien Property Custodian's job was to vest only "enemy property" of enemy nationals that might be used in the war effort against the United States under the Trading With the Enemy Act, as amended. His office could not, and did not, vest for custodial purposes the real and personal properties of these alien Japanese and United States citizens of Japanese ancestry who were being evacuated.

A week later, the president of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco issued Special Regulation No. 1, which was "designed to forestall unfair action by unscrupulous creditors which would be detrimental to the interests of the evacuees," but by Mar. 28, it was evident that the desired ends were not achieved, as witness the report of the Federal Reserve Bank on the performance of its Evacuee Property Department which contains the comment: "Although Special Regulation No. 1 was of immense value, there was no occasion to make direct use of its power." It appears that the initiative for protection under the new regulations rested with the evacuee, but this safeguard was not at once effectively publicized among the evacuees.

It should be mentioned here that by this time practically all of the Japanese language newspapers on the west coast had closed down. The only information medium in Japanese was in the form of special bulletins mimeographed in Japanese by the JACL. National

Headquarters, then in San Francisco, would receive information of interest to the evacuees. This information would be translated and hand written on an ordinary stencil. Mimeographed translations would be run off and sent to the various chapters of the organization which were supposed to cut new stencils by copying Headquarters' bulletins and then distributing their own mimeographed copies to all Japanese families in that area — all at no expense to the Government but paid for by the JACL.

Since all officers on the chapter level were volunteers and since most chapter members were busy settling their own affairs, the degree to which this information was disseminated could not have been too great.

Under this crude and primitive system, many of the Issei who could not read or understand English were handicapped tragically. But the Army and the Government refused to accept responsibility for disseminating information.

Federal Reserve Bank

Before the end of March, the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco had one more delegation of authority. This time Dr. Milton S. Eisenhower, director of the newly created War Relocation Authority, addressed the Secretary of the Treasury in a letter which included the following: "I . . . as director of the War Relocation Authority and to the extent of my authority to do so, delegate to the Treasury Department and its agencies, including the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, the authority vested in me under Executive Order No. 9102 of Mar. 18, 1942, to assist persons removed under such Executive Order 9102 or under Executive Order No. 9066 of Feb. 19, 1942, in the management and disposal of their property."

Business or commercial property and movable property—with the exception of farm machinery which became the responsibility of the Farm Security Administration—were the proper concern of the Federal Reserve Bank. However, "all property problems were handled on a purely voluntary basis and the evacuees were encouraged at all times to make such arrangements as they might desire with respect to their properties."

The principal result of this policy was the "extreme reluctance" of the evacuees to seek the assistance of the Federal Reserve Bank. The attitude of the bank clerks frightened many of the evacuees. The great majority of those who did ask for help were people who had been unable to make any kind of arrangement before registration at the control station prior to entrainment. At the control station, in the course of processing, the evacuee would be asked pointedly, "Have you disposed of your property?" If the answer was "No," a representative of the appropriate agency exerted himself to assist the evacuee.

In the meantime, in the setting of confusion and hysteria, many evacuees had sold their personal possessions for a small fraction of their value. A large

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number of them had to accept totally inadequate arrangements for protection and management of property, not knowing that a federal agency would have helped them. The story of the forced liquidation of assets of the evacuees usually followed this pattern: He was given seven to ten days notice of the time he would be moved from his home. But thousands got less. In Terminal Island, the evacuee got 48 hours. The evacuee had no idea where he was going or how long he would be excluded from his home. He was notified that he must report to a railway station or bus terminal at a stated hour, taking with him only the goods he could carry on his own person.

Voluntary Evacuation

During the period when "voluntary" evacuation was encouraged, the Federal Reserve Bank did not "consider it necessary" to provide facilities for storage of movable property or for the disposition of evacuee-owned motor vehicles, the Government study discloses. However, after controlled evacuation emerged, at the end of March, the Bank was instructed by the military authorities "to provide warehouse facilities in a manner which would not exhaust or burden facilities of that character already in existence. . . . Every effort was made to keep the number of warehouses at a minimum to limit guarding costs." The report adds that evacuees living in remote communities or rural areas were advised in order to guard against vandalism and pilferage to concentrate their goods "in depositories of their own choice," and "on a voluntary basis."

If the evacuee acted on this suggestion, which was in line with what he had been doing all along, and decided to store his goods in a church or a store, the Federal Reserve Bank's program of evacuee property handling provided drayage facilities "in connection with each controlled evacuation operation."

By late March, when controlled evacuation was the order of the day, the Federal Reserve Bank worked out with the military authorities a plan for handling evacuee-owned automobiles and trucks. Under this plan, an evacuee had three alternatives: he could store it in the custody of the bank; he could sell it to the Army through the Bank's facilities; or he could dispose of it privately. Whatever he did, he stood to lose.

Automobile Dilemma

As an evacuee reported at a control center after the area in which he lived had been posted for exclusion, he was handed the Western Defense Command instructions regarding disposition of motor vehicles. To the evacuee who had not yet disposed of his car or truck, either because he had been offered too little for it or because he had hopes of being allowed to reestablish himself in the interior where he would need his motor vehicle, these instructions offered little hope or reassurance.

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As alternatives to storage or sale, the instructions offered the evacuee: "Alternative I. To deliver his motor vehicle to the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, as Fiscal Agent of the United States, for storage at owner's risk, without insurance; which storage will, in most instances, be in open areas and must of necessity be of a character which will subject motor vehicles to a more or less rapid deterioration."

"Alternative II. To offer his motor vehicle for sale to the United States" under conditions that left the seller at the mercy of an Army appraiser who could not exceed the Blue Book wholesale value in that locality."

Farm Security Administration

Another element which added confusion was the way in which the services of the Farm Security Administration were procured for the assistance of the evacuee property program.

On Mar. 15, 1942, General DeWitt in a letter to Lawrence I. Hewes, regional director of the FSA in San Francisco, ordered Hewes to "institute and administer a program which will insure continuation of the proper use of agricultural lands voluntarily vacated by enemy aliens and other persons designated by me, and which will insure fair and equitable arrangements between the evacuees and the operators of their property."

Actually, alleged the WRA, General DeWitt was cutting corners in "ordering and authorizing" an official of another department of the Government to do anything. The First War Powers Act, of Dec. 18, 1941, granted the President broad and sweeping powers. The President in a memorandum of Feb. 12, 1942,

transferred powers affecting property control to the Treasury Department. By Executive Order No. 9085, Mar. 11, 1942, the President conferred similar powers upon the Alien Property Custodian. Thus the Treasury or the Alien Property Custodian might with propriety have delegated authority to the Secretary of Agriculture to delegate that authority in turn to the FSA. General DeWitt was technically in a position to do no more than recommend such a course to the proper department of the Government. "A few formalities had been overlooked, and the Secretary of Agriculture, in whose jurisdiction the FSA was, had not been consulted; FSA was left in an awkward situation until its delegation of authority could be legalized—an achievement which required several weeks," the report explains.

Undeniable evidence of the confusion attending the situation is grimly revealed in the letter which Dr. Eisenhower, the first director of the WRA, sent to the Secretary of Agriculture, following a special trip to the west coast to study the nature of the "Evacuation problem he had to cope with. The letter dated April 1, 1942, begins: "This letter contains no requests but a set of facts. Apparently the situation here in California has been reported to you by so many persons in so many ways that the true situation must be elusive, to say the least."

"... I came to California and found things in a turmoil. A few evacuations had taken place, and these showed that the Japanese would suffer losses and production would decline unless the efforts already under way were backed up by some real authority."

"The perishable nature of truck crops almost invites a stalling on the part of prospective purchasers who may hope to get the property on the equity of the Japanese at a fraction of its true value. There's no need to review all the possibilities. The long and short of it is that the Japanese are selling for what they can get. Consequently, everyone agreed that the power to freeze property and to operate the farms until fair value could be re-

celved should be vested in the Department of Agriculture.

"This power exists now in the hands of the Federal Reserve Bank, which is acting as the agent of the Treasury. This means that the agency which is recruiting people to operate, buy, or lease farms must, if it runs into any type of unfairness, appeal to a representative of the Federal Reserve Bank who is not on the ground and who knows little about farming and farm values."

"It soon became evident that the power to freeze property would not be delegated directly to the Farm Security Administration here in San Francisco, so Ed Dodd (in charge of the Western Division of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration) and I recommended that such power be delegated to you, and by you to the War Boards. Everyone here — General DeWitt, Federal Reserve, and all others — approves the purpose. In my judgment it is a necessary step and one which in all justice to many innocent people should be exercised by a responsible Federal agency, which is not only familiar with the problem but has a definite responsibility for maintaining production."

"Now, I'm sure you know that General DeWitt has no authority to delegate any authority of the type I'm discussing. The greatest amount of authority rests with the Treasury. . . . The President gave me authority to assist with the property problem under limited circumstances and I do delegate this authority to the Treasury. This was all done in the initial belief that a single agency could best handle the situation. I still think that's true. But the Treasury should use a competent agricultural agency for agricultural property . . . as it is using a banking agency for other property."

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On April 8, the Solicitor of WRA was able to wire Director Eisenhower: "Secretary Wickard has delegated freezing and management powers direct to FSA rather than to the War Boards."

But by this time when the question of authority and jurisdiction was answered to the apparent satisfaction of all agencies concerned, the exclusion orders were raining down upon a thoroughly bewildered people, and trains and buses were carrying the evacuees — who were per-



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Mr. Uchida is the type of citizen every community dreams of for he is mild of manner, efficient, quiet, understates himself, and quick to praise and appraise to the betterment of others. He is responsible for many community improvements of which many are not aware because of his modesty, and is a true source of guidance to all.

One of the most significant contributions is the activation of the WLA JACL Chapter in the turbulent post-war years. He is responsible for calling together the original group which met to elect the late Sho Komai as the first president after relocation. Mr. Uchida himself served as the second president following, and again in 1953-1954.

Florin-born, he and his gracious wife, Setsu, live in WLA with son, Randy, and daughter, Joan. His current hobbies for relaxation are jaunting on field trips to collect rocks with the Earth Science Section and the shaping of bonsai.

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for Japanese operators grew 90 percent of the strawberries, 73 percent of the snap beans, 75 percent of the celery, 60 percent of the cauliflower, 70 percent of the lettuce, 60 percent of the spinach, and 50 percent of the tomatoes.

"The specialization of Japanese farming is very significant and presented an important problem to an agency which contemplated the removal of the Japanese farm operators. Floriculture, greenhouse operation, and oyster farming are other examples of specialized operations in which many of the Japanese are engaged.

"In summary it may be fairly stated that the Japanese people were the most important racial minority group engaged in agriculture in the Pacific Coast region. Their systems of farming, types of crops, and land tenure conditions were such that their replacement by other farmers would be extremely difficult. Highly technical personnel would be required to handle such a situation, a credit program would have to be adapted to the peculiar problems presented, and some shifts in the future use of land would undoubtedly be involved."

Survey-Registration

Beginning on Mar. 17, 1942, FSA offices, registered only those farms whose owners voluntarily approached the FSA, but on orders from Washington to conduct a systematic survey and registration of all evacuee-operated farm property in the week ending Mar. 27, FSA undertook a large job. This matter attended to, FSA set about registering prospective non-evacuee operators, but at first few materialized.

Because of the nature of Japanese farming, it was found most practicable in many instances to encourage the formation of corporations—often connected with growers and shippers—to operate a group of farms and to make loans of considerable size to such corporations. By the first of June, 722 loans totaling \$31,120,243 had been approved.

The WRA reports that

only in one instance had FSA seen fit to use its so-called freezing power to protect the equity of a Nisei farmer. The fact that the FSA had this power was supposed to have had some salutary effect. But, the truth of the matter is that it was so difficult to obtain that harried farmers could not afford to rely upon this power to safeguard them from speculators; they felt that they might as well sell for what they could get, instead of leaving their farms in the hands of some of the inexperienced, immature, and irresponsible agents that too often represented FSA.

But time was of no help and the property situation deteriorated with mounting evacuation orders. On the eve of the enforced evacuation movements on Mar. 30, 1942, the Director of the WRA wrote from San Francisco to James Rowe, assistant to the Attorney General:

"The hardest battles so far are about the property of evacuees. I am fearful that the voluntary system is going to bog down badly in spots. Colonel Bendtsen (Director of the WCCA) and I are trying to fix things up as best we can and on the whole, perhaps, justice will be done the Japanese. But there's no denying that there will be difficulties."

"Colonel Bendtsen and I had hoped that Ennis (Edward J. Ennis, Director, Alien Enemy Control Unit, Department of Justice) or someone else keenly interested in this whole problem could come out here and observe impartially the functioning of the property-handling system. It may prove to be the darkest part of a pretty dark picture."

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Before the smoke had time to clear the decks from the November Installation dinner dance, new chapter president Mas Hironaka had the bull by the horns. Yes, Mas, will give our chapter experience, knowledge, and know how. And most important — he has vision. He hopes to lay a concrete foundation for a long range JACL program taking into consideration the changing times and needs of our community.

Looking in retrospect, San Diego was not too active programwise this year. Our activities were geared to a social nature due to the fact that most available manpower was kept busy in the pre-planning phase of the recent 19th Biennial National JACL Convention held here at El Cortez Hotel.

For those who missed the convention, we are sorry. You did miss a grand time. To those who came, we're grateful and appreciative of the many wonderful things you complimented us on. It makes us proud, yet humble, of the knowledge that we down in San Diego were able to provide an adequate successful, and smoothly-

run assembly for our fellow Japanese Americans. The city of San Diego too is proud of this national organization.

Year's Calendar
Our 1965 activities ran something like this:
Jan. 1, 1966 — New Years Day dance.
April - July — Dance classes, YMCA.
July 4 — Annual community picnic, Silver Strand Beach State Park.
July 9 — Pre-Pre-Convention dance.
July — Scholarship awards of \$100 each to: Blake Sonobe, Air Force Academy; Connie Yamaguchi, San Diego State College; Karen Matsumoto, Cal-Western University.
July 26-30 — Host to the 19th Biennial National JACL Convention.
August — R & R (Rest and Recuperation).
Sept. 2 — Post - Convention appreciation dinner.
Oct. 8 — 8th Annual S.D. chapter singles bowling tournament.
Oct. 23 — Annual chapter golf tournament.
Nov. 19 — JACL Chapter and Women's Auxiliary installation dinner dance.

Throughout the year we participated in various civil rights activities.

San Diego was consistently well represented at all quarterly out of town meetings of the PCWDC. Tom Yanagihara serves his second year on the District Council Board.

We are proud to have a new representative, Tsuneo Kaneko, for the JACL Health Program which includes a major Medical Policy and a new Income Protection Plan.

The Women's Auxiliary, led by Mrs. Kaz Miyoshi, was without a doubt a most essential part of the chapter. As a matter of fact, we're lost without them! They are terrific. We need them working beside us as well as behind us encouraging us on. They all rallied together to help make your recent national convention the enjoyable one that it was.

Abe Mukai, 1966 chapter president, expressed sentiments to having had the honor of serving the organization and turned the gavel over to a real capable community leader, and long-time prominent JACLer Mas Hironaka.

Worst Thing that Happened

By EIICHI SAKAUYE
San Jose, Calif.

When World War II broke out, we persons of Japanese ancestry will never forget what had happened to us. I do think it was one of the worst things that ever happened to any one single racial group.

The greatest percentage of Japanese American were truck-crop gardeners. When we were evacuated from the West Coast, according to the Federal-State Market Reports, the fresh vegetable prices soared up and the quality came down tremendously. All during the war years while we were confined in 10 various concentration camps, the California farmers did exceedingly well and prospered.

Our losses have been heavy and tearful. Many of us have lost real and personal property as well as valuable crop lands, valuable leases, or had to sell property cheap due to pressing order of Evacuation and heavy mortgages.

Some of our personal effects were either sold or privately stored; then later the government stored them for us but many of those privately stored were vandalized or destroyed.

For the Nisei who were well established in their business, whatever it may have been, lost a chance that they will never again see in their lifetime.

After arriving at these relocation camps our source of income ceased for most of us except for those who had made a very satisfactory arrangements on property left behind. Many of us had insurance policies, on which we barely made payments. Our premiums were met from savings account or we had to let the policy go.

Some of us were very fortunate to be able to establish ourselves soon again, while others went into different fields of employment. But many thanks to our loyal American friends who were willing to help us to get a good start again.

The Issei should be well remembered. They had made great sacrifices in many, many ways as compared to the Nisei. The older Nisei were fairly well established when the war came, while

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The May 1942 report of the Tolan Committee summarizes its findings as follows:

"With respect to the present program of protecting personal property rights, the committee here-with records several observations. It should be emphasized that property protection, particularly with regard to household goods and personal effects cannot be dissociated from any plan for resettlement. . . . It is obvious that, with the rapid curtailment in the manufacture of household goods and appliances, it will be impossible in many instances to supply articles of furniture, and other household items, when resettlement projects have assumed definite shape. It is impracticable, therefore, to urge upon the evacuees the hurried sale of these articles, when they will undoubtedly be needed badly at a later date.

"It appears to the committee, that, although momentarily likely to involve additional detail work, a plan for the storage of all generally recognized useful household articles should be instituted, rather than the present system of making such storage optional to the evacuees. Storage should be insisted upon. If this is not done, the committee believes the War Relocation Authority will find itself severely handicapped in any resettlement effort, with evacuees arriving at reception centers and resettlement sites without even the bare necessities for a new beginning. The following summary, submitted by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco on April 20, 1942, indicate how few evacuees were taking advantage of the opportunity to store property.

(The summary showed that of 2,506 heads of families processed through control stations, only 679 had discussed movable property problems and only 498 had at their request been provided with government storage in warehouses.)

"The committee considers the present policies of the Federal Reserve Bank in handling property matters to be deficient in the following particulars: although the bank, under the authority of the Secretary of Treasury, apparently has ample authority for assuming powers of attorney and otherwise controlling the disposition of property, it appears to have emphasized a policy of immediate liquidation. The conditions under which the bank will accept property for storage, including automobiles, also must be regarded as a bad psychological factor.

"The committee recognizes that there are few, if any, precedents for dealing with the endless number of problems raised by the enforced evacuation of aliens and citizens from strategic military areas in this country. . . . However, a far-sighted policy of resettlement demands that future negotiations point more in the direction of salvaging useful household items and other property effects consistent with future activities of the WRA, rather than toward undue encouragement of liquidation.

"The committee also recommends that Congress consider whether some extension of war-damage insurance is feasible for property accepted for storage. In this connection, the committee calls attention to language appearing at the

bottom of the personal property inventory list supplied by the Federal Reserve Bank to evacuees which reads as follows:

"If the property herein claimed to have been delivered, and which actually was delivered, is lost, damaged, or destroyed as the result of negligence while it is in the possession or custody of the United States, or of any agency acting for it, the Congress of the United States will be asked to take appropriate action for the benefit of the owners."

"Having in mind that the majority of the present evacuees are American citizens, it is not inconceivable that lawsuits may be instituted at the close of the war in the event negligence or damage to property is suffered by individuals affected by the evacuation.

"The reluctance to assume responsibility which has characterized the handling of personal property has also been present in the disposition of automobiles. . . . The official instructions to evacuees would indicate that present arrangements do not take full stock of the straightened economic circumstances in which this country now finds itself. . . . It is clear that before this war is concluded our Nation will have acute need for every automobile, battery, and tire it can secure. It is, therefore, urged upon those responsible for property protection that they husband these assets."

Role of FSA

On the subject of the protection of evacuee-owned rural property and continuation of agricultural production, responsibilities of the FSA, the committee commented:

"... As the committee pointed out in its preliminary report on Evacuation problems, the Japanese have been responsible for a considerable volume of certain crops grown in Pacific Coast States, particularly in California. This factor, plus the slender margin of time allowed for the completion of property transfers, has already led to several unfortunate consequences for the evacuees. . . .

"While supporting the exhortation of the Wartime Civil Control Administration to the evacuees to con-

tinuing farming operations up to the time of evacuation as a demonstration of loyalty, the committee is nevertheless constrained to point out that this policy has frequently worked to the economic disadvantage of the evacuees or has proved beyond their economic means to carry out. Utilization of farm implements to the last moment makes it difficult to effectuate equitable settlements when the order comes for evacuation.

"Moreover, . . . it may be well for the WRA . . . to weigh carefully possible alternatives to this course, such as storage of implements which are growing scarcer daily, until resettlement projects assume more tangible outlines.

"The committee must emphasize, however, that conservation is to be encouraged rather than wholesale dispersal of machinery which may be difficult, if not impossible to replace.

"Again, recognizing that urgency has operated at all times as a qualifying circumstance against a perfected evacuation plan, the committee observes that the delay in delegating to the Farm Security Administration the power to 'freeze' properties, similar to that held by the Federal Reserve Bank has represented a hindrance to the FSA in its work as overseer of agricultural properties owned or leased by Japanese. . . .

"In the interest of formalizing procedures, the committee recommends that the FSA, through its field agents currently engaged in the transfer of agricultural properties, be delegated to perform a continuing check upon the terms of all leases and other arrangements entered into by the evacuees. By this method, the FSA could act as agent for returns due, evacuees for crops planted and growing prior to the evacuation; it could also receive and forward property payments to the Japanese, since the new operators may find it difficult to keep in touch with the various resettlement projects. This must be done to assure the property rights of evacuees. Orderly accounting procedures instituted now merely would reflect sound business sense and serve to avoid endless litigation in the postwar period.

"The committee further recommends that the Con-

gress give immediate attention to such other property items as conservation of equities in mortgages, as well as the possibility of delinquencies in taxes on property vacated or abandoned by evacuees. . . .

While the recommendation of the Tolan Committee were to the point and excellent in scope, it should be observed in passing that when they were made in May the evacuation to all intents and purposes had been completed. This was another case of the practice of "locking the barn door after the horse had been stolen" that so characterized WCCA in the early stages of the mass movement.

WCCA Final Report

In its Final Report on Evacuation, the WCCA proudly reported that they had engaged only 184 persons to handle the evacuee property of some 110,000 individuals. The tragic price of that economy has long since been exposed.

The WCCA reveals that 26,954 interviews were made, covering 10,600 separate cases. This means that less than one-tenth of the persons evacuated were interviewed regarding their property disposal. This small number may be accounted for by various reasons. One was the lack of information regarding the Army's willingness to aid in the disposal of property. Another may have been the

natural fear of many to turn for comfort to the same authority that was ordering their removal.

WRA Control

When the WRA finally assumed responsibility for evacuee property in August 1942, the San Francisco Federal Reserve Bank assigned them the leases to 19 warehouses which the Bank had taken over to store the household goods and personal properties of the evacuees.

However, since the evacuees had been encouraged to arrange for private storage — first by the lack of

any government storage and later by the instructions of the WCCA — the Bank's facilities had been used only as a last resort. In all, only 2,867 families had taken advantage of these facilities.

The others, the vast majority, had left their personal belongings stored in vacant stores, churches, and other buildings; many had simply reserved a room in a house rented for the duration to a tenant, with only a verbal promise that the reserved room in which

the possessions of the absent owner were stored should remain unmolested until the owner could recover his property.

When the WRA established procedures in January 1943, which permitted the removal of portable property left in private storage to government warehouses, it was found that most of the goods were missing.

"It is unfortunate that the evacuees were encouraged to arrange for private storage of their goods at

the time of their removal from the west coast," the WRA reports in retrospect. "Time and experience have demonstrated that padlocks and bolts on isolated farm buildings and deserted churches afforded little protection to absentee owners against lawlessness. Prejudice against the evacuated people ran high during the war years throughout the evacuated areas, and this prejudice was reflected in the indifference of many local law enforcement agencies to the plight of the evacuees." (Continued on Page A-18)



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(Continued from Page A-17) ment agencies towards the depredation of evacuee property and in their professed inability to find or identify vandals, arsonists, and thieves."

Not long after the WRA had taken over the responsibilities of the FSA over agricultural properties, a major problem emerged as an outgrowth of FSA policy of collection on loans made to operators who took over evacuee interests. It was found that many of these operators were abandoning their property, knowing that they were unable to repay their loans when they became due.

Later, as the resettlement program resulted in many evacuees leaving the government centers for normal lives outside the camps, more problems arose as the evacuees sent for their property to the various designated government and private warehouses. Much of it could not be located, more was damaged so badly that the expenses of transportation were more than the depreciated value of the articles.

Too, many Nisei who had volunteered for military service were permitted to return to their homes in the excluded areas before being assigned to overseas duties. They found their homes and property in the most discouraging condition, to say the least.

The JACL files are full of stories of individuals and

families returning to their homes after the Supreme Court ruled that detention in the relocation centers was unconstitutional and the Western Defense Command rescinded their exclusion orders. What they have to say is heart rending and something that no one can appreciate unless he has experienced the same treatment. In fact, like combat experience overseas, Evacuation cannot be reduced to words and expressions and dollar signs.

Military Area Two

Evacuation

The lot of the average evacuee was a hard one at best, but those who suffered most were those who voluntarily evacuated from Military Area No. 1 to Military Area No. 2 in California, with the understanding that this second zone would not be evacuated. These people, numbering several thousand, at their own expense moved from the to-be-excluded area to one that they were told would never be.

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of individual adults, Professor Bloom estimated that the average loss suffered by a farm or nursery operator was \$4,214; by a businessman, \$4,916; and by a wage earner, \$3,147.

In his introduction to "Removal and Return," Professor Bloom declares in part:

"If many proponents of the Evacuation were motivated by economic considerations, as is commonly assumed, their wishes have been satisfied, at least in part. Japanese Americans lost much of the economic ground they had gained in more than a generation. Their holdings of rural land and urban property were greatly reduced, their financial reserves dissipated, and their occupational distribution drastically altered. A study complimentary to this might explore the question of what groups profited from the Evacuation and to what extent. We do know that a part of the loss incurred by Japanese Americans benefited no one and that much property simply deteriorated or was destroyed incidentally to the Evacuation. A smaller part, of course, was deliberately destroyed. It would be difficult but feasible to compile the transfers of agricultural lands and urban businesses, but such findings would require discriminating interpretation and the results at this late date would probably be little more than suggestive."

Professor Bloom's "Removal and Return" is a detailed, academic analysis of Evacuation losses, particularly as they relate to the Los Angeles area where before the war, as now, the largest concentration of persons of Japanese ancestry reside.

Under the indescribably difficult circumstances of Evacuation—when the evacuees thought only about what they might carry with them to unknown camps in wasteland fastnesses for an indeterminate period of forcible detention—it is rather easy to understand why they did not keep careful and minute accounts of the disposition of individual items of their property, why they did not hand-carry various past records of their income and businesses to what must have appeared to them to be virtual concentration camps.

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The Evacuation of certain persons of Japanese ancestry from Hawaii was carried on under very peculiar circumstances. In the first place, only 1,037 evacuees were shipped to mainland camps out of a total Japanese population, citizen and alien alike, of almost 160,000. In the second place, this Evacuation took place between November 1942, and March 1943, long after the Evacuation movement had been completed on the west coast. In the third place, this program was termed one of "limited exclusion and voluntary evacuation."

Finally, this "limited" evacuation was undertaken under the authority of "martial law" that then existed in the Territory, and not under the Executive Order cited by the Western and Alaskan Defense Commands.

Dillon Myer, director of the WRA, intimated that many of these so-called Hawaiian evacuees were persons who were not contributing to the war effort in that crowded and busy strategic Territory and a few whom the military authorities considered "potentially dangerous" to the security of the Islands but not "dangerous" enough for the FBI to intern.

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WORST THING

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1966 CHRONOLOGY

1965

Dec. 1—Immigration law changes become effective, repealing Asia-Pacific Triangle formula and national quota system.

Dec. 15 — Calif. Gov. Brown appoints Orange County Superior Court Judge Stephen Tamura, 55, to appellate court, Division 2 Fourth District.

Dec. 30 — Hawaii Gov. Burns names Masato Doi, 44, judge in First Circuit Court.

Dec. 31—Nat'l JACL Endowment Fund hits new high in net asset value: \$437,675.43 — 15.8% gain over the year.

1966

Jan. 4 — Li'l Tokio 10-story Civic National Bank Bldg. opens.

Jan. 7—JACL Classroom at Francis E. Walter Memorial Hall formally dedicated at Moravian Seminary, Green Pond, Pa.

Jan. 9—New York Times Magazine publishes Prof. William Petersen's "Success Story: Japanese American Style." (Reprinted in PC Feb. 4.)

Jan. 10—Sen. Dan Inouye named one of four assistant whips in the U.S. Senate.

Jan. 13—Carnegie Corp. grants additional \$41,000 to Japanese History Project.

Jan. 14—Clarence Nishizu of Fullerton appointed Orange County grand jury foreman.

Jan. 15—Nisei reminded Issei also "demonstrated" for equal rights in Livingston-Mercer JACL installation speech by Akiji Yoshimura of Colusa.

Jan. 16—JACL confused with Japanese American Democratic Assn. of California as participating in Negro political action convention at Bakersfield which endorsed candidates for state primaries.

Jan. 20—Prof. Robert A. Wilson of UCLA History Dept. assumes directorship of Japanese History Project.

Jan. 22—Chinese American Lim P. Lee, 55, named San Francisco postmaster by President Johnson.

Jan. 23—So. Calif. 442nd Assn. dedicates its memorial hall.

Anti-Miscegenation Case

Feb. 11 — Samoan folk dancer and white Baltimore nurse denied marriage license in Maryland under anti-miscegenation law. (Couple went to District of Columbia for license.)

Feb. 13—Dr. Harold Jacoby of Univ. of Pacific says it's natural for "Samoan" to break from old cultural ties" before NC-WN-DC group.

Feb. 13—Community Relations Conference of So. California acknowledges \$500 from National JACL donated soon after Watts riot for CRCSC efforts in area.

Feb. 15—Lafayette College Sigma Chi fraternity withdraws from national as Chinese American pledge Chris Choi unaccepted.

Feb. 18 — Nichibei Mainichi takes over Sab Kido's Shin Nichibei daily publication in Los Angeles.

Feb. 21 — Bertram Kambara, deputy Attorney General in Hawaii, argues Hawaiian reapportionment before U.S. Supreme Court; is the first Nisei to argue major political case before the court.

Feb. 24 — Contra Costa JACL testifies against defacto school segregation in Richmond (Calif.) schools.

Medicare Leaflets

Mar. 1—Medicare leaflets translated into Japanese available.

Mar. 2—Dr. Takehiko Yoshinashi, associate dean, School of International Service, American University, Washington, D.C. represents JACL at 3rd U.S.-Japan Conference on Culture and Education, Tokyo.

Mar. 4 — Kenji Fujii of Hayward, elected president of American Carnation Society, first Nisei in group's 72-year history.

Mar. 7 — U.S. Supreme Court upholds disputed section of 1965 Voting Rights Act; Virginia Supreme Court upholds anti-miscegenation law in Richard Loving case (See PC Mar. 18, Wash'n Newsltr.)

Mar. 15—American Honda Motor Co. and local area dealers association indicted by federal grand jury of price-fixing.

Mar. 18—West Los Angeles JACL meets with local Mexican American club.

Mar. 19—Japanese History Project steps up Issei interviews in Los Angeles area.

Mar. 24 — U.S. Supreme Court invalidates all poll tax laws 6-3.

Mar. 25—Five white waitresses lose protest appeal for loss of jobs in Seattle restaurant, which had hired waitresses of Oriental ancestry. Job bias was charged.

Mar. 31 — L.A. Mayor Yorty names Taul Watanabe among 9 to city human relations commission (eventually elected its chairman); Mrs. Toshiko Yoshida was named by Councilman Bradley and Dr. Kiyoshi Sonoda by Councilman Braude to commission.

Quits Calif. Youth Authority

Apr. 1 — Yori Wada, 49, resigns California Youth Authority and resumes post as executive secretary, Buchanan St. YMCA, San Francisco. Frank Ogawa, 48, appointed to vacancy on Oakland City Council effective May 1, replacing Mayor-Designate John Reading. Minoru Yasui named chairman of Denver City Community Relations

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Commission by Mayor Curigan.

Apr. 5 — Tom Kitayama re-elected, leads field of 5 candidates with 772 votes, for seat in Union City (Calif.) council.

Apr. 14 — Mrs. Betty Kozasa of Los Angeles elected president of 10th District PTA, state's largest with 247,000 members in 332 units.

Apr. 15 — Andrew T. F. Ing, Chinese American, appointed lieutenant governor in Hawaii.

Apr. 18 — Cappy Harada named general manager of Lodi Crushers, California League club affiliated with Chicago Cubs.

Apr. 19 — William D. Soo Hoo, 42, elected Oxnard mayor by councilmen, first Chinese American mayor in the state; Harry Isaki elected Farlier mayor.

Apr. 23 — SELANOCO JACL, 89th chapter, organized.

Apr. 30 — George Togasaki, 71, decorated with Order of Rising Sun, 3rd Class (second Nisei to be decorated by Japanese government).

Canadian Judge

May 1 — Lucien Kurata, 43, of Swansea, Ont., assumes post of deputy magistrate, is first Canadian Nisei judge.

May 7 — Los Angeles Negro Leonard Deadwyler shot by policeman. Tokyo-born deputy coroner Dr. Thomas Noguchi testifies May 26 driver was drunk, discrediting witnesses, and receives death threat over phone.

May 10 — California Supreme Court voids Prop. 14 in 5-2 decision reinstating fair housing law.

May 14 — Wakamatsu Tea and Silk Farm colony restoration plans proposed in Tokyo meeting by Dr. Terry T. Hayashi of San Francisco and Ichiro Matsudaira, managing director of the Bank of Tokyo, Ltd., and descendant of feudal lord of colony settlers.

May 15 — Salt Lake Japanese town evacuated under redevelopment plans for city auditorium.

May 17 — Hawaii State Sen. Vincent Yano knighted by Pope Paul VI to Order of St. Sylvester.

May 18 — U.S. Sec. of Labor Wirtz reverses policy against use of racial identity on employment record.

May 24 — California Supreme Court reinstates civil rights of Nisei conscientious objector (Katsuki Otsuki of Pasadena) who served prison term for refusing to serve in WW2.

May 28 — Rev. Roy Sano challenges San Jose Jr. JACLers "to open doors." (Text reprinted in PC July 5.)

May 29 — Maj. Glenn Matsumoto, Nisei West Pointer assigned to joint chiefs of staff, Pentagon, pays tribute to Nisei war dead at JACL rites at Arlington Cemetery.

May 31 — Dr. George Takekuma, 70, Los Angeles, retires after 43 years in medicine.

Civil Service Commission

June 1 — San Francisco Mayor Shelley appoints Yori Wada civil service commissioner.

June 6 — James Meredith shot while marching against fear in Mississippi on US Hwy. 51.

June 7 — Two So. Calif. Nisei (Kaz Umemoto for state senate and Toshiro Hiraide for state assembly) fail in bid for Democratic nominations. They were first Nisei to appear on ballot for state offices.

June 13 — U.S. Supreme Court upholds 5-4 all criminal suspects have right to counsel during police interrogation.

June 18 — Rep. Spark Matsunaga urges U.S. Buddhists to help end Vietnam war by working through counterparts in Far East.

June 19 — Nisei hold track meet at Stagg Field, Univ. of Chicago, last athletic event on historic sod.

Librarian

July 1 — Dr. Warren Tsunehiko of Yale University Library assumes chief of Orientalia Division post in Library of Congress.

July 8 — AIA Gold Medal award given to Kenzo Tanaka, 52, of Tokyo, architect of Hiroshima Peace Museum and Tokyo Olympic gymnasium.

July 10 — U.S. Supreme Court Justice Tom Clark regrets Evacuation. (He directed alien control administration.)

July 13 — Illinois Gov. Kerner orders ban against racial discrimination in sale or rental of housing by real estate men.

July 24 — Nisei flower growers hard hit by nationwide airline strike; one grower loses \$50,000 in one week.

July 25 — President Johnson names U. Alexis Johnson as ambassador to Japan.

July 28 — Alameda war bride Kimi Turner, 30, murdered; 16-year-old suspect arrested.

July 29 — Xylophonist Yoichi Hiraoka makes his Hollywood Bowl debut with Andre Kostelanetz.

July 30 — JACL honors Calif. Supreme Court Chief Justice Phil Gibson, ret., at San Diego convention; Patsy Mink as Nisei of Biennium, William Marutani as JACLer of Biennium. Convention adopts \$147,000 budget calling for \$1 increase in dues. Jr. JACL organized nationally.

New U.S. Consul

Aug. 1 — Toshio Tsukahara of Los Angeles named U.S. consul at Fukuoka, Japan.

Aug. 8 — Rep. Matsunaga takes Rep. Basil Whitener (D-S.C.) to task for use of "Chinamen" in House debate on civil rights bill. (Text in PC Aug. 19.)

Aug. 9 — House passes 1966 Civil Rights bill 259-157 after 12-days debate; Senate rejected bill Sept. 19 when cloture call lost 52-41.

Aug. 13 — George Ohka of Chicago elected American Legion district commander.

Aug. 28 — Church-related home of Issei aged opened by Los Angeles Japanese Free Methodist Church.

Aug. 30 — Chicago Nisei (Continued on Page A-23)

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CHRONOLOGY—

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Ambassadors drum and bugle corps winds up 12-day public appearance tour playing on steps of U.S. Capitol.

Comet Discoverer

Sept. 7—Smithsonian Institution verifies discovery of new comet by Kaoru Ikeya of Japan, his fourth.

Sept. 8—Toshihiro Nami-kawa, Japanese student at UC Berkeley, murdered by his foster mother.

Sept. 16—James Kanki, 20, shot in head on way home from scout meeting in southside Chicago; Negro youths arrested.

Sept. 19—House repeals coolie trade laws enacted in 1862 and 1875 to prohibit use of Orientals as service labor.

Sept. 21—President Johnson names Eugene Rostow to No. 3 spot in State Dept. (Rostow as Yale Law School dean called Evacuation as "greatest wartime mistake.")

Sept. 24—Col. Sidney Mashbir, head of Allied Translator and Interpreter Service during WW2, declares Nisei exploits in intelligence still classified before Los Angeles group.

Nisei Bank Manager

Oct. 3—Frank Omatsu of Los Angeles named Sumitomo Bank branch manager at Anaheim, Jack Kusaba of San Francisco named head of bank's statewide trust department.

Oct. 5—U.S. commemorative stamp on beautification issued, second stamp designed by Gyo Fujikawa of New York.

Oct. 7—PC inaugurates monthly youth page.

Oct. 12—Honolulu apartment owners ruining aloha spirit by discriminating against African foreign students.

Oct. 14—U.S. admitted 3,261 Japanese immigrants during FY 1966, below annual average of 4,887 of previous 10 years.

Oct. 19—Boston public school classifies Chinese students as "white" to keep its racially imbalanced school count the same as previous year; state board of education rejected classification to hold up federal funds.

Oct. 21—Cal-Neva and San Francisco JACL credit unions merger plans approved by State Div. of Corporations.

Oct. 23—Last of tanno (83 in group) leave for Japan, ending 10 year program which involved 4,000 working on California farms.

Oct. 24—U.S. Supreme Court accepts Japanese American yen deposit claim case for review. (Background in PC June 17.)

Oct. 27—Los Angeles police arrest Ken Takahashi, 19, for Seattle murder of Mrs. Nona Mullin, 33, at her apartment.

Oct. 29—89th Congress adjourns, called historic for passing Voting Rights Act and Civil Rights Act in 1965, amendments to immigration act ending Japanese exclusion, passing last appropriation measure for Japanese evacuation claims, defeating the one-man, one-vote and school prayer amendments.

Associate Director

Nov. 1—JACL appoints Jeffrey Y. Matsui, 30, associate national director, for Los Angeles office.

Nov. 4—Former Calif. Chief Justice Gibson labels Evacuation as "black page of history" at NC-WNDC meeting.

Nov. 8—Election Briefs: Rep. Mink (140,867), Rep. Matsunaga (140,113) poll largest number of votes in Hawaii state history, 63 or 70 Nisei Hawaiians also win; SJR 20 repeals Washington alien land law (Yes—413,996, No—391,216); Dr. March Fong (D-Oakland), first Chinese American elected to California Assembly; Assemblyman Alfred Song (D-Monterey Park) elected to State Senate, first Oriental in legislature; Prop. 15 to permit naturalized Issei under 1952 Act voting privileges without passing education test defeated (Yes—2,231,498; No—2,853,719).

Nov. 10—Calif. Highway Patrol graduates its first Nisei cadet, Lowell Yamato of Whittier.

Nov. 11—MIS 25th Anniversary reunion held in San Francisco.

Nov. 20—West Los Angeles JACL Auxiliary contributes \$1,000 each to Jr. JACL, chapter youth and chapter scholarship programs from proceeds of cookbook sale.

Nov. 21—Paul Bannai elected president of Gardena Realty Board (believed to be first Nisei to such a post on the Mainland).

NECROLOGY

1966
Jan. 6—Wilfred Tsukiyama, 68, first chief justice of Hawaii Supreme Court, of cancer, in Honolulu.

Jan. 17—Robert M. Benjamin, 69, wartime National JACL sponsor and member of Alien Enemy Hearing Board during WW2, in New York.

Jan. 22—Capt. Roy S. Kobayashi, 26, of Honolulu, a West Point graduate ambushed by Viet Cong in South Vietnam.

Jan. 28—Henry Y. Kasai, 75, the 1963-64 Nisei of the Biennium, of natural causes, in Salt Lake City.

Feb. 20—Adm. Chester Nimitz, 81, who encouraged use of Nisei in combat naval intelligence and opened Navy to the Nisei after the war, in San Francisco.

Feb. 28—Rev. Harper Sakau, 55, Methodist preacher, killed at railroad crossing in Livingston, Calif.

Mar. 20—Tad Ono, 40, two-term San Francisco JACL president and accountant, of heart attack at Sacramento.

Mar. 22—2nd Lt. Roger P. Okamoto, USMC, of Portland, killed in action in South Vietnam (8th Nisei KIA Vietnam.)

Apr. 13—Robert Mukai, 35, Mt. Olympus JACLer and Olympian youth commissioner, in a head-on auto collision near Lovelock, Nev.

Apr. 30—Yoshie Ishida, 105, oldest Issei in the U.S., of natural causes, in Chicago.

May 6—Tokulchi Nomura, 74, WW1 veteran and businessman, in San Francisco.

first Nisei Rotary district governor for California-Necrology

vada, flower grower, of cancer, in Los Angeles.

May 18—Shunichi Fukui, 71, WW1 veteran and Japanese newspaper publisher, in Tacoma.

June 20—Shogo Muto, 73, Rafu Shimpou editor and staff correspondent, in Tokyo.

June 26—Sgt. Hachiro Imae, 41, of Honolulu, killed in South Vietnam.

July 4—Kaichi Seko, 69, founded Bush Gardens restaurant chain, in Seattle.

July 10—Nobuo Abiko, 28, staff correspondent for Christian Science Monitor, of heart attack, in Tokyo.

July 12—Dr. Daisetsu Suzuki, 96, Zen scholar, in Tokyo.

July 19—First Sgt. Yoshiwaga Nagato, 37, of Wahiawa, Oahu, in mid-air collision over Vietnam. (His parents reside in East Los Angeles.)

Aug. 10—Riichi George Ashizawa, 85, pioneer artist, in San Francisco.

Sept. 12—Earl Glade, 80, mayor of Salt Lake City who befriended JACL and radio executive, in Salt Lake City.

Sept. 19—Rev. Kenshi Iwao, 71, ranking resident minister of the Buddhist Churches of America, in San Luis Obispo.

Oct. 7—Rev. Yasaburo Tsuda, 83, dean of Japanese Methodist ministers, in Sacramento.

Oct. 13—Alan Aral, 66, of Seattle, architect, of heart attack while on visit in Los Angeles.

Nov. 2—Stephen H. Hirai, 46, Boise Valley JACL president, in a farming accident, in Homedale, Idaho.

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20th Biennial convention scheduled Aug. 20-24, 1968

By PHIL MATSUMURA Under the general chairmanship of Dr. Tom Taketa, the San Jose JACL's plans for the 1968 national convention to be held in San Jose are now being formulated with the monthly meeting of the convention steering committee.

The convention steering committee of Tad Sekigahama, Norman Mineta, Grant Shimizu, Henry Uyeda, Phil Matsumura, Grayson Taketa, Masumi Onishi, Martin Marumoto, Dr. Tokio Ishikawa, Karl Kinaga, Sharon Uyeda, Ben Matsumura and chairman Taketa have selected the week of August 20-24, 1968 as the date for the convention.

This date is preferable to the JACLers since it would least interfere with their summer school program, would not conflict with any major activities locally or state-wide, will coincide with the outstanding attractions of the Santa Clara County Fair and insure availability of the facilities needed for the week-long convention.

Bearing in mind that the official delegates will have their time occupied with the business portion of the gathering, the committee is deliberating at length to arrange programs and activities for the accommodation of family groups and children.

Full cooperation from the Chamber of Commerce convention bureau has been received to assure the boosters that full share of fun, frolic, relaxation and hospitality can be had in the "All-American" city of San Jose.

The Steering Committee would certainly welcome suggestions from members all over the nation as to their idea of an ideal convention. San Jose will make every effort to incorporate any suggestions into the confab plans.

Eventful Year San Jose chapter had an eventful 1966 under the reign of President Karl Kinaga with the following: 1—Membership rose to 1,566 for an all-time high... second to San Francisco chapter by a narrow margin. San Jose was recently honored at the district council meeting for its continuous growth during the past 11 years.

Our 1967 membership campaign is now in progress and indications are that another record breaking year is forthcoming. With the advent of Medicare, many of our senior members had to discontinue the chapter's Blue Cross hospitalization plan, but, nevertheless, they are renewing their chapter membership. The chapter certainly appreciates this loyalty of our elder members, who continue to support JACL, even though, one of the outstanding programs of the organization is no longer available to them.

2—Three San Jose chapter scholarships were awarded to Steve K. Suzuki of Mt. View, Gary Hideo Yamamoto of Campbell, Karen Tanaka of San Jose, Special William K. Yama-

moto Memorial scholarship to Larry Sakanashi of Santa Clara. There were 26 candidates from 14 high schools in our valley who competed for the scholarships. Miss Helen Mineta is the chairman of the scholarship program and her committee members are Mrs. Shizu Hirabayashi, Dr. Tokio Ishikawa, Henry Uyeda and Karl Kinaga.

Winners of San Jose scholarship since its inception are Tetsu Hojo of San Jose who later won the national Pvt. Ben Masaoka award in 1962, Howard Hayakawa of San Jose (1963) Michael Kaku of Palo Alto (1964) who placed second in the national competition, Wesley Tanaka of San Jose (1965) and Steve Suzuki of Mt. View (1966).

National Honors 3—Dr. Tom Taketa won the position of secretary to the National Board at the election held at national convention in San Diego.

San Jose's candidate for the Nisei of the Bienenium, Yoshihiro Uchida, was honored at the convention as a recipient of the coveted recognition.

Grant Shimizu is currently serving as the vice-chairman of the NC-WN District Council.

San Jose oratorical contestant Miss Mary Shimoguchi of Sunnyvale won the Northern California regional contest at Sacramento.

Recipients of awards given by the JACL at their first annual Community Recognition banquet held at Lou's Village at which time Rev. Roy Sano was the keynote speaker were Judge Wayne Kanemoto, Dave Tatsuno, Phil Matsumura, Dr. Tom Taketa, Charles Sugi.

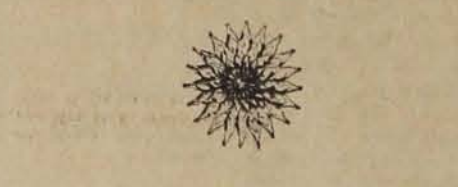
1967 Officers 4—The new officers for 1967 are Karl Kinaga, re-elected president; James Ono, program-activity chairman; Mrs. Phil Ajari, membership; Perry Dobashi, public relation; Robert Tachibana, rec. sec.; Mrs. Eureka Shiroma, cor. sec.; Henry Uyeda, treas.; Norman Mineta, del.; and Masumi Onishi, 1000 Club.

5—On the 30-member Board of Directors of San Jose JACL are Art Kunimoto, Herb Omura, Tad Sekigahama, James Ono, Dr. Tom Taketa, Dave Saito, Robert Okamoto, Richard Tanaka, Eiichi Sakai, Bill Matsumoto, Robert Tachibana, Norman Mineta, Phil Matsumura, Grant Shimizu, Helen Mineta, Mrs. Eureka Shiroma, Grayson Taketa, Perry Dobashi, Karl Kinaga, Martin Marumoto, James Santo, Dr. Tokio Ishikawa, Paul Sakamoto, Mrs. Phil Ajari, Edward Morioka, Mrs. Michi Itatani, Dr. Bob Okamoto, Mrs. Shizu Hirabayashi, Masumi Onishi, Henry Uyeda.

New Year's Eve 6—San Jose's 10th annual New Year's Eve celebration will be held Saturday, Dec. 31 at the huge Smorgas International building at corner of Saratoga Rd. and Stevens Creek Rd.

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(Continued from Page A-2) who had it sent to him after he left Poston WRA Center 22 years ago for San Antonio, Tex., didn't know its author was after a futile search. Perhaps, someone else can help us identify the author.

Charlotte DeForest, in submitting the "Closing of Manzanar" is worthy of attention in a separate column. Her credits are indeed tremendous, including a decoration from the Emperor of Japan... Able Pete Hironaka, almost on moment's notice, provided us with sketches of relocation center life as he recalled it to help illustrate this Holiday Issue... And in the class of special contributors also are members of my family—cheering me no matter what time of day I returned home from work on this issue.

The dummies for Section "A" are turned in... and this is the very last piece. This must be about the place where I should stop to say: a Blessed Christmas and a prosperous New Year to all.

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RICHARD GIMA:

Generation of Americans Are in Debt To An Old American Custom

By RICHARD GIMA

Earlier this year the Honolulu Star-Bulletin, Hawaii's greatest newspaper, ran some stories and pictures of potential "picture brides" from Japan, stirring up a good deal of interest and excitement — especially among bachelors of Japanese ancestry in Hawaii.

It all began after a Japanese tourist returned home from a visit to Hawaii some months ago. While in Honolulu a friend of his, a Nisei, had casually suggested that he (the visitor) make arrangements for picture brides to come to Hawaii.

What perhaps was said in jest by the Honolulu Nisei was taken as a sober matter by the Japanese visitor. As soon as he returned home, the Japanese began negotiating with appropriate officials to send eligible young women to Hawaii.

But that was as far as it got. Immigration and visa problems made the passage or transition of Japanese women to Hawaii difficult. If not impossible. Since the picture bride story broke, nothing has happened that would give any ray of hope to eligible bachelors of Japanese ancestry in Hawaii.

Which means that if these unmarried men would like Japanese women for their bride, they must visit Japan in person to make necessary arrangements. And some Hawaii men have done just that — much to the chagrin and frustration of American women of Japanese ancestry in Hawaii. Luckily, however, there have not been too many of these.

Peak in 1925

The appearance of picture bride articles in the Star-Bulletin brought to our recollection stories concerning the coming of such brides to this country some 40 years or more ago. The rapid rise in the Japanese birth rate from about 1912 to 1925, published reports in Hawaii show, caused the increase in the Island Japanese population. "In the latter year

(1925) the number reached its peak," one report indicates.

It is safe to assume that this increase in the number of births was due to the arrival in large numbers of these picture brides from Japan. A 1920 Bureau of Education bulletin tells us that 9,841 picture brides were admitted to Hawaii during the eight year period between 1911 and 1919.

The idea of picture brides was considered a "novelty," if we may use the expression. Indeed, no such experiment had been conducted in the annals of American matrimony, and to the "haole" (Caucasian, in Hawaiian) this was a unique feature in matrimony.

So much so that the picture bride marriage, we're told, was not accepted as legal by the U.S. Government. Such being the case, "these women were required to be married at the immigration station upon their arrival as a condition precedent to landing," says one report.

It adds: "But the Japanese on the whole resented such 'forced marriages' by the immigration authorities."

A 1907 Comment

The now-defunct "Hawaii Shinpo" of February 22, 1907, said in part:

"We have often protested in these columns against the forced marriages of Japanese women who arrive here from Japan to meet their husbands or else their prospective husbands.

"Under the custom now in vogue at the immigration, these women are required to be married at the station, before they are granted the right to enter the territory.

"We believe such an act upon the part of the immigration authorities to be unwarranted and a usurpation of the regulations.

"In fact, we find nothing in the present immigration laws that warrants the enforcement of any administrative rules that compel Japanese having their marriages solemnized in an immigration station."

The Shinpo added "there are cases where women ar-

riving here to meet their husbands are also forced to remarry them.

"This rule is enforced in absolute disregard of the passports held by the women. Japan has the same rights to adopt the ceremonies of marriage as have other nations.

"If the Japanese government reports that a woman is married to a man, although the ceremony was performed while he was living in the Hawaiian Islands and she in Japan, the immigration authorities have no right to insult the Japanese government's endorsement of that marriage and insist that a ceremony shall be performed according to the rites in America."

Abolished in 1917

In 1917, it's reported, the foregoing practice was abolished. Picture brides thereafter were allowed to be "taken by their husbands as wives without such marriage rites at the station."

In 1920 the admission of picture brides into continental United States was restricted and into Hawaii four years later with the enactment of the Japanese Exclusion Act of 1924. This act, of course, marked the end of the picture bride era in Hawaii.

Thanks to the coming of these brides to Hawaii, most if not all of them as wives of Japanese men in Hawaii's sugar and pineapple plantations, the Islands today are blessed with their offspring who today are leaders in practically every phase of living in the 50th State.

It's now more than 40 years since the arrival of the last group of picture brides from Japan. These women today are in their 60s, 70s and 80s. Some are even older. Many of them have gone to their well deserved rest after years of toil and struggle.

To all these women, their husbands and other Issei pioneers both here and on the Mainland, living and dead, we say, "God bless you!"



Photo Courtesy: Japanese American Research Project

The Closing of Manzanar

After three years, the camp was emptied... after 20 years the apple orchards are back at Manzanar

By CHARLOTTE DEFOREST

I was sitting on the edge of the porch of a women's dormitory in Manzanar, my feet on the ground, when a man came strolling along with an accidentally-on-purpose air. He was of medium height, with keen, kindly eyes, a bit of gray in his hair and enough wrinkles to vindicate his sixty-one years.

"I'm Ralph Merritt," he said as he sat down beside me, "director of this War Relocation Project. Glad to welcome a new member of our staff. Hope you'll like it here."

I couldn't help "liking" the majestic Sierra Range behind the camp with Mt. Williamson as its centerpiece, third highest peak in the United States until we took in Mt. McKinley. And the camp itself was not unlovely, having overcome its initial barrenness. This Owens Valley plain had once been a flourishing producer of fruit—"Manzanar" means "apple orchard". But Los Angeles had years before bought out the water rights and piped the mountain streams down to its populous areas, and the farms and orchards here had dried up. In 1942 the WRA (War Relocation Authority) had obtained the temporary uses of the water supply for the plain where now the camp barracks and gardens lay.

I learned later what a wide business background Mr. Merritt had, including two years as Federal Food Administrator for California during World War I, and some 16 years of interest in farming and mine development in Inyo and Mono Counties before World War II. And before that he had long been associated with the University of California, first as an alumnus, later as comptroller and member of the Board of Regents, which had honored him with an LL.D. Whether by his own choice or not, I don't know, but at our Relocation Center he was just plain "Mr. Merritt", or at most, "Director Merritt".

It was June 1944 when I went to Manzanar. Mr. Merritt's job was the oversight of a camp of some 6,000 persons of Japanese ancestry — there had been 11,000 — and to arrange in the end to put himself out of a job by getting these people all resettled into as normal a life as possible for human beings that had been suddenly uprooted in March 1942 and put behind barbed wire, many losing the property they had worked years to acquire. My job as a worker in the Welfare Department (part-time for health reasons) was to help toward that resettling by interviewing and discovering those requiring public assistance to rebuild their lives in the world outside. I had never done this

sort of work before, but the head of the Welfare Department at Manzanar was Mrs. Margaret Matthews D'ille whom I had known before her marriage as one of the national secretaries of the Japan YWCA for ten years. She thought I could fit into the work here and had called me to it.

Mr. Merritt had already been a year and a half in charge of the camp and had seen its population gradually shrink, first from an exodus of students and young adults for whom openings had been found in inland states. Also, as one of the ten relocation centers scattered from Arizona on the south to Idaho on the north and Arkansas on the east, Manzanar had done its part in sending out Nisei (citizen-born) volunteers for the armed forces. With this shrinkage at least one activity, the fish-net factory, had already closed out; but the community was still very much alive and at work.

The schools — the whole California system through high school — were going full blast; the three churches — Buddhist, Roman Catholic and Protestant — were well attended; the Co-op, started by the evacuees themselves, was doing a fair business; the farms for cattle, hogs and chickens and the "victory gardens" — all outside the fenced-in square-mile of barracks — were being well worked by the evacuees and were providing most of the camp food; the hospital had its usual quota of patients; the Children's Village, the only orphanage in all the Centers, was quietly pursuing its policy of seeking adoptive families outside of the coastal states; the police force and the fire department were doing routine duties; and The Manzanar Free Press was circulating among the residents without subscription fees.

Besides, the administrative offices of the AP's (appointed personnel), including a combination bank and post office, were carrying on governmental duties aided by "block managers", the Japanese heads of the 36 blocks that composed the camp. The AP's had Nisei evacuees as typists and other assistants; the block kitchens and mess-halls were staffed by evacuees. In short, all the employables were employed in

one way or another; and in addition there were private activities like the teaching of Japanese dancing, music, tea ceremony, flower arrangement, poetry, painting and calligraphy. Each of these specialties had its own representatives in the camp; and of course there were the ubiquitous gardeners that made small plots of grass and flowers, perhaps edged with abalone shells, look like miniature Edens. The chrysanthemum show in the fall would have done credit to a free city. Even the two picnic grounds, outside the camp but within the prescribed "area" limits for the evacuees, had been dressed up with truly Japanese touches in the uses of wood and stones to suggest a bridge or a stone lantern. Besides, there were occasional movies under Co-op sponsorship that gave further variety to life in "our town."

Military Sentries As for wartime security

measures, besides the internal police mentioned above, the military post a quarter of a mile down the road had provided sentries in the corner towers of our enclosure to watch for any signs of attempting to escape. Once a sentry thought he saw one and shot at an old man who was looking for something near the barbed-wire fence. But that was a tragic mistake; there were no attempts to escape and there was no sedition. After a while the sentries were removed: Mr. Merritt thought them superfluous. There was a small jail in the camp, but I never heard of any one being in it while I was there. We were a law-abiding and co-operating community, secure in the present, but not without apprehension for the future.

However, I once heard Mr. Merritt tell with great regret an incident that did relate to the jail. It was in the first December of his

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Military Sentries As for wartime security

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DR. RALPH P. MERRITT had a life long interest in the Japanese Americans especially those of California. He knew at first hand the great contributions which the Japanese had made to agriculture, floral industry, the rice and potato fields and fishing. As student manager of the University of California track team, and later its Controller and member of the Board of Regents of the University of California, as president of the Sun Maid Raisin Company in Fresno, as one instrumental in shipping rice to the earthquake stricken people in Japan in 1923 and later as Project Director at the Manzanar Relocation Center, he took an instant and enthusiastic interest in the Japanese American Citizens League project on the research and writing of the history of the Japanese in the United States.

Dr. Merritt felt that the research of the history of the Japanese in the United States should be conducted at the University of California, not only because he was its Regent Emeritus, but because of its world-wide renown and reputation for high academic standards of research.

Dr. Merritt personally contacted President Clark Kerr of the University of California and Chancellor Franklin Murphy of the Los Angeles campus and obtained their consent for the History Project to be located at this great institution.

For his efforts for his key role in the History Project as well as his deep interest in the welfare and progress of Japanese Americans, he was accorded a special Certificate of Appreciation posthumously at the National Convention of the Japanese American Citizens League in Seattle, Washington, in July 1962.

—Frank F. Choman



"Picture brides" from Japan have their baggage examined at the Immigration Station, Honolulu.

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Manzanar—

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administration; in essence, it was this: Two men had been jailed for some offense and the evacuees gathered in some numbers to protest the jailing. Without the Director's understanding, the interpreter had added to his conciliatory words an instruction to come back at six that evening. So when the crowd unexpectedly gathered again the military was called out to control what was feared might develop into a riot. The soldiers fired above the heads of the crowd as a warning, but one stray bullet hit and killed a boy of 16 looking on from the edge of the crowd. The people dispersed sadly and stayed in their homes as much as possible throughout a very despondent Christmas season. There were tears in Mr. Merritt's voice as he told of the incident.

There were two types of visitors that Mr. Merritt welcomed. (I don't think mere sight-seers were ever admitted to camp.) One type was religious workers, the other VIP's connected with the war effort.

The religious workers were mostly former missionaries to Japan, now in America from force of circumstances; and they sought to be of service in connection with their experience; for example, Bishop Charles Reifsnider, who visited his Episcopal flock in various centers; Herbert Nicholson, who did many property errands for the evacuees as well as gave them spiritual comfort; Roy Smith, who helped with relocation in the Chicago area; George Gleason of the Los Angeles County Commission on Interracial Relations; and Henry Boenkirk, who was the American pastor for the Manzanar Protestant Church and commuted from Independence (the Inyo County Seat) since he, not being an AP, could not live in the camp.

The one exception among the religious visitors was a Japanese, Dr. Hachiro Yusa, a former president of Doshisha University and a persona non grata to the Japanese military because of his liberal international views. He was allowed to remain in the United States when the outbreak of war found him in work among the New England churches. Later visiting the evacuation centers he brought to his own people a message of comfort and insight.

Of the VIP visitors, Dillon S. Myer, head of the WRA in Washington, was the foremost—more of his visit later. His assistant Malcolm Pitts also made us a visit while I was there. The Spanish consul, who represented Japanese interests in the United States during the war, came up from Los Angeles to see if the evacuees had any complaints about their treatment. Bruce Rogers, once of the U.S. consulate in Osaka, recognized me from Japan days. He was now collecting information for the U.S. government on liberal thought and its advocates in recent Japan. He hoped to find some in a Red Cross shipment of books to evacuees the previous fall; and four Nisei were working with him in looking over some 150,000 Japanese volumes stored away from bookstores in Los Angeles.

Dr. Robert King Hall, on leave from Harvard University and now an officer in the Navy, had been instrumental together with Clarence E. Pickett of the American Friends Service Committee in arranging for the transfer of some 2,800 college and university students from the centers to educational institutions in other parts of the country. He came to Manzanar in search of Japanese school text-books for reference in planning for educational reform in Japan after the war. I took him to our Manzanar Japanese Library, but did much more for him by proxy: I introduced him to a young block manager who, though born in America, had been educated in a normal school in Japan and had taught there a while before his return here. He proved to be a veritable gold mine for the kind of information Dr.

Hall sought. Dr. Hall later published a book on "Education for the New Japan."

But the visitor who did the most social publicity for Manzanar was Ansel Adams, famed for his Yosemite photographs. He had not only made breath-taking photographs of the mighty Sierras behind our camp and of individuals and families in camp, but he had used these to illustrate a book, "Born Free and Equal", giving the history of the camp and the plight of the citizen-born Nisei in their enforced removal from the normal life of their own country. For the beauty of the poetic prose writing about the Inyo landscape, and for the human insight into the hearts of the young evacuees of whom he wrote, his book is a testimonial both to the writer himself and to the man to whom he dedicated it as follows: "With admiration and respect to Ralph Palmer Merritt who has given thousands of our fellow-citizens a renewed faith and confidence in democracy." This book came out shortly after I reached Manzanar; it describes the camp in its maturity of 1943, before the billows of resettlement had struck at the security of the Issei in the Center's protection. (My work was mainly with these in the later period of the camp's life.)

One day in the summer of 1945 I noticed in the mess hall a distinguished-looking visitor with wife and small boy; I identified them only after Mrs. D'Ille passed my table exclaiming, "Ansel Adams has raised a beard!" Beard or no, he had raised a monument to the WRA and Manzanar!

Exclusion Lifted

The first serious blow to the evacuees' sense of security came on December 18, 1944 when Mr. Merritt announced the government lifting of the "exclusion ban". This ban was the military order that had driven all persons of Japanese ancestry away from the Pacific Coastal states early in 1942. The lifting of that ban removed the reason for the existence of the Relocation Centers and gave our staff a new incentive to work for resettlement of the evacuees.

The lifting of the ban also brought into existence a new class of "ees": there were already parolees, deportees, segregates, renunciates; those in the last three categories were gradually being assembled into the Tule Lake Center in Northern California. They were largely those that were considered undesirable, those who had renounced their American citizenship and those who had asked to be sent to Japan when possible.

Now it became necessary to sort out "excludables" who for some reason were exceptions to the lifting of the ban. To my lay mind all these distinctions were difficult to grasp. Suffice it to say that a group of military men came to Manzanar to hold hearings for any persons who might be suspected of being harmful on the Coast. At Mr. Merritt's request I was lent by the Welfare Office to help with the interpreting at some of the hearings.

One hearing was for our fine Buddhist priest from a Los Angeles temple. Both Buddhist and Shinto priests were thought by the Army to be possible liaison agents of Japan and so had been under close supervision since the beginning of the war; But I never heard that any such had to be deported. In fact, the Buddhists in America united during the war to break relations with their mother sects in Japan and form an organization of their own. There was no trouble in the hearing of our Manzanar priest; and one of my treasured documents is a little letter of thanks from him for my part in interpreting on that occasion.

The interpreting, however, was not always easy. A little experience in similar hearings in Boston earlier in the war had been inadequate preparation for me to convey to Japanese what an American meant by such questions as: "Do you believe in the divinity

of the Emperor?" and "Do you approve of the deification of soldiers who have fallen in battle?" Perhaps the American had forgotten such comparable western ideas as "the divine right of kings" and the "canonization of saints"; or was he thinking in theological terms? I struggled to decide the connotation of the questions in the American mind and to convey it to the Oriental who is by nature more conscious of the spiritual world than are westerners.

I believe that after my explanation the men that were interrogated all gave negative replies. Anyway, it was hard work. Mr. Merritt was so thoughtful as to ask Mrs. D'Ille to make sure that I was credited with all the hours spent on this different task and that I was not overworking. It was characteristic of him to think of the welfare of individuals.

The way the lifting of the ban was taken by the rank and file of the camp varied. There was some resistance to the idea of returning to their homes, for there were stories of opposition by former neighbors and of persecution, subtle or otherwise, of the returnees.

One of the less subtle cases was the burning of some evacuee homes near Seattle; another was an attempt to dynamite a home. The perpetrators in both cases, even that of arson, were given light sentences.

But The Pacific Citizen, organ of the Japanese American Citizens League (whose editorial office was self-evacuated from San Francisco to Salt Lake City before the general Evacuation), cheered us one July day in 1945 with the news that a California judge had given a jail sentence to a Walnut Grove woman who had threatened to burn down an evacuee home if the family returned to it. The sentence was for disturbing the peace of a Japanese American family. The account went on to say: "It was the first jail sentence ordered for the threatening of Japanese Americans who have returned to the West Coast from War Relocation Centers. Sixty days of the sentence was suspended provided Mrs. ... leaves the county for one year after she serves thirty days."

There was fear not only as to the reception of the returnees, but as to jobs and, for the jobless, aid. Many of the old men had come to America early in the 1900's and had done hard tasks on railroads, in farms, in mines, etc. They were too frail now for regular employment unless perhaps for seasonal work on a California ranch; and even that would be too much for some of them. Public assistance must be provided for them; also for widows with children to support; for invalids, in hospitals or at home; and for orphans that could not be placed in private homes.

We worked in a routine fashion getting case histories, references, residence affidavits and applications processed and sent to the appropriate office — which was generally the Welfare Office of Los Angeles County, since a large part of our population had come from that county.

Five Reasons

The next spur to action came in February 1945 with the official announcement that all the Relocation Centers would close in a year or less. There was some among the evacuees felt they had been promised the protection of the Center for "the duration" (of the war). It was a great help to our morale when the head of the WRA, Mr. Dillon S. Myer himself, visited the camp in March. He understood the task before him and in his big-hearted way met the problems in the minds of the evacuees. In a large public meeting he told them that there were five reasons for closing out the camps as soon as possible.

These five reasons were: First, the children born to American citizenship must be put into a normal American environment to mingle with other children,

Second, the Japanese pioneers have left their handprints in the teeming valleys throughout the length and breadth of California and other parts of the western United States. With patience and industry, they cleared, leveled and irrigated the land and brought crops to bear in soil which had previously remained idle or had been put to limited use for pasturage and grazing.

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FROM THE SAME SPOT—Mrs. Fern Sayre of Sacramento, who has done extensive research of the Wakamatsu Colony and the Okei sage, pays her respects at the gravesite of the first Japanese woman to be

buried in California— atop Gold Hill. It is said Okei often climbed this hill to watch the setting sun and gaze in the direction of her homeland. The mountains in the background are due west from the hill.

'Mayflower of the Pacific'

BY HENRY TAKETA
Sacramento

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its scenic and topographical similarity to their Japanese homeland or because many early settlers there were from Holland or Germany as was Schnell.

Much of the group was made of farmers and those in the trades, but several were samurai followers of Lord Matsudaira.

Four women, including nursemaid Okei Ito of the Schnell family, were with the pioneer party.

The settlers, arriving in San Francisco, proceeded to Sacramento by riverboat and wagon-train to Placerville and Gold Hill, where Schnell had arranged to purchase 600 acres for the farm colony. With them came 50,000 three-year-old mulberry trees for silk farming, large quantity of bamboo roots for food and craft industry, tea seeds, wax tree stocks, grape seedlings and other varieties of plants and seeds of their native land.

Lack of Water

Immediately upon their arrival, the settlers built their homes and planted their crops on land purchased from Charles M. Graner. For a while it appeared that they would be rewarded for their determination and many sacrifices.

However, combination of dry climate of the area, scarcity of irrigation water, lack of funds and failure of financial assistance as promised from Japan doomed the pioneer project in less than two years.

With the end in sight, Schnell left the colony with his Japanese wife and two young daughters with assurances to the colonists that he would return with needed money, but he failed to do this and thus abandoned his Japanese followers to their own fate in a strange and often hostile land.

As dictated by necessity and self-preservation, the

settlers sold most of their valuables and belongings to ward off hunger while patiently waiting for their leader who never returned. Ultimately, each was compelled to go his own way.

Only Two Remain

Some were able to return to Japan and others moved elsewhere where employment was more promising.

From every indication, only Matsunosuke Sakurai, a samurai, and Okei, the nursemaid, remained behind at Gold Hill where they were befriended and employed by the early pioneer family of Francis Veerkamp. His descendants are to be found in the Gold Hill-Coloma area where they are engaged in farming and business.

Okei is said to have died of fever at the age of 19 in the spring of 1871 and was buried at the knoll which she frequently climbed to watch the setting sun and gaze in the direction of her homeland. Her headstone reads, both in Japanese and in English, "In Memory of Okei, died 1871, aged 19 years. (A Japanese Girl)."

Matsunosuke Sakurai faithfully served the Veerkamp family until his death on Feb. 25, 1891, and he now lies at rest in the Vineyard Cemetery at Coloma, the historical site of Marshall's gold discovery and a few miles from Gold Hill.

Work Carried On

Although the Wakamatsu Tea and Silk Farm Colony was short-lived and suffered its tragic ending, it signaled the coming of Japanese pioneers to America and the beginning of their notable contribution to the agricultural industry of California.

Many descendants are carrying on the work of their pioneer forebears with the same devotion, determination and skill, which helped to make California the most productive farm-

ing state in the United States and the greatest agricultural region in the world.

People from many communities of California and the western states, and even as far away as Japan, have made pilgrimage to Gold Hill to pay homage and to meditate at Okei's grave in its humble surroundings.

On top of a hill overlooking the city of Aizu Wakamatsu, a beautiful memorial with identical grave-stone was erected and dedicated to the memory of the young Japanese girl, Okei, in 1958. This site is sentimentally called "Gold Hill".

Okei has become a legend and folklore in Japan. Her story of youth, pride, hardships, loneliness and heart-breaks was made into a Japanese movie with the title of "Flower of the Storm" and also into a popular song called "Okei's Lullaby".

Rediscovery of Site

This brief history of the organized settlers from Japan and of their tea and silk farm colony at Gold Hill was made possible only through painstaking and time-consuming research undertaken by Mrs. Fern R. Sayre and Soichi Nakatani of Sacramento.

The very existence of this colony became lost with its tragic ending and was not rediscovered until after World War I.

Unquieted rumors persisted that a young Japanese girl, who died in the Gold Rush period, was buried at Gold Hill.

Finally a search was undertaken by several Sacramentoans, and through coincidence, the first person to be interviewed was the 82-year-old Henry Veerkamp, son of the settlers who befriended the young Japanese girl and who was one year older than Okei.

In recalling the past, Henry Veerkamp spoke of the

hardship suffered by the Japanese settlers and the sad and lonely life of "Okei-san" who was very beautiful in her kimono. He pointed out the location of the colony and guided the searchers to Okei's gravesite. Thus the Wakamatsu Tea and Silk Farm Colony was rediscovered.

Site Registry Sought

A local committee consisting of Mrs. Sayre, Mr. Nakatani, George Oki and this writer are in the process of formulating plans to register the Wakamatsu Tea and Silk Farm Colony as a historical site with the Division of Beaches and Parks of the State of California.

Project to beautify and perpetuate the Okei gravesite as a tribute to the people of this farm colony and to all other Japanese pioneers is under serious study.

Centennial commemoration issue will be sought of the U. S. Post Office Department in 1969, the 100th year of the coming of the Wakamatsu pioneers to Gold Hill.

Along the same line of thought, the theme of the first and only tea and silk farm is being given highest consideration for Coloma's 1969 annual celebration.

In each of these undertakings, participation and assistance is being sought from the neighboring chapters of the Japanese American Citizens League and its Northern California - Western Nevada District Council, local Japanese American organizations, citizens and historical societies of Coloma and El Dorado County, and others who are interested in paying honor and tribute to these "Mayflower" pioneers of the Pacific who sailed the ocean eastward to reach the western shores of the United States and to all others who were to follow in their footsteps.



Soichi Nakatani (standing) and Mrs. Fern Sayre, both of Sacramento, study material from the City of Aizu-Wakamatsu.



English side of the headstone reads "In memory of Okei, died 1871, aged 19 years, a Japanese Girl."

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Year of Horse Good for JACL

From the Capitol City of Sacramento
By BILL MATSUMOTO

The Year of the Horse, 1966, proved to be one of the most successful years enjoyed by the Sacramento JACL Chapter. Membership, as an indicator, did register a goodly number with the hard work of Percy Masaki and his helpers. Of course, the inception of the CPS medical plan was instrumental to a degree but it did require a great deal of effort on the part of our membership chairman.

The 1000 Club membership also held its own and continued to show signs of increase for the coming year. Sacramento boasts the largest per capita members in the 1000 club. Much credit should go to Eddie Yumikura who has been on the constant prowl for new members as old ones sometimes drop by the wayside for one reason or another.

Fear In Review

At 12:01 a.m. Jan. 1, 1966 the Sacramento Chapter welcomed in the New Year at the annual New Year's Eve dance with some 450 revelers swinging and swaying to the music of the "Stylists", who furnished the music for the fulfilled event. This event is sponsored each year by the local 1000 Clubbers. Tak Tsujita was the chairman.

On Jan. 29th, Charles Kobayashi was sworn in as President of the local chapter, with city brass in attendance. Jerry Enomoto, then National 1st Vice President did the installing as well as deliver the address.

Others installed were: Vice-President Harry Kaneko, Secretary Mary Miyama, Treasurer Roy Nakatani, Delegate Frank Hiyama, Alternate Martin Miyao, 1000 club chairman Eddie Yumikura. The Junior JACL and the Auxiliary officers were also installed.

The table decorations for this event was done by the Auxiliary Women headed by Yoshiye Takahashi, Gladys Masaki and Sally Taketa. Tak Tsujita acted as the master of ceremonies.

Very shortly after the installation, Sacramento's perennial membership

chairman, Percy Masaki, had all but completed the drive showing a slight gain, despite the inception of Medicare in a couple of months.

With respect to Medicare, many inquiries were received by the chapter from our senior citizens. With the help of Sumio Oto of the Social Security Administration a meeting was called with over 50 people attending at the Nisei War Memorial Hall. Arthur Morasch from the department was also present to help in the interpretation of the laws that would govern Medicare.

Spring Season Events

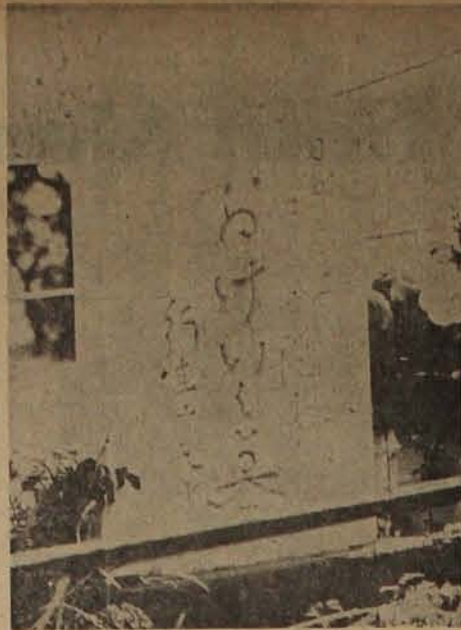
At the March meeting William Matsubara, Commissioner of the Church League, reported on the financial as well as the outcome of the league. President Kobayashi commended Matsubara for the fine job done by him and his staff in promoting this program for the JACL.

April 19 was the date of the annual family pot luck dinner held at the Nisei War Memorial Hall. As in the past years this event again drew a capacity crowd. Much of the credit should go to the wives of the members who prepared the very delicious food.

In May, the Chapter had the distinction of hosting the 2nd quarterly district meeting as an pre-convention rally for San Diego's 19th Biennial in July. Mas Hironaka and George Kodama, co-chairman of the convention were on hand to sell their convention. This added much color to our meeting particularly with Queen Kay Ochi and her attendants also present. Incidentally, added congratulations to the San Diego chapter for the fine job on the convention. We would like to tip our hats to the very able Abe Mukai, chapter president.

Community Picnic

With the weather turning to the warmer side, the Sacramento Chapter sponsored the Sacramento Community Picnic at the spacious Elk Grove Park. As usual some 5,000 people from in and around the City attended the event. Tom Sato and Harry Kaneko, co-chairman for the picnic,



FACE OF Okei's gravestone at Gold Hill, El Dorado County. It is said Matsunosuke Sakurai, only other person to remain behind at Gold Hill, collected money from other members of the original party in 1886 to provide the gravestone as shown. He wrote the inscription in Japanese for the engraver.

did a fine job of organizing, making it a huge success. Although, sponsored by the JACL every organization in the city is asked to participate in putting it over.

Late in July, Dubby Tsugawa and Midori Enkoji were busy making the last minute details final as the local JACL tournament was to get under way in mid-August. As it turned out they had a very successful tourney enjoyed by all that participated.

At the August meeting of the chapter the subject of the Okei Grave in Coloma and the coming centennial celebration in that community was thoroughly discussed. Mrs. Edgar Sayre and Shiochi Nakatani were on hand to give the members a first hand view of what had happened thus far. Mrs. Sayre is researching the story of Okei and the small band of immigrants that settled at the site of the grave, from the Wakamatsu Prefecture in Japan. Since nothing definite could be decided at the time, a progress report was requested.

"Meet Jerry and Joyce" get together was held by the chapter members with over 90 people in attendance. Jerry Enomoto, National JACL President gave an up-to-date report on the program which was of great interest to the group. Mr. Sato and Harry Kaneko, co-chairman for the picnic,

to our city. Mike is the brother of Jack Soo, star of the Flower Drum song.

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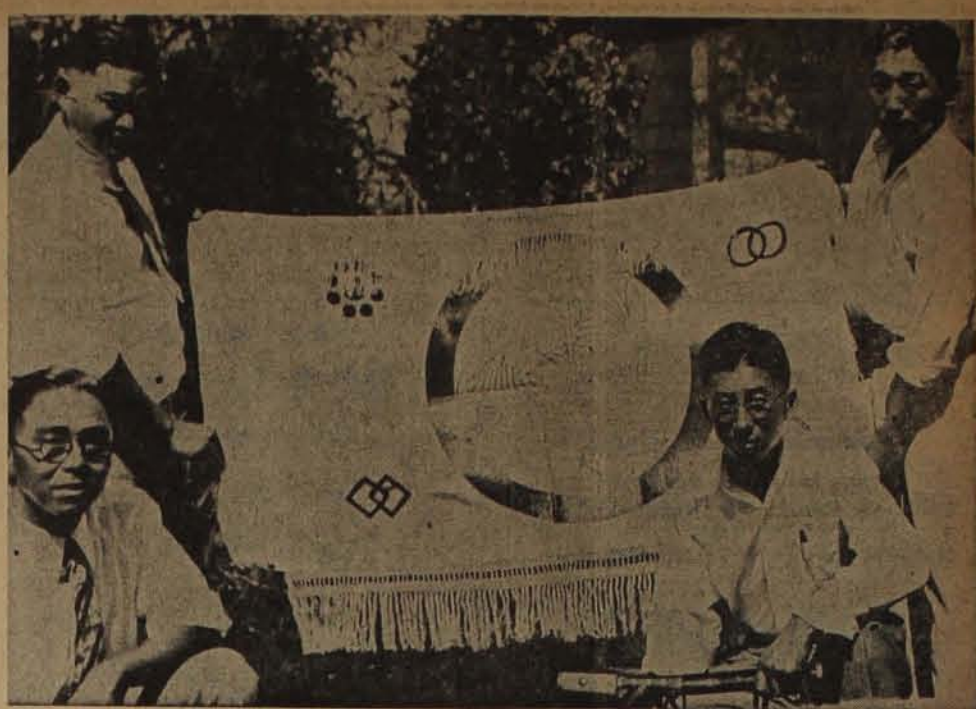
Martin Miyao, was selected to chair the Benefit Movie held each year by the chapter. Despite the adverse weather the program was a great success and the auditorium was packed for the two nights.

Holiday Issue

As of this writing, the PC Holiday Issue ad deadline is nearing, Percy Masaki, Mrs. Agnes Miyakawa and Gladys Masaki are really working hard to see that Sacramento not only does its part but is well represented.

As 1966 is quickly coming to a close, the Sacramento 1000 Club is again preparing for the annual New Year's Eve dance to be held at the Retail Clerks Auditorium on 9th and Broadway. Emphasis of this year end social event is to bring together the young and the old. Tom Johnsons Five will furnish the music for this event.

Looking back, I would say that the chapter has had a rather busy year, but on the other hand very fruitful. Our special thanks to those that gave so generously not only of money but their valuable time. Of course we dare not forget the dedicated members that have constantly worked behind the scenes to make our chapter click.



FOUR PLACER County JACL members hold front of the Aizu Wakamatsu banner and a Japanese sword with Matsudaira insignia in possession of the Veerkamp family. Standing (left) is the late Tom Yago and

Herb Tokutomi; kneeling are Kay Takemoto and Tom Matsumoto (with sword). If members look rather youthful, they should because this picture was taken in September, 1934.

Manzanar--

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to talk English better than they could in the segregated environment of a Relocation Center.

Second, at present the demand for man-power was great and it would be easier learn to be Americans and to get a job now than later.

Third, the welfare agencies that would help in the resettlement were not so busy as they would be after the war and hence could give more help now.

Fourth, Congress was always asking how much longer the annual appropriations for the Centers were going to be needed, and his reply was, "Until a reasonable time after the West Coast ban is lifted"; one year seemed to him a reasonable time.

Fifth, the anti-Japanese elements working to deport all Japanese after the war hoped to keep them in the Centers where they made an easy target; if they scattered and resettled, these oppositional forces could not attack them so easily.

Mr. Myer was convinced that the resettling of our 5,500 people, as well as of 60,000 from seven other Centers (Tule Lake being excepted and Jerome in Ar-

kansas having already merged with Rohwer) was not only possible, but also inevitable. He had secured the cooperation of the Social Security Board and the local welfare agencies in the affected places so that the minimum essentials of living and working could be provided.

Housing, of course, was a bottle-neck, for although 112,000 people of Japanese ancestry had left the Coast, a million and a half war workers had come into California alone! But that was the problem of other agencies than the Centers. We concentrated on the people of the Center and on recording and forwarding their needs. One new social worker found it hard to adjust to a state of things that not only did not require, but scarcely permitted, follow-up work!

The next push given to our work was Mr. Merritt's announcement on July 12 of a teletype from Mr. Myer at the WRA headquarters in Washington notifying us that Manzanar Center was to be closed out December 1 or earlier. By that time the schools had already closed, but there were some 70 families with two or more children that had not

yet resettled. In August signs everywhere in camp warned people, "School opens in... days, but not in Manzanar!" The number of days was changed, diminishing daily. Some families that could not leave camp together were able to send school-age children out to friends or relatives in time for school. But problem cases arose.

One family from Hawaii had been sent to the mainland in 1943; the husband had died in a Center; the government policy had been not to return people to Hawaii during the war. This widow and her six children had relatives in Hawaii who could give them a home and support. Fortunately, the government policy changed shortly before the end of the war and this family was permitted to return to Hawaii.

One mother of five in our camp was widowed by tragic circumstance. A party of artists, including her husband, went up into the Sierras one day to sketch. This was of course out of the bounds; but the back gate of the camp was often open: the farm hands went freely in and out, and Mr. Merritt had looked with leniency upon recreational sorties, since they were no danger to military security. One of the men sat down to sketch and got separated

from the group, who supposed he had returned ahead of them. But he had not. One search party after another was authorized but came back frustrated. About a month after his disappearance two Caucasians on a trip in the mountains noticed an odor of death in an unusual spot. Tracing it, they found the corpse of a Japanese between two boulders high up in the mountains. They reported to Mr. Merritt with so accurate a description of the place that the party of six that he sent out with a map found the body. They salvaged the man's watch, sketch-book and fishing-rod, together with a lock of hair, the personal token that the Japanese so often use for home burials of those that have died abroad.

Lacking soil, the party built a cairn over the remains, gathered mountain flowers to add to those they had brought from the camp, took photographs of the decorated cairn and of the wonderful mountain views that the man might have been sketching there and carried them home to the widow. She was much comforted; and Mrs. D'Ille, with true insight into the Japanese heart, made her a special grant of money to enable her to make gifts to

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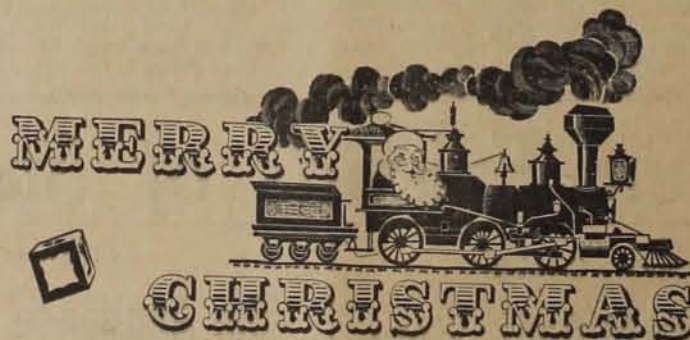
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Manzanar--

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her husband's friends who had done so much for him and her. Fortunately the two oldest of the five children were sons and practically grown, so it was thought the family would not have too difficult a time in resettling after temporary aid.

Sometimes more than one office in the Center was involved in one case. A fine man, head of the Center's Parent Teacher Association, came into the Welfare Office to get a grant of clothing for his three children of school age, whom he was sending to their step-uncle and aunt in Los Angeles. That grant was promptly arranged for, but the Child Welfare worker said, "These children are not going to blood relatives; the man that takes them must get a license from the nearest Welfare Office."

The story was that their mother had died and the new mother, married in Manzanar, had been evacuated as a student. Having only a student passport for being in America at all, the Immigration Office had her on its stop-list and would not allow her to leave Manzanar at present. Her husband was staying with her, as she was expecting her first child early in November. This in turn meant a problem for the Medical Office, as it had done all it could to avoid November deliveries. Since, however, it did not send away pregnant women after the seventh month, she and her husband were staying. No doubt the technicality about the children was duly attended to, and they got to school in time.

Schools Closed

Before leaving the subject of the Manzanar Education Department, it is worthy of note that though the schools closed in June, two special groups of instruction were continued for a while: for little children, the practice in English to help their future schooling; and for adults, classes in English for such as had no opportunity to learn the language earlier in life.

One day in July we went to the gate to see off a special group that could hardly be called resettlers—seven young men, some just out of high school, were entering the Army,

going to Fort MacArthur for their first training. The irony of the occasion was that while the AP's went outside the gate to the bus, the "enemy alien" parents of these boys watched them and waved goodbye from behind barbed wire. A fellow-AP remarked he thought the parents ought to be allowed outside the gate on such an occasion. Probably no one had thought of it—not even the parents themselves—in time to get the necessary permits.

On Aug. 4 Mr. Merritt gave notice that so many had left that it was necessary to close out ten blocks of barracks, cutting off water and electricity, and to condense the population. This had the delightful result that a few residents in those blocks decided that instead of having to move twice they would resettle for once and all! Even some of us women AP's had to move out and "resettle" in another dormitory in order to give our places to men—new AP's who had come to replace the carpenters, plumbers, electricians etc. that had left camp.

The AP group became markedly interracial, with Negroes, Indian Americans and even some Nisei who had resettled from other camps and were called here from outside. So many changes of personnel meant a lot of introductions of both new and old members of the staff at a general staff meeting.

The new head of the hospital on one such occasion, after introducing the young and very good-looking head nurse, added: "As far as I can find out, she's been here as long as the hills!" Mr. Merritt took occasion to interpolate that for her comfort he would say that the Sierras were among the youngest of the earth's geological formations!

Of course since the closing of the schools many of the teachers had left; a few had stayed on to help out in the offices where various types of workers were needed to replace our resettled Nisei. An American Friends Service Committee worker who visited Manzanar expressed himself as shocked at the difference between the rough, drafty barracks of the evacuees and the well-built, painted and furnished quarters of the AP's. The good Yankee answer was, "Ah!—but the AP's have to be urged to stay, while the evacuees have to

be urged to leave!"

The WRA had notified us that all applications of long-term dependency cases must be in by Aug. 10. When the notice came there were still 187 cases unscreened and only five and a half "junior counselors" who could be put to that work. I was assigned 17 cases and each of the others 34. Many of these took several hours each and the staff worked day and night, but had to have an extension to Aug. 23. With great effort we met that deadline. One third of the 187 cases proved not to be dependencies.

Two of my men were old die-hards who didn't want requests for aid made for them (though I knew they would need it). They were going to stay here anyway until the end of the war and it was the government's business to keep them.

No use explaining that Manzanar's closing did not depend on when the war ended, that Manzanar was not an internment camp but only a temporary affair, and that we workers were here to see that they had a chance to live; that it took time to make arrangements and not everybody could leave on the last bus. All this made no difference with their arguments: "They can't leave us here to die like cats and dogs by turning off the water and the electricity and giving us no food! A first-class power can't do that, no matter what a third-class power might do!"

I said the government had put us here to see that they were looked after and wouldn't they please cooperate with the plan to help them? Oh yes, they would cooperate, but they wouldn't go out, and that was not antipathy!—said they.

I felt positively weak the rest of the morning, but I followed the WRA instructions (die-hards were not new to the WRA) and filled out dependency papers for both of them.

Issei Die-Hard

A different sort of case was that of a man who admitted to having a nest-egg of \$300 laid up for his re-

turn to Japan after the war; he hoped that the WRA would not insist on his using that up before providing him aid.

I asked, "Have you a house and land in Japan?" "Yes," he said, "my family has a small farm between Okayama and Hiroshima. But of course there may be nothing left when I get back. They are bombing Japan everywhere."

"Are there any military installations in your home town?" I asked.

"No," he answered, "but they're bombing everywhere just the same!"

I got back to the business of the questionnaire as fast as I could—no use arguing!

News came of the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. A doctor in our hospital said that she didn't have to listen to the radio to know that new bombings had occurred—one of her patients, an old man, always came down with diarrhoea after every such piece of news.

Then, sooner than any of us had expected, without ground fighting on Japan's soil, came the word of Japan's surrender; next, after three days of suspense, the Allies' decision to let the Emperor remain. President Truman declared two days of national holiday—but we were not in a holiday mood with our deadline to meet, so worked as usual. Mr. Merritt went out among the people part of that time and told Mrs. Dille afterward that the Issei (first-generation Japanese in America) were all smilingly polite and friendly, but that the Nisei were strangely downcast. It had suddenly come over them that they would be just "Japs" (a hated word) again to the outside world, even though citizens. Occasionally a parent was reported to have taken out on his children his emotional upheaval at Japan's surrender, blaming Japan's defeat on the Nisei that had joined the Americans in fighting Japan! This was not the usual attitude toward the Nisei volunteers; most parents had felt it right and proper for their sons

to fight on the side of the country of their birth and citizenship. But after all, that country had denied that selfsame citizenship to these very parents.

In July we had found that Manzanar would have to resettle its population at the rate of about a thousand a month to finish in November. On August 30 Mr. Merritt, on WRA instructions, proclaimed through the Manzanar Free Press a directive from Dillon S. Myer to the following effect:

"In the next two weeks everybody is to report where he intends to relocate and on what day; those who don't will have the date set for them and will be returned to the place they came from. If they refuse to pack up, their packing will be done for them."

Mr. Myer even authorized the use of force if necessary in Manzanar. The "duration" had disappointed many by ending so soon, but they had to acquiesce to the inevitable. The closing of the military post near by was visible proof the war had ended.

Resettlement

It was the Relocation Office that had the brunt of the accelerated resettlement work. Only the dependency cases, both short and long term types, were the responsibility of the Welfare Office. These were happily but a small fraction of the total, and a good share of them were for only temporary aid. A number of evacuees had earlier been given short leaves to go out and look for jobs and housing. Some came back successful and took their families out; others returned disappointed.

One sort of disappointment that must have happened to a good many is illustrated by a man who came into our office in dismay and said, "I was going to the Campbell Soup Company in Chicago that had offered to hire some of us resettlers. But word has come from there that the offer is withdrawn because, now that the war is over, the government has cancel-

ed its contract for their soups. What shall I do now?"

We had to refer him back to the Relocation Office, reassuring him that we would do what we could if he needed aid in leaving. We gave grants of clothing and furniture as far as funds allowed. A man looking for employment must have something better than a Manzanar work suit; children must be properly outfitted for school. Furniture grants were graded according to the number in the family, the household's exchequer and the possessions (if any) awaiting their re-

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The figure of 499 is unbelievable because the chapter has passed the saturation point so far as potential JACL members are concerned in the county. The chapter has signed up friends of local members that live beyond the county boundaries, some even outside California.

The youth group was realized at an organization meeting Aug. 24 held at Luther Burbank conference room in Santa Rosa. Helping to organize were NC-WNDC youth commissioner Dr. Tom Taketa, Al-Co Jr. JACL adviser Molly Kitajima of Oakland, and San Jose Jr. JACL president Shirley Matsumura as well as the local members.

The Jim Murakami, the Tom Morikawa, the Sam Miyano, the George Okamoto, Dr. Roy Okamoto and George Hamamoto.

Jr. JACL Flying

The Sonoma County Jr. JACL held its first event last month and judging from the tremendous attendance at the Sports Night affair, the adult JACLers will have to step lively or be passed by in interest and enthusiasm.

To assure a successful series of chapter activities, the chapter and its affiliated groups (bowling, sportsmen and juniors) held 28 board and general meetings during the year.

There were 24 events programmed in 1966.

The JACL Bowling League is now entering its 15th year. The Sportsman's Club has added to the chapter scholarship fund by sponsoring a benefit fishing derby.

Special chapter events include the traditional installation dinner, sukiyaki dinner, community picnic, family conference and educational meetings.

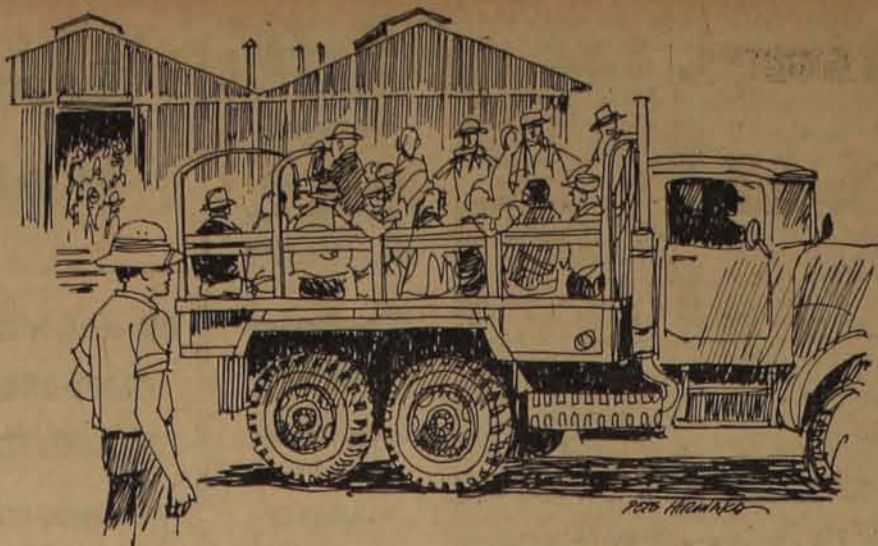
Effective Communication
Effective communication is a common problem among JACL chapters, districts and national. But Sonoma County has licked the problem locally by augmenting the chapter board with direct representation of the affiliated groups and seeing that each member (21 of them) on the board gets copies of the minutes and whatever official notices relating to chapter administration issued from time to time.

With Edwin Ohki at the helm for 1967, Sonoma County JACLers are looking forward to another banner year. Perhaps the only shadow on the scene is being cast by the passing away of so many Issei leaders and pioneers.

EVACUATION BRIEF Camp Rulers

The community council in the War Relocation Centers served as the governing body. It was made up of elected representatives of the evacuees who were over 21 and American citizens.

To this body was referred all matters of community government and operation within the broad framework of WRA administrative policy.



Manzanar...

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turn. It was a rather complicated process to determine the grants equitably. The Relocation Office gave to every family man who had less than \$100 a routine resettlement grant of \$25 per head in the family.

Congressional appropriations for each fiscal year ended in June, and any unspent balance would lapse. We had warned the evacuees of this and it probably hastened the resettlement of some. But others delayed. When the new appropriations came that summer of 1945, we found that in spite of Dillon Meyer's earnest plea five million dollars less than for 1944 had been assigned for the combined needs of all the Centers. The apportionments to resettlers had to be reduced to go around. If any one complained that it wasn't fair, that So-and-so had had more, we had to explain as kindly as possible without resorting to the cliché, "I told you so."

Occasionally a strange technicality raised questions. One old man was a professional bee-keeper with 18 hives on hand that he wanted transported to his future home in Roscoe. But WRA had ruled that no livestock should be transported as evacuee baggage. Were bees in the hives "livestock?" The authorities decided that they were. But since they were a means of livelihood that would soon make him self-supporting, wasn't it the same principle to transport the bees as to give a pair of scales and a big fish knife to a man that was going into the fish business? That had recently been done; so Mrs. D'Ille managed to give him a grant from some other source to get his hives transported.

As resettlement accelerated, the usually quiet camp resounded with saws and hammers at work crating and boxing baggage. We could pick up nails any-

where—Mrs. D'Ille wondered how long her tires could take the punishment they were getting as she drove about in the camp! The lumber WRA had provided for crating gave out and two of the empty barracks were torn down to supply the deficit. One man used up his crate lumber making chairs that his family was going to need, then asked for more to crate his new furniture. Another cut his crating wood into special sizes for special uses later and boxed that up to go as baggage. Realizing that they were starting with few resources in a world where living costs had risen and commodities were still scarce, one could hardly blame them for exercising this sort of foresight. As we saw the busses go off taking with wives and little children out into an uncertain future, we echoed in our hearts the words of a friendly onlooker, "How brave these people are!"

Not everything packed, however, could be considered "personal" baggage. One box was so heavy that it

was investigated; it contained a desert rock for the garden the evacuee was going to make!

Mr. Merritt had given strict orders that the evacuees stick to the departure dates mutually agreed upon. Only special cases of emergency were allowed to change. Here is one exception; a man walked into the Relocation Office and said, "I got married yesterday, and I'd like to leave on the same day as my wife if that change can be permitted!" It was! One neurotic old woman who never felt well when she thought of packing up and insisted that she couldn't go on the assigned date, was packed up by one of the Welfare staff and a Japanese friend, and went off in the end quite submissively and in a good humor.

Then there was the case of a woman whose husband had died in July. According to Buddhist custom a memorial should be said 100 days after death; she wanted to remain in Manzanar for that. Mr. Merritt had settled on November 21 as

the final date for evacuation. A possible solution for this widow's case seemed to be to have the Buddhist priest evacuate early so she would have a motive to go too!

One man chose a late resettlement date to see his chrysanthemums bloom. That was all right, because he wasn't asking for a change. Most of the people had to leave their gardens to nature's care and anybody could have large bouquets for the picking. But his flowers were really different — one stupendous plant with 71 flowers growing on it (we counted them) in four circular tiers with one taller flower in the middle. He tried to present this real masterpiece to Mr. Merritt, but the Merritt house wasn't big enough for it. Instead, we enjoyed it day after day in the Welfare Office.

near fish canneries. With much busy preparation — small furniture grants for families of three or more, one month's rent and a little toward the expense of clothing — the group started out. On October 16, the day they left, some hundred other people went out too, making about 350, the record so far for one day.

But there was a sequel to that start. While they were enroute the Navy sent word that it was just landing some 30,000 sailors and would need some of the quarters assigned to the Terminal Islanders, — so presto change! Part of the group was shifted to a Long Beach trailer camp, most fortunately available. There they arrived after dark, were met by Red Cross and welfare workers with some volunteers, were fed and helped in making beds, carrying baggage, etc. It proved a happy change, for this camp was nearer the bus line and the shopping district.

There had been other breaks in the problem for evacuee housing in general. The Evergreen Hostel under the Friends Service Committee in Los Angeles had already been for months a valued stepping-stone to more permanent quarters. Now several of the Japanese churches in Los Angeles and vicinity were opening for temporary use as hostels.

Even Boston opened a hostel for evacuees settling in the east. The Seabrook Farms in New Jersey had both housing and jobs for a large number that it hired from various centers. These were encouraging signs. Of course as the population melted away the institutions it had supported — and that had supported it — began to disappear. Each institution had its own problems. I don't know how the farms arranged it, but one week in the summer 800 chickens were killed and everybody had one or more

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Yet it did not affect chapter activities since Fowler was acclaimed the 1966 Chapter of the Year Dec. 4 at the Central California District Council convention.

Tiyo Yamaguchi, who headed the chapter as president, is a part-time farmer working with the Fresno County health department. Soon after the elections last year, the chapter held its community picnic at Kearney Park Mar. 27; Roy Kato was chairman.

Lee Berstrom, probation officer, spoke on marriage and divorce problems at the April 21 dinner meeting. He commented that Nisei divorces often involved family backgrounds rather than the principals themselves.

Plaque for Teacher
Fowler JACL plaque for local school teachers in service at least 10 years was initiated by the chapter as a way of saying "thanks" for a job well done. George Teraoka chaired the project.

The chapter awarded its scholarship to Randy MacFarland, Fresno State College student and Fresno Bee writer, first non-Japanese winning the award.

Chapter activities are not held during the summer harvest season. The Fowler Fall Festival marks the return to social scene and the chapter entered a decorated automobile to win a division first prize. Rev. William Kobayashi and Tiyo Yamaguchi rode in the chapter prize-winner.

Meetings during the year included speakers on timely topics, such as Medicare, health insurance, elections. The chapter also contributed in support of the American Field Exchange Service, assisted the district stage its recent convention and sponsored its annual Christmas party for children at Fowler Hall last Sunday (Dec. 17).

President for the coming year is Harry Honda (no relation to the PC editor with the same name).

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Manzanar...

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chicken dinners!
In September four institutions shut their doors. The Co-op had its closing-out sale. The miso factory that had provided the camp with a favorite soy-bean paste left enough to supply the remainder of its needs. The Manzanar Free Press folded up for lack of an editor. And the Children's Village put its last child, a small boy, into the family of one of its workers until his pending adoption into a good Japanese family in Nevada should be legally authorized.

Children's Village

The closing of the Children's Village provided much human interest. Three small children from Alaska, part Japanese and part Alaskan-Indian, were sent back - one wonders how they could have endangered the security of the citizenry if they had remained there!

Adoption cases were determined after the usual careful investigations. One of the workers told me of a Nisei couple coming from Utah to take the 2-year-old boy they had arranged for. "I wanted them to take a girl too," she said. "So I tempted them with little Lily, one year old. I saw to it that she was freshly dressed and playing in her crib when the couple went through the nursery. There she was holding on to the railing, jouncing and cooing, her little black eyes sparkling. The visitors were charmed - the strategy had worked - and they went home with two children instead of one!"

It was not always so easy. Four children whose mother was in an insane asylum were expecting to join their father and his new wife in Minnesota. When a legal snag arose, the father had not obtained the divorce that California law would have allowed him; and the local authorities, discovering this, would not recognize his present marriage and allow the children to come. That difficulty, however, would be resolved when the legal requirements had been met.

One day a cute little procession of two boys and two girls with the social worker came dressed in their best to say good-bye to Mrs. D'Ille and Mr. Merritt, who had a specially soft place in his heart for the Children's Village. The worker was driving with the children to Oakland and vicinity, where two were to go to a privately-run home where they had lived before the war, the other two to go into an orphanage under Juvenile Court protection. They too had been there before the war and they didn't want to go back; but the Court did not consider their ex-convict father a suitable guardian and nothing else had opened up for them. There were two motherless children more fortunate, for their father in Nebraska had remarried and was ready to take them.

Mr. Merritt went to the Children's Village to say good-bye to the last three going out on Sept. 20. For the children not fortunate enough to be adopted probably their stay in our Children's Village will remain one of their happiest childhood's memories. It was a loving, homelike place.

Camp Hospital

The closing of the hospital had to be gradual, of course; but long before the closing date the oculist and the orthopedic specialist that had come up periodically from Los Angeles for operations had stopped coming. By fall only emergency cases could be handled by the depleted staff. A special problem was presented by pregnant women. As far as possible without being inhuman, such women were urged to relocate early enough not to require service at Manzanar - which they all wanted because it was inexpensive and in familiar surroundings.

Then there was a group of chronic invalids many of whom would go to the Los Angeles County institution, Rancho Los Amigos. There was one easily arranged for

in a veterans' hospital. He was America's oldest living Nisei, having been born in New York and having fought in the Spanish War. One pitiful man was released by death only a few days before he would have been transferred. He was so emaciated by his long and painful struggle with stomach cancer that some who had known him said at the lonesome little funeral, "This isn't he! They've got the wrong corpse!"

The institution allied to the hospital, namely, the cemetery, had to be leveled off to meet the requirements of the lease from Los Angeles County; that after the camp closed the land should be returned in its former condition. But the WRA, with insight into the Japanese feeling, consulted every family that was known to have a member in the cemetery, and as far as possible followed the family wishes in regard to the disposal of the remains. One monument created a puzzle for identification: at last it was learned that it was a memorial erected by friends for a man that had never himself been in Manzanar!

The churches held out as long as anything except the hospital. Rev. Seizo Abe, by dint of long service in Okayama and Seattle the dean of the Protestant pastors, had to leave in October for family reasons, but others carried on. In his parting exhortations to his parishioners he reminded them of Manzanar's mountains and the verse that many of them had probably repeated many times there: "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help." Then he said in effect: "These mountains as we see them every day look flat, like a painted scene. But the recent storm, as the clouds moved among the ranges, revealed unexpected depths and showed us what they really are. In the same way, we have not really known America until now." And he appealed to his hearers for an understanding judgment of this country in spite of its contradictory aspects. The world was wide, he said, and wherever he should happen to live it would be God's house for him, even if it were a crowded trailer. His talk cheered us with its warmth and optimism.

On Nov. 18, the last Sunday before total resettlement, the one remaining Protestant pastor had not expected enough of an audience to have prepared a sermon; so when several people came in (fourteen, including Mrs. D'Ille, had come in before his real talk began), he proposed we have a sharing of thoughts. Some participated with remarks and prayer, after which the pastor gave an impromptu talk about his own Christian experiences. In closing they sang with fervor "God be with you till we meet again" and shook hands all around. The pastor took down the electric clock that belonged to his church in Glendale, and some of us cleaned the Manzanar dust off the piano keys to be ready for Herb Nicholson the next day. He was bringing up a truck to carry back the chairs and other furnishings that had been loaned to the church through his efforts.

The previous Sunday we had seen Father Steinbach of the Maryknoll Mission in Kyoto visiting the Catholic Church in Manzanar. He was beaming happiness in being one of a group of Catholic workers assigned to go to Japan as soon as their United States permits arrived. He was asking his flock for contributions of clothing they could spare for him to take to Japan for relief. They had busily cleaned, repaired and packed clothing enough to fill about twenty boxes already. In fact, the gathering of clothing for Japan became a great activity just before and after the closing of the camp. Some of us workers participated in gathering from dump heaps, gymnasium and barracks, (and even from contributing AP's) outgrown and discarded clothing left behind by the resettlers; when cleaned and packed, it made

much bulk that the Friends Service Committee had to send up its truck a second time to take it all away!

Closing Days

Dramatic incidents characterized some of the closing days. One of these related personally to Mr. Merritt. He made a visit with Mrs. Merritt to the "segregate" camp at Tule Lake at the request of one of the Japanese there who wished to see him before repatriation to Japan. This man had been in Manzanar when Mr. Merritt took office there and had been partly responsible for the "riot" that had occurred that December. Transferred to Tule Lake for later deportation, he had been converted to Christianity and from a deep religious experience wished to confess to Mr. Merritt his share in the wrong-doing. It was a very gratifying experience for Mr. Merritt.

Another dramatic incident was about a name. One day two busses and a station wagon were to carry away that day's list of resettlers. The busses had left, each with its roll-call completed and each person's papers given him, when an excited old man turned up at the Relocation Office and said he had learned only the night before that he was to go today instead of tomorrow as he had first been told, and that he hadn't been able to get ready. Fortunately, the station wagon was still being prepared for the trip; so the Relocation clerk took the man to the treasurer to pick up his parting grant of \$25. (a routine matter) and helped him put his baggage together. Our police chief happened by and said, "It's a fortunate delay, for the gate clerk has found that this man's papers were given to another man, and she's chasing up the bus to find out who has them!" She caught up with the bus at Little Lake below Lone Pine, and found that the papers were in the hand of a man who was scheduled for the station wagon and had misheard his name in the roll-call. (That was understandable, as Caucasian pronunciations of Japanese names were not always accurate.) The papers were exchanged, and the left-over man took the left-over seat in the station wagon. The day's schedule had been carried through.

Mr. Merritt's insistence on Nov. 21 as the closing date is illustrated by the following incident. A young man who had gone out to find a place for his family borrowed a friend's truck to return to Manzanar and take his family and goods out several days before the fateful Wednesday. The truck broke down on arrival at Manzanar and had to be towed to Independence for repairs. The repair shop promised prompt action, but dilly-dallied so that the truck was not ready when the final day came. Mr. Merritt then supplied a government truck and sent the man and his family off with the understanding that a

government car would be provided him for his return to claim the other truck when it was ready.

Wednesday morning the 21st, we saw off the last 42 to be resettled. All had gone but one carload when I went back to the office to work on my dependency report. Suddenly at eleven o'clock the camp siren started blowing, a prolonged and insistent scream. The AP's streamed out of their offices to the gate, many with cameras. There Mr. Merritt posed with "the last evacuee" in his arms - a wriggling two-year-old bawling at this momentary separation from his mother, even for so historic a photograph! His tears differed from those in many adult eyes that had shown genuine emotion in leaving for an uncertain future this sheltered place of many mingled memories. Even grown men had sometimes wept in the Welfare Office as they came to say good-bye and express thanks for what had been done for them.

Mr. Merritt himself was evidently feeling deeply, for when some one called on him, standing there at the gate with his faithful collie beside him, he at first demurred. Then he rose to the occasion and said in effect:

"On Nov. 21, 1942 at 11 a.m. Sandy and I arrived at Manzanar as Project Director. Today, just three years later, this Project is officially closed. I recently made a speech at Big Pine in which I told the people how the valley folks opposed the coming of this Center here and how Washington promised them two things: that it would make no difference in the social, political and economic life of the valley; and that it would not cost the taxpayer anything. This has come true; and to the contrary of their fears, it has brought one and a half million dollars into the valley and tided it over through these war years (it had depended much on the tourist trade cut off during the war); and moreover, Los Angeles City has received \$75,000 more than it would have received if it had merely rented the land out for cattle ranches as before.

"The thanks for our being able to close ten days earlier than our limit - beating the record of any other Center so far - are due first of all to the evacuees for their cooperation in carrying out the Washington program; second, to the staff that has worked so hard to that end - every one, no matter what his work was, has been important to that end. And the thing I am happiest about is that these years have served to help the evacuees morally, physically, and patriotically."

That afternoon Mr. Merritt telegraphed the WRA in Washington:

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General Aims of JACL Valid Yet After 36 Years
With All-Time Membership High, Budgets MetJuly 20
San Francisco

Membership and financial support are statistical measures of the appeal, strength and stability of an organization. We are pleased to report that in the biennium just concluding we have attained an all time high in membership, and for the first time in a number of years we have been able to realize our budgeted finances.

Program-wise, on the National level, to determine which are the first priorities is our ever present problem. While every program and activity once adopted becomes thereby a priority, from a practical standpoint it is inevitable that much depends upon the voluntary personnel appointed to carry out such specific programs as well as the ability of a limited staff to give proper time and direction. This does not take into account the many matters arising during the biennium which are in accord with our general purposes and programs not anticipated but requiring immediate attention.

While the general aims of the Japanese American Citizens League are still as valid as when the organization was activated 36 years ago, namely (1) promoting the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States, (2) fostering good citizenship, and (3) acquainting Americans with fellow Americans of Japanese ancestry; the more specific emphases of the organization need redefining in keeping with the times and conditions.

JACL faces the fact of the inclusion this biennium of many youth members, looking forward to the organization of a more or less permanent National Youth Council, and there are indications of an emerging pitch for the support of young adults. Both of these groups have grown up in a period where prejudice and discrimination are practically unknown in their personal experiences, thanks mainly to the efforts of JACL over these many years.

It is a fact that the basic organization of JACL stemmed from the need of a citizen group to work toward alleviation of prejudice and discrimination against persons of Japanese ancestry in this country.

The challenge to JACL is whether it can take ad-

vantage of the present situation to realize more fully the positive contributions which Americans of Japanese ancestry can make as Americans out of our distinct heritage, now that the discriminations which have hindered our fullest participation in American life have been practically eliminated, and JACL continues to be the training ground as it has been for such full participation.

At this stage of the game one of JACL's immediate problems is that of obtaining professional staff personnel with sufficient experience and know-how, not only to assist in expediting the programs to which we have committed ourselves, but also to assist our Chapter in enriching their programs according to the needs and interests of their members and local communities, in the doing of which an ever increasing number of our members can be drawn from the periphery of token financial support into the center of Chapter program and activity participation.

From the standpoint of hindsight, we have been shortsighted in the past by lopping off staff personnel or passing up possible staff members, dictated by lack of finances. Our feeling is that JACL should look to retaining staff personnel who can help us. We have faith that our membership, once they have seen the value of such personnel, will raise the wherewithal to assure them some security as necessary to JACL's future.

Membership

Membership is the guts of the organization and reflects its appeal. 1964 was a banner year with an all time high National membership of 18,642, and this total was further increased in 1965 to 22,501. From present indications, 1966 will not hit as high as 1965.

With the program of recognition for outstanding membership performances by the Chapters actually stated in 1964, we see that 51 Chapters in 1964 exceeded the membership count of their previous year, 19 of which registered all time highs. In 1965, 62 Chapters improved on their previous year with 37 achieving all time highs. To date this year 38 Chapters have ex-

ceeded last year with 23 Chapters registering all time highs.

Under Dr. David Miura's tenure as National Membership Chairman the previous biennium, the membership graph in the Pacific Citizen was instituted. Pete Hironaka, whose clever cartoons grace the PC, is responsible for the graph from figures supplied from Headquarters.

The processing of so many members at National Headquarters as well as in the Pacific Citizen Office for subscriptions entails a great deal of paper work. Studies are in progress to try to alleviate a great deal of this paper work and make for more accurate records through using data processing or some other means.

One such definite proposal will be discussed at this Convention to indicate to the Chapters what is involved in their remitting memberships to National Headquarters. Since the 1967 membership cards must be printed up in September, it is hardly possible that any new system of processing can be thoroughly studied and put into operation this year.

Meantime a suggestion has been made of revising the present membership card form to include two cards for members instead of one in order to take care of husband and wife and eliminate some work for membership solicitors by making out only one Chapter and Headquarters membership record for a couple. At the same time, it is believed that



ABE HAGIWARA
Beloved JACL leader whose death this biennium will be memorialized by youth.

this revision may help toward encouraging both husband and wife to sign up as members where such is not being done at present.

In order to obtain some feeling from the Chapters on this proposal a memo was sent out to Chapter Membership Chairmen. Of the 27 Chapters responding, 23 indicated they are in favor of having the two membership cards, and four indicated they are in favor of having the two membership cards, and four Chapters did not feel it would make any appreciable difference. On the basis of this return as well as the advantages involved, we propose to put this plan in operation with the 1967 membership cards.

1000 Club

The 1000 Club continues to provide a substantial annual income for National operations and give stability to National finances as originally intended.

We are deeply grateful to the Chapter 1000 Club Chairmen upon whose hustle the National 1000 Club count depends, as National 1000 Club Chairman Joe Kadowaki will testify whose main job is to keep in contact with them.

The roster of current 1000 Clubbers prepared for listing for the 19th Biennial Convention Program Booklet as of May 30 shows 1,718 members compared to 1,697 listed at about the same time for the 1964 18th Biennial.

At the 1964 National Convention, the problem was posed of continuing to credit Chapters with their Life Member amounts when most of the money contributed by the original Life Members at \$250 had been exhausted.

After considerable thought the matter was finally resolved by investing the Life Membership reserve plus other monies into the Dow Theory Fund.

The amount invested in April of 1965 was \$8,819.07 from the original Life Membership Reserve, plus \$10,000 which National had in deposit in two \$5,000 certificates with Fireside Thrift Savings & Loan, and \$9,180.93 loaned out of JACL's current checking account, for a total of \$27,966.15.

Subsequently (4/18/66), \$492.06 additional was deposited from another Life Membership.

We are deeply indebted to one of our 1000 Clubbers for making the necessary arrangements for this investment and waiving the commission to which he was entitled, and because of which he must remain anonymous.

This now means that all Life Members who have paid in lump sums from the very beginning of the Life Membership program can now be credited with \$25 annually to their Chapters from here on out.

Under a quarterly withdrawal program arrangement with Dow Theory, we are able to realize sufficient funds to cover and thus keep our promise that they are indeed 1000 Club Members for life.

At the same time, the principal invested will continue to appreciate even with these withdrawals, so that eventually the amount loaned to this Fund by JACL out of its current checking account can be repaid.

For those who will attain Life Membership on the accumulated years basis, i.e. by renewing their 1000 Club membership for 20 years, and by conversion through paying the balance up to 20 years, we will continue to recognize as Life Members, but will not be able to continue to credit their respective Chapters with \$25 each year after unless they continue payments for their 21st year, 22nd year, etc. This we will encourage them to do.

During this biennium four Life Members were added, one a Life Memorial Membership, one by conversion on accumulated 20 years, and two on \$500 lump sum payments of which one was by an 18 year 1000 Clubber.

Health Insurance

The matter of group health insurance as a benefit of JACL membership was discussed at the Detroit Convention with the Pacific Southwest District Council having officially adopted the Capitol Life Insurance Company Group Health Plan, followed by the Central California District Council doing likewise. Because of the many complications involved, it was decided in 1964 that such program should be on the District level rather than at the National level.



CHILDREN ARE TAGGED — A Bainbridge Island (Wash.) mother had trouble holding back the tears as the Army moved her and her three children from the island home to California in

the first step of the Evacuation of the island by the Army. Note the identification of the children. They are waiting for the special ferry to take them to Seattle.
—UPI Photo.

Subsequently the Mountain Plains District Council has also adopted the Capitol Life Group Health Plan. Several Chapters in the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council have for some time had a group health program, namely Blue Cross, the San Jose Chapter having pioneered this program for more than 15 years.

The NC-WN District after careful study went on record to adopt the group health program of the California Physicians Service, but also to allow Chapters already holding contracts with Blue Cross or in process of negotiating with Blue Cross to continue. As a result, 15 Chapters are involved in the California Physicians Service (CPS) Plan and nine Chapters in Blue Cross.

While the group health program in NC-WN has been stressed as a service to the JACL members rather than a gimmick to attract new members, it was inevitable that a large number of older Issei who hitherto had not been JACL mem-

bers and who had never had any opportunity to participate in a group health program mainly because of their advanced age, were attracted into membership through the JACL-CPS, approximately 1,200 of the 2,800 enrolled in JACL-CPS were over 60 years of age.

With the institution of the federal Medicare program effective as of July 1, 1966, a large number of such Issei have been transferred out of JACL-CPS into Medicare.

Incidentally, Headquarters felt the Medicare program information was of such importance to the Issei, so with the cooperation of the San Francisco District Office of Health, Education and Welfare, and Yas Abiko of the San Francisco Nichibei Times, we undertook the translation of the Medicare program into Japanese and distributed over 25,000 copies throughout all our Chapters.

The federal government had previously made a translation which our contacts felt was most inadequate, and was so pleased with our results that the entire cost of translating and distributing was absorbed by the government and the government also did the printing through its facilities.

The JACL-CPS program, being a responsibility of the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council, and involving the signing up of members, billing and collection from enrollees in the program, became centered in the JACL Northern California Regional Office.

Fortunately, we were able to induce Mrs. Teiko Kuroiwa, former member of the National JACL during wartime, to work part time to take care of the necessary paper work involved. We were also able to induce the Sumitomo Bank to agree to receive payments direct from the enrollees, deposit the monies, and provide our office with a regular accounting of these by individuals.

During the first year of operation, JACL-CPS members have received over a quarter million dollars in hospital and surgical benefits. We thank the Chapter JACL-CPS Commissioners for their efforts in this program.

Public Relations

Under the leadership of National Public Relations Committee Akiyoshi Yoshimura, we produced this biennium our "Please Don't" leaflet stating our position against the use of the term "Jap" in written and spoken language. 25,000 copies of these were printed up

with distribution to all the Chapters in 1955 and again in 1966 alerting all the new Chapter Presidents to the availability of these. Some Chapters have made particular good use of these leaflets as evidenced by requests from non-Nisei sources for extra copies of the leaflet.

The Japanese Canadian Citizens Association requested permission to reprint copies and distribute under its name, which permission was granted.

The original JACL public relation pamphlet telling the story of the Japanese American Citizens League printed in 1951 has at long last been updated with facts and programs since that time. The material is now in the hands of Bill Hosokawa who has consented to rewrite the story completely. We hope to have copies ready for distribution this fall.

The CBS 'Twentieth Century' documentary television programs, "The Nisei — The Pride and The Shame" on which JACL National officials cooperated in furnishing material, was shown on January of 1965 and repeated again that summer. A copy of this film was obtained by Headquarters which has been widely used by Chapters as well as other groups.

Upon being alerted by the Orange County Chapter, National JACL mounted a national campaign against the particular episode being filmed for the "FBI Story" series based upon the experiences of Tomoya Kawakita. This particular episode was to be the kickoff program for the "FBI" series starting in the fall of 1965. The flood of protests held up the showing, and we are led to believe that it will not be shown in view of the complete series having been shown and summer reruns are now in progress.

During the biennium, National Headquarters has been of assistance to a number of professional writers for material relative to Japanese Americans for publication.

Scholarships

We are pleased that the annual Scholarship program administered by National JACL has grown considerably since 1946 when Mrs. Haruyo Masaoka began the Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka Memorial Scholarship in memory of her soldier son and thereby instituted the National JACL Scholarship program. It is fitting that we honor Mrs. Masaoka at our 19th Biennial for this great service and generosity.

To prepare for this testimonial, Headquarters lo-

1964-66 WASHINGTON OFFICE REPORT

JACL Role in Advance of Japanese Americans
Assessed at 25-Yr. Mark of Nisei RepresentativeJuly 22
Washington

As we were preparing this biennial (1964-66) report, our attention was called to the fact that 25 years have passed since the now Washington JACL Representative was first employed by the National Organization in August 1941 as its first paid executive. And, except for almost three years spent with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team in World War II, the Washington Representative has spent the past quarter century either as a full-time paid executive or on a part-time retainer basis with JACL.

Since it is not possible to spend half of one's life with an organization without having seen and experienced much, may we be excused if we indulge in a bit of reminiscing, particularly since this past biennium has witnessed the closing of several rather bitter chapters in the history of JACL and persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States?

We refer, of course, to the enactment of amendments of the Immigration and Nationality (Walter-McCarran) Act of 1952 that eliminated the national ori-

gins system for determining annual immigration quotas and abolished the Asia-Pacific Triangle special discrimination against those of Asian ancestry, the compromise - settlement and payment of the last of the so-called Evacuation claims, and the passage of the most meaningful and comprehensive civil rights legislation in the country's history.

As we look back on a quarter of a century of JACL activity, we are most pleased, and pardonably proud, of JACL's many and great achievements that have contributed so much not only to the progress of those of Japanese ancestry in the United States but also to the advancement of the cause of mankind and of our Nation.

And, frankly, who among us 25 years ago would have dared that within this short span of time JACL would have been able to accomplish and achieve so much.

We have destroyed the "yellow peril" myth.

We have demonstrated that Americans of Japanese ancestry can be assimilated and integrated into the American cultural pattern, that Americans of Japanese ancestry are as loyal to the country of

their birth as any other group of Americans, that Americans of Japanese ancestry can, and have, fought and died for the United States in battle against the common enemies, including the Japanese military.

We have been denied by our own Government, and called upon to suffer and sacrifice as no other group in American history has ever been called upon to endure; without bitterness and losing faith, we have experienced humiliation, indignity, and persecution, as well as the loss of a lifetime of hard toil, in an Evacuation, relocation, and resettlement experience unmatched in the annals of American democracy; we have passed through our "baptism of fire" and have earned the respect of our fellow citizens as worthy partners of the American heritage.

We are no longer generally confined to the Pacific Coast States; the latest 1960 Census shows that Japanese Americans are located in every State in the Union.

Alien Japanese may now become naturalized citizens of the land of their adoption.

Prospective immigrants of

Japanese ancestry, no matter where born or resident, are entitled to entry into the United States on the same basis as all other immigrants from the Old or New Worlds. The Japanese Exclusion Act of 1924 is now a dead letter, as is the Asia-Pacific Triangle bias against those of Asian ancestry.

We now enjoy the rights, privileges, immunities, and opportunities of this land, almost without exception. The more than 500 discriminatory laws and ordinances that were directed against those of Japanese ancestry in the pre-World War II period to restrict and circumscribe the lives and opportunities of those of Japanese ancestry are no longer on the statute books, except for perhaps one or two that are, in fact, inoperative.

The anti-alien land laws, the most vicious and insidious of all statutes that were used to deprive Japanese of the right to purchase and own land, have, with the exception of that in Washington State, have all been repealed.

Other laws that deprived the Japanese from engaging in certain professions and

vocations also have been nullified, as well as legislation that denied aliens of Japanese ancestry the benefit of certain social measures.

Racially restrictive covenants in housing have been declared unconstitutional, as have racially segregated schools and anti-miscegenation prohibitions, with the exception of some 19 states, all in the Deep South or the Border States.

Japanese Americans may now find employment opportunities in the fields for which they are educated, trained, or competent. Today, no area of human endeavor or activity is closed automatically on account of race.

Today too, open occupancy in the purchase or rental of housing anywhere is the rule and not the exception for those of Japanese ancestry. Public accommodations and facilities, again almost without exception, are available to those of Japanese ancestry everywhere.

The long - desiring Territory of Hawaii has become our 50th State. And, there is an all-oriental delegation, three - fourths of whom are Americans of Japanese ancestry, in the

Congress of the United States.

Even on the continental mainland, a Japanese American has been elected to a State Legislature; many Japanese Americans have been elected to various municipal, county, and state offices, with several having been elected Mayors of their respective cities; a number of Japanese American judges now sit in judgment of their fellow citizens.

And, the land of our ancestry, Japan, has become the major ally of our country in the Far East, a showcase for democratic institutions and free enterprise. Today, 20 years after defeat and devastation, Japan is the second largest American trading partner, and the fifth biggest industrial complex on earth. The ties between the land of our ancestry and of our citizenship have never been closer, more friendly, or mutually more profitable.

It seems only yesterday that the United States was always giving first priority to Europe, with Asia neglected or ignored. Now, it is official government policy that Asia is on par with Europe for American concern.
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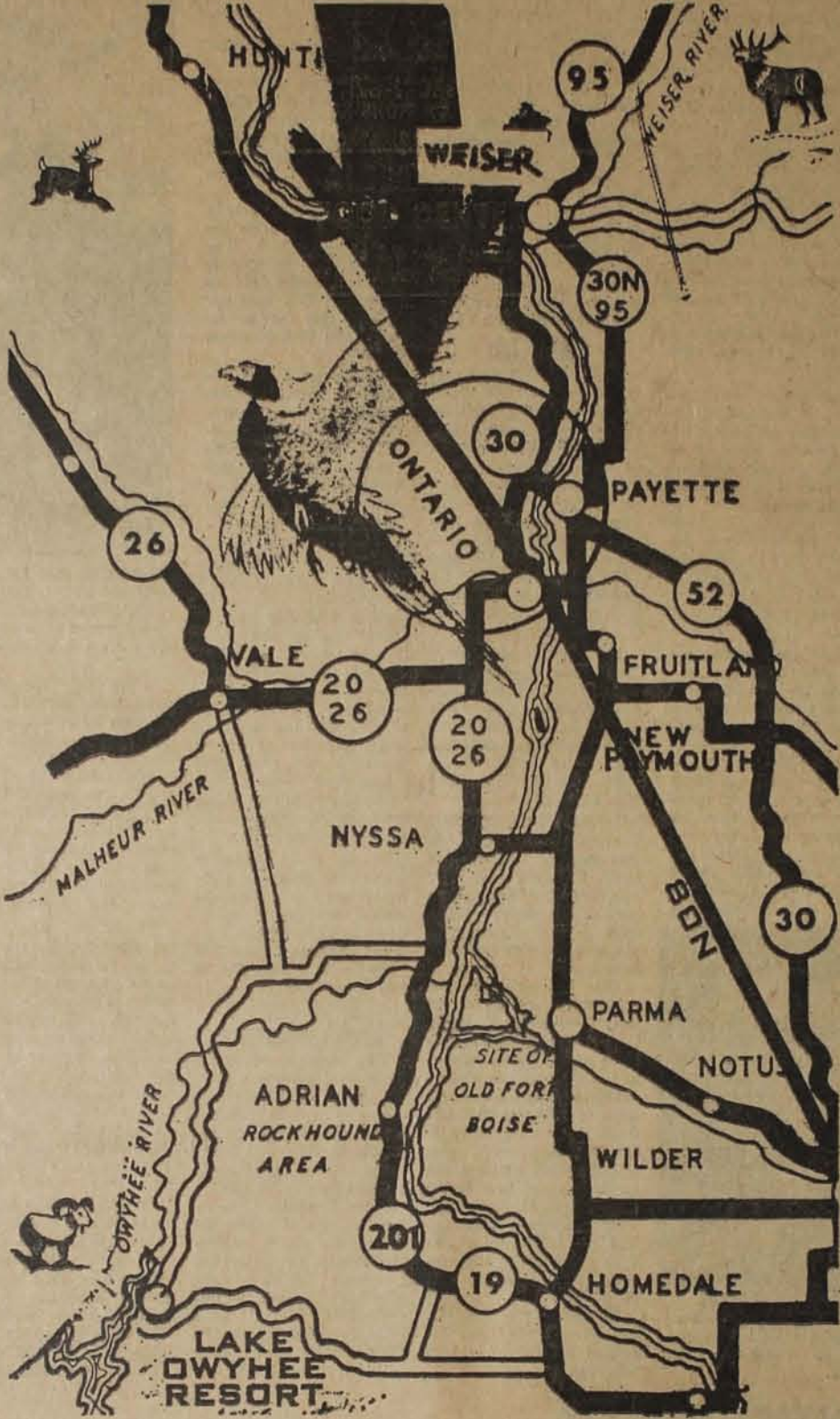
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JAPANESE-AMERICAN RELATIONS:

Worthy Partners for Building Peace

(Following is the text of an address delivered by Bill Hosekawa, associate editor of The Denver Post, before the Chicago JACL inaugural dinner on Dec. 3, in which roles for the Japanese Americans are described to make our nation a better nation and our world a better world — especially in the Pacific area. — Editor.)

ONE night, just about six weeks ago, I returned to my home in Denver after a brief business trip to Japan. As I was unpacking my bag, my wife filled me in on the various things that had transpired in my absence.

Now, let me explain that I live in what normally is a well-regulated household, a rather peaceful place where nothing very exciting ever happens. But as soon as I leave on a trip, the whole place falls apart. Thus, I was not overly surprised when my wife told me that an unexpected storm had dumped nearly a foot and a half of snow on Denver and some of our largest trees had been broken. And that the dog had tangled with a skunk that had sneaked into our ga-

rage, with unfortunate results for everyone.

Well, the list of mishaps went on and on. The plumbing was acting up. The furnace had developed alarming noises. Someone had rammed our car from the rear while she was stopped for a traffic signal.

"Just everything happened," my wife said. "Oh, and I forgot to mention one more thing. Shig Wakamatsu phoned you from Chicago."

Oh boy, I said to myself. Disaster on top of disaster. I wonder what kind of trouble the Issei History Project is in now.

I'm sure you will be relieved to know the History Project is in good health. Shig was merely relaying Sterling Suga's invitation to meet with you tonight and, if at all possible, say something worthwhile. So you see, if anyone was in trouble, it was not Shig but I.

Glad to Be Here

Actually, no one had to twist my arm excessively to force me to accept the invitation, for it is a deep pleasure to be here to renew old friendships and make new ones. I see many old friends in this gathering.

Most of you are, like myself, transplants from the West Coast, and it is obvious that you have found social acceptance and economic opportunity in this great city of the hospitable midlands. What a thrill it is to see how well you have done, and to hear your individual stories about the way you have planted your roots deeply, establishing a hitherto unknown measure of security for your families.

As a student a long time ago, I remember reading Carl Sandburg's epic poem about Chicago. Perhaps you can recall the blunt, unflattering words: "Hog butcher of the world," he said. "Tool-maker, stacker of wheat, player with railroads and the nation's freight-handler. Stormy, husky, brawling, City of the Big Shoulders."

Some people did not like the poem. Sandburg wrote it in honest admiration of the power and vigor Chicago represented a generation ago, a power and vigor which, with one small but not unimportant difference, continue undiminished today. That difference is that the Nisei in their maturity are now a part of the stor-

mous vitality of Chicago. They are contributing to the skills and know-how and the ambition that make Chicago the forward-moving city that it is, and all of us should be proud of the part they play.

Tokyo Looks Ahead

TONIGHT, I would like to talk to you for a short time about another forward-looking city, namely Tokyo, and the forward-moving country of which it is the industrial and commercial heart and the political capital, Japan. This is a pertinent topic for us, I feel, for important reasons other

than that of racial background. The fact is that Japan is one of the world's most strategic pivots, and what happens there is of vital concern to the United States and to every American.

In the years of our youth, much longer ago than we like to contemplate, you may recall that many of us Nisei made a point of avoiding anything that had to do with Japan.

For one thing, we were rebelling against our parents — what they represented, the old-country disci-

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National Constitution

Japanese American Citizens League

As Amended at 1966 San Diego National Convention

PREAMBLE

We, American citizens, in order to foster American democracy, promote active participation in civic and national life, and secure justice and equal opportunities for persons of Japanese ancestry, do establish this constitution for the Japanese American Citizens League of the United States of America.

ARTICLE I

Name and Headquarters

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the Japanese American Citizens League of the United States of America. The official abbreviation of the name of this League shall be J.A.C.L.

Section 2. The National Headquarters of this organization shall be in the city designated by the National Council.

ARTICLE II

Policy

Section 1. This organization shall promote, sponsor

and encourage programs, projects and activities which shall be designed to further and encourage every member to perform faithfully his duties and obligations to the United States of America. The organization and its members shall uphold the Constitution of the United States and the laws of the land and of the several states.

Section 2. This organization shall be non-partisan and non-sectarian and shall not be used for purposes of endorsing candidates for public offices, nor shall it engage in any other political activity whatsoever, except when the welfare or civil rights of persons of Japanese ancestry shall be directly affected.

ARTICLE III

Incorporation and Seal

Section 1. The incorporation of this organization shall be under the laws of the State of California.

Section 2. The official seal of this organization shall

bear the words: "Japanese American Citizens League, Incorporated Under the Laws of the State of California, June 21, 1937". This seal shall be affixed to all instruments and documents issued by or under the authority of this League.

ARTICLE IV

Membership

The membership of this organization shall be composed of American citizens who are 18 years of age or over who agree to abide by the Constitution and By-Laws of this organization.

ARTICLE V

Chapters

Section 1. The National Organization shall be composed of regularly chartered Chapters, Chapters in process, JACL Committees, District Council, and Members, including Junior JACL Chapters and Districts as may be duly organized and chartered.

Section 2. The chapters of this organization are encour-

aged to sponsor and promote programs of their own which are calculated to serve their local communities in the spirit prescribed in the Preamble, and to participate in the various projects recommended by the National organization.

Section 3. The chartered chapters shall be as autonomous as is consistent with this Constitution and By-Laws with the National program.

ARTICLE VI

District Councils

Section 1. The regularly chartered chapters shall be grouped together for administrative and program purposes into District Councils.

Section 2. The District Councils shall have jurisdiction over their member chapters, shall participate in and direct the National program within their respective Councils as well as sponsor such activities of their own which shall serve the best interests of their area; shall act upon all business matters referred to them by the National Board, National Council and their authorized officers; and shall coordinate the activities of the chapters and the District with the National organization.

Section 3. The District Councils shall enjoy such autonomy as is consistent with the Constitution and the By-Laws and the National Program. They shall be governed by their own Constitution and By-Laws. The presiding officer of each District Council shall be the Governor.

ARTICLE VII

Legislative Body

Section 1. The legislative powers of this organization shall be vested in a National Council which shall be composed of two official delegates from each of the chartered chapters.

Section 2. The National Council shall meet in general

session biennially during the National Convention.

Section 3. The National Council shall meet in special session upon the call of the President or the National Board whenever it shall be deemed necessary.

Section 4. The quorum necessary to conduct business shall be the presence of a majority of the chartered chapters in good standing.

Section 5. The National Director shall mail copies of the proposed agenda for the National Council meeting at least 30 days preceding the meeting to chapter presidents.

ARTICLE VIII

Voting of National Council

Section 1. The casting of ballots in the National Council sessions shall be upon the basis of chapters in good standing, other chapters duly recognized by the National Council. Each chapter is entitled to one vote which shall be cast in alphabetical order on the membership roll as prepared by the National Director.

Section 2. The majority of all chapters in good standing or chapters duly recognized by the National Council present at all meetings of the National Council shall be necessary for the determination of all issues, questions, and elections, unless otherwise provided.

Section 3. The results of telegraphic, telephonic, or mail voting shall be binding on all chapters in emergencies when the National Director shall have conducted a special poll at the direction of the President who shall announce the results of such special polls, or refer an official request from a District Council to the National Director for a special poll. A majority of the votes returned shall decide the outcome of the proposed issues, provided a quorum of (Continued on Page 3)

Nisei of the Biennium

The Japanese American Citizens League at its biennial national conventions recognizes those who contribute to the status and prestige of the Nisei in America.

The awards are currently presented in two categories:
1—Distinguished Community Leadership, which has helped to advance the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry and which has brought about a greater acceptance of Nisei into the American way of life; and

2—Distinguished Achievement based upon signal success and outstanding achievement in special fields of endeavor where such has been nationally recognized.

Candidates are nominated by individuals of JACL chapters, not later than 45 days prior to a national convention, and screened by the National Recognition Committee which selects a number of finalists. A panel of distinguished citizens then determines the "Nisei of the Biennium," who is awarded the JACL gold medallion. Other finalists are awarded the JACL silver medallion.

(Names in Bold-Face were awarded the Gold Medallion, those in light-face the Silver Medallion).

1966
Rep. Patsy T. Mink, Honolulu
Dr. Kazumi Kasuga, Washington D.C.
Harry T. Ushijima, Chicago
Yoshihiro Uchida, San Jose
Kenji Fujii, Hayward
1964
Henry Y. Kasai, Salt Lake
Rep. Spark Matsunaga, Honolulu
Dr. Tom T. Omori, Pasadena
1962
Minoru Yamasaki, Detroit
Dr. Kiyoshi Tomiyasu, Schenectady, N.Y.
Caesar Uyesaka, Santa Barbara
John Yoshino, Washington
1960
Rep. Daniel Inouye, Honolulu
Stephen K. Tamura, Santa Ana
Pat Suzuki, New York

Rev. Donald K. Toriumi, Pasadena
David M. Tatsuno, San Jose
1958
Bill Hosokawa, Denver
Tom Shimasaki, Lindsay
Dr. Iwao Moriyama, Washington
Harry A. Osaki, Pasadena
Tommy T. Kono, Honolulu
1956
George J. Inagaki, L.A.
Shigeo Wakamatsu, Chicago
Robert Sakata, Denver
Jack Murata, Washington
Minoru Yamasaki, Detroit
1954
Hiroshi Miyamura, Gallup
Judge John Aiso, Los Angeles
Rev. Jitsuo Morikawa, Chicago
Dr. Minol Ota, Lovell, Wyo.
Thomas Yego, Newcastle
*Dr. Harvey A. Itano, Bethesda, Md.



REP. PATSY MINK
1965-66 Nisei of Biennium

*George Iwashita, Bloomfield, N.J.
*Special recognitions awarded in the fields of science and industry.
1952
Minoru Yasui, Denver
Bill Hosokawa, Denver
Tomi Kanazawa, New York
Carl K. Sato, Mesa, Ariz.
Ford H. Konno, Honolulu
K. Patrick Okura, Omaha
1950
Mike M. Masaoka, Washington
Mrs. Setsuko Nishi, Chicago
Larry Tajiri, Salt Lake City
Hito Okada, Salt Lake City
Saburo Kido, Los Angeles
*The award in 1950 was initially titled "Nisei of the Year."

JACler of Biennium

The JACL awards to the member whose leadership and performance has been outstanding in the national organization for the two-year period since the last national convention the "JACler of the Biennium" award, consisting of the JACL gold medallion.

Candidates are nominated by chapters and individuals. Elected national JACL officers serve as judges.

The award is made in memory of the late Dr. Randolph M. Sakada, 1950-52 national JACL president.

1966
William Marutani, Philadelphia
1964
Fr. Clement, Downtown L. A.
1962
Frank Oda, Sonoma County
1960
Joe Kadowaki, Cleveland
1958
Mrs. Sue Joe, Long Beach
Kumeo Yoshinari, Chicago
1956
Abe Hagiwara, Chicago
Jerry Enomoto, San Francisco

Best Membership Marks by Chapters

Records of individual Chapter Membership have been maintained by National Headquarters since 1946. This listing of all-time highs in membership by chapters was prompted by the belief that knowledge of these facts would bolster chapter efforts and possibly boost the national all time high to 25,000 by the time the next convention is held in San Jose in 1968. Nationally, JACL membership reached a new plateau, with 21,862 active as of November 8, 1965.

The all-time highs for 1966 are as of Oct. 31. These were 21 chapters breaking their previous all-time highs this year.

Some of the chapters have already undertaken their 1966 campaign since the first of October.

Pacific Northwest District Council	1,295	1966	Gardena Valley	188	1959
*Columbia Basin	63	1954	Hollywood	322	1966
Gresham-Troutdale	87	1966	Imperial Valley	64	1959
Mid-Columbia	153	1966	Long Beach-Harbor	589	1963
Portland	325	1966	North San Diego	129	1965
Puyallup Valley	157	1965	Orange County	267	1966
Seattle	631	1954	Pasadena	270	1966
Spokane	96	1947	San Diego	420	1965
White River Valley	84	1965	San Fernando	188	1965
No. Calif.-West Nev. District Council	10,133	1965	San Luis Obispo	99	1958
Alameda	284	1966	Santa Barbara	148	1956
Berkeley	479	1958	Santa Maria	191	1952
Contra Costa	443	1966	Southwest L.A.	1,216	1956
Corliss	159	1965	Venice-Culver	315	1959
*Eastbay	316	1950	Ventura County	184	1961
Eden Township	279	1965	W. Los Angeles	528	1966
Flora	181	1955	Willshire-Uptown	103	1964
Fremont	148	1965	Intermountain District Council	1,816	1961
French Camp	203	1965	Ben Lomond	138	1950
Gilroy	132	1966	Boise Valley	206	1959
Livingston-Merced	123	1965	Idaho Falls	157	1959
Marysville	390	1965	Mt. Olympus	264	1965
Monterey Peninsula	385	1966	*Northern Utah	40	1960
Oakland	278	1965	Pocatello	228	1958
Placer County	465	1965	Rexburg	68	1957
Reno	71	1966	Salt Lake City	567	1961
Sacramento	924	1965	Snake River	385	1961
Salinas Valley	209	1966	Mountain-Plains District Council	1,182	1956
San Benito	69	1966	*Albuquerque	96	1955
San Francisco	1,704	1965	Arkansas Valley	111	1956
San Jose	1,565	1966	Fort Lupton	163	1962
San Mateo	285	1950	Mid-Hi	660	1957
Sequoia	403	1965	*Montana	51	1949
Sonoma County	497	1966	*Northern Wyoming	47	1950
Stockton	658	1965	Omaha	183	1966
Watsonville	415	1966	*Rio Grande Valley	37	1949
Central California District Council	1,228	1960	San Luis Valley	124	1960
Bakersfield	73	1959	Midwest District Council	2,294	1959
Clovis	66	1965	Cincinnati	106	1959
Delano	59	1955	Chicago	1,121	1952
Fowler	128	1955	Cleveland	348	1959
Fresno	250	1948	Dayton	74	1961
*Kingsbury	1	1954	Detroit	400	1957
Parlier	179	1956	Milwaukee	143	1961
Reedley	174	1956	St. Louis	168	1959
Sanger	142	1963	Twin Cities	243	1953
Selma	151	1960	Eastern District Council	914	1966
Tulare County	178	1958	*New England	58	1948
Pacific Southwest District Council	4,429	1965	New York	230	1949
Arizona	226	1966	Philadelphia	204	1966
Coachella Valley	106	1957	Seabrook	321	1956
Downtown L.A.	413	1947	Washington, D.C.	330	1966
E. Los Angeles	394	1953	*Inactive Chapters		



WORK SESSION — National JACL Board chaired by Kumeo Yoshinari (center head table), 1965-66 president, discusses JACL matters prior to opening of 19th biennial National Convention at San Diego's El Cortez Hotel in July. He is flanked by National Director Mas Satow

(left) and Jerry Enomoto, 1st v.p., who is now national president. Facing camera at left is Bill Marutani of Philadelphia, national legal counsel, who was chosen as JACler of the Biennium at this convention for his role defending civil rights workers in Bogalusa, La.

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the majority of the chapters of the organization reply. On mail voting the National Director shall mail either a self-addressed envelope or post card to each chapters by certified mail and set a deadline of 30 days after date of mailing for the return of the ballots.

Section 4. Voting by proxy shall be permitted when it shall be impossible for Official Delegates to attend meetings of the National Council. Such proxies may be given to any Active Member, but no member of the National professional staff, provided that such delegation of powers shall be in writing and shall include whatever restrictions and instructions the chapter deems necessary and proper under the circumstances, and provided that the chapter represented by proxy shall have paid the minimum National Convention registration fee.

ARTICLE IX National Board

Section 1. The executive powers of this organization shall be vested in the National Board which shall be composed of the elected national officers, the District Council Governors and the immediate National Legal Council, the zen Board and the National Youth Commissioner, the latter three to be appointed by the President, subject to the approval of the National Board. One of the past National Presidents who has served his full term shall be elected by the past National Presidents to serve on the National Board.

Section 2. All elected National officers shall act in their respective capacities on the National Board.

Section 3. The National Board shall meet annually; during the National Convention, and in the non-National

Convention year at a time and place to be designated by the National President; and upon the call of the President whenever he may be requested to do so in writing by three or more members thereof.

Section 4. The National Board shall implement the resolutions and decisions of the National Council.

Section 5. The quorum necessary to conduct the business of the National Board shall be a majority of the members thereof. The elected National Officers, the District Council Chairmen and the immediate past National President shall have the right to vote on all matters. In the event a District Council Governor is unable to attend a meeting of the National Board, an alternate may be selected by the officers of the District Council and such alternate shall be allowed to vote all matters.

Section 6. Any District Council, at its own expense may send one representative in addition to its Chairman to any National Board meeting. Said representative shall be permitted to sit in all meetings and participate in the discussion but shall have no vote.

ARTICLE X National Officers

Section 1. The elective officers shall be the President; three Vice Presidents, designated as the First Vice President, the Second Vice President and the Third Vice President; the Secretary to the National Board, the Treasurer, and the National 1000 Club Chairman. The elective officers shall be Active Members of this organization and shall be at least 30 years of age. They shall serve from one Biennial National Convention to the next.

Section 2. The National Board shall appoint Active

Members of the organization to all vacancies which shall occur among the elective officers of the Board; however, only a Vice President may be appointed to the office of President. Such appointees shall serve until the next election.

Section 3. All appointive this organization shall be subject to removal or impeachment for misfeasance, malfeasance, or non-feasance in office, provided that the National Board, after careful investigation, presents the case in question to the National Council. A three-fourths majority vote of the chartered chapters shall be required to adjudge the officer on trial as being guilty of the charges

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NATIONAL CONVENTION SITES

(Founded as National Organization April 5-6, 1929, at San Francisco)

Biennial Convention	Dates	Host (Chairmen)	No. of Active Chapters
1st—1930:	Aug. 29 - Sept. 2	Seattle (Clarence Arai)	9
2nd—1932:	July 27 - 29	Los Angeles (Dr. George Takeyama)	25
3rd—1934:	Aug. 31 - Sept. 3	San Francisco (Dr. T. T. Hayashi)	24
4th—1936:	Sept. 4 - 7	Seattle (Tsuruye Nakamura)	
5th—1938:	Aug. 28 - Sept. 5	Los Angeles (John Ando)	42
6th—1940:	Aug. 28 - Sept. 2	Portland (Mamoru Wakasugi)	50
Emerg.—1941:	Aug. 10	San Francisco (Saburo Kido)	
Emerg.—1942:	Mar. 8 - 10	San Francisco (Saburo Kido)	66
7th—1942:	Nov. 17 - 24	Salt Lake City	
8th—1944:	Dec. 1 - 3	Salt Lake City	
9th—1946:	Feb. 26 - Mar. 4	Denver (Dr. Takashi Mayeda)	23
Spec.—1946:	Nov. 23 - 24	Salt Lake City (Hito Okada)	
10th—1948:	Sept. 4 - 8	Salt Lake City (Shigeki Ushio)	63
11th—1950:	Sept. 27 - Oct. 2	Chicago (Dr. Randy Sakada)	80
12th—1952:	June 26 - 30	San Francisco (Dr. Tokuji Hedani)	84
13th—1954:	Sept. 2 - 6	Los Angeles (Dr. Roy Nishikawa)	87
14th—1956:	Aug. 31 - Sept. 3	San Francisco (Jerry Enomoto)	88
15th—1958:	Aug. 22 - 25	Salt Lake City (Rupert Hachiya)	84
Int'm—1959:	June 5 - 7	San Francisco (Shig Wakamatsu)	84
16th—1960:	June 28 - July 3	Sacramento (William Matsumoto)	85
Int'm—1961:	Mar. 17 - 19	Los Angeles (Frank Chuman)	86
17th—1962:	July 26 - 30	Seattle (James Matsuoka)	88
Int'm—1963:	Feb. 22 - 24	Los Angeles (Pat Okura)	88
18th—1964:	July 1 - 4	Detroit (Frank Watanabe)	88
Int'm—1965:	Feb. 19 - 22	Los Angeles (Kumeo Yoshinari)	
19th—1966:	July 26 - 30	San Diego (Mas Hironaka)	88
Int'm—1967:	Feb. 17 - 19	San Francisco (Jerry Enomoto)	
20th—1968:	Aug. 20 - 24	San Jose (Tom Taketa)	
21st—1970:		Chicago	
22nd—1972:		Washington, D.C.	
23rd—1974:		Portland	

Int'm—Interim meetings of the National JACL Board and Staff between convention years were authorized by the 1958 National Council.

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preferred against him.

ARTICLE XI Nomination and Election of National Officers

Section 1. The nominations for National elected officers shall be conducted in the following manner:

a) A nominating Committee shall be appointed by the National President one year prior to the convening of the next National Convention. The Nominating Committee shall consist of one representative from each of the District Councils to be appointed by the respective District Councils one year prior to the convening of Convention and National Council. Each such representative shall be one who intends to be present at the National Convention and who will not be a candidate for a National Office. The National President shall designate one member of the Committee as Chairman. The National Director will serve as Secretary to the Committee.

b) Not later than 60 days before the next National Council meeting each District Council through its

representative shall submit to the National Nominating Committee the names of qualified candidates for National offices from its area. The National Nominating Committee shall publish the names of all such candidates and furnish to each District Council and to each chapter the complete list of all the candidates, including their names, addresses, and the offices for which they are candidates. No National office shall have more than one nominee from the same District Council.

c) After the expiration of the above 60-day deadline, no candidates will be considered by the National Nominating Committee unless submitted through a member of the Nominating Committee and upon the endorsement of the majority of the chapters of the particular District Council.

d) The names of all candidates must be submitted on official nomination forms provided by the National Nominating Committee, asking for pertinent background information, together with the candidate's signature that he intends to be present at the National

Convention and is willing to serve actively if elected.

e) The Nominating Committee will meet prior to the first business session of the National Council and submit the slate of candidates for National offices to the first business meeting of the National Council. In the event a member of the Nominating Committee is unable to be present at the meeting of the Nominating Committee, the Chairman of the particular District Council may designate a substitute. In making up this slate for presentation, the Nominating Committee may name a candidate for an office other than for which his name was submitted provided his consent for such change is obtained.

f) Additional nominations may be made from the floor when the National Council is duly convened. Such nominations from the floor shall include the background information on the nominee as required on the official nomination form.

Section 2. The National Officers shall be elected by ballot at the final business session of the National Convention.

ARTICLE XII Amendments

Section 1. The Constitution and the By-Laws of this organization shall be subject

to amendment at the National Council meeting and then only upon the motion of a District Council or the National Board.

Section 2. Notification of proposed amendments must be filed with the National Director at least six weeks before the next National Council meeting, and the National Director shall send a copy of the proposed amendment to every chapter at least thirty days preceding the National Council meeting at which a decision is requested.

Section 3. The majority vote of three-fourths of the chartered chapters present shall be necessary to amend any section of this Constitution.

Section 4. The majority vote of two thirds of the chartered chapters present shall be necessary to amend the By-Laws.

Section 5. An amendment to the National Constitution or By-Laws proposed at the National Council meeting without prior notice, notwithstanding Section 2. above, upon endorsement by at least five chapters in good standing shall be duly considered by the National Council in the same manner as any other amendment.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I. Active Members

Section 1. Active Members

a) Active Members shall be members in good standing of a chartered chapter in good standing, or a chapter duly recognized by the National Council.

b) The Active Members shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of this organization, including the right to hold elective offices unless otherwise provided.

c) The Active Members shall pay annual dues in an amount set by the local chapter, \$5.00 of which shall be remitted by the chapter to National Headquarters as the member's national dues. Active Membership shall be upon the calendar year basis. The Pacific Citizen shall be included within the national dues upon the basis of one subscription to each household.

d) Active Members who move from one locality to another may have their membership transferred without further payment of any fees upon written request to the National Director by the Member and/or Chapter involved.

Section 2. National Associated Members

a) National Associated Members shall be persons eligible for membership in this organization residing in areas where there are no chartered chapters and who desire to become associated with this organization.

b) The National Associated Members shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of this organization, except those expressly reserved for Active Members or prohibited to National Associated Members.

c) The National Associated Members shall pay annual membership dues of \$7.50 per year to National Headquarters. The payment of this amount will entitle the Associated Member to one year's subscription to the Pacific Citizen, a National Associated Membership card, and special organizational services and bulletins. Additional members of the same family, residing at the same address, shall pay annual dues of \$2.50, but these additional members shall not receive the Pacific Citizen, and other informational matters.

d) The dues for National Associated Members shall be payable upon a calendar year basis.

e) National Associated Members who move to areas where a regular chapter is in existence may have their membership transferred to the chapter on an Active Member status without the further payment of dues.

Section 3. Special Members
a) The Special Members shall be non-citizen permanent residents of the United States who desire to become associated with this organization.

b) The Special Members
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Outstanding Membership Performances

This past year, 17 JACL chapters registered new all-time highs in membership and were handed Outstanding Membership Certificates from National Headquarters along with the top performers in the six categories as follows:

CATEGORIES BY CHAPTER STRENGTH

I. Over 500 Member—SAN JOSE. Pres.: Karl Kinaga; Memb. Chrm.: Tsuyako Ajari. All time high of 1,563 members—11th consecutive years of membership increase and highest percentage increase of 15% in size category.

II. 300-500—MONTEREY PENINSULA. Pres. Geo. Uyeda; Memb. Chrm.: Dr. John Ishizuka. All time high of 385 members—13th consecutive year of membership increase of 18% in size category.

III. 200-300—HOLLYWOOD. Pres. James Kasahara; Memb. Chrm.: Hiroko Kunitake. All time high of 321 members—4th consecutive year of membership increase and highest percentage increase of 11% in size category.

IV. 150-200—SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. Pres. John S. Kaneko; Memb. Chrm.: Robert Moriguchi. All time high of 244 members—8th Consecutive year of membership increase and highest percentage increase of 19% in size category.

V. 100-150—GILROY. Pres.: Sam Yamanaka; Memb. Chrm.: Hiromi Nagareda. All time high of 132 members—3rd consecutive year of membership increase and highest percentage of 11% in size category.

VI. Less Than 100—RENO. Pres.: Tom Oki; Memb. Chrm.: Buddy Fujii. All time high of 71 members—3rd consecutive year of membership increase and highest national percentage increase of 37%.

OTHER CHAPTERS WITH ALL TIME HIGHS

1. Alameda: Pres.: Hajime Fujimori; Memb. Chrm.: Yosh Umene. All time high of 284 members—3rd consecutive year of membership increase.

2. Arizona: Pres.: Johnson Sakata; Memb. Chrm.: Mary Tanita. All time high of 226 members—5th consecutive year of membership increase.

3. Clovis: Pres.: Ted Takahashi; Memb. Chrm.: Jim Miyamoto. All time high of 67 members—4th consecutive year of membership increase.

4. Contra Costa: Pres.: Ben Takeshita; Memb. Chrm.: Joe Oishi. All time high of 443 members—8th consecutive year of membership increase.

5. Gresham-Troutdale: Pres.: Kazuo Tamura; Memb. Chrm.: George Onchi. All time high of 87 members—2nd consecutive year of membership increase.

6. Mid-Columbia: Pres.: George Nakamura; Memb. Chrm.: Robert Sumoge. All time high of 153 members.

7. Omaha: Pres.: Noriaki Okada; Memb. Chrm.: Walter Allen. All time high of 183 members—3rd consecutive year of membership increase.

8. Orange County: Pres.: Ben Shimazu; Memb. Chrm.: Frank K. Sagara. All time high of 267 members—4th consecutive year of membership increase.

9. Pasadena: Pres.: Mary Yusa; Memb. Chrm.: Harris Ozawa. All time high of 276 members—4th consecutive year of membership increase.

10. Philadelphia: Pres.: Richard Horikawa; Memb. Chrm.: Hatsumi Harada. All time high of 204 members—5th consecutive year of membership increase.

11. Portland: Pres.: Walter Fuchigami; Memb. Chrm.: Emi Somekawa. All time high of 325 members—5th consecutive year of membership increase.

12. Salinas Valley: Pres.: Bob Yamamoto; Memb. Chrm.: Bob Yamamoto. All time high of 209 members—4th consecutive years of membership increase.

13. San Benito: Pres.: Ryo Terasaki; Memb. Chrm.: Sam Shiotsuka. All time high of 69 members—2nd consecutive year of membership increase.

14. Sonoma County: Pres.: Frank Oda; Memb. Chrm.: Frank Oda. All time high of 497 members—2nd consecutive year of membership increase.

15. Washington, D.C.: Pres.: Charles Pace; Memb. Chrm.: Paul Ishimoto. All time high of 330 members—6th consecutive years of membership increase.

16. Watsonville: Pres.: Buzz Noda; Memb. Chrm.: Walter Hashimoto. All time high of 415 members—4th consecutive year of membership increase.

17. West Los Angeles: Pres.: David Wakumoto; Memb. Chrm.: Steve Yagi. All time high of 528 members—7th consecutive year of membership increase.

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plines that, fortunately, they imposed on us, the culture that we somehow felt was inferior to that which we were exposed to in the public schools and our daily contacts.

For another, we were so busy and so intent on becoming 110 per cent Americans that in our ignorance and immaturity we felt we were being disloyal if our attention and interest strayed from the path of narrow nationalism. And so, I regret to say, many of us grew up with only a rudimentary knowledge of the language, customs and culture of a land with which we had natural, undeniable ties.

Today, the situation is altogether different. Our claim to our American birthright, clouded by the misfortunes of war, have been established beyond challenge. We can take an interest in things Japanese without either self-consciousness or danger of compromising ourselves.

In fact, ladies and gentlemen, I say that swiftly changing circumstances make it imperative that we, as Americans, take a lively interest in Japan.

World Around Us

Let us for a moment examine the world around us. The United States, within the span of our lives has abandoned isolationism and become a global power with global concerns. American servicemen were dispatched to Europe on our entry into World War II. A quarter century later our servicemen are still there, not as a conquering army of occupation, but as our contribution toward the maintenance of peace under the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

But now the focus of our attention is shifting — perhaps it is more accurate to say has shifted — to a new frontier in the opposite direction. The NATO alliance has dwindled in power and cohesiveness, not because of President DeGaulle's opposition, but because he has been able to convince many people that the emergency for which NATO was formed no longer exists.

At the moment the threat to world stability is not the Moscow brand of Communism, but rather the variety that goads the overlords of Peking into dangerous and intemperate activity. It is in the Far East that the explosion of bombs and shells shatter the peace.

I have no intention of debating the merits of America's Vietnam policy tonight. I wish to say only that no one wishes for peace more fervently than I, but we are caught in strange circumstances and are only doing what must be done.

The outlook, judging from what I was able to see firsthand in Vietnam two years ago, and from what I have read and heard since then, is far from bright.

If, by some miracle, a

truce should be declared in Vietnam tonight and the silence of a cease-fire should descend over that tortured land, I fear it would be but an interlude before violence breaks out again in another sector of Asia. A truce alone would not eliminate the conditions that lead to struggle.

The environment is right for strife in many places — in Thailand, Burma, India, Pakistan, Laos, Cambodia, Malaysia, Indonesia, and in the Philippines and in Mainland China — anywhere that poverty, unrest, political agitation and hunger collide with the realities of the Twentieth Century.

If Peace Comes

This is a gloomy outlook indeed, but one that I feel is warranted by the facts. But let us say that in some wonderful, unforeseeable manner, greed and hate are lifted from men's hearts, and peace descends over the Far East. Then we will see an economic boom of unprecedented proportions as the people of the most heavily populated sector of the globe set out in pursuit of the rest of the world.

Home of ancient civilizations, the Orient largely has remained shackled in the past, and it has a great deal of catching up to do.

The most notable exception is Japan. I might say that Japan stands as an island of calm in Asia's current turmoil, but this would not be an accurate statement except in the political sense.

In other ways, there is precious little calm in Japan, for it is an intensely vital, churning center of progress. In fact, it can be said that Japan builds the world's smallest radio and television sets, the fastest trains, the biggest ships and the most monstrous traffic jams.

Incidentally, a high Tokyo police official told me that in certain situations, the police will rush to the scene of an emergency by subway rather than squad car because the subway is faster.

Japan is the one Asian nation that has been able to blend Western technology with ancient values and traditions. It is the one Asian nation that has been able to meet the West on its own terms, and in some cases, to excel the West at its own game.

Japan, then, is the natural leader of Asia, the nation around which the future of Asia must pivot. And because of our concerns and commitments in Asia, our search for peace and progress in Asia, Japan in our book is a V-I-P — a Very Important Power.

Living Standards Rising

It has been my privilege to visit Japan on a number of occasions, the first time back in 1938, the most recent occasion only a few weeks ago. After the war, my assignments have taken me to that country five different times, as well as to other parts of the Far East. And so I have been able to see, at progressive stages, the evolution and develop-

ment of the New Japan, that industrial giant whose comeback from the depths of defeat is one of the world's postwar miracles.

On this last occasion I was pleased to see a general rise in living standards and a substantial increase in the real income of industrial workers. A spokesman for the Japanese government's Economic Planning Agency told us that in 1965, the average monthly cash earnings of workers was 39,360 yen, which is about \$110. But this does not begin to tell the full story.

The Japanese system provides in addition to wages a broad variety of fringe benefits — bonuses, pensions, housing and transportation allowances, subsidized meals, full medical care, vacations at reduced rates at company-owned resorts, and many other items. In many instances these fringe benefits are worth more than the salary. Generally, wages have kept pace with the rapidly rising cost of living.

Please note that I modified that last statement with the word generally. Because of laws that allow liberal business entertainment deductions, Tokyo has some of the world's most expensive restaurants, bars and nightclubs. Few people can afford them unless they are on expense accounts. A hundred dollar bill can be made to disappear very quickly in these places.

Fish Dinner

One night a Nisei friend of mine and his wife, longtime residents of Tokyo, took me out for a fish dinner. Since he does not have an expense account, we went into a rather ordinary restaurant. The food was excellent although it was not fancy. My host had one small bottle of sake, and that was all the liquor we ordered.

Well, eventually the waitress brought the bill and I noticed that an odd look came over my host's face. He took his wife aside and asked for all the money she had. Then he borrowed some from me. The bill was for 30 thousand 500 yen — just a few cents under \$30-\$10 a head for each of us. When was the last time you spent \$10 for a fish dinner in Chicago?

ONE amazing fact I learned is that in a recent survey, 87 per cent of Japanese said they considered themselves to be in the middle class. The same survey showed that nearly 90 per cent of families have savings accounts. Moreover, the average amount saved was \$1,580, which would be close to a year's cash income. I wonder how many American families have a year's income socked away?

A quickly growing middle class and its relative affluence has led to some interesting sociological and economic phenomena. Life insurance has become big business. A huge demand has developed for home appliances — washing machines, refrigerators, electric heaters, air conditioners.

Japan is second only to the United States in the number of television sets,

and the people, who must be considered the world's most determined tourists, are taxing their railroad system and inns to near-capacity as they visit shrines and beauty spots, historical sites and resorts.

Japan's Middle Class

As you know, the development of a middle class is necessary for stability under the capitalistic system, and this is what is happening in Japan. But this growth is also attended by serious problems.

Chief among them are a shortage of housing and highways. People can now afford roomy and comfortable homes and are demanding them. Japan has approximately 10 million motor vehicles and more and more families are buying pleasure cars. A great effort is under way to build more roads and homes, but the need is so great that even a crash program would seem to be too slow.

The way former Ambassador Rischauer explained it, in Japan's rush to rebuild, priority had to be given to capital investments that would make money for the nation.

Thus, factories and goods-producing machines had to be built or bought and paid for before funds could be expended for such luxuries as adequate housing and highways. But now the time has come to enjoy some of the fruits of the nation's labors.

It should not be forgotten that Japan's own Great Leap Forward was accomplished under the umbrella of American protection. Under the terms of her post-war constitution, Japan renounces war as an instrument of national policy. She has no Army, Navy or Air Force as such, although that provision is neatly bypassed by the formation of well-trained, American-equipped so-called Self Defense forces.

Still, Japan spends only a very small fraction of her national budget for defense. She leaves the greatest burden to American armed might and the American taxpayer for the U.S.-Japan Mutual Defense Treaty commits us to go to her defense in case of attack.

Attitude on War

This state of affairs has brought about an understandable but, in my opinion, a totally unrealistic view of power politics. For example, while Japanese government leaders support United States policy in Vietnam, there is widespread opposition to it among the people. On many occasions on my recent trip, I was asked why the United States persists in making war. Invariably this question would be followed by a statement that the Japanese oppose war of any kind, anywhere.

I had a standard answer. I told my Japanese friends that Americans oppose war also, and we would like nothing better than to have peace and security around the world so that our boys could be brought home.

And then I would ask: What is the alternative to war in Vietnam? Do you have another solution?

people of South Viet Nam would be guaranteed peace and security? Would you advocate that we Americans pull out entirely from all of Asia?

Well! These were difficult questions. I found that most of these people had not thought through the problems that face us, but were being moved by an emotional abhorrence of war.

And when I raised the possibility of a pull-out in which Japan might lose the protection of that American military umbrella, it caused some serious second thoughts.

Common Interests

Now, I do not contend that the Japanese must support us in everything we do. Nor do I say that they must think exactly the way we think. They have their interests and we have ours, and it is inevitable that sometimes our points of view do not coincide. This is only natural and not a matter to worry about.

But I do want to stress the point that those matters in which we share a common interest outweigh in importance those areas where our interests conflict. And the undeniable fact is that we are mutually interdependent — we need their friendship and support as much as they need ours in our mutual concern for world peace and the economic and social advancement of Asia.

I am sure many of you remember the days when the Nisei were being spoken of as potential bridges of friendship across the Pacific, utilizing our love and understanding of America and our cultural roots in Japan to forge ties that would span the Pacific. It was a noble ideal if not an entirely practical one.

For one thing, few of us know enough about Japanese culture and problems to become effective ambassadors of good will.

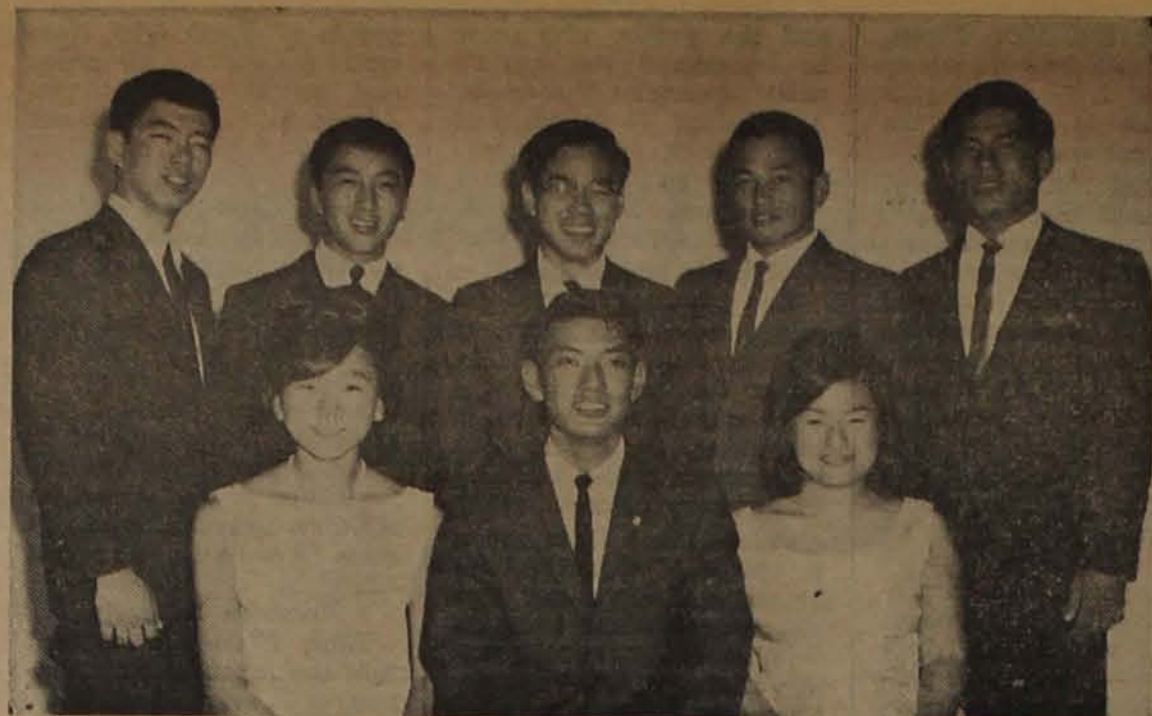
For another, we have been so completely wrapped up in our personal problems — rearing families, making a living, meeting mortgage payments, taking part in church and localized civic projects — to see very far beyond our somewhat limited horizons. And so we left the big picture to a few of our number while most of us went our separate ways.

STILL, many opportunities remain for doing our bit, opportunities which might better be described as responsibilities. Let me enumerate just three of them:

First, of course, is the responsibility of being well-informed Americans, aware of the nation's problems, playing a part in their solution by casting our votes intelligently, contributing to understanding by participating in discussions of important issues. In other words, we can serve best by being good citizens.

Second, there is the responsibility of taking an active role in making our country a more perfect democracy in which every individual has the opportunity to go as far as his God-given abilities can take him, re-

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YOUTH LEADERS posing for their first formal portrait after being elected to the National Youth Council are (from left): seated—Elaine Uchiyama; Rus-

sell Obana, chairman; Misako Hasebe; standing—Norman Ishimoto, Brian Morishita, David Misaki, Paul Tamura and Martin Koba.

District Youth Council

Pacific Northwest

1965-66—Paul Tamura

No. Cal.-W. Nevada

1962-63—Margaret Kai
1964—Roy Ikeda
1965—David Hara
1966—Russell Obana
1967—Shirley Matsumura

Pacific Southwest

1965—Richard Kawasaki
(temp.)

Jr. Chapter President

Pacific Northwest

Gresham-Troutdale

Teenagers

1957—Melvin Ando
1963—Join Portland Jr.
JACL

Mid-Columbia

1964-65—Maxine Hamada
1965-66—Stanley Fukui
1966-67—Dennis Takasumi

Portland

1961—James Kurihara
(Delts)
1962—Wallace Kurihara
(Delts)
1963—Inactive
1964—Paul Tamura
1965—Curtis Onchi
1966—Harold Iwamoto
1967—Rick Saito

Seattle Young Adults

1965—Eileen Suyama
1966—Jerry Shigaki

Northern Calif.-

West. Nevada

Al-Co

1964—Kay Hisaoka (Temp.
Chairman)
1965—Kay Hisaoka
1966—Kenny Kuramoto
1967—Robert Kitajima

Berkeley

1963—Ron Takahashi
1964—Nancie Nehira
1965—Carol Yamamura

Contra Costa

1960—Gerry Namba
1961—Ronald Morita
1962—Hiroshi Hata
1962—Tom Yamashita
1963—Diane Okada
1964—Susan Kano
1965—Dave Matsushino
1966—Irene Takahashi
1967—Leonard Kam

Eden Township

1959—Douglas Nakashima
1960—Butch Hara
1961—Sharon Ida
1962—Sherry S. Imazumi,
coed
1963-67—Inactive, Now in-
cluded in Al-Co

1965-66—Martin Koba

1966-67—Glenn Asakawa

Intermountain

1964-65—Ron Inouye
1965-66—Karen Miyake
1966-67—Lorraine Sakota

Midwest

1965-67—Elaine Yamada
1964-65—Marilyn Nagano

Eastern

1966—Scott Nagao

Monterey

1961—John Hanamura
1965—Janis Gota—girls
1965—Kenny Esaki—boys

Oakland

1957—Kaz Sato
1958—Ed Aoki
1959—Russell WeHara
1960—Judy Maruyama
1961—Harvey Shinomoto
1962—Inactive, disbanded

Sacramento

1957—Saburo Shimono
1958—Stan Umeda
1959—Colleen Masaki
1960—Alice Nishimi
1961—
1962—Roger Nikaido
1963—Patty Fujimoto
1964—Newell Noda
1965-66—Stanley Kubochi

San Francisco

1959—Willie Masuda
1960—Willie Masuda
1961—Margaret Kai
1962—Roy Ikeda
1963—Roy Omi
1964—Dave Hara
1965—Russell Obana
1966—Roy Omi
1967—Glenn Watanabe

San Jose

1966—Shirley Matsumura
1967—Sharon Uyeda

Stockton

1966—Russell Kusama

Central California

Reedley

1961—Barbara Saito
1962—Henry Nishimoto
1966-67—Gordon Morikawa

Tulare County T-JAY

1957—Hiroshita Uota
1966—Bill Nagata

Pacific Southwest

Hi-Co

1957—Bill Marumoto
1958—Bert Yamasaki and
Grace Okuna (co-chair-
man)
1959—Frank Kawase
1960—Inactive
1961—Lloyd Nakatani
1962—Ray Kawase

Nat'l Jr. JACL Youth Council

NC-WNDYC Russell Obana, Chairman
PNWDYC Paul Tamura, Resource Chairman
CCDC Misako Hasebe, Newsletter Chairman
IDYC Brian Morishita, Finance and Budget
Chairman
MPDC David Misaki, Credentials Chairman
PSWDYC Martin Koba, Constitution Committee
Chairman
MDYC Elaine Uchiyama, Recording Secretary
EDC Norman Ishimoto, Project Chairman

Interim Youth Council

PNWDYC 1964-66 Paul Tamura, Chairman
NC-WNDYC 1964-66 Dave Hara, Resource
CCDC 1964-66 Bill Nagata, Budget Committee
PSWDYC 1964-66 Richard Kawasaki, Constitution
IDYC 1966-66 Ron Inouye, Newsletter
MPDC 1964-66 David Misaki
EDC 1964-65 Cheryl (Endo) Harano
1966 Norman Ishimoto
MDYC 1964-65 Marilyn Nagano
1966 Elaine Yamada, Credentials

1966—Karl Endo

Idaho Falls JAY

1961—Ronnie Morishita
1962—Dennia Ochi
1965—Brian Morishita
1966—Gene Ochi

Mt. Olympus

1960—Fumi Watanabe
1961—Bob Akagi
1962-63—Ben Tamura
1966—Wayne Mira

Rexburg

1965—Linda Miyasaki
Snake River
1961—Don Arai
1962-63—Arlene Okita
1965—James R. Watanabe
Jr.
1966—Warren Murata

Mountain-Plains

Intermountain Collegiate Students

(Not Official Jr. JNCL)

1945—Tsuneko Tokuyasu
1946—Ted Inouye
1947—Mami Katagiri
1948—Douglas Taguchi
1949—Stanley Ichikawa
1950—Hideo Hirose
1951—Nob Ida
1952—Sam Kishiyama
1953—Herbert Iwahiro
1954—Mari Mizoue
1955—Stanley Gima
1956—Dave Nikaido
1957—Ted Saito
1958—Steve Osuga
1959—David Furukawa
1960—Richard Yamaguchi
1961—Robert Watada
1962—Henry Tobo

1963—Richard Ida

1964—Ken Tagawa

1965—Janet Ida

Midwest Chicago

1957—Earle Nakane
1958—Richard Kaneko
1959—Harold Arai
1960—Gilbert Furusho
1961—Ross Harano
1962—Gary Kouzumi
1963—Susan Torigoe
1964—Diane Yamada
1965—Richard Yamada
1966—Karen Suzuki

Cincinnati

1962—Gary Koizumi
1963-66—Inactive

Cleveland

1959—Merged with a local
Japanese boys' and girls'
clubs

1963—Richard Asazawa
1964-65—Deanna Tanji
1966—Anne Bacnik

Detroit

1957—Jan Ishii
1958—Carolee Matsumoto
1959—Shirley Satoh
1960—Elaine Takemoto
1961—Geraldine Ouchi
1962—Marilyn Nagano
1963-64—Gary Otsuji
1965-66—Elaine Akagi
1967—Jo Ann Shimamura

Detroit Sub-Teen Club

1956-57—Geraldine Ouchi
1958—Gary Sasaki
1959—Lynn Omura
1960—Pamela Fujishige
1961—Ricky Sunamoto
1962—Terry Fugishige
St. Louis

1950—Roger Hiyasaka
1951—Arlene Sakahara
1952—Lois Sakahara
1953—Barbara Shingu
1954—Shirley Shingu
1955—Katherine Nishimoto
1956-60—Inactive
1961-62—Dennis Hayashi
1963—Lois Shimamoto
1964—Kathleen Okamoto
1965—Elaine Uchiyama
1966—Pat Henmi,
David Eto

Twin Cities

1962—Bob Katayama
1965—Dennis Iwago
1966—Barb Hirota

Milwaukee

1961—Mark Kuge
1962-63—Bruce Sakura
1965—Ed Ogawa
1966—Jeffrey Kataoka

Eastern

Seabrook

1965—Scott Nagao
1966—Steven Mukai

Washington, D.C.

1965—Jane Yoshihashi
Wayne Yoshino, Chmn.
1966—Bruce Yamasaki



San Francisco Jr. JACLers rehearse frug for April musicale. —S.F. Examiner Photo

CHAPTER PRESIDENTS

This listing of Chapter Presidents continues to grow at the approximate rate of 80 names a year. They served in the heroic tradition of serving their fellow citizens "to the end that we may be worthy of the privilege of citizenship," the quoted portions being contained in the JACL Oath of Office.

ALAMEDA
Organized April 6, 1932
1932—George Togasaki (org.)
1932—Haruo Imura
1933-34—Masayoshi Merino
1935—Kay Tsuchiya
1936—Haruo Imura
1937—Mas Narahara
1938—Tim Yamasaki
1939—Mas Narahara
1940—Kenji Shikuma
1941—Sakae Date
1942—Scotty Tsuchiya

Reactivated June 13, 1947
1947-48—John Towata
1949-50—Shiro Nakaso
1951—Haruo Imura
1952—Dr. Roland S. Kadonaga
1953—Yasuo Yamashita
1954—Tom Haratani
1955—Yasuharu Koike
1956—George Ushijima
1957—George Yoshimura
1958—Kitty Hirai
1959—Yoshio Isono
1960—Hiromu Akagi
1962-63—Min Yonekura
1964-65—Shiro Takeshita
1966—Haj Fujimori

BERKELEY
Organization Date Unknown
1942—Kimio Obata

Reactivated as part of Eastbay Chapter, May 1947
Decentralized in 1953
1953—George Yasukochi
1954—Sho Sato
1955—Ben Fukutome
1956—Paul Yamamoto
1957—Jiro Nakaso
1958—Ko Ichiji
1959—Satoshi Otagiri
1960—Masuji Fujii
1961—Frank T. Yamasaki
1962—Roy Marubayashi
1963—Jack Imada
1964—Tad Hirota
1965—Tom Ouye
1966—Tak Shirazawa

CONTRA COSTA
Organized April 1935
1935—William Furuta
1936—Katsumi Harano
1937-38—Hideo Ajari
1939—Bill Furuta
1940—George Toriyama
1941—Henry Terazawa
1942—George Kanagaki

Organized February 1953 as Richmond-El Cerrito
1953—Heizo Oshima
1954—James Kimoto
1955—Marvin Uratsu
1956—Seiichi Kami

Renamed Contra Costa in 1957
1957—George Sugihara
1958—Shig R. Komatsu
1959—Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki
1960—Sam Kitabayashi
1961—William Waki
1962—Sumio Yoshii
1963—Sam Kitabayashi
1964—Yoshio Hotta
1965—Ted Tanaka
1966—Ben Takeshita
1967—George Nakagawa

CORTEZ
Organized Jan. 30, 1948
1948-49—George Yuge
1950-51—Sam Kuwahara
1952-53—Jack Noda
1954-55—Ernest Yoshida
1956—Albert Morimoto
1957—Hiroshi Asai
1958—Mark Kamiya
1959-60—Frank Yoshida
1961—William Noda
1962—Keoru Masuda
1963—George Okamura
1964—Kaname Miyamoto
1965—Don Toyoda
1966—Peter Yamamoto

DELTA
Organized Feb. 20, 1935
1935-36—Dr. Akio Hayashi
1937-40—Harry Shironaka
1941—Harry Y. Itogawa

EASTBAY
Organized May 1947
1947—Tad Hirota
1948—Masuji Fujii
1949—Tad Hirota
1950-51—Wataru Miura
1951—Masatatsu Yonemura
1952—Tad Masaoka
1953—Decentralized to Oakland, Berkeley, Richmond, El Cerrito (now Contra Costa) Chapters

EDEN TOWNSHIP
Organized 1935
1935-37—Kan Domoto
1938—Mitsuteru Nakashima

1939-40—Giichi Yoshioka
1941—Yoshito Shibata
1942—Fukashi Nakagawa
Reactivated July 25, 1947
1947—Tom S. Hatakeda
1948—Toichi Domoto
1949—Minoru Shinoda, Fujii Kenji
1950—Yoshimi Shibata
1951—Minoru Shinoda
1952—Dr. Keichi Shimizu
1953—Dr. Frank Saito, Kenji Fujii
1954—Dr. Frank Saito
1955—Kenji Fujii
1956—Sho Yoshida
1957—Tetsuma Sakai
1958—Dr. Steve Neishi
1959-60—Kee Kitayama
1961-62—Sam Kawahara
1963-64—Sam Kuramata
1965-66—Akira Hasegawa
1967—Harry Tanabe

FLORIN
Organized Aug. 16, 1935
1935-36—Yoshio Kiino
1937—Alfred Tsukamoto
1938—John Hirohata
1939-40—Hugh M. Kiino
1941—Samuel Okamoto

Reactivated Dec. 10, 1947
1947-48—Alfred Tsukamoto
1949—Woodrow Ishikawa
1950—Charles Nishi
1951—Jack Kawamura
1952—Sam Tsukamoto
1953—Bill Okamoto
1954—Oscar Inouye
1955—Paul Ito
1956—Alvin Seno
1957-58—William Y. Kashiwagi
1959—Takeshi Saigo
1960-61—Louis K. Ito
1962—Oscar Fujii
1963-65—George S. Furukawa
1966—Percy Fukushima
1967—Paul Takehara

FREMONT
Organized 1934 as Washington Township
1934—
1935—Harry Kondo
1936—
1937—
1938—Kazuo Shikano
1939—
1940—Tom Kitashima
1941—James Hirabayashi
1942—Vernon Ichisaka

Reactivated Feb. 5, 1949 Southern Alameda County
1949—Kazuo Shikano
1950—Yasuto Kato
1951—Miss Kiyo Kato
1952—Kiyoshi Kato
1953—James Fudenna Harold Fudenna
1954—Sumi Kato
1955—Ray Kitayama
1956—Isao Handa
Renamed Fremont in 1957
1957—Henry Kato
1958—Kiyoshi Katsumoto
1959—Chuck Shikano
1960—James Sekigahama
1961—Kazuo Kawaguchi
1962—Tad Sekigahama
1963—Yutaka Handa
1964—Frank Nakasako
1965—Frank A. Kasama
1966—Sat Sekigahama

FRENCH CAMP
Joined JACL in 1949*
1949-50—Bob C. Takahashi
1951—John T. Fujiki
1952—Hiroshi Shimoto
1953—George Ogino
1954—George Matsuoka
1955—Harry Ota
1956—George Komure
1957—Lawrence Nakano
1958—Fumio Kanemoto
1959—Mats Murata
1960—Tosh Hotta
1961—Robert Ota
1962—Tom Natsuhara
1963—Fumio Nishida
1964—Bob Tominaga
1965—Ted Itaya
1966—Tak Hamamoto

* As an independent French Camp Progressive Citizens group, the members voted to join the National JACL at this time.

GILROY
Organization Date Unknown
1942—Jack Izu
Reactivated Feb. 1, 1954
1954—Hiroshi Kunimura
1955—Joe Obata
1956—Jack Nakano
1957—Tom Obata
1958—Shig Yamane
1959—Tak Shiba
1960-61—Moose Kunimura
1962—Manabe Hirasaki
1963—Roy Uyeno

1964—Robert Kishimura
1965—Ray Yamagishi
1966—Sam Yamanaka
LIVINGSTON-MERCED
Organization Date Unknown

1938—Roy M. Kishi
Reactivated Jan. 22, 1948
1948-49—David Kiriha
1950—Biyo Yoshino
1951—Buichi Kajiwara
1952—Tom Nakashima
1953—Frank Suzuki
1954—James Kiriha
1955—George Yagi
1956—Lester K. Yoshida
1957—Frank Shoji
1958—Fred M. Hashimoto
1959—Roy Okahara
1960—Gene Hamaguchi
1961—Tets Morimoto
1962—Buddy T. Iwata
1963—Kazuo Masuda
1964—Frank Suzuki
1965—Tom Nakashima
1966—Walter Morimoto

MARYSVILLE
Organized July 18, 1935* as Yuba, Sutter, Butte, Colusa
1935-37—Dr. Charles M. Ishizu, Jack M. Maruyama
1938—Harry Fukushima
1939-42—Frank Nakamura

Reactivated as Marysville
1946—Frank F. Nakamura
1947—Sam Kurihara
1948-49—Frank F. Nakamura
1950-51—Akiji Yoshimura
1952—Masanobu Oji
1953-54—Frank N. Okimoto
1955—Dan F. Nishita
1956—George H. Inouye
1957—George Nakao
1958—George Okamoto
1959—Bill Tsuji
1960—Dr. Yutaka Toyoda
1961—Shurei Matsumoto
1962—Terry Manji
1963—Roger Tokunaga
1964—Robert Kodama
1965—Arthur Oji
1966—George Yoshimoto
1967—Clark Tokunaga

* Originally organized as American Loyalty League in 1920, the earlier records are missing.

MOUNTAIN VIEW
Organization Date Unknown
1940—Henry Kiyomura
1941—
1942—Henry Mitarai
1945—Masago Shibuya

MONTEREY PENINSULA
Organized Jan. 25, 1932
1932—Hisashi Arie
1933—Sachi Sugano
1934—Hal Higashi
1935—Bob Sakamoto
1936—Fujisada Inada, Kaz Oka
1937—Hal Higashi
1938—Masato Suyama
1939—Chester Ogi
1940-41—James Tabata
1942—Kaz Oka
1946-47—James Tabata
1948—Kiyoshi Nobusada
1949—Henry Tanaka
1950—Mickey Ichiji
1951—James Tabata
1952—Kenneth H. Sato
1953—George T. Esaki
1954—Harry Menda
1955—George T. Esaki
1956—George Kodama
1957—Hoshito Miyamoto
1958—Barton T. Yoshida
1959—Akio Sugimoto
1960—Paul Ichiji
1961—Frank Tanaka
1962—Mas Yokogawa
1963—Dr. Clifford Nakajima
1964-65—Mike Sanda
1966—George Uyeda

OAKLAND
Organized June 7, 1934
1934—Dr. Chitoshi Yanaga
1935-37—Randolph M. Sakada
1938—Kay Hirao
1939—Kelly K. Yamada
1940—Frank Tsukamoto, Tad Hirota
1941-42—Kay Hirao
Reactivated Aug. 10, 1946
1947-53—Merged with Eastbay JACL
1954—Takeo Tachiki
1955—Arata Akahoshi
1956—Paul Nomura
1957—James Tsurumoto
1958—Asa Fujie
1959—Mrs. Molly Kitajima

1959—Maria Sato
1960—Ken Matsumoto
1961—Roy R. Endo
1962-63—Ted T. Mayeda
1964—Tony Yokomizo
1965—Dr. Ikuya Kurita
1966—Shizuo Tanaka

PLACER COUNTY
Pioneer Chapter Organized May, 1928
1928-29—Tom Yego
1930-31—Kay Takemoto
1932—Sam Sunada
1933—Kay Takemoto
1934—Tom Yego
1935—Louis Oki
1936—Tom Matsumoto
1938—Cosma Sakamoto
1938—"Hike" Masayuki Yego
1939—Bunny Nakagawa
1940—Louis Oki
1941—George Sakamoto
1942-45—Kay Takemoto
1946—Jeff K. Asazawa
1947—Tom Matsumoto, Roy Takemoto
1948—Kay Takemoto
1949—Howard Nakae
1950—James Makimoto
1951—Frank Hironaka
1952—Homer Takahashi
1953—Tadashi Yego
1954—Koichi Uyeno
1955—Wilson Makabe
1956—George Itow
1957—Hugo Nishimoto
1958—George Hirakawa
1959—Dr. Kay Kashiwabara
1960—Aster Kondo
1961—Ellen Kubo
1962—Kunio Okusu
1963—Harry Kawabata
1964—Jack Shinkawa
1965—Dick Nishimura
1966—Minoru Kakiuchi

RENO

Organized March 11, 1948
1948—Mas Baba
1949—Fred Yamagishi
1950—George Oshima
1951—Oscar Fujii
1952—Fred Aoyama
1953—Oscar Fujii
1954-55—Fred Aoyama
1956—Henry Hattori
1957—Ida Fukui
1958-59—Bud Fujii
1960—Mrs. Hana Aoyama
1961—Mrs. Yoshie Fujii
1962—Mrs. Eunice Oshima
1963—Robert Debold
1964—Mas Baba
1965—Fred Aoyama
1966—Tom Oki

SACRAMENTO
Organized 1922*

1922-24—Walter T. Tsukamoto
1924-31—Inactive
1931-36—Walter T. Tsukamoto
1937—Dr. Jiro Muramoto
1938—Henry Taketa
1939—Edward Kitazumi
1940—Dr. George Takahashi
1941-42—Dr. Goro Muramoto

Reactivated Aug. 10, 1947
1947—Henry Taketa (org.)
1948—Dr. Yoshizo Harada, Mitsuru Nishio
1949—Mitsuru Nishio
1950—Miss Kiyo Sato
1951—William M. Matsumoto
1952—Ginji Mizutani
1953—George Tambara
1954—Tokio Fujii
1955—Dean T. Itano
1956—Percy Masaki
1957—Mamoru Sakuma
1958—Katsuro Murakami
1959—Richard Matsumoto
1960-61—Tak Tsujita
1962—Frank Hiyama
1963—Ralph Nishimi
1964—Tom Sato
1965—Kinya Noguchi
1966—Chas. Kobayashi
*Originally organized as American Loyalty League and chartered as JACL chapter on Oct. 31, 1931.

SALINAS VALLEY
Organization Date Unknown
1932—Harry Kita
1933—Tom Fujino
1934—Henry Shigemasa
1935—John Urabe
1936—Harry Kita
1937—Takeo Yuki
1938—Kenzo Yoshida
1939-40—Harry Shirachi
1941-42—Henry Tanda
Reactivated May 17, 1946
1946-47—James Abe
1948—Henry Tanda

SAN BENITO COUNTY
Organized June 22, 1935*

1935-37—James Sugioke
1938—George Nishita
1939—James Sugioke
1940—Richard Nishimoto
1941-46—Henry Omoto
1947—Richard Nishimoto
1948—Takeichi Kadani
1949—Issac Shingu
1950—Kay Kamimoto
1951—George Nishita
1952—Tom Shimonishi
1953—Glenn Kowaki
1954—Sho Nakamoto
1955—Joe Shingai
1956—Frank Nishita
1957—John Teshima
1958—Sam Shiotsuka
1959—Kay Yamaoka
1960—Dennis Nishita
1961—Sam I. Shingai
1962—Tony Yamaoka
1963—Herbert Teshima
1964—Tsutae Kamimoto
1965—Akiji Yamagishi
1966—Ryo Terasaki
*This chapter is the only West Coast Chapter which maintained its active status, despite evacuation, through the war years.

SAN FRANCISCO
Pioneer Chapter Organized 1928
1928-29—Saburo Kido
1930—Henry Takahashi
1931—George Togasaki
1932—Saburo Kido
1933—Henry Takahashi
1934—Dr. T. Hayashi
1935—Dr. Carl Hirota
1936—Dr. Kahn Uyeyama
1937—Tamotsu Murayama, Mikio Fujimoto
1938-39—Saburo Kido
1940-41—Henry T. Uyeda
1942—David Tatsuno

Reactivated May 11, 1945
1945—Roy Takagi (org.)
1946—David Tatsuno
1947—Yoshiaki Moriaki, Dr. Tokuji Hedani
1948—Yukio Wada
1949—Takehiko Yoshihashi
1950—Victor Abe
1951—Yasuo W. Abiko
1952—Fred Y. Hoshiyama
1953—Dr. Shigeru R. Hori, Kei Hori
1954-55—Jorry Enomoto
1956—Hatsuro Aizawa
1957-58—Jack Kusaba
1959—Steve Doi
1960-61—John Yasumoto
1962-63—Tad Ono
1964-65—Eddie Moriguchi
1966—Don Negi
1967—Mrs. Yo Hironaka

SAN JOSE
Organized 1923*
1923—Kay Nishida
1924-31—Records Missing
1932—Harry Takada
1933-36—Records Missing
1937—Shig Masunaga
1938—Phil Matsumura
1939—Wayne M. Kanemoto
1940—Henry Mitarai
1941—Roy Ozawa
1942—Shig Masunaga

Reactivated June 3, 1945 as part of Santa Clara County UCL

1946-53—Tom Mitsuyoshi
1955-57—Phil Matsumura
1958—Harry Ishigaki
1959-60—Norman Mineta
1961—Eiichi Sakuye
1962-63—Dr. Tom Taketa
1964-65—Henry Uyeda
1966—Karl Kinaga
*First organized in 1923 as the American Loyalty League, its subsequent years' records are missing. The name was changed to JACL in 1930 and when it was reactivated in 1945, it was merged with the Santa Clara County United Citizens League until 1954.

SAN MATEO COUNTY

Organization Date Unknown
1935—Saiki Muneno
1936—
1937—Frank Kawai
1938—Joe Yamada
1939—Hirotsuke Inouye
1940—Dr. George Takahashi
1941—Fred Ochi
1942—Dr. George Takahashi

Reactivated Oct. 22, 1946
1947—Ken Kato, Hirotsuke Inouye
1948—Howard Imada
1949—Hiroji Kariya
1950—Kaz Kunitani
1951—Dick Arimoto
1952—Robert Sugishita
1953—Dr. Andrew Yoshiwara
1954—Howard Imada
1955—William Takahashi
1956-57—Saiki Yamaguchi
1958—Tom Marutani
1959-60—Haruo Ishimaru
1961—Kiyoshi Ota
1962—Wilson Makabe
1963—Jake K. Oiwa
1964—Haruo Ishimaru
1965—Mrs. Irene Ikeda
1966—Hy Tsukamoto

SANTA CLARA COUNTY

Organization Date Unknown
1932—Toshi Taketa
1933—
1934—Toshi Taketa
1935—
1936—
1937—Shigeru Masunaga
1938—
1939—Shigeru Masunaga
1940—
1941—Henry Mitarai
1942—Shigeru Masunaga
1943—Shigeru Masunaga
1944—Eiichi Sakuye
1947—Akira Shimoguchi
1948—Henry Hamasaki
1949—Esau Shimizu
1950—Mrs. Ruth Hashimoto
1951—Shig Masunaga
1952—Akira Shimoguchi
1953—Sam Tanase
1953—Merged with San Jose

SEQUOIA

Organized May 18, 1952
1952—Harry Higaki
1953—Shozo Mayeda
1954—John Enomoto
1955—Hiroji Kariya
1956-57—Poter Nakahara
1958—Tom Yamane
1959—Sat Yamada
1960—John Enomoto
1961—Sakaye Okamura
1962—Jay Sasagawa
1963—Dave Nakamura
1964—Albert Nakai
1965—Fujio Kuwano
1966—Hiroshi Yamamoto

SONOMA COUNTY

Organized Aug. 4, 1934
1934-35—Masao Hasegawa
1936-38—Dr. George Hiura
1939—George Otani
1940—William Hiura
1941-42—Henry Shimizu
Reactivated Aug. 4, 1948
1948-49—James T. Miyano
1950—George Kawaoka
1951—Chick Furuye
1952—Minoru Matsuda
1953—Arthur Sugiyama
1954—Riyuo Uyeda
1955—Kenemio Ono
1956—Edwin Ohki
1957—Sam Miyano
1958—Frank Oda
1959—Edwin Ohki
1960—Martin H. Shimizu
1961—Dr. Roy Okamoto
1962—James Murakami
1963—George Hamamoto
1964—James Miyano
1965—Dr. Roy Okamoto
1966—Frank Oda

STOCKTON
Pioneer Chapter

1929-33—
1933—Dr. Roy S. Morimoto
1934—
1935—
1936—James Okino
1937—Stewart Nakano
1938—Dr. Roy S. Morimoto
1939—Ted Mikiritani
1940—Dr. Charles Ishizu
1941—Al Kawasaki
1942—Stewart Nakano

Reactivated Sept. 22, 1946
1947—Joe Omachi
1948—Jun Agari
1949-50—Jack Matsumoto
1951—Miss Yoshimi Terashita
1952—Hiroshi Morita
1953—Sam Itaya
1954—George Baba
1955—Henry Kusama
1956—Richard Yoshikawa
1957—Lou Tsunekawa
1958—Dr. David Fujishige
1959—George Baba
1960—Ted Kamibayashi
1961—Ed Yoshikawa
1962—Dr. Ken Fujii
1963—Bill Shima
1964-65—Dr. Kengo Terashita
1966—Sam Itaya

WATSONVILLE

Organization Date Unknown
1934—Tom Matsuda
1935—Sumio Miyamoto
1936—Louis Waki
1937-38—Pat Matsushita
1939—Frank Ueda
1940—Harry Yagi
1941-42—James Hirokawa
Reactivated Nov. 18, 1948
1948-49—Bill Fukuba
1950—Kenzo Yoshida
1951—Bill Fukuba
1952-53—William Mine
1954-55—Bob Manabe
1956—Hiroshi Shikuma
1957—Tom Nakase
1958—Shig Harano
1959—Louis Hayashida
1960—Tom Tao
1961—Harry Yagi
1962—Dr. Clifford Fujimoto
1963—John Kurimoto
1964—Tak Higuchi
1965—Ben Umeda
1966—Buz Noda

YO-SOLANO
Organized 1935

1935-36—Allen Aoyagi
1937—Mary Obata
1939-42—Henry Aoyagi

Pacific Southwest

ARIZONA

Organized 1934

- 1934—Togo Iida
1935—
1936—
1937—John Yamashita
1938—
1939—
1940—John Hirohata
1941—Dr. Paul Tanaka
1942—Bill Kajikawa
1943—45—Tsutomu Ikeda
1946—Shiq Tanita
1947—Kenneth Yoshioka
1948—Carl Sato
1949—George S. Saito
1950—Masao Tsutsumida
1951—Sam I. Okuma
1952—John M. Tadano
1953—Masaji Inoshita
1954—Tom Kadomoto
1955—Minoru Takiguchi
1956—Mutt Yamamoto
1957—Jim Ozasa
1958—George Kishiyama
1959—Cherry Tsutsumida,
Jim Kuhara
1960—61—Cherry
Tsutsumida
1962—Mike Dobashi
1963—64—Mrs. Hatsuye
Miyuchi
1965—George C. Onodera,
Tom T. Okuma
1966—John Sakata
1967—Dr. Richard
Matsuishi

BAY DISTRICT

Organized Mar. 7, 1936

- 1936—Frank Mizusawa
1937—38—George Inagaki
1939—Philip Nakaoka
1940—Joe G. Masaoka
1941—Decentralized to
Santa Monica, Venice
and West Los Angeles
chapters.
1942—
1943—
1944—
1945—
1946—
1947—
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1950—
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1952—
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1961—
1962—
1963—
1964—
1965—
1966—
1967—

BRAWLEY

Pioneer Chapter

- Organized Dec. 15, 1928
1928—29—Lyle Kurisaki, Sr.
1930—James W. Ito
1931—Charles M. Akita
1932—William Kawasaki
1933—Ernest Fujimoto
1934—37—(Records
missing)
1937—Lyle Kurisaki
1938—Harvey Suzuki
1939—George Kubo
1940—Ernest Fujimoto
1941—Hatsuo Morita
1942—Shigoo Imamura

COACHELLA VALLEY

Organized Oct. 4, 1946

- 1946—47—Henry Sakemi
1948—49—Tom Sakai
1950—George Shibata
1951—Jack Izu
1952—Mas Oshiki
1953—Elmer Suski
1954—Tek Nishimoto
1955—Charles Shibata
1956—Ben Sakamoto
1957—Hideo Nishimoto
1958—60—Tom Sakai
1961—Toru Kitahara
1962—63—Tom Sakai
1964—65—Toru Kitahara

DOWNTOWN

LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles JACL—

1929-49

Pioneer Chapter

- 1929—Masao Igasaki
1930—Clarence Yamagata
1931—John S. Ando,
Karl Iwanaga
1932—Karl Iwanaga
1933—Etsuo Sato
1934—35—Kay Sugahara
1936—John Maeno
Eiji Tanabe (Kibei)
Herbert Wada (Mkt.)
1937—Mike M. Horii
Masao Nozawa (Kibei)
1938—Ken Matsumoto
1939—40—Eiji Tanabe
1941—Fred Tayama
1942—Shigemitsu Aratani
Reactivated July 31, 1946
1946—Ken Utsunomiya
(org.)
1946—47—Frank Chuman
1948—John Aiso,
Dr. Tom Watanabe
1949—Eiji Tanabe
1950—Dr. George
Kambara
1951—Harry K. Honda
1952—53—Harry M. Fujita
1954—55—David Yokozeki
1956—Kei Uchida
1957—Duke S. Ogata
1958—Frank Suzukida
1959—Gongoro Nakamura
1960—Katsuma Mukaeda
1961—Soichi Fukui
1962—Frank Omatsu
1963—Father Clement
1964—Takito Yamaguma
1965—Frank M. Tsuchiya
1966—Mitsuhiko Shimizu
1967—Ed Matsuda

EAST LOS ANGELES

Organized Sept. 30, 1948

- 1948—Akira Hasegawa
1949—Bill Takei
1950—Lynn Takagaki
1951—George Akaseka
1952—Edison Uno
1953—Edison Uno,
John Watanabe
1954—Wilbur Sato
1955—Jim Higashi
1956—Fred T. Takata
1957—Yukio Ozima
1958—59—Roy Yamadera
1960—Mable Yoshizaki
1963—64—Dr. Robert Obi
1965—66—Hiro Omura
1967—Ritsuko Kawakami

EL CENTRO

Organized Sept. 30, 1938

- 1938—Yutaka Nakashima
1939—40—Shinji H. Miyata
Citizens League of Im-
perial Valley was organiz-
ed in August, 1927, but it
was inactive for a subse-
quent decade and reactiv-
ated as the El Centro
JACL. The original organi-
zation was chartered as a
non-profit cooperative with
the Secretary of State,
Sacramento.

GARDENA VALLEY

Organized Jan. 25, 1939

- 1939—40—George T.
Yamauchi
1941—Fred H. Ikeguchi
1942—James Yoshinobu
Reactivated Sept. 25, 1946
1946—Sam Minami (org.)
1947—49—Paul Shinoda
1950—51—Henry Ishida
1952—53—Ryo Komae
1954—Yo Minami
1955—Frank Kuida
1956—Dr. John Y.
Koyama
1957—Frank Kuida
1958—59—Ronald I.
Shiozaki
1960—61—Toshiro Hiraide
1962—63—Leon Uyeda
1964—Frances Yanai
1965—George Chogyo
1966—Fred Ogasawara

GLENDALE

Organized Mar. 27, 1936

1936—Miss Kiyo Kuramoto

HOLLYWOOD

Organized Feb. 28, 1931

- 1931—32—Henry Tsurutani
1933—50—Merged with
Los Angeles
1951—Noboru Ishitani
1952—53—Arthur Ito
1954—Arthur Endo
1955—Miwaiko Yanamoto
1956—Danar Abe
1957—Paul Kawakami
1958—Hideo Izumo
1959—60—Mike M. Suzuki
1961—62—Fred Taomae
1963—Mrs. Mildred
Miyahara
1964—Mrs. Yuki
Kamayatsu
1965—Mrs. Midori
Watanabe
1966—James Kasahara
1967—Mrs. Muriel Merrell

IMPERIAL VALLEY

Organized May 12, 1958

- 1958—59—Harry T. Momita
1960—Hatsuo Morita
1961—62—George Kodama
1963—Ike Hatchimonji
Dr. Hitoshi Ikeda
1964—Oscar Kodama
1965—Larry Shimamoto
1966—Shozo Yamashita

LONG BEACH

HARBOR DIST.

Organized Oct. 12, 1938

- 1938—41—Frank T. Ishii
1942—James Hashimoto
Reactivated Aug. 12, 1947
1947—Dr. Masao Takeshita
1948—Fred H. Ikeguchi
1949—John Morooka
1950—Fred H. Ikeguchi
1951—George Mio
1952—Mas Narita
1953—George Nakamura
1954—Fred H. Ikeguchi
1955—56—Easy Fujimoto
1957—Tomizo Joe
1958—Dr. David Miura
1959—60—Dr. John
Kashiwabara
1961—Arthur Noda
1962—Frank Sugiyama
1963—64—Susumu C.
Iwasaki
1964—Richard Hikida
1965—Fred Miyake
1966—Charles Yata

NO. SAN DIEGO COUNTY

Organized Aug. 24, 1962

- 1962—Dr. James Kawahara
1963—64—George Yasukochi
1965—66—Tom Sonoda

ORANGE COUNTY

Organized Oct. 26, 1934

- 1934—35—Frank Takenaga
1936—Kiyoshi Higashi
1937—Hatsumi Yamada
1938—Leonard Miyawaki
1939—Stephen Tamura
1940—Harry Ogawa
1941—Yoshiki Yoshida
1942—Henry Kanegae

Reactivated Jan. 11, 1947

- 1947—48—Frank Mizusawa
1949—Bill Okuda
1950—Elden Kanegae
1951—52—Hitoshi Nitta
1953—54—Ken Uyesugi
1955—56—George Kanno
1957—58—Harry H.
Matsukane
1959—George Ichien
1960—Dr. Fred Kobayashi
1961—Henry Kanegae
1962—James Yamasaki
1963—Minoru Inadomi
1964—Roy H. Uno
1965—Mas Uyesugi
1966—Ben Shimazu

PASADENA

Joined JACL 1941*

- *It was first organized
in 1938 as an independent
Nisei Civic League and then
affiliated with the JACL.
1941—42—Nobu Kawai

Reactivated Apr. 3, 1948

- 1948—Nobu Kawai
1949—Kei Mikuriya
1950—51—Dr. Tom T.
Omori
1952—Ken Dyo
1953—Jiro Oishi
1954—55—Tom T. Ito
1956—57—Harris Ozawa
1958—59—Dr. Ken
Yamaguchi
1960—Tom T. Ito
1961—Mack Yamaguchi
1962—Eiko Matsui
1963—64—Kimi Fukutaki
1965—66—Mary Yusa

SAN DIEGO

Organized Aug. 13, 1933

- 1933—Hanako Moriyama
(temp.)
1933—George Obayashi
1934—Frank Otsuka
1935—George Obayashi
1936—37—George Ohashi
1938—Isamu Fujita
1939—George Obayashi
1940—Isamu Fujita
1941—Fred Katsumata
1942—Frank H. Otsuka
1947—Dr. George Hara,
Masami Honda
1948—Min Sakamoto
1949—50—Dr. George Hara
1951—Masami Honda
1952—Moto Asakawa
1953—Paul Hoshi
1954—Hiomi Nakamura
1955—George Kodama
1956—Dr. Tad Imoto
1957—Bert Tanaka
1959—George Muto
1960—Hedi Takeshita
1961—Jack Matsueda
1962—Harry Kawamoto
1963—Bruce Asakawa
1964—Joe Miyoshi
1965—Tom Yanagihara
1966—Abe Mukai
1967—Mas Hironaka

SAN FERNANDO

Organization Date

Unknown

- 1942—Tom Imai
Reactivated Sept. 28, 1946
1946—Fred Muto (org.)
1947—Fred Muto
1948—53—Inactive
1954—55—Tom Endow
1956—Gene Kono
1957—58—Kay Nakagiri
1959—60—Sam I. Uyehara
1961—Katsumi Arimoto
1962—Tak Makao
1963—Harry Otsuki
1964—65—Mrs. Mabel
Takimoto
1966—John Kaneko

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY

Organized Apr. 28, 1933

- 1933—Shizuko Shirane
(org.)
1933—34—Frank T. Ito
1936—Dave Nitake
1937—James Katayama
1938—39—Masaru
Kawashima
1940—Shigeru Hashimoto,
Henry Kuwabara
1941—George Imai
1942—Henry Kuwabara

SAN LUIS OBISPO

Organized March 1931

- 1931—32—Ernest K.
Iwasaki
1933—Inactive
1934—Mrs. Kofuji
Fukunaga
1935—
1936—
1937—Ben Fujiwaki

DISTRICT GOVERNORS

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA - WESTERN NEVADA

Originally organized Aug. 31, 1935, as the Northern California District Council, it has traditionally thrived as the largest of district councils from the standpoint of chapter membership. When it first met at Fresno in 1935, there were 15 chapters represented. It was reactivated June 27, 1945. Today there are 25 chapters.

- 1935-36—Walter Tsukamoto
1937-38—Dr. Harry Kita,
Saburo Kido
1939-40—Saburo Kido,
Henry Mitara
1941-42—Tom Shimasaki
1946-48—Cosma Sakamoto
1948-49—Tad Hirota
1949-51—Robert C.
Takahashi
1951-53—Masuji Fujii
1953-54—Giichi Yoshioka,
Tom Yego,
Jack Noda
1955-57—Yasuo W. Abiko
1957-58—Akiji Yoshimura
1958-59—Jerry Enomoto
1959-60—Yone Satoda
1960-61—Henry Kato
1961-62—Haruo Ishimaru
1962-63—James Murakami
1963-64—John Yasumoto
1964-65—Dr. Tom Taketa
1965-66—Jack Kusaba
1966-67—Tad Hirota

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

Youngest of the district councils, having been formed on March 2, 1949, its history actually dates back to 1935 when four chapters in the area comprised the Central California Region of the Northern California District Council. There are 10 chapters today.

- 1950-51—Johnson Kebo
1951-53—Kenji Tashiro
1953—Tom Nakamura
1954—Hiro Mayeda
1955-56—Jin Ishikawa
1957—Tom Nagamatsu
1958—George Abe
1959—Dr. James Nagatani
1960—Fred Hirasuna
1961—Mikio Uchiyama
1962—Tom Shimasaki
1963—Ben Nakamura
1964—Dr. Frank Nishio
1965—Bob Okamura
1966—Hiro Kusaka
1967—James K. Kubota

PACIFIC SOUTHWEST

Formed after the 1934 convention as the Southern District Council, it was comprised of seven chapters: San Diego, Brawley, San Gabriel Valley, Los Angeles, Santa Maria, Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo. When it was reactivated in 1947, there were 11 chapters present including Arizona to call for a change in the district's name to encompass the Great Southwest. It was reactivated Dec. 21, 1946. There are 21 chapters today.

- 1936-37—John S. Ando
1937-38—Lyle Kurisaki
1938-39—Henry J. Tsurutani
1939-40—Kiyoshi Higashi
1940-41—Dr. Yoshio Nakaji
1947-48—Henry Sakemi
1948-49—Frank Chuman,
Frank Mizusawa
1949-50—Dr. Roy M.
Nishikawa, Ken Dyo
1951-53—Tut Yata
1953-54—Ken Dyo
1955-59—David Yokozeki
1959-60—Kango Kunisugu
1960-61—Kay Nakagiri
1961-64—Mas Hironaka
1964-65—Kats Arimoto
1965-66—Akira Ohno
1966-67—Ronald Shiozaki

EASTERN

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

- 1947-48—Tom Hayashi
1949—Ina Sugihara
1949-51—Tetsuo Iwasaki
1951-52—Aki Hayashi
1953-54—Ira Shimasaki
1955-56—Bill Sasagawa
1957-58—Charles Nagao
1959-60—William Marutani
1961-62—John Yoshino
1963-66—Kaz Horita

- 1938—Sam Oda
1939—
1940—George Horiuchi
1941—42—Karl Taku
Reactivated Aug. 22, 1946
1946—Karl Taku
1947—Joe H. Kamitsuka,
Pat Nagano
1948—Hilo Fuchikawa
1949—Masuji Eto
1950—Karl Taku
1951—Pat Nagano
1952—Kazuo Ikeda
1953—Haruo Hayashi
1954—Saburo Ikeda
1955—George Nagano
1956—Seirin Ikeda
1957—Mitsuo
Sanbonmatsu
1958—Akio Hayashi
1959—Ben Dohi
1960—Ken Kifasako
1961—Skip T. Sato
1962—Dr. David
Tsukamoto
1963—Ken Kobara
1964—Stone Saruwatari
1965—Hilo Fuchikawa
1966—Ben Fuchikawa
1947—Ken Dyo
1948—50—Tad Kanetomo
1951—Mrs. Lillian Nakaji
1952—Ikey Kakimoto
1953—Akira Endo
1954—Lillian Nakaji,
Tom Hirashima, Ikey
Kakimoto, John Suzuki
(each served one
quarter)
1955-56—Tom Hirashima
1957—Richard Tokumaru
1958-59—Mike Hide
1960—Jerry Kawano
1961-62—Tom Hirashima
1963-64—George Ohashi
1965-66—Richard
Tokumaru

SANTA MARIA VALLEY

Organized April 3, 1932

- 1932-33—Ken Utsunomiya
1934—Dr. Earl M. Yusa
1935—Ken Kifasako
1936-37—Robert
Hiramatsu
1938—Ken Utsunomiya
1939—Butch Y. Tamura
1940-42—Harry Miyake
Reactivated August 1946
1947-48—Harold Shimizu
1949-56—Harry Miyake
1957-58—George Sahara
1959—Toru Miyoshi
1960—Jun Miyoshi
1964-65—Toru Miyoshi
1966—John Kawachi

SANTA MONICA

Organized 1941

- 1941-42—Henry Kuwahara

PROGRESSIVE

WESTSIDE

- Organized May 17, 1948
As Southwest L.A.
1948-49—Dr. Roy
Nishikawa
1950-51—Tut Yata
1952—Dick H. Fujioka
1953—Mack Hamaguchi

PACIFIC NORTHWEST

As the oldest district council in the national organization, it was organized Sept. 7, 1931. It was reactivated Dec. 1, 1946. Today, it has seven active chapters.

- 1931-32
1933-34
1935-36—Tom Iseri
1937—Roy Nishimura
1938-40—Mamoru Wakasugi
1941-42—Tom Iseri
1947-48—George Minato
Chas. Shimomura
1949-50—Kaz Yamane,
Roy Nishimura
1951-52—Roy Nishimura,
Kaz Yamane,
Harry Takagi,
Bob Mizukami
1953-54—Dr. Matthew
Masuoka
1955-57—Dr. Kelly Yamada
1957-59—Henry T. Kato
1959-61—George Azumano
1961-63—Toru Sakahara
1963-65—Dr. John Kanda
1965-67—Emi Somokawa

INTERMOUNTAIN

As the only district council to remain in continuous service during the war years, when the Pacific coast district activities were suspended by evacuation, its wartime record is proudly recalled as it singlehandedly supported National Headquarters when operating funds were at their lowest in 1943-44. Its predecessor, the Intermountain Nisei Convention was organized in 1932 of high school-college students. The IDC was formally organized Dec. 29, 1939. There are 8 chapters today.

- 1939-40—Mike M. Masaoka
1941-43—Wm. Y. Yamauchi
1944-45—Mamoru Wakasugi
1946-47—Shigeki Ushio
1950-51—Joe Saito
1952-53—Yukio Inouye
1954-55—Jim Ushio
1956-57—George Sugai
1958-59—Masami Yano
1960-61—Joe Nishio
1961-62—Rupert Hachiya
1963-65—Kiyoshi Sakata
1965-66—Tats Misaka

MOUNTAIN - PLAINS

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

- 1948-49—Bessie Matsuda
1950-51—K. Patrick Okura
1952—Roy M. Takeno
1953—George Masunaga
1954-55—Floyd Koshio
1956-57—Robert Horiuchi
1960-63—Minoru Yasui
1963-67—Lily A. Okura

MIDWEST

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

- 1947—Mari Sabusawa
1947-48—Henry Tani
1949-50—Noboru Honda
1951-52—Shig Wakamatsu
1953—Harry Takagi
1955-56—Abe Hagiwara
1957-58—Kumoo Yoshinari
1959-60—Joe Kadowaki
1961-63—Frank Sakamoto
1963-64—Dr. H. James Takee
1965-66—Hiro Mayeda

VENICE-CULVER

Organized 1941

- 1941-42—John Aono
Reactivated July 28, 1946
1946-47—Jack Wakamatsu
1948-49—George Mikawa
1950—Fumi Utsuki
1951—Kenichi Onishi
1952—James Yasuda
1953—James Fukuhara,
Kiya Nishi Tanaka
1954—Ken Amamoto
1955—George T. Isoda
1956—Dr. Tak Shishino
1957—Steve Nakaji
1958—Pete Furuya
1959—Mrs. Betty Yumori
1960—Kaz Adachi
1961—Jane Yamashita
1962—George Inagaki
1963—Jack S. Normura
1964—Hitoshi M. Shimizu
1965—George T. Isoda
1966—Dr. Richard Saiki
1967—Gram Noriyuki

WEST LOS ANGELES

Organized 1941

- 1941-42—Tom Ikuta
Reactivated Nov. 28, 1947
1947-48—Sho Komai
1949—Elmer Uchida
1950—Dr. Kiyoshi Sonoda
1951—Richard Jeniya
1952—Sho Komai
1953—James Kitsu
1954—Elmer Uchida
1955—Steve Yagi
1956—Dave Akashi
1957—Frank Kishi
1958—Dr. Milton Inouye
1959—Joseph M. Noda
1960-61—Akira Ohne
1962—Steve Yagi
1963-64—Mrs. Toy Kanegai
1965—Takeo Susuki
1966—David Wakumoto
1967—Elmer Uchida

VENTURA COUNTY

Organized Nov. 1937*

- *It was organized as the Oxnard Nisei Civic League, an independent group, and joined the JACL in 1941.
1941—Brownie Furutani
1942—Allen Kurihara

WILSHIRE - UPTOWN

Organized Dec. 1962

- 1963-64—Tut Yata
1965—Ken Watase
1966—Kimi Matsuda

One Thousand Club Honor Roll



THE BOX SCORE
Grand Total—1,770 Active
(As of Dec. 16, 1966)

*—Charter Member: Among
First 1,000 to Sign Up.

Pacific Northwest—162
12—Gresham Troutdale
13—Mid-Columbia
29—Portland
29—Puyallup Valley
65—Seattle
10—Spokane
4—White River Valley

Central California—109
2—Bakersfield
7—Clovis
10—Delano
5—Fowler
20—Fresno
14—Parlier
17—Reedley
7—Sanger
7—Selma
20—Tulare County

Mountain Plains—45
6—Fort Lupton
23—Mile Hi
10—Omaha
4—San Luis Valley
2—Misc.

Northern California—507
20—Alameda
16—Berkeley
22—Contra Costa
3—Cortez
10—Eden Township
3—Florin
1—Fremont
2—Misc.
7—French Camp
14—Livingston-Merced
21—Marysville
11—Monterey Peninsula
24—Oakland
19—Placer County
6—Reno
102—Sacramento
7—Salinas Valley
7—San Benito County
112—San Francisco
27—San Jose
9—San Mateo
20—Sequoia
11—Sonoma County
30—Stockton
3—Watsonville

Pacific Southwest—413
20—Arizona
1—Coachella Valley
112—Downtown L.A.
22—East Los Angeles
27—Gardena Valley
18—Hollywood
31—Long Beach Harbor
30—Orange County
27—Pasadena
21—Progressive W'side
35—San Diego
16—San Fernando
5—San Luis Obispo
9—Santa Barbara
4—Santa Maria Valley
1—Selahoco
26—Venice-Culver
4—Ventura County
31—West Los Angeles
3—Wilshire Uptown

Midwest—272
132—Chicago
10—Cincinnati
21—Cleveland
11—Dayton
31—Detroit
17—Milwaukee

26—St. Louis
23—Twin Cities
1—Misc.

Intermountain—129
4—Ben Lomond
21—Boise Valley
14—Idaho Falls
11—Mt. Olympus
9—Pocatello
5—Rexburg
17—Salt Lake City
48—Snake River

Eastern—103
32—New York
36—Philadelphia
4—Seabrook
31—Washington D.C.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST

Gresham-Troutdale
5—Fujii, Kazuo
7—*Fujimoto, Masayuki
7—Honma, Ed
16—*Kato, Mrs. Chiyo
13—*Kato, Hawley H.
16—*Kato, Henry T.
13—*Kinoshita, Kazuo
2—Nagae, Shigenori
3—Oguri, Roy Y.
9—Onchi, Dr. Joe M.
9—*Ouchida, Jack T.
9—Tamura, Kazuma

Mid-Columbia
3—Asai, Masami
6—Asai, Taro
12—*Endow, Sho, Jr.
5—Magaki, Masashi
10—Nakamura, George
13—*Sato, Ray H.
5—Shank, Harlin
6—*Shitara, Setsu
13—*Takasumi, Mits
7—*Tamura, George
7—Watanabe, George M.
10—Yasui, Mrs. Mikie
Life—*Yasui, Ray T.

Portland
16—*Azumano, George I.
5—Azumano, Mrs. Ise
2—Fuchigami, Walter
13—*Hada, John M.
6—Hara, Dr. George S.
2—Hasuika, Dr. Toshi
4—Inahara, Dr. Toshio
9—Ito, John
6—Iwasaki, Ike
12—Kawasaki, Corky T.
13—*Kida, James K.
Life—*Kinoshita Dr. R. S.
11—*Kuge, Dr. Toshiaki
9—Kyono, Frank C.
13—*Masuoka, Dr. M.
13—*Nakata, Dr. Mitsuo
13—Onchi, Jim
2—Oyama, Dr. Albert A.
5—Sakai, William Y.
10—*Shiomi, Dr. Robert
2—Somekawa, Mrs. Emi
7—Sumida, Hiroshi
3—Sumida, Nobu
11—Sunamoto, Robert H.
4—Tsugawa, George
3—Tsugawa, Henry
2—Tsugawa, Dr. James
2—Tsujimura, Dr. James
11—Yamada, Dr. Roy

Puyallup Valley
8—Fujita, John

3—Hashimoto, Mrs. A.
10—Fujita, Yosh
1—Hori, Dr. Kiyooka
2—Itami, James
7—Kanda, Mrs. Grace
10—Kanda, Dr. John M.
7—Kawabata, Yosh
13—Kinoshita, H. James
3—Komoto, Frank
1—Kosai, Joe
1—Kosai, Yoshio
7—Masumoto, Ted
9—Mizukami, Robert
8—Moriyasu, Dr. Victor
7—Murakami, George
Life—*Ota, George
7—Sakahara, Thomas T.
7—Sasaki, Tad
8—Takemura, Thomas
10—Tanbara, Dr. George
6—Tsuboi, Toshio
6—Uchiyama, Mrs. Miyo
11—Uchiyama, Dr. Sam
4—Yaguchi, Hiro
9—*Yamane, Kazuo
6—Yoshida, Nobuo
8—Yoshino, Dr. Keith
13—Yoshioka, Daiichi

Seattle
12—Akita, Hiram G.
7—Andrews, Rev. Emery
11—Aoki, Jiro E.
6—Fugami, George S.
11—*Fujii, Yoshito
13—Fukuda, Dr. Susumu
Life—*Hattori, Frank H.
4—Hayasaka, Y. Philip
11—*Hikida, Heitaro
13—*Hirota, Joe S.
Life—*Hori, Takahashi
7—Imanishi, Fred Y.
5—Ishimatsu, Sad
2—Iwasaki, George S.
10—*Kashiwagi, John M.
12—Kawabe, Harry S.
12—*Kawachi, George Y.
5—Kawaguchi, George
5—Kihara, Koichi
Life—*Kinomoto, Frank
Life—*Kubota, Henry T.
Life—*Kubota, Takeshi
5—Kumasaka, Dr. R. S.
13—*Maeda, Milton
13—*Matsuoka, James
5—Matsuura, Robert H.
6—Mayeda, Tom U.
15—*Mimbu, William Y.
6—Miyake, Henry H.
11—*Motoda, Mrs. Kiyo
11—*Murakami, Richard
13—*Nakamura, Dr. T. T.
Life—*Nogaki, Ken
13—Noji, Mitsugi
8—Ogawa, Elmer
10—Ogino, Miss Rose
12—*Ohtaki, Peter I.
3—*Okuda, Kenji
12—Omori, Mrs. Sue
5—Otsuka, Ed
6—Oves, William G.
11—*Sakahara, Ted A.
13—*Sakahara, Toru
11—Sakura, Howard S.
8—Seko, Roy Y.
10—Shigaya, Dr. Paul S.
7—Shimomura, Eddie K.
9—Suyama, Soichi
5—Suyama, Mrs. Toshie

6—Suzuki, Dr. M. Paul
15—*Takagi, Fred T.
6—Taniguchi, Theodore
8—*Toda, Dr. Terrence
4—Tosaya, Mrs. Umeko
9—Toshi, Charles C.
8—Tsubota, Min
6—Uno, Mrs. Shigeo
6—Uyeno, Dr. Ben T.
13—*Yamada, Dr. Kelly
14—*Yamaguchi, Kay
12—*Yamaguchi, Minoru
11—*Yamaguchi, Tad
1—Yamane, Dick H.
6—Yasui, Tatsumi
12—*Yoshioka, Juro

Spokane
2—Fukukai, George M.
7—*Hisayasu, Frank
8—*Kadoya, Harry
14—*Kondo, Dr. Mark M.
16—*Masto, Harry
12—*Nobuku, Tetsuo
5—Tsutakawa, Edward
Life—*Yamamoto, E. M.
Life—*Yamamoto, Matsu
Life—*Yamamoto, Tom

White River Valley
4—Arima, Mike
10—Kawasaki, George
5—Maebori, William
2—Nishimoto, Joe T.

NO. CALIF. WESTERN NEVADA

Alameda
2—Akagi, Mrs. Betty
7—Akagi, Hiromu Hi
2—Hattori, Mrs. Kay K.
12—Imura, Haruo
6—Isokawa, Ichiro
2—Kadonaga, Dr. R. S.
1—Kobashi, Jerry S.
2—Sugiyama, Yosh
3—Takehita, Shiro Jug
2—Takeoka, Mrs. Toshi
18—*Togasaki, Susumu
10—Uchiyama, Archie H.
5—Uchiyama, Mrs. Yuri
12—Ushijima, George W.
6—Ushijima, Harry
2—Ushijima, Mrs. S.
2—Ushijima, Jimmy
7—Ushijima, Mrs. Terry
4—Yonekura, Minoru
7—Yumae, Jimmy S.

Berkeley
15—*Fujii, Masuji
4—Hamaji, Dr. Roy S.
2—Hayashi, Yukishige
13—*Hirota, Tadashi T.
13—*Kako, Tokuya
2—Kanda, Hiroshi
13—*Kosakura, Albert S.
1—Murai, Harold
10—Nakamura, Tadashi
3—Ouye, Tom
4—Sato, Sho
9—*Takahashi, Dr. H.
7—Yamasaki, Frank
Life—*Yamashita, Yuri
7—Yasukochi, George
11—*Yonemura, Mas

Contra Costa
2—Hirano, Hiro
2—Hitomi, Emileo

3—Kimoto, James
5—Maida, Miss Meriko
14—Nabeta, Toshiro
4—Nakamura, George
14—*Ninomiya, Tamaki
6—Nishita, Satoru
10—Nita, Noel P.
11—Oda, Dr. Thomas H.
13—Oishi, Joe
2—Oji, Sukeo
2—Oji, Mrs. Tey T.
13—*Oshima, Heizo
13—*Sakai, Roy
13—*Sakai, Sam I.
6—Sugawara, Joe S.
12—Sugihara, George J.
3—Tanaka, Teddy
19—Togasaki, Dr. Y.
12—Uratsu, Marvin
5—Yasaki, Joe J.

Cortez
12—Kamaya, Mark
14—*Kuwahara, Sam
13—*Nishihara, Joe A.

Eden Township
13—*Fujii, Kenji
9—Kasai, Yoshio
7—Kawahara, Momotaro
7—Kawahara, Sam
9—Kitayama, Tom
13—*Sakai, Tetsuma
8—Shibata, Yoshimi
5—Yamamoto, Dr. Geo.
11—Yoshida, Sho
17—*Yoshioka, Giichi

Florin
9—Ito, Paul T.
8—Kashiwagi, William
8—Taketa, Bill S.

Fremont
14—*Shikano, Kazuo

French Camp
3—Fujiki, John
1—Itaya, Yoshio Ted
13—*Kagehiro, Mitsuo
3—Komure, George
5—Murata, Mats
2—Shinmoto, Hiroshi
1—Tominaga, Bob

Livingston-Merced
12—Andow, Eric
11—Hashimoto, Fred M.
Life—*Iwata, Buddy
12—Kishi, Norman
12—Maeda, Samuel Y.
12—Masuda, Kazuo
12—Morimoto, Tets
11—Ohki, Robert
11—Shoji, Frank
16—*Suzuki, Frank T.
4—Winton, Mrs. Agnes
10—Winton, Gordon Jr.
9—Yagi, George
11—Yoshida, Lester Koe

Marysville
4—Hatamiya, Thomas
7—Inouye, Bob H.
12—Inouye, George H.
5—Kearby, George F.
10—Kodama, Robert R.
7—Manji, Bill Teruo
8—Matsumoto, George
5—Matsumoto, Shurei
Life—*Nakamura, Frank
5—Nakano, Takeo
12—Oji, Arthur N.
6—Oji, Henry
18—*Oji, Mas

13—*Okamoto, George Y.
2—Ollar, Harmon H.
12—Sasaki, John K.
10—Teesdale, Thomas H.
4—Tokunaga, Isao
15—*Tsuji, Bill Z.
13—*Uchida, Mosse M.
18—*Yoshimura, Akiji

Monterey Peninsula
3—*Ichijji, Mickey
8—Ichijji, Paul
11—Kodama, George
12—Miyamoto, Hoshito
10—Nobusada, Kay
13—*Sato, Kenneth H.
4—Sugimoto, Akio
2—*Tabata, James
14—*Uyeda, Minoru
1—Uyeda, George
4—Yokogawa, Masao

Oakland
13—*Fujii, Katsumi
1—Hayashida, Dr. M.
3—Ida, Mrs. Florence T.
15—*Ishizu, Dr. Charles
2—Isono, Yoshio
2—Kawamura, Dr. Y.
4—Kitajima, Mrs. Molly
2—Kurita, Dr. Ikuyo
3—Mayeda, Ted T.
3—Nishi, James G.
1—Nagao, Dr. Esther
10—*Nomura, Fred S.
3—Nomura, Thomas K.
9—Ogawa, Frank H.
9—Ohara, Jerry Jitsuo
1—Oto, Robert N.
1—Saitoh, Chiaki
1—Tanaka, Shizuo
2—Tsuji, Thomas
9—*Tsurumoto, James
12—*Utsumi, Kinji
11—We Hara, Dr. Russell
3—Yokomizo, K.
2—Yokomizo, Tony

Placer County
4—Cameron, Ronald G.
7—Hirakawa, George S.
5—Kawahata, Harry
5—Kubo, Ellen A.
5—Matsuda, Tom T.
7—Nakae, Howard
3—Nakagawa, Bunny
4—Nakamura, Robert
5—Nishikawa, George
2—Nishimura, Richard
5—Okusu, Kunio
5—Radovich, Robert
5—Sands, Harry E.
9—Takemoto, Hiroshi
4—Uyeno, Koichi
5—Yego, Masayuki
5—Yego, Tadashi
12—*Yego, Thomas Jr.
12—*Yoshida, Roy T.

Reno
15—*Aoyama, Fred
8—Baba, Mas
8—Baba, Mits
12—*Fujii, Oscar
10—*Makabe, Wilson H.
6—Nozu, Paul

Sacramento
7—Akamatsu, Dr. Geo.
11—Baker, Mrs. Shizue
6—Daggett, Morris
7—Daiki, Frank M.

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Honor Roll—

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12—Enomoto, Jiro Jerry
 11—Fujii, Harry
 10—Fujii, Masuto
 11—Fujii, Toko
 3—Fujikawa, Masao
 4—Fujimoto, Harvey
 9—Fukushima, Tom
 5—Furukawa, Tom
 2—Goi, George K.
 7—Hamai, George
 10—Hara, Harry N.
 12—Hayashi, Dr. Akio
 10—Hayashi, Edward
 10—Higashino, Roy
 6—Himoto, Roy
 7—Hironaka, Mitsuji
 7—Hiyama, Frank
 10—Imai, Kiyoshi
 7—Inouye, Dr. Stanley
 6—Ishida, Tom
 7—Ishihara, Kazuma
 8—Ishii, Dr. Edward
 10—Ishimoto, Sam
 11—Itano, Dean
 10—Itano, Masao
 11—Ito, Yasushi
 5—Kamada, Tom S.
 3—Kawahara, Dr. G.
 10—Kitade, Roy
 1—Kobayashi, Charles
 10—Kozono, Ardevan K.
 2—Kubo, Edwin S.
 9—Kubo, George J.
 11—Kubo
 7—Kunishi, Tom H.
 6—Kurotori, Tom T.
 8—Maeda, Masao
 11—Masaki, Akito
 10—Masaki, Harry K.
 11—Masaki, Percy T.
 4—Matsumoto, Denri
 8—Matsumoto, Richard
 13—Matsumoto, Wm.
 17—Matsunami, Joe
 11—Matsuoka, Geo. I.
 7—Menda, Albert Y.
 7—Miyahara, Ted
 10—Miyai, Arthur
 8—Miyakawa, Jun
 12—Miyamoto, Sumio
 10—Miyao, Martin
 8—Morimoto, Harry
 9—Muramoto, Dr. Geo.
 2—Nakano, Junichi
 6—Nakatani, Soichi
 11—Nishijima, Kanji
 10—Nishimi, Masao
 10—Nishimi, Ralph
 9—Noguchi, David
 2—Noguchi, Kinya
 10—Oda, Ping Y.
 10—Okada, Eugene
 4—Okamoto, Dr. H.
 7—Oki, George S.
 12—Oshima, Coffee H.
 6—Otani, George
 3—Ozawa, Dr. Kenneth
 8—Sakamoto, Shig
 11—Sakuma, Mamoru
 9—Sanui, Kaname
 12—Sato, Dr. Alwin M.
 6—Sato, Dr. Kiyoshi A.
 9—Sato, Tom
 5—Seto, Louis
 10—Seto, Dr. Masa
 10—Shirai, Noboru
 1—Sugiyama, Dr. Arthur
 12—Sugiyama, Dr. Henry
 4—Suzuki, Yoneo
 12—Takahashi, Dr. Geo.
 6—Takamoto, Kiyoshi
 15—Taketa, Henry
 10—Takeuchi, Takeo
 12—Tamura, George
 3—Tokunaga, Ed M.
 13—Tsugawa, Dubby W.
 9—Tsuji, Tak
 4—Tsukamoto, Mrs. T.
 1—Uyeno, Dr. Yukio
 4—Watanabe, Masaharu
 5—Yamagata, Howard
 10—Yamamoto, Charley
 3—Yamamoto, Dr. Masa
 6—Yamasaki, Harry Y.
 8—Yokoi, Frank

11—Yoshimura, Frank
 1—Yukikura, Eddy

Salinas Valley

17—Abe, James Y.
 11—Hibino, Frank K.
 10—Higashi, George
 9—Ichikawa, Yonezo
 18—Kita, Dr. Harry Y.
 14—Miyahara, Tom
 15—Tanda, Henry H.

San Benito County

13—Kamimoto, Kay K.
 3—Kamimoto, Tsutae
 11—Nishita, Frank
 9—Shiotsuka, Sam E.
 1—Terasaki, Ryo
 2—Yamanishi, Akiji
 5—Yamaoka, Tony M.

San Francisco

2—Abe, Fred Y.
 16—Abiko, Yasuo W.
 12—Adachi, Lucy
 13—Aizawa, Hatsuro
 5—Ashizawa, Masao
 4—Aizawa, Katsu
 10—Chung, Edward
 1—Daphne, Nicholas P.
 7—Dobashi, Frank
 1—Doi, Mrs. Charlotte
 8—Doi, Steven
 3—Doi, Wesley
 2—Eto, Miss Ruth
 9—Fagerhaugh, Mrs. S.
 10—Fujisada, Takafusa
 11—Furuta, Mrs. Yoshie
 1—Giron, Gus
 5—Handa, Katsunori
 1—Harada, Naoji
 10—Hayakawa, Kayo
 16—Hedani, Dr. Tokuji
 13—Hironaka, David T.
 13—Hirose, Jack
 13—Hirota, Dr. Carl T.
 2—Hiura, Dr. Pearce
 2—Hiura, Dr. Wilfred
 5—Hongo, Masanori
 12—Honnami, Sumi
 16—Hori, Kei
 16—Hori, Dr. Shigeru
Life—Hosaka, Mitsuo
 4—Hoshimiya, Estelle
 13—Hoshiyama, Fred
 13—Hoshiyama, Wm.
 1—Hountalas, Dan D.
 12—Hunt, Dixie
 10—Ino, Kunisaku
 10—Ino, Mrs. Mume
 5—Inouye, Hisao
 5—Inouye, Mike
 12—Ishizaki, Kenzi
 6—Iwamasa, Harold H.
 3—Iwasaki, Kojiro
 7—Kasai, Hideo
 13—Kimura, Wm. T.
 1—Kiwata, Ken
 5—Kiyasu, Dr. William

Memorial—Koda, K.
 2—Konagai, Raymond
 11—Korematsu, Harry
 11—Kubokawa, Joseph
 3—Kumamoto, Yukio
 2—Kunitsugu, Jack
 12—Kurihara, Marie
 16—Kuroiwa, Mrs. T.
 11—Kusaba, Jack S.
 2—Lauter, Robert S.
 1—Lee, Powell
 16—Masaoka, Joe Grant
 5—Matsumura, Albert
 6—Mayeda, Jack M.
 5—Moriguchi, Eddie
 3—Nakahara, Wm., Jr.
 1—Nakamura, Geo. C.
 4—Nakamura, Harold
 8—Negi, Don
 5—Nii, Dr. Kazuo
 14—Nishi, Dick
 2—Nishi, Edward T.
 5—Nomura, Dr. Harry
Life—Nonaka, Frank
 7—Obana, George
 6—Obayashi, Henry
 1—Ohmura, John M.
 1—Ohtaki, Paul T.

12—Okamoto, Takeo
 5—Okamura, Hirofumi
 4—Ozawa, Koji
 13—Reyes, Katherine K.
 6—Sakai, Dr. H. Q.
 5—Sakai, Yozo
 4—Sakata, James T.
 4—Sasai, Eugene
 4—Sasaki, Makoto
 5—Sato, Sam S.
 12—Satoda, Mrs. Daisy
 12—Satoda, Yone
 17—Satow, Mrs. Chiz
 19—Satow, Masao W.
 6—Schloss, Mrs. Sumi
 7—Schwarz, Maury
 5—Seiki, Sim S.
 1—Shiota, Jutaro
 12—Sumida, Marshall
 4—Sugaya, Masami
 9—Takahashi, Henri H.
 5—Tatsuno, Masateru
 18—Togasaki, Dr. Kazue
 1—Tokii, Masato Ty
 6—Tono, Harry Y.
 3—Tsuchimoto, Ben T.
 7—Tsumori, Dr. Himeo
 11—Utsumi, Takeo Babe
 7—Uyeda, Dr. Clifford
 8—Uyeda, June J.
 4—Wada, Yukio
 9—Yamazaki, Warren
 1—Yanase, Masao
 9—Yasuda, Shotaro
 7—Yasumoto, John T.
 11—Yonezu, Charles
 4—Yoshino, Joe
 2—Yukawa, Kiyoshi J.

San Jose

14—Bepp, Yoneo
 10—Habara, Jiro W.
 1—Hashimoto, Mrs. T.
 1—Higashi, Kiyoshi
 13—Hirabayashi, James
 8—Hiura, Dr. Thomas
 6—Hongo, Dr. Yuta
 1—Inouye, Dr. Tak
 9—Ishigaki, Harry
 15—Ishikawa, Dr. Tokio
 2—Ishimatsu, I. K.
 10—Kanemoto, Wayne M.
 16—Katayama, Yoshio
 10—Matsumura, Phil
 7—Mineta, Norman
 9—Mitsuyoshi, Tom J.
 7—Nakashima, S. S.
 9—Okamoto, Dr. Robert
 10—Sakauye, Eiichi
 4—Sekigahama, Tad
 9—Shimizu, Esau
 11—Shiroma, Mrs. E.
 5—Taketa, Dr. Tom
 16—Tatsuno, Dave M.
 2—Uyeda, Henry
 5—Yamate, Henry T.
 9—Yonemoto, Tak Y.

San Mateo

Life—Ishimaru, Haruo
 1—Ishimaru, Mrs. Y.
 5—Ito, Hiroshi
 13—Masaoka, Tad T.
 11—Rikimaru, J. I.
 11—Sutow, George T.
 1—Sutow, Mary
 11—Sutow, Tomiko
 7—Takahashi, William

Sequoia

3—Adachi, Ryuji
Life—Baba, Dr. Geo. R.
 8—Doi, Dr. Hunter
 14—Enomoto, John T.
 19—Enomoto, Wm. H.
 6—Fukuma, Mamoru H.
 3—Hatasaka, Dr. Harry
Life—Hiura, Dr. Geo. Y.
 1—Hiura, Mrs. Masaye
 18—Inouye, Hirotsuke
 10—Kariya, Hiroji
 13—Kitasoe, Richard S.
 8—Kono, Eugene Y.
 5—Mayeda, Shozo
 12—Murata, Mrs. E. F.
 8—Nakahara, Peter M.
 3—Nakai, Albert Y.
 6—Nishimoto, Yosh
 17—Oku, Masao
 9—Yamada, Sat

Sonoma County

1—Fisher, Jules
 3—Hamamoto, George I.

13—Miyano, James T.
 4—Murakami, James F.
 12—Oda, Frank K.
 11—Ohki, Edwin
 4—Okamoto, Dr. Roy
 4—Shimizu, Martin
 4—Tsuji, Shiz
 13—Yamamoto, Eiichi
 10—Yokoyama, Geo. Y.

Stockton

12—Baba, George K.
 12—Dobana, Fred K.
 5—Fujii, Dr. Kenneth
 7—Fukuhara, Chester
 12—Hayashino, Harry S.
 12—Higashi, Henry M.
 11—Hisaka, Art
 11—Inamasu, Frank
 7—Ishida, Alfred T.
 12—Itaya, Sam
 2—Kato, Tetsuo
 12—Kusama, Henry T.
 2—Matsumoto, Geo. Y.
 13—Matsumoto, Jack Y.
 5—Morozumi, Dr. J. I.
 8—Nakashima, Arthur
 7—Nakashima, Geo. J.
 7—Nakashima, Roy S.
 7—Nakashima, William
 3—Nitta, Harold
 12—Okamoto, Tom T.
 12—Omachi, Joseph
 12—Tabuchi, Mrs. M.
 2—Takei, Dr. Katsuto
 5—Tanaka, Dr. J. H.
 12—Tsunekawa, Lou S.
 12—Ueda, Kazuo
 2—Wallman, Frank
 3—Yamada, Bob Yoshio
 5—Yoshikawa, Ed

Watsonville

8—Fujimoto, Dr. C. C.
 5—Mine, William M.
 5—Shikuma, Kenji

Miscellaneous

Life—Yuki, Mrs. M.
Life—Yuki, Takeo

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

Bakersfield

6—Kumataka, Lloyd K.
 5—Yumibe, Dr. Yoshio

Clovis

17—Fujita, Miss June T.
 6—Ikeda, Hifumi
 9—Miyamoto, James K.
 7—Takahashi, Yoshito
 4—Yamamoto, Dr. M.
 9—Yamamoto, Tokuo
 9—Yoshida, Herbert

Delano

4—Fukawa, Jeff
 10—Katano, Joe
 11—Kawasaki, Paul H.
 11—Kawasaki, Tom T.
 11—Nagatani, Edward
 11—Nagatani, George Y.
 13—Nagatani, Dr. J. K.
 10—Nakagama, Bill T.
Life—Takaki, Ernest H.
 12—Yonaki, Sadawo

Fowler

9—Hiyama, Kazuo
 14—Miyake, Dr. George
 8—Nakamura, Harley
 8—Toyama, Thomas
 10—Uchiyama, Mikio

Fresno

9—Arata, Don
 7—Ego, Dr. Shiro
Life—Hirasuna, Fred
 9—Ishikawa, Jin
 11—Jitsumyo, Dr. Akira
 13—Kazato, Dr. Henry
 10—Kubo, Dr. Sumio
 4—Masumoto, Dr. K. S.
 7—Miyamoto, Gunzo G.
 9—Morita, Takashi
 7—Nakamura, Ben
 4—Nishio, Dr. Frank
 11—Oji, Dr. Chester S.
 10—Sakamoto, S. G.
 7—Shimada, Dr. Hideki
 15—Suda, Dr. George M.
 8—Suda, Dr. Otto H.

3—Suda, Willy K.
 12—Taira, Dr. Kikuo H.
 7—Takahashi, Paulo

Parlier

13—Doi, Noboru Jerry
Life—Iseki, Harry H.
 11—Kashiki, John
 13—Katsura, Ted
Life—Koga, Ben
 14—Kozuki, James N.
 13—Migaki, Richard Y.
Life—Miyakawa, Norm
 13—Miyakawa, Tomio C.
 10—Nagare, Fred
 14—Ogata, Gerald M.
 13—Okamura, Robert I.
 13—Ota, Ronald K.
 10—Tsuboi, Shoichi

Reedley

11—Abe, Masaru
 3—Hosaka, Henry
 14—Ikeda, Mrs. Michi
 16—Ikeda, Toru
 10—Ikemiya, Mrs. C. A.
 6—Kawamoto, Kiyoshi
 7—Kimura, Frank
 9—Kitahara, Kei
 1—Kiyomoto, George Y.
 9—Minami, William
 8—Naito, Tak
 7—Tajiri, Dr. Akira
 1—Wake, William
 2—Yamada, Bill

Sanger

16—Kanagawa, Robt. K.
 17—Kebo, Johnson
 8—Kumano, Thomas K.
 4—Moriyama, Tom T.
 11—Nagamatsu, Tom H.
 16—Nakamura, Tom
 9—Tange, Kiichi

Selma

1—Abajian, Seth
 11—Abe, George
 10—Kajitani, Yoshio
 3—Kobashi, Elmer W.
 8—Masumoto, Alan A.
 3—Mechigian, John
 5—Thomas, Irvin S.

Tulare County

8—Ezaki, Tee
 6—Hatakeda, Jun J.
 9—Hatakeda, Sawato
 11—Imoto, Mike
 8—Ishida, William
 9—Konishi, William
 11—Mayeda, Hiroshi
 6—Morofuji, Harry
 11—Nagata, Ed
 8—Ogata, Nori
 9—Oh, George
 8—Shiba, William
 8—Shimaji, Gene
 15—Shimasaki, Tom
 10—Sumida, Jack
 11—Tashiro, Mrs. Ethel
 16—Tashiro, Kenji
 9—Watanabe, Kay
 9—Yamada, Doug
 10—Yamamoto, John E.
 11—Yebisu, Hisao

Mountain

Plains

Fort Lupton

12—Koshio, Floyd
 13—Murata, Lee
 12—Tsubara, Jack
 11—Uyemura, Dr. G. H.
 11—Uyemura, Mrs. M.
 11—Yamaguchi, Frank

Mile Hi

Life—Fujisaki, Dr. Chas.
 15—Hosokawa, Wm. K.
 12—Ida, Harry Y.
 16—Imatani, James H.
 3—Ito, Dr. Takeshi
 12—Iwasaki, H. Carl
 11—Kameko, Geo. Mits
 9—Kawano, Dr. Tomio
 15—Kobayashi, Dr. T.K.
 8—Kumagai, Samuel
 4—Kuroki, William
 6—Masamori, Tom T.
 12—Masunaga, Geo. Y.
 9—Masunaga, John M.
 5—Mayeda, Dr. Bob T.
 9—Mayeda, Dr. T.

2—Miyahara, Dr. Ben
Life—Shiyomura, Bess
 1—Tanabe, Don
 9—Terasaki, Yutaka
 6—Uba, Dr. Mahito
 5—Wada, Dr. Ayako
 11—Yasui, Minoru

Omaha

4—Ando, Yukio
 4—Egusa, James T.
 1—Greenberg, Dr. A.
 2—Harano, Earl
 15—Nakadoi, Mrs. M.
 18—Nakadoi, Robert
 3—Novak, Mike
 14—Okura, Mrs. Lily
 16—Okura, K. Patrick
 1—Watanabe, Harry

San Luis Valley

15—Hayashida, Charles
 18—Inouye, Roy T.
 13—Mizokami, Mike
 13—Sumida, Harry

Miscellaneous

11—Hashimoto, Mrs. S.
 12—Matsubara, Chas. S.

EASTERN

New York

10—Abe, Dr. Harry
 4—Endo, Minoru
Life—Ennis, Edw. J.
 13—Enochty, Mrs. Masa
 13—Enochty, Tatsuchi
 13—Enochty, Tomio
 10—Fujihara, Toge
 4—Funabashi, Al
 17—Hayashi, Thomas T.
 9—Hirai, Richard T.
 13—Hirata, Mrs. May N.
 6—Imai, Yoshi T.
 15—Ishikawa, Samuel
 10—Iwasaki, Karl Sakuo
 8—Iwatsu, S. John
 7—Kariya, Shig
 10—Kimura, Mitty
 7—Komatsu, Koma
 10—Kyotow, George
 9—Nogaki, Kenji
 6—Noma, Hickie K.
 16—Ozawa, Jack K.
 10—Sakayama, Wm. K.
 10—Shimamoto, Geo. G.
 10—Shiotani, Tatsuji M.
 11—Sprung, Murray
 9—Sugihara, Kyuichi
 9—Suzuki, Miss Alice
 9—Suzuki, Henry T.
 14—Togasaki, Yaye
 5—Watabe, Michael M.
 9—Yamaoka, George

Philadelphia

11—Date, Shoji
 3—Endo, John K.
 3—Endo, Susumu Sim
 1—Goda, Eugene
 7—Hamada, Tsugio
 4—Harada, Mrs. H.
 4—Harada, Masaru
 10—Hirokawa, Charles
 1—Horikawa, Herbert J.
 8—Horikawa, N. R.
 5—Horita, Kaz
 13—Ishida, William T.
 5—Kambe, Charles S.
 2—Kita, Roy
 12—Kobayashi, Noboru
 10—Koiwai, Mrs. Chiyo
 10—Koiwai, Dr. Eiichi K.
 1—Marutani, Victoria
 15—Marutani, Wm. M.
Life—Michener, Mari
Life—Mikuriya, T.
 14—Moriuchi, Takashi
 8—Murakami, Mrs. M.
 11—Murakami, Tomomi
 6—Nagahashi, Dr. S. K.
 13—Nakano, Mrs. Teru
 16—Nitta, S. John
 16—Nitta, Mrs. T. Ann
 12—Ohama, Ben
 7—Okamoto, Allen H.
 1—Okamoto, Howard K.
 10—Oye, Garry G.
 8—Sasagawa, K. Wm.
 15—Tamaki, Dr. H. T.
 14—Uyehara, Hiroshi
 10—Watanabe, Dr. W. H.

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WHING-DINGING it at the San Diego national convention are (from left) Joe Kadowaki, then 1000 Club national chairman, witnessing the clipping of

Wild Bill Matsumoto's long tie (verboten at whing dings) by Chicago 1000er Chiye Tomihiko. A San Diego "bunny girl" seems oblivious to the cutting-up.

Honor Roll—

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Washington, D.C.

- 6—Baba, Frank S.
- 2—Bosworth, Allen K.
- 10—Endo, Aiji Frank
- 10—*Fistere, Harold
- 14—*Furukawa, Mrs. S.
- 2—Gosho, Henry
- 11—Higuchi, Mrs. T. T.
- 3—Hino, Thomas K.
- 13—*Horiuchi, Harold S.
- 6—Ichijoji, Joseph
- 10—Iki, Robert S.
- 4—Inouye, Sen. Dan K.
- 6—Iwata, Mrs. Akiko
- 16—*Masaoka, Mrs. Etsu
- 19—*Masaoka, Mike M.
- 3—Masunaga, Rep. S. M.
- 3—Minami, Mrs. Claire
- 1—Mink, Rep. Pasy T.
- 4—Mitoma, Edwin
- 4—Murakami, Dr. R. S.

LIFE—Nogaki, Kenko

- 2—Notomi, Rodney S.
- 12—Obata, George I.
- 9—Oshiki, Kaz
- 12—Sakata, Hisako
- 17—*Shimasaki, Ira
- 2—Suyehiro, Dr. Hito
- 16—*Takagi, Harry I.
- 5—Toda, Mary
- 2—Tsutsumida, Cherry
- 13—*Yoshino, John Y.

Seabrook

- 8—Fuyume, Robert S.
- 5—Morita, Dr. Paul M.
- 10—Nagao, Charles T.
- 13—*Nakamura, Kiyomi

PACIFIC SOUTHWEST

Arizona

- 1—Dowd, H. T.
- 13—Inoshita, Masaji
- 12—*Kadomoto, Tom
- 5—Kanemura, Sam

1—Kumagai, Dr. Tamio

- 5—Kuramoto, T. Comp
- 7—Masunaga, Harry
- 1—Matsuichi, Dr. R.
- 3—McManus, Jack E.
- 9—*Miyauchi, Mrs. H.
- 5—Moriuchi, Roy
- 5—Murakami, Mits
- 4—Onodera, George C.
- 6—*Sakata, Johnson
- 4—Sanderson, Don D.
- 6—*Tadano, Tadashi
- 1—Tanita, Mrs. Mary
- 15—*Tanita, Shigeru
- 1—Tanita, Tom T.
- 4—Wood, Joe A.
- 3—*Yabuno, Ben H.

Coachella Valley

- 14—*Sakai, Tom

Downtown Los Angeles

LIFE—Abe, Masami

- 12—*Akaoshi, Ted I.
- 18—*Aratani, George
- 10—Clement, Father
- 8—*Custom Interiors K. Takata and M. Ishibashi
- 12—Fujimoto, Ed H.
- 8—Fujita, George
- 14—*Fujita, Harry
- 13—*Fukui, Soichi
- 18—*Funakoshi, Willie M.
- 15—*Furuta, George E.
- 5—Hashima, Joe N.
- 7—Hashimoto, Henry I.
- 1—Hashimoto, Tom S.
- 4—Hatate, Alfred
- 6—Higa, Chosin
- 13—*Higashi, Jim Y.
- 11—*Hirohata, Frank H.
- 6—Hirota, Roy
- 5—Hishiki, Hiro
- 4—Honda, Bob

- 14—*Honda, Harry K.
- 5—Hoshizaki, Roy T.
- 7—Iba, Shig
- 8—Ida, Henry
- 17—*Iino, Sho
- 3—Ikemoto, Tad
- 9—*Ikuta, Dr. Shunji K.
- 8—Ishihara, Sam
- 5—Ishii, Robert T.
- 7—Ito, James I.
- 11—*Ito, Joseph
- 9—*Ito, Kenji
- 2—Iwasaki, Shogo
- 5—Iwata, Frank
- 5—Iwata, Jack
- 3—Jung, Edmund
- 6—*Kaji, Bruce
- 10—Katayama, Chester
- 4—Kato, Mrs. Takayo
- 2—Kawaguchi, Masashi
- 1—Kawai, Kiyoshi

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- 3—Kojima, Ted
- 1—Kosaka, Fred
- 5—Kurihara, Frank S.
- 6—Kwan, Hiram W.
- 3—Lee, David Fon
- 6—*Lo Presti, Joseph
- 5—Londelius, Ward
- 9—Maehara, Tsutomu
- 1—Matsuda, Ed M.
- 3—Matsumoto, Geo. N.
- 10—Mayekawa, Shigeo
- 13—*McKibbin, David
- 1—Mitamura, Masuo
- 7—*Miyatake, Archie
- 6—Morey, George
- 6—Morishita, Mrs. H.
- 10—Mukaeda, Katsuma
- 9—Murayama, Ben K.
- 9—Murayama, Herbert
- 13—*Murayama, Henry
- 8—Nakajima, Ichiro
- 8—Nakajima, Toshio
- 10—Nakatsuka, George
- 15—*Nitake, David Y.
- 4—Nitake, Mrs. Hanako
- 6—Okamoto, H. Umejiro
- 6—Okayama, Steve
- 6—Oku, Norikazu
- 5—*Okumoto, Ted
- 9—Omatsu, Frank K.
- 8—Osugi, Mrs. Sachi
- 4—Rafu Shimpō
- (Itaro Nagai)

- 7—*Saito, Mack H.
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- 12—Sayano, George K.
- 11—Shimada, Teru
- 9—Shimizu, Mitsuhiko
- 10—Shirakawa, Mrs. S.
- 13—Sumi, Toraichi
- 9—Taira, Tom K.
- 6—Taiyo-Do
- 5—Taiyoshi, Charles T.
- 11—*Takagaki, Lynn N.
- 4—Takahashi, Giro
- 5—Takahashi, Ichiro
- 14—*Takeda, Shigeji
- 13—*Tanabe, Eiji
- 6—Tanaka, Kakuo
- 15—*Tanaka, Yasuo C.
- 5—Tom, Wally
- 4—Tsuchiya, Ben
- 10—*Tsuchiya, Frank
- 8—*Tsuneishi, Hughes
- 11—*Uchima, Kei
- 10—Ushijima, Jerry S.
- 10—Uyeda, S. Kiichi
- 10—Uwate, Matao
- 9—*Watanabe, Masaru
- 11—Yamada, Shigeo
- 6—Yamaguma, Takito
- 6—Yamamoto, Harry
- 8—*Yamato, Kiyo
- 5—Yano, Kazuo
- 12—Yoshimura, Dr. Y.

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- 6—Fujioka, Dr. Tad
- 2—Furuta, Sam M.
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- 1—Kato, Mrs. Helen
- 2—Kato, Ken
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- 8—Omura, Hiroshi
- 7—Onodera, Henry T.
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- 3—Sato, Dr. William
- 10—Takata, Fred T.
- 7—Tatsuno, Walter
- 1—Ujimori, Mrs. Sumi
- 19—*Utsunomiya, Ken
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- 5—Yoshimizu, Henry N.

- 8—Yoshizaki, Mrs. M.
- 12—*Yuguchi, Cy Satoshi

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- 3—Fujii, Teruyuki
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- 13—*Ishida, Henry J.
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- 18—*Kobata, Joe H.
- 10—Kobata, Yoshio
- 13—*Komae, Kyo
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- 7—Kunibe, James N.
- 16—*Kushida, Tats
- 8—Kuwater, Dr. Hiroshi
- 5—Matsushita, Matt Y.
- 11—*Minami, Sam
- 10—Nakaoka, Kiyoto K.
- LIFE—*Osaka, Kenji
- 2—Sato, Wilbur I.
- 11—Satow, Mrs. Fumi
- 18—*Satow, Hideo
- 13—*Shiozaki, Ronald I.
- 4—Tarumoto, Robert
- 8—Uriu, Dr. Masashi
- 5—Yamauchi, George T.
- 5—Yanase, Dr. S. H.
- 12—Yonemura, Frank M.

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- 12—*Abe, Danar
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- 18—*Ito, Arthur T.
- 13—*Kamayatsu, Charles
- 3—Kamayatsu, Mrs. Y.
- 1—Kasahara, James N.
- 12—*Kato, Robert K.
- 10—Kawakami, Paul K.
- 1—Kumamoto, Alan F.
- 12—Masuoka, Dr. Shig
- 1—Matsui, Jeffrey Y.
- 18—*Ono, George S.
- 6—Taomae, Fred
- 12—Ukita, Charles T.
- 13—*Yanamoto, Miwako

Long Beach Harbor

- 7—Fletcher, Joe
- 7—Fujikawa, Dr. F. Y.
- 11—Fujimoto, Easy Isao
- 2—Fujimoto, Mrs. M. A.
- 6—Fujimoto, Sumifusa
- 10—Fukumoto, Elliott H.
- 14—*Ikeguchi, Fred
- 5—Iseri, George
- 10—Ishida, Dr. Itaru
- 8—Ishii, Frances
- 11—Ishii, Mrs. Hisa
- 4—Itano, Dr. Masashi
- 10—Izumi, Dr. Katsumi
- 11—Kashiwabara, Dr. J.
- 6—Kawaichi, Dr. G. K.
- 5—Kayasuga, Hiro
- 10—Kumashiro, Dr. R.
- 1—Makino, Dr. T.
- 12—*Mio, George
- 11—Miura, Mrs. Barbara
- 11—Miura, Dr. David M.
- 8—Miyagishima, Minezo
- 12—Morita, Harry T.
- 5—Morita, Hiroshi
- 12—Nakayama, Dr. Leo
- 8—Noda, Arthur
- 8—Okimoto, Saburo
- 8—Shiba, Roy
- 1—Sugimoto, Shinji
- 5—Sugiyama, Frank S.
- 11—Takeshita, Dr. Masao

Orange County

- 1—Akiyama, Joe S.
- 6—Arakawa, Dr. S. D.
- 6—Asahino, Dr. S. N.
- 11—Goya, Tachio
- 11—*Kanegae, Elden
- 15—*Kanegae, Henry
- 12—Kanno, George
- 9—Kanno, Jim
- 7—Kono, Kan Y.
- 2—Marubayashi, Dr. S.
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- 6—Maye, George
- 2—Nagata, Robert I.
- 6—Nakamura, Harry
- 7—Nishizu, Clarence
- 1—Nishizu, Henry H.
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- 12—Nitta, Minoru

- 12—Nitta, Mitsuo
- 12—Nitta, Shosuke
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- 3—Okuda, Dr. Harry S.
- 11—Okuda, Jim S.
- 8—Sakaguchi, Dr. P. K.
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- 11—Takenaga, T. Ben
- 4—Tamura, Stephen K.
- 2—Tatsuno, Arthur
- 13—*Uyesugi, Ken
- 6—Uyesugi, Mas M.

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- 18—*Dyo, Ken
- 9—Fukutaki, Kimiko
- 8—Hiraoka, Fred A.
- 13—*Ito, Mrs. Mary K.
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- 16—*Iwasaki, Tetsuo F.
- 10—Kawata, Tedd K.
- 13—*Kishi, Takashi
- 10—Matsui, Miss Eiko
- 3—Miyamoto, Bob
- 10—*Monma, Kay K.
- 4—*Morita, Beach
- 11—*Oishi, Jiro
- 1—Okuda, George W.
- 4—Okura, Ray
- 3—Omori, Dr. Thomas T.
- 11—Ozawa, Harris H.
- 1—Stoody, Mrs. T. R.
- 12—*Takata, Al
- 11—Tsuchiyama, Mich
- 3—Tsujiimoto, George
- 10—Yamaguchi, Dr. Ken
- 10—Yusa, Dr. Earl M.
- 5—Yusa, George T.
- 10—Yusa, Miss Mary K.

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- 8—Furuye, Chick H.
- LIFE—Kawakami, Taro J.
- 5—Kiguchi, Mark
- 12—Makita, Dr. Victor
- 12—Masaoka, Hank I.
- 4—Matsuhira, Charles
- 9—Miyamoto, David S.
- 2—Mizunoue, Dr. G. S.
- 11—Nagamoto, Dr. K.
- 12—Naruse, Matsushi
- 12—Oi, Matsunosuke
- 17—*Ota, Fred K.
- 18—*Saito, John Ty
- 4—Shimatsu, Kay K.
- 18—*Tarumoto, Dr. G.
- LIFE—Tayama, Mrs. C.
- 12—Uba, Dr. Katsumi
- 6—Wada, Jack Iwao, Sr.
- LIFE—*Watanabe, Dr. T.
- 3—Yoshida, Mrs. T.
- 9—Yoshimine, Henry K.

San Diego

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- 12—Asakawa, Moto
- 8—Asakawa, Mrs. O.
- 12—*Hara, Dr. Shigeru
- 1—Hayashi, Kenneth
- 5—Hironaka, Masaaki
- 9—Honda, Henri
- 12—Hoshi, Paul
- 16—*Ikemura, T. H.
- 13—*Ito, Martin L.
- 7—*Kawamoto, Harry
- 16—*Kida, Tom
- 3—Koba, Kenneth
- 13—*Kodama, George Y.
- 3—Miyoshi, Joseph
- 10—Morimoto, Dr. M.
- 2—Mukai, Abe K.
- 13—*Muto, George S.
- 1—Muto, Mrs. Marion
- 12—Nakamura, Hiomi
- 10—Nakashima, Shig
- 12—*Obayashi, Alfred
- 17—*Owashi, Joseph
- 13—*Owashi, Leo
- 1—Sakamoto, N. S.
- 2—Takashima, K. J.
- 1—Tamura, Yoshiaki
- 10—Tanaka, Bert M.
- 10—Umekubo, Dr. Peter
- 4—Urata, Edward Y.
- 8—Yamate, Dr. Kiyoshi
- 2—Yanagihara, Tom
- 7—Yano, Tokihira
- 10—Yasuda, George
- 12—Yoshihara, Hideo

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- 2—Arimoto, Katsumi
11—*Endow, Tom
10—Imai, Mrs. Michi
10—Imai, Tom Tamotsu
1—Kaneko, John S.
9—Koike, George
11—*Muto, Fred
2—Nagatani, Dr. Tom T.
6—Nakagiri, Kay I.
1—Otsuki, Harry T.
10—Sakaguchi, Dr. Bo
Life—*Sakaguchi, Dr. C.
6—Sakaguchi, Dr. S. S.
11—Shimazaki, Tom T.
12—*Uyehara, Isamu
16—*Yokomizo, Susumu

San Luis Obispo

- 15—*Eto, Masaji
1—Fuchiaki, Hilo
4—Ikeda, Kazuo
5—Kitasako, Ken
3—Saruwatari, Stone

Santa Barbara

- 10—*Endo, Akira
11—Hide, Mike Makio
18—*Hirashima, Tom
16—*Kakimoto, Ikey
11—Lee, Harold
16—*Nakaji, Dr. Yoshio
Life—*Ohashi, George
16—*Shindoa, Paul
14—*Uyesaka, Caesar

Santa Maria Valley

- Life—*Ito, Frank K.
Life—*Koyama, Ray
8—Nishimura, George T.
18—*Shimizu, Harold Y.

Selanoco

- 10 Inouye, John S.

Venice-Culver

- 7—Harada, Dr. H. S.
Life—*Inagaki, Chris
Life—*Inagaki, George
Memorial—*Inagaki, K.
Life—*Inagaki, Patti
Life—*Inagaki, Mrs. Y.
11—Inouye, Dr. Mitsuo
11—Isoda, George T.
8—Kado, Ryoze F.
9—Kawakami, Dr. I. G.
3—Kitagawa, Mrs. F.
12—*Kunimoto, Mrs. T.
14—*Masaoka, A. Ike
16—*Mikawa, George S.
12—Miyashiro, Sam S.
4—Nomura, Jack S.
1—Ozawa, Dr. Roy T.
11—Ryono, Dr. C. R.
4—Saiki, Dr. Richard R.
5—Shimizu, Hitoshi
4—Shimoto, Tony
10—Shishino, Dr. Takao
13—*Utsuki, Fumi
14—*Wakamatsu, M. E.
5—Wakamatsu, M.
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8—Yumori, Mrs. B. S.

Ventura County

- 11—Hirata, Willis
9—Kurihara, Akira
4—Morikone, Dr. H.
11—Taketa, Dr. Tom

West Los Angeles

- 8—Akashi, David
10—Akashi, Mrs. Mary
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10—*Asawa, Mrs. Michi
1—Brandt, Robert H.
3—Deguchi, George M.
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12—Iura, Dr. Toru
12—*Kamiya, Ichiro
3—Kawata, Dr. Sakae
10—Komai, Mrs. Toshiko
4—Miyakawa, Dr. T. S.
10—Naramura, Hiroshi
11—Nishimoto, Ben M.
11—Nishimoto, Jim M.
5—Nishizawa, Dr. Akira

10—Ohno, Akira

- 11—Okamoto, George A.
1—Okamoto, John H.
11—Okinaga, Richard S.
4—Shiba, Tak
6—Sonoda, Ann
6—Sonoda, Cathy
Life—Sonoda, Dr. Kiyoshi
Life—*Sonoda, Mitsuo
6—Sonoda, Peggy
10—Uyeda, Joe
1—Wakumoto, David
3—Watanabe, Dr. Robt.
2—Yoshida, Ronald Y.

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14—*Yata, Tatsuo

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12—Miya, Minoru
12—Yamada, Tomio

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10—*Inouye, Kay
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2—*Kawai, George
2—*Kawai, William
3—Kido, Mas
4—Kora, Taka T.
2—Miyake, Ishi
7—*Miyasako, Tony
6—Nishihara, Masa
3—Ogawa, Yosie
17—*Takahashi, Yoshio
2—Takasugi, John J.
2—Takasugi, Max M.
3—Takasugi, Michio
3—Tamura, Ken
9—Yamada, James
4—Yamamoto, Kay
3—Yasuda, Paul

Idaho Falls

- 10—*Brownell, Albert
5—*Elg, Boss
Life—*Harada, Deto
15—*Hirai, Charley
5—Hosoda, Leo H.
16—*Inouye, Yukio Eke
6—*Martin, Elden
Life—*Morishita, Sadao
Life—*Nishioka, Joseph
Life—*Nukaya, George
5—Nukaya, Shoji
13—*Ochi, Fred I.
8—*Sakaguchi, Sam S.
Life—*Yamasaki, F. K.

Mount Olympus

- 4—Hisatake, Ken
13—*Inouye, Yukus
15—*Katayama, Yoshio
8—Matsumori, Tom K.
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1—Okada, Mrs. Aiko
4—Oniki, Dr. Dan
8—*Ushio, Jim
8—*Ushio, Shigeki
1—Yoshimura, Frank

Pocatello

- 3—Endo, Bob
5—Endow, Kazuo
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13—*Kawamura, A. Ike
6—Kihara, Dr. T.
10—*Shiosaki, Hero
5—*Tsukamoto, Masa
13—*Yamauchi, Y. W.
5—Yokota, Ronnie

Rexburg

- 2—Hikida, Kazuo
12—*Hikida, Fuji T.
10—*Miyasaki, Hiroshi
12—Miyasaki, Tommy H.
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3—Misaka, Tats
5—Morishita, Ken
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4—Okubo, Floyd
3—Okuda, Tubber T.
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2—Terashima, Ben
5—Umemoto, Choppy
3—Uno, Raymond S.

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- 12—*Yano, Mas

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5—Fitch, Jay D.
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3—Fukiage, Harry
9—Hashitani, George
2—Hironaka, Shigeru
12—*Iseri, George
Life—*Iseri, Tom T.
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9—Ogami, Jack
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12—*Saito, Kayno
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13—*Saito, Paul
8—Sasaki, Barton
6—Sakahara, Yosh
4—Shigeno, Tadao
6—Sugai, Arthur
18—*Sugai, George
6—Sugai, Mrs. Pil
6—Sumida, Mark M.

Life—Teramura, Kay

- 6—Tsukamaki, Ben
6—Tsukamaki, Frank
2—Uchida, Sam
2—Uriu, Bobby
6—Uriu, Tom
9—Vaughn, George E.
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5—Wakasugi, Ikey
16—*Wakasugi, Mamoro
6—*Wakasugi, Mrs. M.
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3—Wilson, Vernon
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9—Yasuda, Heizi
6—Yturri, Louis

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- 10—Hagiwara, Mrs. E.
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10—Hayano, Meki
8—Heistad, Wallace
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5—Itahara, Seiji
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1—Kabumoto, Jack

1—Kaiatsu, Omar

- 7—Kashihara, Dr. J. Y.
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11—*Kitow, Mrs. D.
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12—*Kittaka, Dr. G. J.
13—*Koga, Albert M.
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10—Mayeda, Hiro
4—Miyake, Hiroshi
2—Miyata, Ted
10—*Mizuno, Mrs. Alma

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- 4—Mochizuki, Rev. M.
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10—Nakagawa, Masato
10—Nakagawa, Mitchell
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6—Nakamura, Karl
8—*Nakayama, Dr. Joe
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12—*Oda, Miss Ariye
3—Odanaka, Mrs. Fuki
5—Ogata, James
11—Okabe, Thomas S.
7—Okita, Frank T.
7—Okumura, William T.

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- 11—Omori, Dr. Harry I.
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13—*Seto, Paul T.
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10—Suski, Miss Louise
11—Suzukida, Berry
10—Takahashi, Frank Y.
9—Takemoto, Satoru
9—Tamada, Kay
13—Tamura, Masato
6—Tanabe, Thomas
10—Tanaka, George
7—Tanaka, Hiroshi
15—*Tanaka, Togo
9—Tanaka, Yoshitaka
7—Tani, Kenji
4—Terada, Henry
10—*Teraji, Thomas S.
10—*Teraoka, George
1—Terusaki, Ben
11—Teshima, Dr. Roy
2—Toba, Ben T.
3—Togami, Joichi
10—Tomihiro, Miss Chiye
11—Tsunehara, Harold C.
8—Ushijima, Henry

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12—Yamada, Richard H.
10—Yamaguchi, Jiro
12—*Yamakoshi, Noby
7—Yamashita, Kay K.
8—Yamazaki, Charles
18—*Yatabe, Dr. T. T.
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Life—*Yoshinari, K. A.
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12—Yoshioka, George

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- 9—Hashimoto, James H.
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9—Okura, Benny
5—Sand, Robert G.
10—Shimizu, Yoshio
11—Sugawara, Hisashi
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8—Tokimoto, Tad
7—Watanabe, Kaye
10—Yamaguchi, Ben T.

Cleveland

- 5—Ellefsen, Donald W.
2—Fujita, Richard
9—Fujita, Robert E.
8—Hisatomi, Frank
10—Imori, Mrs. Takeyo
11—Imori, Thomas
4—Ishiyama, Toaru
11—Kadowaki, Joe G.
11—Kadowai, Mrs. Toshi
3—Matsuoka, James T.
7—Ochi, John
13—*Ono, George Y.
6—*Sadatani, William S.
2—Sakuma, Paul M.
6—Shepherd, Tom
11—*Shiba, Frank Y.
12—Suzuki, George
6—Takashima, John
11—Takiguchi, Robert N.
8—Tashima, Masayuki
5—Toyota, Takeshi

Dayton

- 6—Hironaka, Pete K.
1—Jenkins, Ray E.
10—Nakauchi, Dr. M.
1—Sakada, Mrs. Kim
5—Sameshima, Maj. Ko
3—Sato, Yoichi
6—Sugimoto, Roy
3—Sugawara, Ken F.
Life—*Taguchi, Dr. J. T.
4—Taguchi, Mrs. M.
11—Yamasaki, Masaru

Detroit

- 2—Adair, William
5—*Ball, Mrs. Rose K.
5—Ball, William H.
10—Bohn, Theodore R.
4—Campbell, Charles

6—Fujii, Hideo

- 17—*Fujioka, Peter S.
5—Furukawa, Louis
3—Hashimoto, Mrs. A.
3—Hashimoto, Tom
4—Joichi, Lloyd
7—Kagawa, Wallace K.
10—*Kaneko, Roy
7—Kizuka, Shig T.
11—Matsuhira, George
9—Matsumura, A. A.
3—Mimura, Mrs. Betty
9—Mimura, Dr. James
7—Miyao, Walter H.
6—Miyoshi, Kenneth T.
3—Okamoto, George
3—Otsuji, George
16—*Sasaki, Dr. J. D.
4—Shimoura, James N.
11—Sunamoto, Isao
11—Tada, Tes T.
9—Tagami, Tom
11—Tagami, Wataru J.
13—*Togasaki, Minoru
7—Watanabe, Frank
10—Yamasaki, Minoru

Milwaukee

- 1—Date, Harry K.
9—*Dewa, Robert
2—Dixon, E. J. Miss
7—Jonokuchi, Eddie
1—Kuge, Yutaka
1—Kusuda, Paul H.
3—Matsumoto, Charles
1—Miyazaki, Jim J.
5—Mukai, Roy A.
9—Nakahira, Satoshi
13—*Nakahira, Shigeru
4—Nakamoto, Dr. W. H.
2—Naruo, Taka
5—Shio, Nami
3—Tada, Tatsumi T.
3—Teramura, Kengo
2—Wong, Walter M.

St. Louis

- 4—Dally, Mrs. Mary C.
13—*Eto, Dr. Jackson
2—Eto, William H.
13—*Hasegawa, G. K.
12—*Hayashi, Harry H.
7—Hayshi, James I.
10—Henmi, Richard T.
6—*Honda, Dr. Milton
2—Kawasaki, Dr. M.
6—Maruyama, Paul
10—Migita, Sam
10—Mitsunaga, George
12—*Morioka, Dr. A. A.
2—Nakano, Sam M.
12—*Ohmoto, Dr. Masao
2—Okamoto, Dr. Ted
10—*Oshima, Fred
12—*Sakahara, Dan
10—Sato, Dr. George
8—Shimamoto, Geo. N.
11—Shingu, George
11—*Tanaka, Dr. G. M.
7—Tanaka, Joseph K.
10—Uchiyama, Dr. G.
13—*Yamamoto, Mrs. M.
13—*Yamamoto, Y.

Twin Cities

- 6—Abe, Toshio W.
1—Ezaki, Ben
7—Fujita, Miko Miss
11—Hara, Sam S.
1—Hara, Mrs. Kimi
5—Harada, Mas
10—*Iijima, Dr. Isaac
13—*Kanno, Thomas T.
16—*Kosobayashi, Tomi
1—Kuramoto, Eimi
8—*Kushino, Mrs. Kay
11—Makino, Henry K.
13—*Nishida, Dr. George
3—Nomura, Howard
8—*Okamoto, Yukio
13—*Omachi, Henry T.
10—Rokutani, George
10—Stone, Dr. Gladys I.
1—Taguchi, Susumu
15—*Tatsuda, Charles
10—Teramoto, Miss S.
13—*Tsuchiya, Takuzo
10—Yoshino, George M.

Miscellaneous

- 14—*Ishida, William

Central California

Pacific Northwest

BAKERSFIELD

Organized Feb. 8, 1959
1959—Lloyd Kumataka
1960—Dr. Warren Itokazu
1961—Joe Ono
1962—Guy Murotani
1963-64—Joe Ono
1965—Mike Torii
1966—Lloyd Kumataka

CLOVIS

Organized Oct. 11, 1955
1956—James Miyamoto
1957—Fumio Ikeda
1958—Yoshito Takahashi
1959—Bob Mochizuki
1960—Hi Ikeda
1961—Kiyomi Takahashi
1962—Frank Kubota
1963—Tokuo Yamamoto
1964—Bob Hirasuna
1965—Mike Miyamoto
1966—Ted Takahashi

DELANO

Organized 1942
1942—George Nagatani
Reactivated Mar. 9, 1950
1950—Noboru Takaki
1951—Sam Yukawa
1952—Bill Nakagawa
1953—Sam Azuma
1954—Joe Katano
1955—Dr. James Nagatani
1956—Saburo Okino
1957—Paul Kawasaki
1958—Mas Takaki
1959—Jeff H. Fukawa
1960—Bill Nakagawa
1961—Ed Nagatani
1962-63—Tom Watanabe
1964—Mas Takaki
1965—Jeff Fukawa
1966—Saburo Okino

FOWLER

Organized 1952
1952—Dr. George Miyako
1953—Harley Nakamura
1954—Howard Renge
1955—Tom Kamikawa
1956—Tom Shirakawa
1957—Frank Sakohira
1958—Mikio Uchiyama
1959—George Teraoka
1960—Kazuo Hiyama
1961—Thomas Toyama
1962—Tom T. Nakamura
1963—Ken Hirose
1964—Hideo Kikuta
1965—Bill Hashimoto
1966—Tsuyoshi Nakamura
1967—Harry Honda

FRESNO

Pioneer Chapter
Organized May 5, 1923
1923—Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe
1924—Fred Yoshikawa
1925—James Hirokawa
1926—Lillian Tomita
1927—Bob Itanaga
1928—Toshio Namba
1929-30—Fred Yoshikawa
1931—Fred Hirasuna
1932—Bob Itanaga
1933—Tom Kanase
1934—Yoshio Honda
1935—Hiro Yamamizaka
1936—Howard Nakamura
1937—Tom Nakamura
1938—Bill T. Ishida
1939-40—Johnson Kebo
1941—Dr. Joseph Sasaki
1942—Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe
1943—Fred Yoshikawa
Reactivated Feb. 1, 1947
1947—Johnson Kebo (org.)
1948—Fred Hirasuna
1949—Seiichi Mikami
1950—Mike Iwatsubo
1951—Dr. George Suda
1952—Dr. Sumio Kubo, Jim Ishikawa
1953—Jin Ishikawa
1954—Seiichi Mikami
1955—Hugo Kazato
1956—Dr. Robert Yabuno
1957—Dr. Sumio Kubo
1958—Ben Nakamura
1959—George Takaoka
1960—James K. Kubota
1961—Dr. Shiro Ego
1962—Dr. Frank Nishio
1963—Dr. Chester Oji
1964—Hiro Kusaka
1965—Tony Takikawa
1966—Ray Urushima
1967—Jack Harada

KERN COUNTY

Organized May 6, 1936
1936—Everett Itanaga
1937—Harry Tatsuno

KINGSBURG

Organized 1952
1952-57—Mats Ando

KINGS COUNTY

Organized 1939
1939—Kiyoshi Nobusada
1941-42—Tom Fujita

PARLIER

Organized 1935
1935-36—Akira Chiamori
1937—Byrd Kumatake
1938—James Kozuki
1939—Akira Chiamori
1941-42—James Kozuki
Reactivated Jan. 29, 1949
1949—Byrd Kumatake, Akira Chiamori
1950—Kengo Osumi
1951—Marcel Takata
1952—Gerald M. Ogata
1953—Kaz Kozumi
1954—Bill Tsuji
1955—Ronald K. Ota
1956—Ralph T. Kimoto
1957—Harry T. Kubo
1958—Bill Wafamura
1959—John Kashiki
1960—Ralph T. Kimoto
1961—Kengo Osumi
1962-63—Robert I. Okamura
1964—James N. Kozuki
1965—Bill Tsuji
1966—Tom Takata

REEDLEY

Organized June 8, 1935
1935—George Ikuta
1936—Bob Okamura
1937—
1938—Charles Iwasaki
1939—
1940—Seiyichi Kiyomoto
1941—Keiji Kitahara
1942—George Ikuta
Reactivated Sept. 25, 1948
1948—Masaru Abe
1949—Marshall Hirose
1950—Charles Iwasaki
1951—Mas Sakamoto
1952—Jack Shimono
1953—Dr. Akira Tajiri
1954—Masaru Abe
1955—Charles Iwasaki
1956—Dr. James Ikamiya
1957—Tak Naifo
1958—Ed Yano
1959—Frank Kimura
1960—Kiyoshi Kawamoto
1961—Toru Ikeda
1962—Kei Kitahara
1963—Henry Hosaka
1964—Bill Yamada
1965—William Wake
1966—George Kiyomoto

TULARE COUNTY

Organized Nov. 15, 1934
1934-36—Harvey Iwata
1937—Bnn Yabuno
1938—John Kubota
1939—Chorge Kaku
1940-42—Tom Shimasaki
Reactivated Nov. 22, 1947
1947-49—Tom Shimasaki
1950—Hiroshi Mayeda
1951—Kenji Tashiro
1952—Edward Nagata
1953-54—Ted Hiramoto
1955—Yaiki Tashiro
1956—Mike Imoto
1957-58—James E. Matsumura
1959—Douglas Yamada
1960—Robert Ishida
1961—Jun Hatakeda
1962—Stanley Nagata
1963—George Sakaguchi
1964—Bill Yebisu
1965—Harry Morofuji
1966—Tak Ishizu

SANGER-DEL REY

Organized Mar. 17, 1950
1950-51—Robert Kenagawa
1952—Tom Nakamura
1953—Tom Nagamatsu
1954—George Nishimura
1955—Johnson Kebo
1956—Johnson Shimizu
1957—Kiichi Tenge
1958—Larry Hikili
1959—Peter Hasegawa
1960—Benny Matsunaga
1961—Kelly Ishimoto
1962—Masami Arita
1963—Hugo Ogawa
1964—Kazuo Kimoto
1965—Robert Kanagawa
1966—Tom Nakamura

SELMA

Organized Mar. 17, 1950
1950-52—George Abe
1953—Masato Morishima
1954-55—George Okazaki
1956—George Baba
1957—George Abe
1958—Dale Okazaki
1959—Alan Masumoto
1960—Max Kawano
1961—Dale Okazaki
1962—Elmer Kobashi
1963—George Tokunaga
1964—Sus Kimoto
1965—Alan A. Masumoto
1966—Jiro Kataoka

TULARE COUNTY

Organized Nov. 15, 1934
1934-36—Harvey Iwata
1937—Bnn Yabuno
1938—John Kubota
1939—Chorge Kaku
1940-42—Tom Shimasaki
Reactivated Nov. 22, 1947
1947-49—Tom Shimasaki
1950—Hiroshi Mayeda
1951—Kenji Tashiro
1952—Edward Nagata
1953-54—Ted Hiramoto
1955—Yaiki Tashiro
1956—Mike Imoto
1957-58—James E. Matsumura
1959—Douglas Yamada
1960—Robert Ishida
1961—Jun Hatakeda
1962—Stanley Nagata
1963—George Sakaguchi
1964—Bill Yebisu
1965—Harry Morofuji
1966—Tak Ishizu

COLUMBIA BASIN

Organized Dec. 14, 1954
1955-56—Bill Utsunomiya
GRESHAM-TROUTDALE
Organized Mar. 11, 1950
1950-51—Shio Uyetake
1952—Jack Ouchida
1953—Mas Fujimoto
1954—Toshio Okino
1955—Kazuo Kinoshita
1956—Henry T. Kato
1957—Dr. Joe Onchi
1958—Jack Ouchida
1959—Kaz Tamura
1960—Ed Honma
1961—Kaz Kinoshita
1962—Dr. Joe Onchi
1963—Tosh Okino
1964—Henry T. Kato
1965—Shigenari Nagae
1966—Kazuo Tamura

MID-COLUMBIA

Hood River JACL-1931-35
Organized 1931
1931—George Kinoshita
1932—Kumoo Yoshinari
1933—Kazuo Kanemasa
1934—Min Yasui
1935—Kumoo Yoshinari
1936-37—Kazuo Kanemasa
1938—George Kinoshita
1939-40—Mits Takasumi
1941—Mark Sato
1942—Kumoo Yoshinari
Reactivated May 19, 1946
1946-47—Mamoru Noji
1948—Masami Asai
1949—Ray T. Yasui
1950—Sho Endow, Jr.
1951—Taro Asai
1952—Setsu Shitara
1953—Koe Nishimoto
1954—Ray Sato
1955—Bob Kageyama
1956—Mamoru Kiyokawa
1957—George Nakamura
1958—Noboru Hamada
1959—Clifford Nakamura
1960—Sho Endow, Jr.
1961—Mits Takasumi
1962—Taro Asai
1963—Ray Sato
1964—Min Asai
1965—George Tamura
1966—George Nakamura

PORTLAND

Pioneer Chapter
Organized September 1928
1928—Charles Yoshii
1928-30—Dr. K. Kayama
1931-34—Roy Yokota
1935-36—Hito Okada
1937-38—Mamoru Wakasugi
1939-40—Howard Nomura
1941-42—Dr. Newton Uyesugi
1946—Toshi Kuge
1947—George Azumano
1948—Makoto Iwashita, Toshi Kuge, Mary Minamoto
1949—No Officers

ALBUQUERQUE

Organized Jan. 30, 1948
1948—Frank Matsubara
1949—Fred Yoshimoto
1950—Sam Yonemoto
1951—George Matsubara
1952—Art Togami
1953—Charles Matsubara
1954—Mrs. Ruth Hashimoto
1955—Mike Yonemoto
1956—George Matsubara
ARKANSAS VALLEY
Organized Apr. 4, 1950
1950-53—Ugi Harada
1954—Harry Shironaka
1955—Ted Maruyama
1956—George Ushiyama
1957—Ugi Harada
1958—John Maruyama
1959—Elmo Sakai
1960—Tom Nakayama
1961—Robert Mayeda
1962—Henry Konishi
1963—Jim Hiraki
1964—Mike Fujimoto
1965—Joe M. Wyeno
1966—Gene Hirakata

EL PASO

Organization Date
1935—Willie Ando

FT. LUPTON

Organization Date
Unknown
1942-43—Floyd Koshio
1944—Lee Murata
1945—Sam Okamoto
1946—(inactive)
1947—Jack Tshura
1948—Sam Okamoto
1949—Tom Yanaga
1950—Dr. George Uyemura
1951—John Kiyota
1952-53—Frank Yamaguchi
1954—Sam Koshio
1955—Takashi Matsushima
1956-57—Frank Yamaguchi
1958—Sam Okamoto
1959—Jack Tshura
1960—George Matsushima
1962—Frank Yokoji
1963—Tom Koshio
1964—Sam Funakoshi
1965—Elton Nakamoto

ALBUQUERQUE

Organized Jan. 30, 1948
1948—Frank Matsubara
1949—Fred Yoshimoto
1950—Sam Yonemoto
1951—George Matsubara
1952—Art Togami
1953—Charles Matsubara
1954—Mrs. Ruth Hashimoto
1955—Mike Yonemoto
1956—George Matsubara
ARKANSAS VALLEY
Organized Apr. 4, 1950
1950-53—Ugi Harada
1954—Harry Shironaka
1955—Ted Maruyama
1956—George Ushiyama
1957—Ugi Harada
1958—John Maruyama
1959—Elmo Sakai
1960—Tom Nakayama
1961—Robert Mayeda
1962—Henry Konishi
1963—Jim Hiraki
1964—Mike Fujimoto
1965—Joe M. Wyeno
1966—Gene Hirakata

REXBURG

Yellowstone JACL—
1941-59
1941—Fuji Hikida
1942—Kiyoshi Sakata
1943—Michio Yamagata
1944—Kiyoshi Sakata
1945—Stomie Hanami
1946—Haruo Yamasaki
1947—Thomas M. Hanami
1948-49—Hiroshi Miyasaki
1950—Kiyoshi Sakata
1951—Jack K. Matsumura
1952—Haruo Yamasaki
1953—Masayoshi Fujimoto
1954—Haruo Yamasaki
1955—Kiyoshi Sakata
1956—Fuji Hikida
1957—John Sakata
1958—Tommy Miyasaki
1959—Haruo Yamasaki
1960-61—Kazuo Hikida
1962—Kiyoshi Sakata
1963—Fuji Hikida, Haruo Yamasaki
1964—Kazuo Hikida
1965—Hiroshi Miyasaki
1966—Kazuo Sakata

SEATTLE

Pioneer Chapter
Organized Sept. 27, 1921
1921-24—Shigeru Osawa
1925—Inactive
1926—Shigeru Osawa
1927—Inactive
1928-30—Clarence T. Arai
1931—James Y. Sakamoto
1932-33—George Tshihara
1934-35—Takeo Nogaki
1936-37—Clarence T. Arai
1938—Saburo Nishimura
1939-40—Takeo Nogaki
Ichiro Nagatani
Arthur Koura
(Bainbridge I.)
1941—Toshio Hoshida, Kenji Ito, Muts Hashiguchi (Bellevue)
1942—Clarence T. Arai
Reactivated Aug. 5, 1947
1947—Joe Hirabayashi, chmn.
1948—Toru Sakahara, Mrs. Shigeko Uno, Kengo Nogaki

PUYALLUP VALLEY

Organized Feb. 1931
1931-32—James M. Yamamoto
1933-34—Daiichi Yoshioka
1935-36—M. Toru Kuramoto
1937-38—Dan Sakahara, Howard Sakura (Etnvle)
1939-40—Mas Nakamichi
Reactivated Feb. 19, 1948
1948-49—Kaz Yamane
1950—Art Yamada
1951—Tom Takemura
1952—Hiroshi Sakahara
1953—John Sasaki
1954—Robert Mizukami
1955—Dr. Kay Toda
1956—Yosh Kewabata
1957—Thomas Takemura
1958—Dr. John Kanda
1959—Robert Mizukami
1960—Dr. Sam Uchiyama
1961—Toshio Tsuboi
1962—Kaz Yamane
1963—George Iwakiri
1964—Joe Kosai
1965—Frank H. Komoto
1966—George Murakami

TACOMA

Organized 1934
1934—Ted Nakamura
1935-36—Inactive
1937—Ted Nakamura
1938—Kaz Yamane
1939—Ted Nakamura
1940—Kaz Yamane
1941—Tsuyoshi Nakamura
1942—Takeo Yoshihara

WHITE RIVER VALLEY

Civic League
Organized Sept. 15, 1930
1930-31—John Arima
1932—George Yasumura
1933—Minoru Terada
1934-36—Tom Iseri
1937—George Yasumura
1938—Minoru Okura
1939—Charles Toshi
1940—George Terada
1941—Tom Iseri
1942—George Yasumura
Reactivated Mar. 26, 1961
1961-62—William Maebori
1963—Hiroshi Nakayama
1964—Koiji Norikane
1965—George Kawasaki
1966—Sauce Shimajima

YAKIMA VALLEY

Organized 1932
1932—Johnson Shimizu
1933-34—Roy Nishimura
1935—Harry Masuto
1936-39—Roy Nishimura
1940—Harry Honda
1941—Harry Masuto
1942—Jesse Nishi

Mountain - Plains

ALBUQUERQUE

Organized Jan. 30, 1948
1948—Frank Matsubara
1949—Fred Yoshimoto
1950—Sam Yonemoto
1951—George Matsubara
1952—Art Togami
1953—Charles Matsubara
1954—Mrs. Ruth Hashimoto
1955—Mike Yonemoto
1956—George Matsubara
ARKANSAS VALLEY
Organized Apr. 4, 1950
1950-53—Ugi Harada
1954—Harry Shironaka
1955—Ted Maruyama
1956—George Ushiyama
1957—Ugi Harada
1958—John Maruyama
1959—Elmo Sakai
1960—Tom Nakayama
1961—Robert Mayeda
1962—Henry Konishi
1963—Jim Hiraki
1964—Mike Fujimoto
1965—Joe M. Wyeno
1966—Gene Hirakata

GREELEY

Organized June 24, 1944
1944—Fred Hashimoto
1945—Hiroto Uno

MILE-HI

Organized 1938*
1939—Shimpei Sakaguchi
1940—Charles Suyeishi
1943—Inactive
1944—George S. Kashiwagi
1945—Taki Domoto, Jr.
1946—Dr. Takashi Mayeda
1947—George Masunaga
1948—George Ohashi, Bess (Matsuda) Shiyomura
1949-50—Toshio Ando
1951—Y. Tak Terasaki
1952—Roy H. Mayeda
1953—John T. Noguchi
1954—Sam Y. Matsumoto
1955—Harry H. Sakata
1956—John Sakayama
1957—Leonard Uchida
1958—John Masunaga
1959—Robert Y. Uyeda
1960—Osli Taniwaki
1961—Yutaka Terasaki
1962—Mike Tashiro
1963—Bill Kuroki
1964—Dave Furukawa
1965—Don Tanabe
1966—Robert Horiuchi, Henry Tobo
*Organized on an independent basis, the Denver JACL became part of the National JACL in 1944.

MONTANA

Organized Apr. 10, 1949
1949-51—Tom Koyama
1952—George Kawamoto
1953—Yasuo Nayematsu
1954—Joe Nagashima
1955—Sam Shirasago
1956—Yugo Nayematsu
1957—Jim Shirasago
1958-59—Mrs. Harriet Nagashima

NORTH PLATTE

Organized 1942
1942-45—George Kuroki

NORTHERN WYOMING

Organization Date
Unknown
1941—Tom Nagashima
1942—Tom Ujifusa
1945—Yasuo Nayematsu
1946-48—No officers
1949—Dr. Minol Ota
1950-51—Jack Ando
1952—Kay Nakamura
1953—Tom Ujifusa
1954—Haruki Shimogaki
1955—George Ujifusa
1956—Harry Ujifusa, Jr.

OMAHA

Organized June 28, 1947
1947-49—K. Patrick Okura
1950—Robert Nakadoi
1951—Cecil J. Ishii
1952-53—Jack T. Tamai
1954-55—Frank Tamai
1956-57—Manuel Matsumami
1958-59—Kazuo Ikebasu
1960-63—Mike Watanabe
1964-65—Mrs. Em Nakadoi
1966-67—Norjaki Okada

PUEBLO

Organization Date
Unknown
1945—Hideo Sagara

RIO GRANDE VALLEY

Organized Jan. 29, 1948
1948-52—Henry Kawahata

SAN LUIS VALLEY

1949—Roy Y. Inouye
1950—Francis Wakasugi
1951—Roy Y. Inouye
1952—Sajiro Yoritomo
1953—Roy Y. Inouye
1954—Frank Uyemura
1955—Shirow Enomoto
1956—George Hishinuma
1957—Roy Fujii
1958—Charles Hayashida
1959—George Katsumoto
1960—Fred Hayashida
1961—James Kunugi
1962—Harry Sumida
1964—Kay Shiohita
1965—Den Ono
1966—Morris Tanaka

Intermountain

During the war years (1942-45), the Intermountain District Council was the sole regional organization in operation while the three West coast district councils suspended activities. The chapters in Arizona were then part of the IDC.

BEN LOMOND

(Ogden JACL-1938-53)
Organized 1938
1940—Jiro Tamaki
1941—George Yoshida
1942—Tatsuo Koga
1943—Jiro Tsukamoto
1944-45—Toysa Kato
1946—Dr. Mike M. Horii
1947—Tsutomu S. Ochi
1948-50—Ken Uchida
1951—George Sugihara
1952-57—Toysa Kato
1958—Harold S. Toma
1959-62—Ken Uchida
1963—Yutaka Harada
1964—Mits Koga
1965—Dick Kishimoto
1966—Roy Miya

BOISE VALLEY

Organized 1937
1937-38—Henry Suyeihira
1939—Howard Fujii
1940—Joe Saito
1941—Yutaka Tamura
1942—Mrs. Martha Nishitani
1943—Abe Saito
1944—George Nishitani, Mas Yamashita
1945—Soapy S. Sagami
1946—Tom Takatori
1947—Edson Fujii
1948—George Koyama
1949—George Ishihara
1950—Dyke Itami
1951—Tom Takatori
1952—Seichi Hayashida
1953—Manabu Yamada
1954—Henry Suyeihira
1955—Tom Arima
1956—Steve Hirai
1957—Harry Yamada
1958—James Hamada
1959—Seichi Hayashida
1960—Masao Yamashita
1961—Masa Nishihara
1962—Junji Yamamoto
1963—Yoshio Takahashi
1964—John Arima
1965—Kay Inouye
1966—Takashi Koyama

DAVIS COUNTY

Organization Date
Unknown
1942—Takeo Nakano
1943—Ted Miya
1944—George Akasaka
1945—Yori Kozaike
1946—George Fujiki
1947—Merged with Ogden JACL

IDAHO FALLS

(Southwestern Idaho
1939-42)
Organized May 17, 1940
1940—Yukio Inouye
1941-42—Mitsugi Kasai
1943-44—Yukio Inouye
1945-46—Eli Kobayashi
1947—Sadao Morishita
1948—Fred Ochi
1949—Charles Hirai
1950—Joe Nishioke
1951—Kay Tokita
1952—George H. Nutaya
1953—Takeo Hega
1954—Sam Yamasaki
1955—George Tokita
1956—Shoji Nakaya
1959—Joe Nishioke
1958—Deto Harada
1959—Bud I. Sataguchi
1960-61—Leo H. Hosoda
1962-63—Sach Mikami
1964—Sam Sakaguchi
1965—Todd Ogawa
1966-67—Haruo Yamasaki

MAGIC VALLEY

Organized Apr. 3, 1943
1943—George Makabe (org.)
1943—Shigeo Morita
1944—Tsutomu Abo
1945—Yoshimi Aizawa

MT. OLYMPUS

Organized Dec. 27, 1943
1943—Frank T. Tashima (org.)
1944-45—Shigeki Ushio
1946—George Fujii
1947—Tom Matsumori
1948—George Fujii
1949—Min Matsumori
1950—Helen Shimizu
1951—Mits Hoki
1952—Jim Ushio
1953—George Fujii
1954—James Hirabayashi
1955—Mas Namba

1956—Ida Tateoka
1957—George Tamura
1958-59—Lou Nakagawa
1960—Ken Tamura, Mrs. Kiyu Matsumori, Mrs. Yuki Namba
1961-62—Bob Mukai
1963-64—Yukus Inouye
1965—Kenneth Hisatake
1966—Frank Yoshimura

NORTHERN UTAH

Organized 1942
1942—Nobuichi Sato
Reactivated 1959
1960—Harold S. Toma

POCATELLO

Organized 1941
1941—George Shiozawa
1942-43—Paul Okamura
1944—Novo Kato
1945—Tom Morimoto, Tom Hatakeda
1946—Hero Shiosaki
1947—Harvey Yamashita, Sam Yokota
1948—George Shiozawa
1949—Paul Okamura, Masa Tsukamoto
1950—Masa Tsukamoto
1951—Bill Yoden
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Midwest

ANN ARBOR
Organized June 9, 1946
1946—Dr. Joseph Sasaki
CHICAGO
Organized June 1944
1945—William Minami
1946—Noboru Honda
1947—Jack Nakagawa
1948—Mari Sabusawa
1949-50—Shigeo Wakamatsu
1951—Ronald I. Shiozaki
1952-53—Abe Hagiwara
1954-55—Kumeo Yoshinari
1956-58—Dr. Frank Sakamoto
1959-60—Hiro Mayeda
1961-62—Joe K. Sagami
1963—Mark Yoshizumi
1964-65—Lincoln Shimidzu
1966—Henry Terada

CINCINNATI
Organized April 5, 1946
1946—Ken Matsumoto (org.)
1946—Dr. Makoto Yamaguchi
1947—James Hashimoto
1948—Tom Kanno
1949—Kaye Watanabe
1950—Fred Morioka
1951—Masaji S. Toki
1952—Dr. James H. Takao
1953-54—Joe E. Sugawara
1955—Kaye Watanabe
1956—Mrs. Mutsu Takao
1957—James Hashimoto
1958—Masaji S. Toki
1959—James Takeuchi
1960—Mrs. Marnelle Watanabe
1961—Hisashi Sugawara
1962—Tak Kariya
1963—Kaye Watanabe
1964—Mrs. Frances Tojo
1965—Gordon Yoshikawa
1966—Benny Okura

CLEVELAND
Organized June 10, 1946
1946—Abe Hagiwara
1947—Frank Shiba
1948—George Chida
1949—Howard Tashima
1950—Alice Morihiro
1951—William Sadatoki
1952—Henry Tanaka
1953—George Ono
1954—Robert E. Fujita
1955-57—William Sadatoki
1958-59—Joe Kadowaki
1960—Gene Takahashi
1961—Dr. Toaru Ishiyama
1962—Frank Shiba
1963—Henry Tanaka
1964—Wallace Ito
1965—Mrs. Toshi Kadowaki
1966—Masu Tashima

DAYTON
Organized March 1949
1949—Masaru Yamasaki
1950—Dr. James T. Taguchi
1951—Sutemi Murayama, Masaru Yamasaki
1952—Dr. James T. Taguchi
1953—Hideo Yoshihara
1954—Yoichi Sato
1955—Dr. Ruby Hirose
1956—Dr. Mark Nakaguchi
1957—Mas Yamasaki
1958—Mrs. Matilde Taguchi
1959-60—Dr. James T. Taguchi
1961—Roy Sugimoto
1962—Jack Huntsberger
1963—Mrs. Matilde Taguchi
1964—Ken Sugawara
1965—Masaru Yamasaki
1966—Dr. James Taguchi

Eastern

NEW ENGLAND
Organized Feb. 7, 1948
1948-49—Harvey Aki
1950—Jim Kinoshita
1951—Dr. Tetsu Morita
NEW YORK
Organized June 16, 1944
1944—Al Funabashi
1946—Yurino Takayoshi
1947-48—Tom Hayashi
1949-50—Aki Hayashi
1951—Frank Okazaki
1952-53—Woodrow Asai
1954-56—Sam Kai
1957—William K. Sakayama
1958—Kenji Nogaki
1959-60—George Kyotow
1961-63—George Kurahara
1963—Marion Glaeser
1964-66—Jack Osawa

PHILADELPHIA
Organized Oct. 12, 1946
1947-49—Jack Ozawa
1950—Mariko Ishiguro
1951—Noboru Kobayashi, Naomi Nakano
1952—Gary Oye
1953—Ben Ohama
1954—Dr. Tom Tamaki
1955—William Marutani
1956—S. Sim Endo
1957—Warren H. Watanabe
1958—Mrs. Louise S. Maehara
1959—Hiroshi Ueyehara
1960—Dr. Stanley Nagahashi
1961—Allen Okamoto
1962—Kaz Horita
1963—Toshio Kaname
1964—Roy Kitao
1965—Herb Horikawa

DETROIT
Organized June 7, 1946
1946-48—Peter Fujioka
1949—Roy Kaneko
1950—Dr. Mark M. Kondo
1951—Wallace Kagawa
1952—Shig Ochi
1953—Minoru Togasaki
1954—Kenneth Miyoshi
1955—Sadao Kimoto
1956—Mrs. Miyoko O'Neill
1957—Yoshio Kasai
1958—Charles Yata
1959—Walter Miyao
1960—Frank Watanabe
1961—Peter Fujioka
1962—Wallace Kagawa
1963—Minoru Togasaki
1964—James N. Shimoura
1965—Walter Miyao
1966—William Adair

MILWAUKEE
Organized May 11, 1945
1945—Henry Sakemi (org.)
1946—Mac Kaneko, Lynn Wells
1947—Julius Fujihira
1948—Frank C. Okada
1949-50—Kazumi Oura
1951—Charles Matsumoto
1952—Nami Shio
1953—Harry Shinozaki
1954—Takio Kataoka
1955—Helen Inai
1956—Jim Momoi
1957—Walter Wong
1958—Satoshi Nakahira
1959—Albert Popp
1960—Roy Mukai
1961—Dennis Makiya
1962—Ronald Minami
1963—Roy Mukai
1964—Douglas Day
1965—Fremont Ogawa
1965-66—Sat Nakahira

ST. LOUIS
Organized Aug. 17, 1946
1946—Sam Nakano
1947-48—Henry Tani
1949-50—Joseph Tanaka
1951—Edward Koyama
1952—Dr. Alfred Morioka
1953—George K. Hasagawa
1954—Harry H. Hayashi
1955—Rose Ogino
1956—Richard T. Henmi
1957—Dan Sakahara
1958—Kiichi Hiramoto
1959—Dr. Alfred Morioka
1960—Dr. Henry M. Ema
1961—George K. Hasagawa
1962—Mrs. Lois Miyasaka
1963-64—Dr. Jackson Eto
1965—Dr. George Uchiyama
1966—Lee Durham
TWIN CITIES
Organized Sept. 26, 1946
1946—George Matsuyama
1947—Sam Shijo
1948—John Matsuo
1949—Tomo Kosobayashi, George Yanagita
1950—Takuzo Tsuchiya
1951—Yukio Okamoto
1952—Mas Teramoto
1953-55—Dr. Isaac Iijima
1956—Thomas Kanno
1957—Henry Makino
1958—Tom Ohno
1959—Mas Teramoto, Simpey Kuramoto
1960—Yukio Yamaguchi
1961—Ted Matsuyama
1962—Mrs. Kay Kushino
1963-66—Paul Tsuchiya

Recognition

Pins

Each of the various jeweled JACL pins has a distinctive significance, and those who have qualified for these awards are recognized as men and women who have given outstanding leadership and loyal support to JACL through its history.

Diamond Pin

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

Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe
Jimmie Y. Sakamoto*
Walter Tsukamoto*
Saburo Kido
Hito Okada
Dr. Randolph M. Sakada*

George J. Inagaki
Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa
Shigeo Wakamatsu
Frank F. Chuman
K. Patrick Okura
Kumeo Yoshinari

* Deceased

Ruby Pin

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

Peter Aoki
Robert M. Cullum
Edward J. Enns
Thomas Higa
George J. Inagaki
Samuel Ishikawa
Saburo Kido
Mrs. Teiko I. Kuroiwa
Ben Kuroki
Tats Kushiida
Mrs. Etsu Masaoka
Joe Grant Masaoka
Mike M. Masaoka
Dr. T. Scotty Miyakawa

Hiroshi Miyamura
Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa
Hito Okada
Col. Charles W. Pence*
Masao W. Satow
Mrs. Ruby Yoshino Schaar
Larry S. Tajiri*
Mrs. Marion Tajiri
Eiji E. Tanabe
Scotty Tsuchiya*
Annie Clo Watson*
A. L. Wirin
Yuriko Yamashita
Minoru Yasui
Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe

Oath of Office

"Aware of the responsibility to which I have been elected and conscious of the important role which the Japanese American Citizens League must play in the life of our community and our nation, I do solemnly swear before my fellow citizens that I will discharge the duties of my office conscientiously and to the best of my ability.

"I will continually seek to further the purposes of the Japanese American Citizens League and to serve my fellow citizens to the end that we may be worthy of the privileges of citizenship in this our country, the United States of America."

—JACL Installation Ritual

Area Committees

Following JACL Committees were organized in 1947-48 for the purpose of assisting the JACL - Anti-Discrimination Committee.

The JACL committees which were later organized as chapters are listed above.

Cheyenne Committee
1948—Frank Ikuno
Crowley Committee
1947—Kats Akagi
Gallup Committee
1948—Ann Shibata
Houston Committee
1947—Tokuyo Kobayashi
1948—Warren Saibara
La Jara-Alamosa Committee
1947—Roy Inouye
Rocky Ford Committee
1948—Ugi Harada, George Yoshimaya

Pueblo Committee
1948—Sanzo Shigeta
San Antonio Committee
1948—Goro Matsuo
West Texas Committee
1948—George Kurita

JACL committees were organized in the following WRA centers during the 19-42-44 period, although there were representatives from all the camps at the emergency council sessions in late 1942 and 1944.

BUTTE
Organized Oct. 21, 1942
1942-43—Nobu Kawai
TOPAZ, UTAH
1943—John Yoshino, Henry Tani
TULE LAKE, CALIF.
1943—Walter T. Tsukamoto, John Tanikawa
MINIDOKA, IDAHO
1943—Jimmie Y. Sakamoto, Milton Maeda

SILVER PIN

Established at the 1958 National Convention, the JACL Silver Pin recognizes the outstanding, hard-working member at the chapter level who may not particularly have taken active part at the district council level or higher.

ALAMEDA
Rev. Waichi Oyanagi
George Ushijima
Roland Kadonaga
Yas Yamashita

CHICAGO
William Hiura
Roy Iwata
Jack Nakagawa
Rev. George Nishimoto
Ariye Oda
Thomas Okabe
Hirao S. Sakurada
Lincoln Shimidzu
Louise A. Suski
Ken Yoshihara
Mrs. Esther Hagiwara
Fumi Iwatsuki
Sumi Kobayashi
Mas Nakagawa
Ruth Nakaya
Mrs. Sue Omori
Dr. Frank Sakamoto
Chiye Tomihiro
Harvey Aki
Dr. Gladys Ishida
Alma Mizuno
Jean Sakamoto
Masako Inouye
Hiro Mayeda
Sumi Miyaki
Maudie Nakada
Joe Sagami
John Kitazaki
Theodore Kometsani
Henry S. Tanabe

CINCINNATI
Kaye Watanabe
Joe Sugawara
Tadao Tokimoto
Marnelle Watanabe
James Takeuchi

CLEVELAND
William Sadatoki
George Ono
Mrs. Helen Ono
Henry Tanaka
Minoll Iwasaki
Jiro Habara
Gene Takahashi
Vi Takahashi
Mike S. Asazawa

CLOVIS
Hifumi Ikeda
Yoshio Takahashi
Bob Mochizuki

CONTRA COSTA
Sam Sakai
George Sugihara
Meriko Maida
Joe Oishi
Jim Kimoto
Mrs. Hannah Yasuda

DAYTON
Dr. James Taguchi
Masaru Yamasaki
Lily Yamasaki
Mrs. Matilde Taguchi
Mrs. Lois Toyama
Mrs. Yaeoko Sato
Hideo Okubo
Yo Sato
Ken Sugawara
Pete Hironaka

DELANO
Bill Nakagawa
Jeff Fukawa

DETROIT
Sadao Kimoto
Wallace Kagawa
Dick Kadoshima
George Otsuji
Mrs. Doris Fujioka
Roy Kaneko
Mrs. Toshi Shimoura
Kay Miyaya
Yoshiko Inouye
Setsu Fujioka
Hifumi Sunamoto
Mary Kamidai
Walter Miyao
Ed Shiroma*
(Posthumously)

EAST LOS ANGELES
Ritsuko Kawakami
Akira Hasegawa
Hiro Omura
Mrs. Mattie Furuta

FOWLER
Harley Nakamura
Tom Toyama
Frank Sakohira
Yoshio Honda

FREMONT
Henry Y. Kato
Kaz Shikano

FRESNO
John Kubota
Dr. Henry Kazato

GARDENA
Toshiro Hiraide

GRESHAM-TROUTDALE
Kaz Kinoshita
Shio Uyetake

IDAHO FALLS
Charlie Hirai
Yoshiko Ochi

Sam Yamasaki
Fred Ochi
Margaret Yamasaki
Deto Harada
Shoji Nakaya
Martha Sakaguchi
Mrs. Fumi Tanaka
Mrs. Yuki Harada
Sach Mikami
Bud Sakaguchi

LIVINGSTON-MERCED
Kazuo Masuda
Frank Suzuki

LONG BEACH
George Iseri
Tomizo Joe
Kazuko Matsumoto
Dr. John Kashiwabara
Allan Kobata
Arthur Noda
Jim Okita
Sumifusa Fujimoto
Dr. Itaru Ishida
Fred Ikeguchi
Franklin Sugiyama
Hiroshi Morita

MARYSVILLE
Dan Nishita
Frank Okimoto

MID-COLUMBIA
Ray T. Yasui
Sho Endow, Jr.
Mits Takasumi
Mamoru Noji
Ray Sato
Koe Nishimoto

MILE-HI
Gladys Taniwaki
Tom T. Masamori
Rosa Odow
Jean Sato
Henry Suzuki
Bill Kuroki
Betty Suzuki
Mrs. True Yasui

MILWAUKEE
Nami Shio
Julius Fujihira
Helen Inai
Mr. Charles Matsumoto
Kengo Teramura

MONTEREY PENINSULA
Mike Sando
Paul Ichijui

NEW YORK
Tomio Enochy
Marion Glaeser

OAKLAND
Margaret Utsumi

OMAHA
Mrs. Gladys Hirabayashi
Mrs. Mary Misaki
Noriaki Okada

ORANGE COUNTY
George Kanno
Hitoshi Nitta
Ken Uyesugi
Harry Matsukane

PARLIER
James Kozuki
Byrd Kumataka
Ralph Kimoto
Mrs. Sue Miyakawa

PASADENA
Henry Watanabe
Harris Ozawa

PHILADELPHIA
Hiroshi Ueyehara
Sim Endo

PLACER COUNTY
George Hirakawa
Ellen Kubo
Bunny Nakagawa
Masayuki H. Yego
Howard Nakae
Hugo Nishimoto
Harry Kawahata
James Makimoto
Hiroshi "Doc" Takemoto
Frank Hironaka
Roy T. Yoshida
Richard Nishimura

PORTLAND
John Hada
Tosh Kuge
Dr. Mitsuo Nakata

PUYALLUP VALLEY
Miss Mary Deguchi
Kiyo Nomura
Mas Oshinomi
George Sakamoto
Tsugi Shiroishi
Ira Shimasaki
Edwin Mitoma

REEDLEY
Tak Naito

REXBURG
Fuji Hikida

SACRAMENTO
Toko Fujii
Kaz Kinoshita
Akira Ohno
Dubby W. Tsugawa
Joe Matsumami
Mrs. Gladys Masaki
Takashi Tsujita

SALT LAKE CITY
George Yoshimoto
Mrs. Grace Kasai
Mrs. Tomoko Yano
Mrs. Rae Fujimoto
Mrs. Josie Hachiya
Isamu Watanuki

SAN DIEGO
Maseaki Hironaka
George Kodama
Hedi Takeshita

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY
Eugene Kono
Fred Muto
Tom Endow
Harry Otsuki

SAN FRANCISCO
Mrs. Yo Hironaka
Marie Kurihara
Ichiro Sugiyama
SANGER
Larry Hikiji

SAINT LOUIS
George K. Hasegawa
Yukinobu Yamamoto
Rose Ogino
Mrs. Mary Maruyama
Don Sakahara
Richard Henmi
Joe Tanaka
Harry Hayashi

SALINAS VALLEY
Henry Tada
James Abe

SALT LAKE CITY
George Yoshimoto
Mrs. Grace Kasai
Mrs. Tomoko Yano
Mrs. Rae Fujimoto
Mrs. Josie Hachiya
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Ichiro Sugiyama

SANGER
Larry Hikiji

SAN LUIS VALLEY
Sojiro Yoritomo

SAN MATEO
Hiroshi Ito
Saiki Yamaguchi

SAN JOSE
Dr. Robert Okamoto
Mrs. Sue Matsumura

SEABROOK
Dick Kunishima
George Noda
Kiyomi Nakamura
Fujio Sasaki
Mrs. Mary Nagao
Mrs. Ellen Nakamura

SEATTLE
Frank Hattori
Elmer Ogawa

SNAKE RIVER
Mun Iseri

SONOMA COUNTY
George Hamamoto
Tak Kameoka
James Murakami
Edwin Ohki
Mrs. Ann Ohki
Mrs. Pat Shimizu
George Yokoyama

SOUTHWEST L.A.
George Fujita
Hiroko Kawanami
Matsunosuke Oi

STOCKTON
Mrs. Mitsuye Baba
Harry Hayashino
George Baba
Fred Dobana

TULARE COUNTY
Ed Nagata
June Hatakeda
Bill Yebisu
Mike Imoto
Douglas Yamada

TWIN CITIES
Howard Nomura

VENICE-CULVER
Mrs. Setsu Isoda
Fumi Utsuki
Mary Wakamatsu
Mrs. Betty Yumori
Jane Yamashita
George Isoda
Kazuo Adachi
Mike Hitoshi Shimizu

WASHINGTON, D.C.
Harold Horiuchi
Chisato Ohara
Joseph Ichijui
Mrs. Claire Minami
Don Komai
Ruth Kuroishi
Hisako Sakata
Mits Nakazawa
Eileen Uchida
Miss Mary Deguchi
Kiyo Nomura
Mas Oshinomi
George Sakamoto
Tsugi Shiroishi
Ira Shimasaki
Edwin Mitoma

WEST LOS ANGELES
Dave Akashi
Akira Ohno
Haru Nakata
Toy Kanegai
Frank Kishi
Ruth Miyadi

Sapphire Pin

The sapphire-studded pin recognizes an outstanding active loyalty to JACL over a period of at least ten consecutive years beyond the confines of one's own chapter, and continuing activity and support.

George Abe	Selma	Kay Nakagiri	San Fernando
Yasuo Abiko	San Francisco	Mrs. Yosh Nakaji	Santa Barbara
George Azumano	Portland	Frank Nakamura	Marysville
George Baba	Stockton	Kiyomi Nakamura	Seabrook
Frank Chuman	DTLA	Ted Nakamura	Snake River
Mrs. Frank Chuman	SWLA	Tom Nakamura	Sanger
Ichiro Doi	Salt Lake	Mas Narita	Long Beach
Ken Dyo	Pasadena	Dr. Roy Nishikawa	SWLA
Jerry Enomoto	San Francisco	Mrs. Roy Nishikawa	SWLA
John Enomoto	Sequoia	Joe Nishioka	Idaho Falls
William Enomoto	Sequoia	George Nishita	San Benito
Masuji Fujii	Berkeley	Clarence Nishizu	Orange County
Peter Fujioka	Detroit	Jack Noda	Cortez
Dr. Geo. Furukawa	D.C.	Kenji Nogaki	New York
Sam Furuta	East Los Angeles	George Nukaya	Idaho Falls
Harold Gordon	Chicago	Frank Oda	Sonoma County
Rupert Hachiya	Salt Lake	Akira Ohno	West Los Angeles
John Hada	Portland	Hito Okada	Salt Lake
Abe Hagiwara	Chicago	Mrs. Hana Okada	Portland
Mrs. Esther Hagiwara	Chicago	Patrick Okura	Omaha
James Hashimoto	Cincinnati	Mrs. Patrick Okura	Omaha
Frank Hattori	Seattle	Jack Ozawa	Philadelphia
Akira Hayashi	New York	Abe Saito	Snake River
Tom Hayashi	New York	Joe Saito	Snake River
Dr. Tokuji Hedani	San Francisco	Dr. Randolph Sakada	Chicago
James Y. Higashi	DTLA	Mrs. Randolph Sakada	Chicago
Kay Hirao	Oakland	Sam Sakaguchi	Idaho Falls
Tom Hirashima	Santa Barbara	Toru Sakahara	Seattle
Fred Hirasuna	Fresno	Dr. Frank Sakamoto	Chicago
Mas Hironaka	San Diego	Mrs. James Sakamoto	Seattle
Dr. George Hiura	Sequoia	Eiichi Sakauye	San Jose
Neberu Honda	Chicago	Kiyoshi Sakata	Rexburg
Lee Hosoda	Idaho Falls	Wilbur Sato	Gardena
Vernon Ichisaka	Seabrook	Masao Satow	San Francisco
Toru Ikeda	Reedley	Mrs. Masao Satow	San Francisco
Haruo Imura	Alameda	Tom Shimasaki	Tulare County
Geo. J. Inagaki	Venice-Culver	Ira Shimasaki	D. C.
Mrs. Geo. Inagaki	Venice-Culver	Henry Shimizu	Sonoma County
Roy Inouye	San Luis Valley	Sumi Shimizu	Chicago
Yukio Inouye	Idaho Falls	Blanche Shiosaki	Hollywood
Tom Iseri	Snake River	Ronald Shiosaki	Gardena
George Ishihara	Boise Valley	Herb Shiosaki	Pocatello
Frances Ishii	Long Beach	George Shiozawa	Pocatello
Dr. Chas. Ishizu	Oakland	Dr. Kiyoshi Sonoda	West L.A.
Jin Ishikawa	Fresno	George Sugai	Snake River
Arthur Ito	Hollywood	Mrs. Betty Suzuki	Mile-Hi
Tom Ito	Pasadena	Dr. James Taguchi	Dayton
Tetsuo Iwasaki	Pasadena	Fred Takagi	Seattle
Mrs. Sue Joe	Long Beach	Harry Takagi	D. C.
Mrs. Joe Kadowaki	Cleveland	Dr. H. James Takao	Cincinnati
Sam Kai	New York	Kay Takemoto	Placer County
Wallace Kagawa	Detroit	Tom Takemura	Puyallup
Dr. John Kanda	Puyallup Vly.	Henry Taketa	Sacramento
Henry Kanegae	Orange Co.	Dr. Tom Tamaki	Philadelphia
Z. Junsuke Kanegaye	Denver	Kimi Tambara	Portland
Sue Kaneko	Salt Lake	George Tamura	Mt. Olympus
Wayne Kanemoto	San Jose	Shig Tanita	Arizona
Henry Kasai	Salt Lake	George Takahashi	Sacramento
Mrs. Alice Kasai	Salt Lake	Kenji Tashiro	Tulare County
Henry Kato	Gresham-Troutdale	Fred Tayama	Southwest L.A.
Johnson Kebo	Sanger	Kay Terashima	Salt Lake
Saburo Kido	DTLA	Minoru Togasaki	Detroit
Mrs. Saburo Kido	DTLA	Susumu Togasaki	Alameda
Dr. Harry Kita	Salinas	Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki	Contra Costa
Frances Kitagawa	Venice	Masaji Toki	Cincinnati
Sho Komai	West LA	Mrs. Walter Tsukamoto	Sacto
Mrs. Dorothy Kitow	Chicago	Yo Tsuruda	West L.A.
Eli Kobayashi	Idaho Falls	Elmer Uchida	West L.A.
Kaz Komoto	Parker	Mikio Uchiyama	Fowler
Tomo Kosobayashi	Twin Cities	Hana Uno	Southwest L.A.
Tak Kubota	Seattle	George Ushijima	Alameda
Mrs. Kay Kushino	Twin Cities	Jim Ushio	Mt. Olympus
Marie Kurihara	San Francisco	Shigeki Ushio	Mt. Olympus
Mrs. Teiko Kuroiwa	San Francisco	Isamu Uychara	San Fernando Vly.
Tats Kushida	Gardena	Mrs. Grace Uychara	Philadelphia
Mrs. Tats Kushida	Gardena	Shig Wakamatsu	Chicago
William Marutani	Philadelphia	Mrs. Shig Wakamatsu	Chicago
Mike Masaoka	Washington	Mamoru Wakasugi	Snake River
Tom Masuda	Chicago	Kaye Watanabe	Cincinnati
Dr. Matthew Masuoka	Portland	Dr. Mary Watanabe	Philadelphia
William Matsumoto	Sacramento	Dr. Warren Watanabe	Philadelphia
Phil Matsumura	San Jose	Steve Yagi	West L.A.
Tommy Miyasaki	Rexburg	Dr. Kelly Yamada	Seattle
James Matsuoaka	Seattle	Manabu Yamada	Boise Valley
Hiroshi Mayeda	Tulare County	Roy Yamadera	East L.A.
William Mimbu	Seattle	Kaz Yamane	Puyallup
Mrs. Ruby Mio	Long Beach	Haruo Yamasaki	Rexburg
Henry Mitarai	Mt. Olympus	Masaru Yamasaki	Dayton
Dr. David Miura	Long Beach	Bill Yamauchi	Pocatello
Dr. George Miyake	Fowler	Dr. Thomas Yatabe	Chicago
Harry Miyake	Santa Maria	Mrs. Thomas Yatabe	Chicago
James Miyano	Sonoma Co.	Mas Yano	Salt Lake
Hiroshi Miyasaki	Rexburg	Tomoko Yano	Salt Lake
Kenneth T. Miyoshi	Detroit	Tut Yata	Southwest L.A.
Harry Mizuno	Chicago	Tom Yego	Placer County
Tom Miyazawa	Salinas	Mrs. Gard Yokoe	DTLA
Ginji Mizutani	Sacramento	George Yoshimoto	Salt Lake
Robert Mizukami	Puyallup	Akiji Yoshimura	Marysville
Dr. Al Morioaka	St. Louis	Kumao Yoshinari	Chicago
Sud Morishita	Idaho Falls	Mrs. Kumao Yoshinari	Chicago
Charles Nagao	Seabrook	John Yoshino	D.C.
Tom H. Nagamatsu	Sanger	Mable Yoshizaki	East L.A.
Dr. James Nagatani	Delano	Mrs. Betty Yumori	Venice-Culver
Robert Nakadoi	Omaha	* Deceased	
Mrs. Robert Nakadoi	Omaha		

300 Games by Nisei Bowlers

"300" Bowlers

	Date of Game
1. Fuzzy Shimada	Apr. 28, 1949
2. Frank Kebo	Nov. 2, 1949
3. Frank Seihara	Aug. 1, 1951
4. Bart Okada	June 16, 1954
5. George Inai	Oct. 31, 1954
6. Kazuo Ohori	Jan. 13, 1956
7. Kaz Katayama	Apr. 20, 1956
8. Jim Sakamoto	Mar. 5, 1957
9. Ted Kawamura	May 5, 1957
10. Tommy Fukuda	Sept. 21, 1957

11. Judy Seki Sakata	Oct. 13, 1957
12. Harley Higurashi	Dec. 17, 1957
13. Tats Nakagawa	Mar. 5, 1958
14. Roy Izumita	Oct. 14, 1958
15. Yone Deguchi	Nov. 27, 1958
16. Hiro Kayasuga	Feb. 18, 1959
17. Bob Uyemori	Mar. 2, 1960
18. Junior Yasuda	Mar. 31, 1960
19. Roy Kunisawa	July 4, 1960
20. Mitzi Fukui	Nov. 10, 1960

21. Angel Kageyama	Mar. 9, 1961
22. Richard Inafuku	Apr. 29, 1961
23. Hit Imai	Dec. 26, 1961
24. Dixon Ikeda	Feb. 9, 1962
25. John Suzuki	Feb. 28, 1962
26. Ken Matsuda	Apr. 20, 1962
27. Howie Uyehara	June 22, 1962
28. George Furukawa	Dec. 14, 1962
29. Frank Ishii	Feb. 1963
30. Tok Ishizawa	Mar. 23, 1963
31. Joe Ohashi	June 24, 1963
32. Shig Kanegae	Aug. 4, 1963
33. "Hump" Tsuji	Aug. 21, 1963
34. Geo. Kawaguchi	Aug. 23, 1963

35. Kazuo Tsujihara	Sept. 18, 1963
36. Tak Rikimaru	Feb. 20, 1964
37. Ted Sakamoto	Feb. 27, 1964
38. Shig Sugano	Mar. 9, 1964
39. Pete Mitsui	April 30, 1964
40. Bryon Sugiyama	June 1, 1964

41. Fuzzy Shimada	Aug. 1, 1964
42. Min Yasumura	Oct. 30, 1964
43. George Mayeda	Nov. 30, 1964
44. Hiro Matsubara	Jan. 13, 1965
45. Dick Imada	Jan. 14, 1965
46. Jack Miyasato	Jan., 1965
47. Pap Miya	July 21, 1965
48. Kin Mune	Aug. 13, 1965

49. Sho Sugaya	Sept. 26, 1965
50. Ted Kawamura	Jan. 9, 1966
51. Fuzzy Shimada	Jan. 11, 1966
52. Sam Fujii	Apr. 2, 1966
53. Mitchell Sakado	June 30, 1966
54. Bob Okamura	Aug. 20, 1966
(55) John Suzuki	Oct. 20, 1962
56. Arthur Nakashimo	Dec. 2, 1966

Peninsula League, San Carlos Bowl, San Carlos, Calif.
 Southside Nisei League, Hyde Park Bowl, Chicago.
 Nisei Summer League, Bowl-Mor Lanes, Denver.
 Summer Mixed Foursome, Main Bowl, Seattle.
 Nisei Majors, Downtown Bowl, San Francisco.
 Industrial League, Chicago, Ill.
 Examiner Tournament, Vogue Bowl, Los Angeles.
 Nisei League, Sherman Oaks Bowl, San Jose, Calif.
 Hawaiian Senior Open, Kalihi Bowl, Honolulu.
 Greater Eastside Traveling Classic, Rainbow Recreation, Detroit, Mich.
 S.C. Women's All-Star Elimination, South Bay Bowling Center, Redondo Beach, Calif.
 Nisei League, Gardena 1, Gardena, Calif.
 Frisco July Classic League, Bowl-O-Rama, Honolulu.
 Mainliner League, San Gabriel Lanes, San Gabriel.
 Nisei AA League, Holiday Bowl, Los Angeles.
 Nisei AA League, Holiday Bowl, Los Angeles.
 Nisei League, Buena Park Bowl, Buena Park, Calif.
 Nisei Comm'l League, Gay Way Bowl, Payette, Idaho.
 Golden States Singles Classic, Norwalk Bowl, Norw'k.
 Women's Commercial League, Yuba City Bowl, Yuba City, Calif.
 Inv. Nisei Singles, Saratoga Lanes, San Jose.
 L. A. Examiner Singles Classics, Hollywood Legion Lanes, Los Angeles, Calif.
 City League, Hood River Alleys, Hood River, Oregon.
 935 Classic, Bel-Mateo Lanes, San Mateo, Calif.
 All Star League, Fiesta Bowl, Santa Barbara, Calif.
 Rocky Mtn. Classic League, Celebrity Lanes, Denver.
 Nisei Mixed 5, Arlington Bowl, Los Angeles.
 Produce League, Holiday Bowl, Los Angeles.
 Chipmunk Trio, Freeway Lanes, Selma, Calif.
 Holiday Doubles Tournament, Holiday Bowl, L. A.
 Tobacco Road League, Imperial Lanes, Seattle.
 Holiday Doubles Tournament, Holiday Bowl, L. A.
 Produce Trio League, Holiday Bowl, Los Angeles
 All-Star Doubles League, Castro Village Bowl, Castro Valley, Calif.
 Classic League, Boulevard Bowl, Petaluma, Calif.
 SCNBA Classics, Holiday Bowl, L.A.
 San Jose Nisei Classic, Palm Bowl
 910 Scratch, Rodeo Bowl, Los Angeles
 Nisei Classic 4-some, Holiday Bowl, L.A.
 835 Mixed Scratch League, Plaza Bowl, National City, Calif.
 Raisin Classics, Freeway Lanes, Selma
 812 Mixed Scratch League, Cal-Bowl, Long Beach
 Ivy League, Longmont Lanes, Longmont, Colo.
 HNBA AAA League, Holiday Bowl, Los Angeles.
 JACL Buck & Doe League, North Bowl, Spokane.
 BPAA All-Star, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Pot o' Gold Tournament, Jo-Lee Lanes, Roy, Utah.
 Pacific Coast Nisei Invitational Tournament, Holiday Bowl, Los Angeles.
 Fairmounters League, Fairmont Bowl, Salt Lake City.
 Silver City Recreation, Milwaukee
 Nisei Classic League, Fiesta Lanes, San Jose
 NBA-5 Game Singles, Anaheim (Calif.) Bowl
 Dept. of Water & Power League, Holdiya Bowl, L.A.
 Parlier Mixed Foursome League, Frwy. Lanes, Selma
 San Marcos Major, S.M. Bowl, Santa Barbara
 Nisei Hdp. League Pac. Ave. Bowl, Stockton

Bowling Tournaments Sites

	Dates	Host Chapter	Bowling Site	Chairman	No. of Teams
1st	1947 Mar. 29-30	Salt Lake City	Temple Alleys	Maki Kaizumi	22 (4)*
2nd	1948 Mar. 6-7	Salt Lake City	Temple Alleys	Bill Honda	32 (10)*
3rd	1949 Mar. 4-6	Salt Lake City	Temple Alleys	Choppy Umamoto	36 (14)*
4th	1950 Mar. 3-5	San Francisco	Downtown Bowl	Gish Endo	58 22
5th	1951 Mar. 16-18	Los Angeles	Vogue Bowl	Harley Kusumoto	44 20
				Dick Fujioka	
				John Noguchi	44 16
6th	1952 Feb. 29-Mar. 2	Denver	Elitch's Lanes		
7th	1953 Feb. 27-Mar. 1	San Francisco	Downtown Bowl	George Inai	68 20
8th	1954 Mar. 5-7	Chicago	Hyde Park Bowl	Dr. Randy Sakada	57 12
9th	1955 Mar. 3-6	Long Beach	Ken Mar and Virginia Bowl	Easy Fujimoto	84 24
10th	1956 Mar. 1-4	Salt Lake City	Pal-D-Mar and Ritz Bowling Palace	Choppy Umamoto	64 22
11th	1957 Mar. 6-10	East Bay	Albany Bowl	Mo Katow	80 24
12th	1958 Mar. 3-8	Seattle	Recreation Bowl	Fred Takagi	66 26
13th	1959 Mar. 2-7	Los Angeles	Holiday Bowl	Easy Fujimoto	118 32
				Roy Yamadera	
				John Sakayama	62 29
				Joe Tenma	126 48
				Asa Yonemura	
16th	1962 Mar. 5-10	Salt Lake	Rancho Lanes	Choppy Umamoto	— —
				Wat Misaka	
17th	1963 Mar. 4-9	Long Beach	Premier Lanes	Tom Miyawaki	96 42
				Jim Okida	
18th	1964 Mar. 3-7	Sacramento	Country Club Lanes	Dubby Tsugawa	108 66
19th	1965 Mar. 8-13	Mile-Hi	Celebrity Sports Ctr.	Bob T. Mayeda	74 30
20th	1966 Mar. 7-12	San Francisco	Downtown Bowl	Kayo Hayakawa	
				George Inai	
21st	1967 Mar. 6-11	Los Angeles	Holiday Bowl	Easy Fujimoto	
22nd	1968:	Seattle			

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shall pay annual dues in the amount set by the local chapter. Individual Special Membership cards shall be issued to the Special Members upon the payment of \$5.00 per member for National Headquarters by the chapter. Special Membership shall be upon the calendar year basis.

c) The Special Members shall be entitled to all rights and privileges of this organization except that of voting and holding local or national office.

d) Special Members who move from one locality to another may have their membership transferred without further payment of any fees upon written request to the National Director by the Special Member and/or Chapter involved.

ARTICLE II National Supporting Members

Section 1. Individuals who contribute \$6.00 or more to the organization shall be known as National JACL Supporting Members.

Section 2. Chapters will retain from each National Supporting Membership the amount of local chapter dues and remit the balance of such National Supporting Membership to National Headquarters.

Section 3. Where the net amount remitted to National Headquarters is \$25.00 or more, the Supporting Member upon request, will be enrolled in the JACL One Thousand Club.

ARTICLE III Chapters: Charters & Obligations

Section 1. The official charter of the organization shall be granted by the National Council when any group of citizens have met the following requirements:

a) Have 25 or more American citizens 18 years of age or over who shall have signed the petition for a charter indicating that they subscribe to the purposes of the organization. The National Board may grant chapter charters with less than the foregoing number if the circumstances merit special consideration.

b) Have currently elected set of officers including a President who is at least 21 years of age.

c) Have a Constitution and By-Laws which are consistent with the Constitution and By-Laws of the National organization and also acceptable to the National Board.

d) Whose application for membership in the organization is accompanied by the payment of a \$10.00 Chapter initiation fee, the annual Chapter dues of

\$10.00, and National membership fees for their members.

e) Recommended by the District Council after serving a probationary period of six months.

Section 2. The regularly chartered chapters to be in good standing shall have the following qualifications:

a) A minimum of 25 members of the age of 18 years or more, unless the chapter is operating under a special charter grant from the National Board.

b) All National and District dues, fees and assessments paid by the thirtieth day of June, or 60 days prior to the National Convention, whichever date applies, of the calendar year for which such dues, fees and assessments were levied.

c) Have a currently elected set of officers, including a President who is at least 21 years of age.

d) Have reasonably cooperated in projects, programs and services carried on by the National organization.

Section 3. Two official delegates and two alternate delegates shall be designated by the regularly chartered chapters to represent them at the National Council meetings of this organization.

Section 4. A Chapter which has been inactive for two years, i.e., elected no officers, or had no members, or carried on no activities, or paid no National dues, or has failed to respond to correspondence from its District Council and National Headquarters, will be duly notified of its delinquency and will be placed on a six-month probationary period, and such notification may be publicized.

Section 5. The National Board shall have the power to suspend or revoke the charter of any chapter which shall have violated the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of this organization, or which has refused to cooperate in the National program, provided that three-fourths of the members of the National Board concur in this action.

ARTICLE IV JACL Committees

Section 1. JACL Committees may be organized upon the approval of the National Board in areas where the minimum member requirement cannot be met.

Section 2. Members of such JACL Committees shall become National Associated Members.

Section 3. The Chairman of such JACL Committees shall receive all bulletins and materials issued by the National organization in the same manner as Presidents of regular chapters.

ARTICLE V District Councils

Section 1. The National Organization shall be divided into the following Districts with the following area jurisdictions:

a) Pacific Northwest District Council: Washington, Oregon, and Idaho Panhandle.

b) Northern California-Western Nevada District Council: Merced County, Monterey County, and all other counties in California north of the aforementioned counties, and adjoining sections of Nevada.

c) Central California District Council: Kern, Tulare, Kings, Fresno and Madera Counties.

d) Pacific Southwest District Council: All counties in California south of Kern and Monterey Counties, and Arizona.

e) Intermountain District Council: Utah, Idaho, Southeast Oregon, adjoining sections of Wyoming.

f) Mountain Plains District Council: Texas, New Mexico, Nebraska, Colorado, adjoining sections of Wyoming and Montana.

g) Midwest District Council: Illinois, Ohio, Missouri, Minnesota, Michigan, Indiana, Wisconsin, Iowa and other midwestern states.

h) Eastern District Council: Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Delaware, Maryland, Rhode Island, Virginia and District of Columbia, and other Eastern states.

Section 2. The petition of three or more bona fide chapters for a new District Council shall be sufficient to establish such a new District Council when approved by the National Council.

ARTICLE VI National Officers— Elected and Appointed

Section 1. Duties of National Officers

a) The President shall preside at all meetings of the National Board, the National Council, and the National Convention, supervise the affairs of this organization with the approval of the National Board to which the league may be invited or appoint a suitable person in his stead.

b) The Vice Presidents shall perform such tasks as may be assigned to them by the National Board, the National Council, and the National President.

c) The Secretary shall keep a record of the minutes of the meetings of the National Board, the National Council, and the National Convention and perform such other tasks as may be assigned him by the National Board, the National Council and the National President.

d) The Treasurer shall keep an account of all monies received or disbursed by the organization and make

payments with the approval of the National Board or the National Council. He shall have his books audited annually and shall make semi-annual reports to the membership. He shall have the power to appoint one or more assistants.

e) The National 1000 Club Chairman shall promote the support of the National organization by stimulating the enrollment of 1000 Club members.

Section 2. Duties of Appointive Officers

a) National Director

1) The National Director shall be appointed by the National Board. The members of his staff shall be appointed by him with the advice and approval of the National Board, and in the case of Regional Directors, with the advice and approval of the District Council or District Councils involved.

2) The Office of the National Director shall be in the city designated by the National Council as the National Headquarters.

3) The National Director shall administer the affairs of this organization within the general discretionary powers given him by the National Board and National Council under the direction and supervision of the National President, carry out, implement and supervise the policies and programs outlined by the National Board and Council; have custody of all books, records, and papers of this organization, except those which shall be entrusted to the Secretary and the Treasurer or to others authorized by the National Board or Council; supervise and implement the activities of his staff; and execute the instructions of the National Board and the National Council.

4) The National Director shall supervise the National Headquarters and all staff members and regional or area offices within the budget established by the National Council. He shall disburse funds for all organization activities in accordance with the mandates of the National Council and under the supervision of the National Treasurer. With approval of the National Board, he may adjust allocations as to specific items if such adjustments are deemed necessary.

b) National Legal Counsel

1) The National Legal Counsel shall be appointed by the National President subject to the approval of the National Board.

3) The National Legal Counsel may designate one or more Deputy National Legal Councils, who under the direct supervision of the National Legal Counsel shall carry out assignments and duties as directed by the National Legal Counsel including representation of the office of National Legal Counsel on committees as ex-officio members thereof.

2) The National Legal

Counsel shall pass upon, review, suggest and consider all legal matters pertaining to this organization, or opinions on law or legislation.

c) Chairman of the Pacific Citizen Board

1) The Chairman of the Pacific Citizen Board shall be appointed by the National President subject to the approval of the National Board.

2) The Chairman of the Pacific Citizen Board shall call meetings of the Pacific Citizen Board, preside at such meetings, shall be responsible that the Pacific Citizen Board carry out such duties as are enumerated in these by-laws, Article IX-Pacific Citizen.

ARTICLE VII National Convention

Section 1. The National Convention of this organization shall be convened every two years, on the "even-numbered" years, at a designated place, said place to be decided by a majority vote of the National Council at the preceding National Convention.

Section 2. The chapter awarded the National Convention shall be in charge of making all the necessary arrangements for the biennial event under the supervision of the National Board and with the cooperation and assistance of the District Council to which it belongs.

Section 3. A sum of one dollar per person shall be taken out of the National Convention registration and paid to the National Treasurer within 60 days and fifty cents per registered youth delegate.

ARTICLE VIII National Committees

Section 1. National Standing Committees for permanent ongoing projects of the organization not requiring program and policy review at the National Council meetings shall be established by the National Council. The specific duties of these committees will be prescribed by the National President and National Director with the approval of the National Board, and appointments to these committees shall be made by the National President.

Section 2. Convention Committees for various phases of the National program of the organization shall be formed whenever and wherever the National Convention of the organization shall convene. These Committees shall be composed of delegates and members in attendance at the National Convention. The Convention Committee shall consider their respective problems and matters and make recommendations for same to the National Council.

Section 3. Interim Committees shall function between National Conventions on the various phases of the National program. The National Council shall prescribe the committees to be formed, and the members of such committees shall be appointed by the National President with the

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approval of the National Board. The National Vice President will be assigned by the National Board to supervise the work of these Interim Committees.

Section 4. Special Committees may be appointed by the National Council and/or the National President. The tenure and scope of activities for the Special Committee shall be prescribed by the National Council and/or the National Director.

Section 5. The President, the National Director and the National Legal Counsel shall be ex-officio members of all committees, boards or commissions which the National organization may from time to time establish. They shall not have the right to vote unless otherwise provided.

ARTICLE IX. The Pacific Citizen

Section 1. The official publication of this organization shall be called The Pacific Citizen and shall be conducted as an educational and public relations project.

Section 2. The Board of Directors, appointed by the President, with the advice and consent of the National Board, shall be entrusted with the business and editorial details of this publication.

ARTICLE X. Budget and Finance

Section 1. Current Operations

a) The National Treasurer, together with the President and the National Director shall prepare and present a budget to the National Council for approval which shall contain all items of general or special expense for the term of their administration not otherwise provided for by special appropriation.

1) Said budget must be presented to all District Councils and Chapters not less than 30 days prior to the date it is to be voted

upon by the National Council.

2) An appropriation of \$2,500 or more, not so submitted shall require the approval of three-fourths of the member chapters voting at the National Council session.

b) The National Board with the approval of three-fourths of the chapters in good standing shall have the power to levy and to apportion special assessments in a just and equitable manner to further the work of this organization.

c) Members of the National Board or a special representative thereof, and the National Director and members of his staff shall be entitled to reasonable traveling and other expenses while attending to the officially sanctioned business of this organization.

d) The funds which are derived from membership and annual dues, National convention registrations, and other current activities of this organization shall be deposited with the current fund.

Section 2. National JACL Reserve Fund

a) A National JACL reserve fund shall be established, such fund to be used for special contingencies as they arise.

b) Surplus monies or portions thereof in the JACL national treasury at the termination of the fiscal year shall be placed in this reserve fund.

c) The reserve fund shall be administered by a Board of Directors consisting of the JACL National President, the two past National Presidents serving on the National Board, the Treasurer, and the National Director.

d) Withdrawals from this reserve fund shall be only on the unanimous approval of members of the Board of Directors of the fund, and

an accounting of all monies deposited therein or withdrawals therefrom shall be included in the annual financial report of the National JACL.

ARTICLE XI. Administration of Special Projects

Section 1. The projects of this organization shall be administered by a Board of Directors appointed by the National Board with the approval of the National Council, except as otherwise provided and for a period designated by the National Board.

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall select its own officers, make rules and regulations, make recommendations on financing specific projects, and employ qualified individuals to further the projects undertaken.

Section 3. The Board of Directors shall report the progress made and account to the National Board from month to month and all the other times whenever called upon to do so.

Section 4. The National President shall have the power to cast his vote to break deadlocks on issues in meetings of the Board of Directors, if he is not an official member of the Board in question; if he is a member; he shall be privileged to cast an extra vote.

ARTICLE XII. National Endowment Fund

Section 1. The "National JACL Endowment Fund" shall be created and the income therefrom shall be used for the purpose of financing or assisting projects and programs of this organization. This income shall be administered by the National Board with the approval of the National Council.

Section 2. The funds received from all "Endowment Fund" pledges, donations, and gifts, shall be deposited with the Endowment Fund account. The National President, the National Treasurer, the National Legal Counsel, the National Endowment Fund Committee Chairman, and the National Director shall represent the National organization with any finan-

cial institution with which Endowment Fund monies are placed.

Section 3. The principal of the Endowment Fund or any portion thereof may be prudently invested, but may not be utilized except upon the written approval of three-fourths of the chartered chapters in good standing.

Section 4. There shall be an Endowment Fund Committee composed of five members, two of which shall be permanent members, and three shall be elected by the National Board and serve for a six-year term. To initiate this Committee, of the three elected members, one shall be elected for full six-year term, one for a four-year term, and one for two years. Thereafter, one member shall be elected each biennium.

Section 5. The purpose of this Committee shall be to supervise and administer the Endowment Fund program with the approval of the National Board, and to advise and make recommendations to the National Board and National Council pertaining thereto. This Committee shall

stand them, and they understand us, and we can work together in mutual trust and respect.

Because he was ticklish. I hope we won't be too ticklish to accept our responsibilities.

Scholarship Winners

The Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka Memorial Scholarship has been administered by National JACL Headquarters at the request of his mother, Mrs. Haruye Masaoka of Venice, Calif., who gives an outright grant of \$200 to a most deserving Nisei high school graduate in the country.

Since 1959, an additional \$100 is awarded the winner—the sum being donated by Dr. James Toshiaki Mimura of Royal Oak, Mich., co-recipient of the first scholarship in 1946.

From 1964, the other co-recipient of the first scholarship, Dr. Harry Abe of Watagh, L.I., N.Y., has added another \$100.

Now ready for its 22nd annual award in 1967, the scholarship is open to Japanese American high school graduates who plan to continue their education in the fall. Nominations must be through JACL chapters. This past year, 54 chapters submitted nominations, the highest for any single year.

PVT. BEN FRANK MASAOKA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

1946—Harry Abe, New York, and
Toshiaki Mimura, Chicago
1947—Kaz Oshiki, Nebraska
1948—Joseph Tanaka, St. Louis
1949—Grace Taketa, Washington, D.C.
1950—Ken Tokiyama, East Los Angeles
1951—Cherry Tsutsumida, Arizona
1952—Curt Sugiyama, Detroit
1953—Hideko Akamatsu, Twin Cities
1954—David Yamakawa, San Francisco
1955—Seiji Itahara, Chicago

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CHAPTER OF YEAR

The Chapter of the Year (or the Chapter of the Biennium) Awards have been presented by the various district councils in recognition of outstanding programs and activities.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA - WESTERN NEVADA DIST.

1953—Placer County
1954—San Benito County
1955—San Francisco
1956—Richmond-El Cerrito
1957—San Francisco
1958—Cortez
1959—Contra Costa
1960—San Francisco
1961—Sequoia
1962—San Jose
1963—San Jose
1964—Monterey Peninsula
1965—Contra Costa

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

1956—Parlier
1957—Tulare County
1958—Fresno
1959—Selma
1960—Reedley
1961—Reedley
1962—Reedley
1963—Parlier
1964—Parlier
1965—Delano
1966—Fowler

PACIFIC SOUTHWEST

1956—San Diego and SWLA
1957—East Los Angeles
1958—Long Beach
1959—Long Beach
1960—Long Beach
1961—West Los Angeles
1962—San Fernando Valley
1963—West Los Angeles
1964—Pasadena
1965—West Los Angeles

INTERMOUNTAIN

1956—Snake River Valley
1957—(Not Considered)
1958—Salt Lake City
1959—Mt. Olympus

EASTERN - MIDWEST

1958-59—Seabrook
1960-61—Cleveland
1962-63—Philadelphia and
Washington, D.C.
1964-65—Washington, D.C.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST

1958-59—Puyallup Valley
1960-61—Mid-Columbia
1962-63—Portland

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ardless of creed or ethnic background. It is an undeniable fact that many of our friends abroad are seriously disturbed by the gulf that continues to exist between our preachments about democracy and the way we practice it. We can help to narrow that gulf.

Third, there is the opportunity, particularly in large communities such as Chicago, to help visitors and students from abroad get to know us for what we really are. Fortunately we Americans are not entirely objectionable, and it is to our advantage to be known. Foreign guests in our country are in a position to take back memories of American hospitality or a series of evenings spent in lonely hotel rooms, new friendships or the cold impersonality of our cities, understanding or

bewilderment, courtesy or hostility, and you can determine in large measure what their memories will be. I think it is significant that some of the bitterest anti-Western leaders among the emerging nations of Africa are men who were disillusioned by their experiences in the United States.

The Little Things Count

Let me end, then, on this note. Few of us are destined to be involved directly in decisions that affect the policies of nations or the course of history. But all of us have the opportunity to do the little things that mean so much in the relationships between people.

And in our case, the people overseas we are most interested in are the Japanese. They will be worthy partners, full-fledged partners, in the massive task of building the conditions in which peace can flourish. But they will become our partners only if we under-

stand them, and they understand us, and we can work together in mutual trust and respect.

And we who look Japanese, but are Americans by birth, citizenship, upbringing, loyalty and ideals, have the opportunity and the obligation to bring that understanding closer.

AND now I'd like to close with a story.

In one of our great universities famed for its football teams there was once an athlete who had everything it takes to become an all-American center. He was smart. He was fast, big, rugged, competitive, and when he crouched over the ball with the quarterback behind him, opposing linemen quaked in their boots. But he never made the team. Why?

Because he was ticklish. I hope we won't be too ticklish to accept our responsibilities.

also advise the National Board and National Council of any emergency which the Committee deems requires consideration by the chapters to make use of the principal of the Endowment Fund. This to expand the functions of the Endowment Fund Committee beyond merely determining when there is an emergency, and authorizing Committee to administer the Endowment Fund with the approval of the National Board.

Section 6. The National Board may authorize members of the Endowment Fund Committee to serve as liaison with any financial institution where Endowment Fund monies are placed.

ARTICLE XIII.

Past National Presidents

The past National Presidents of this organization, constitutionally elected, except those specifically named as regular members of the National Board, shall be considered honorary members of the National Board. They shall be kept posted on the activities of the organization.

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- 1956—Ted Sakano, Snake River
 1957—Thomas Yoneda, Sonoma County
 1958—Ronald Inouye, Mt. Olympus
 1959—Thomas Tadano, Arizona
 1960—Brian Rio Kashiwagi, Seattle
 1961—Rodney S. Omachi, Stockton
 1962—Tetsu Hojo, San Jose
 1963—Lance Ito, East Los Angeles
 1964—Thomas Yukio Nakata, Portland
 1965—Gerald David Yoshitomi, Venice-Culver
 1966—Jonathan Roy Ochi, Idaho Falls

COL. WALTER T. TSUKAMOTO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Two \$250 awards are given each year by Mrs. Tomoye Tsukamoto in memory of her late husband, Col. Walter T. Tsukamoto, JACL national president.

- 1963—Howard H. Henjyoji (Portland) and Amy Muneoka (San Fernando Valley)
 1964—Kent Shoji (San Fernando Valley) and Lucy Inouye (Boise Valley)
 1965—Robert Alan Numata (Spokane) and Shunsaku Sugiura (Mile-Hi)
 1966—Marsha Sayo Matsuura (Oakland) and Naomi Lynne Kohatsu (Santa Maria)

NATIONAL JACL SUPPLEMENTAL SCHOLARSHIP

Supplemental scholarships of \$200 each are also awarded by National JACL and in 1960 by Tokichi Matsuoka of New York City.

- 1956—Lucille Inami (Fresno)
 1957—Elizabeth Okayama (Chicago), Willie Sugahiro (Snake River), Frances Sumida (Portland), Grace Takahashi (Gresham-Troutdale).
 1958—Deanna Honbo (Delano), Kenji Kawaoka (San Luis Obispo), Michihara Sakata (East Los Angeles), Helen Tadamaru (Chicago).
 1959—Misao Yamane (Cleveland), Jean Y. Muranaka (San Fernando Valley), Elaine E. Mitarai (Mt. Olympus), Stanley T. Murayama (San Diego).
 1960—Anne Miwa Kanomata (Pocatello), William Yasuo Hayashi (Sonoma County), Daniel Okimoto (Pasadena).
Tokichi Matsuoka Scholarship—Denson Gen Fujikawa (Long Beach).
 1961—Alan T. Miyamoto (Southwest L.A.), Kenneth K. Murata (Sacramento), Linda K. Kobata (Long Beach), Dennis K. Fujita (Sonoma County).
 1962—Dick S. Kaku (San Fernando), Sharon K. Kato (Pocatello), Gail J. Katagiri (Chicago) Russell K. Endo (Southwest L.A.).
 1963—Arlene Hashimoto (Fresno), Richard R. Naruo (Milwaukee), Gilbert K. Yamamoto (Sacramento), James Suckama (Mile-Hi).
 1964—Michael Kaku (San Jose), Jeremy K. Ota (Gresham-Troutdale), Sylvia Sakamoto (Arkansas Valley), Kent Yamaguchi (Fresno).

1965—Ross Patrick Murasako (Fresno), Jane Mitsuko Nakashima (Watsonville), Patricia Ann Takahashi (Placer County), Richard Nobuo Tsujimoto (Salt Lake).

1966—Judith Lynn Higuchi (Watsonville), Stuart Minoru Takeuchi (Long Beach-Harbor), Jon David Hirasuna (Fresno), Stanley Kazuo Nishioka (Sacramento), Glenn Douglas Madokoro (Mile-Hi).

DR. MUTSUMI NOBE MEMORIAL GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

Sum of \$500 is awarded each year by Mrs. Catherine Nobe in memory of her husband to a Japanese American male college graduate intending to pursue further study in the physical or biological sciences or engineering.

1966—Richard Kiyoshi Kiyomoto, B.A. in Biology, San Francisco State College (Reedley).

DR. TAKASHI TERAMI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Two \$250 awards each are given each year by Mrs. Hisako Terami in memory of her late husband, Dr. Takashi Terami, professor of mathematics in a Minnesota college.

1966—Dennis George Uyemura (Hollywood) and Michael Warren Keith (Cleveland)

MR. AND MRS. JAMES MICHENER AWARD

A \$250 scholarship is being awarded each year by the well-known author and his wife, who were impressed by the number of extremely qualified candidates who would not be a winner.

1966—Byron Y. Okamoto (Sonoma County)

GONGORO NAKAMURA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

From 1967, a \$150 scholarship shall be initiated in memory of the late Gongoro Nakamura, respected community leader and Downtown L.A. JACL's first naturalized Issei president, by his wife and family and as the trust fund allows \$50 will be added to the annual award subsequently.

JACL Bowling Champions

MEN'S SINGLES

1947	Dr. Jun Kurumada, SLC	401
1948	Harley Kusumoto, Chicago	476
1949	Larry Mekata, Honolulu	451
1950	Gene Sato, Pocatello	446
1951	Shun Nakayama, Denver	492
1952	Dr. Jun Kurumada, SLC	496
1953	Henri Takahashi, S. F.	491
1954	Ed Eda, Chicago	430
1955	George Inai, S. F.	430
1956	John Kusano, San Jose	470
1957	Bob Shiba, Salt Lake	465
1958	Yulene Takai, Sacramento	454
1959	Ace Mori, Pocatello	485
1960	Shiro Kitabayashi, L.A.	461
1961	George Otsuki, Denver	444
1962	Tok Ishizawa, L.A.	407
1963	Sho Torigoe, Honolulu	713
1964	Roy Kunitawa, G. Grove	489
1965	Fuzzy Shimada, San Jose	715
1966	Hal Kim, Hawaii	496
1967	Preston Morishige, Denver	485

MEN'S DOUBLES

1947	Shorty Tanaka - Harley Kusumoto, Chicago	1095
1948	Mush Matsumoto - Tak Fujiwara, Chicago	1191
1949	Dick Ikeda - Tats Nagase, San Francisco	1196
1950	George Kobo - George Yasukochi, Los Angeles	1179
1951	Shozo Hirazumi - Ken Takeno, SLC	1181
1952	George Inai - Kayo Hayakawa, San Francisco	1174
1953	George Gee - Henri Takahashi, San Francisco	1269
1954	Rocky Yamanaka - Art Omori, Chicago	1249
1955	Lawrence Fujimoto - Horace Iwanaka, Hawaii	1186
1956	Gish Endo - Fuzzy Shimada, San Francisco	1256
1957	Charles Sonoda (S.L.C.) - Shozo Hirazumi (L.A.)	1224
1958	Johnny Yasukochi - Howie Uyehara, Los Angeles	1267
1959	Shig Nakagiri - Jack Miyake, Los Angeles	1275
1960	Tad Yamada - Sam Kawanishi, Los Angeles	1245
1961	John Yasukochi - George Wong, Los Angeles	1272
1962	Howie Wong - Tom Yego, Sacramento	1246
1963	Tom Murao - Bill Okubo, Denver	1237
1964	Hil Ohara, Los Angeles	1418
1965	Jake Yago, Denver	1257
1966	Hank Narasaki - Sandy Kaya, Eastbay	1231

MEN'S TEAM

1947	Los Angeles JACL All Stars	2826
	Paul Ishizawa, Tad Yamada, Tok Ishizawa, Nob Ishizawa, Bowman Chung	
1948	Okada Insurance, S.L.C.	2849
	Tad Sako, Sho Hirazumi, Maki Kaizumi, Dr. Jun Kurumada, George Kishida	
1949	Robertson's Nursery, L.A.	2808
	George Kobo, George Takeuchi, Ye Nomura, Kaz Katayama, George Yasukochi	
1950	Towata Flowers, Alameda	2899
	Dick Ikeda, Tad Sako, Chy Kawakami, Gish Endo, Fuzzy Shimada	
1951	Marigold Arcade, Chicago	2823
	Tom Hashimoto, Tome Fuji, Watts Uchida, Bob Miyakawa, Sock Kojima	
1952	Sequoia Nursery, Redwood City	2792
	Dick Ikeda, Tad Sako, Chy Kawakami, Gish Endo, Fuzzy Shimada	
1953	Marigold Arcade, Chicago	2922
	Tom Hashimoto, Tome Fuji, Watts Uchida, Bob Miyakawa, Sock Kojima	
1954	Coffee Strawberries, Sacramento	2842
	Jim Matsui, Joe Hom, Gil Ishizaka, Tsuto Hironaka, Dubby Tsugawa	
1955	Gayway Bowl, Caldwell, Idaho	2843
	Shig Nishimoto, George Saito, Tony Miyasako, Geo. Vaughn, Bill Nishioka	
1956	Standard Produce Salt Lake	2754
	Speedy Shiba, Choppy Umamoto, George Sakashita, Bob Shiba, Harry Imamura	
1957	Sequoia Nursery, Redwood City	2960
	Dixon Ikeda, Gish Endo, George Furuva, Tats Nagase, Fuzzy Shimada	
1958	Southwest L.A. JACL	2855
	Tak Ushiyama, Rich Young, George Uyehara, Sus Kyono, Yuki Uradomo	
1959	Granada Fish Mkt. No. 1, Denver	2953
	Shun Nakayama, Jim Ota, Sam Inai, George Nagai, Willie Hasegawa	
1960	Tahiti Sports Center, San Jose	2931
	Roy Santo, Sappo Emoto, Wright Inouye, George Takata, Mich Shiomoto	
1961	Electrical Contractors, Pocatello	2968
	Joe Sato, Shin Kawamura, Will Kawamura, Ace Mori, Steve Sato, Tom Kitayama, Honolulu	3008
1962	Dave Kanno, Ed Mori, Tim Kitayama, David Muramoto, Sanford Kaneshiro	
1963	Hawaii Perennial Stars	3262
	Alfred Papas, Gary Shindo, Merle Kidoguchi, Taro Miyasato, James Akasaki	
1964	Premiere Lanes, S'ta Fe Spgs	2922
	Gary Yamauchi, Hit Ohara, Ken Uchida, George Iseri, Haj Fukumoto	
1965	Premiere Lanes, Santa Fe Springs	2824
	Gary Yamauchi, Hit Ohara, Ken Uchida, George Iseri, Yosh Fujita	
1966	Shig Hironaka, Ontario	1719
	Shorty Tanaka, Chicago	1785
1948	Harley Kusumoto, L.A.	1779
1950	Dick Ikeda, S. F.	1807
1951	Shun Nakayama, Denver	1777
1952	Ken Yee, Sacramento	1837
1953	Henri Takahashi, S.F.	1902
1954	Rocky Yamanaka, Chicago	1834
1955	Ko Aihara, Long Beach	1789
1956	Fuzzy Shimada, S.F.	1880
1957	Yulene Takai, Sacramento	1815

MEN'S ALL EVENTS

1947	Dr. Jun Kurumada, SLC	401
1948	Harley Kusumoto, Chicago	476
1949	Larry Mekata, Honolulu	451
1950	Gene Sato, Pocatello	446
1951	Shun Nakayama, Denver	492
1952	Dr. Jun Kurumada, SLC	496
1953	Henri Takahashi, S. F.	491
1954	Ed Eda, Chicago	430
1955	George Inai, S. F.	430
1956	John Kusano, San Jose	470
1957	Bob Shiba, Salt Lake	465
1958	Yulene Takai, Sacramento	454
1959	Ace Mori, Pocatello	485
1960	Shiro Kitabayashi, L.A.	461
1961	George Otsuki, Denver	444
1962	Tok Ishizawa, L.A.	407
1963	Sho Torigoe, Honolulu	713
1964	Roy Kunitawa, G. Grove	489
1965	Fuzzy Shimada, San Jose	715
1966	Hal Kim, Hawaii	496
1967	Preston Morishige, Denver	485

1958	Henry Aragaki, Honolulu	1907
1959	Moore Furukawa, Gardena	1822
1960	Shun Nakayama, Denver	1849
1961	Tok Ishizawa, L.A.	1881
1962	Sho Torigoe, Honolulu	1918
1963	Bill Okubo, Denver	1937
1964	Taro Miyasato, Hawaii	1938
1965	Hal Kim, Hawaii	1881
1966	Gary Yamauchi, Gardena	1863

VETERANS ALL EVENTS

1961	Gish Endo, San Leandro	1796
1962	Sam Kawanishi, L.A.	1796
1963	Ace Mori, Pocatello	1770
1964	Ken Yee, Sact'o	1827
1965	Moon Kakaoka, L.A.	1775
1966	Gary Yamauchi, Gardena	1863

OVERALL EVENTS

1963	Al Ah Sam, L.A.	3095
1964	Taro Miyasato, Hawaii	3267
1965		

WOMEN'S SINGLES

1947	Betty Kurokawa, Salt Lake	526
1948	Amy Konishi, Denver	510
1949	Masa Ikebuchi, Salt Lake	533
1950	Maxine Kato, Ogden	551
1951	Chuckie Watanabe, L.A.	546
1952	Aiko Fujimoto, L.A.	551
1953	Chiyo Tashima, L.A.	588
1954	Yo Shigehara, Chicago	581
1955	Emi Murotsune, San Jose	563
1956	Lois Yut, Seattle	565
1957	Sumi Sasaki, Richmond	603
1958	Kay Yuto, Eastbay	608
1959	Nobu Asami, Oakland	652
1960	Mats Ito, Denver	596
1961	Amy Konishi, Rocky Ford	598
1962	Lucy Minamishin, San Jose	608
1963	Lillian Sato, Honolulu	607
1964	Nobu Asami, Albany	674
1965	Mary Yuba, L.A.	609
1966	Sumi Shimizu, Mountain View	614

WOMEN'S DOUBLES

1947	Rosa Higashi - Eiko Watanabe, Denver	1030
1948	Amy Konishi - Helen Murasaka, Denver	993
1949	Julia Wong - Mickey Tsuruta, Denver	993
1950	Iris Weinfurter - Toshi Mizuno, Los Angeles	1033
1951	Yoyo Konishi - Fumi Lee, Seattle	989
1952	Lois Yut - Kazie Yokoyama, Seattle	975
1953	June Jue - Chiyo Tashima, Los Angeles	1061
1954	June Jue - Chiyo Tashima, Los Angeles	1022
1955	June Jue - Chiyo Tashima, Los Angeles	1108
1956	Mary Matsumura - Mas Fujii, Los Angeles	1092
1957	Maxie Kato (Ogden) - Rosa Mayeda (Denver)	1130
1958	Mickey Oyama - Lois Yut, Seattle	1120
1959	Chiyo Tashima - Judy Sakata, Los Angeles	1171
1960	Beverly Wong - Dusty Mizunoue, Los Angeles	1159
1961	Lillian Sato - Betty Ramirez, Honolulu	1153
1962	Shiz Nakazawa - Judy Lee, Los Angeles	1112
1963	Nancy Fujita - Sumi Shimada, Eastbay	1159
1964	Muts Lym - Edie Fujioka, San Francisco	1258
1965	Jeanne Kusumoto - Alice Fong, Los Angeles	1111
1966	Mari Matsuzawa - Judy Lee, L. A.	1140

WOMEN'S ALL EVENTS

1947	Rosa Higashi, Denver	1396
1948	Amy Konishi, Denver	1501
1949	Julia Wong, L.A.	1594
1950	June Jue, L.A.	1585
1951	Chiyo Tashima, L.A.	1504
1952	Chiyo Tashima, L.A.	1544
1953	Chiyo Tashima, L.A.	1668
1954	Yo Shigehara, Chicago	1635
1955	Chiyo Tashima, L.A.	1747
1956	Dotty Andrade, Hawaii	1665
1957	Lois Yut, Seattle	1667
1958	Nobu Asami, Eastbay	1760
1959	Nobu Asami, Oakland	1814
1960	Mats Ito, Denver	1741
1961	Judy Sakata, Los Angeles	1755
1962	Lucy Minamishin, San Jose	1734
1963	Mari Matsuzawa, L.A.	1824
1964	Muts Lym, S.F.	1827
1965	Sayo Togami, San Jose	1727
1966	Mari Matsuzawa, L. A.	1733

VETERAN'S ALL-EVENTS

1961	Judy Sakata, L.A.	1755
1962	Lois Yut, Seattle	1713
1963	Nobu Asami, Richmond	1794
1964	Muts Lym, S.F.	1827
1965	Sayo Togami, San Jose	1727
1966	Mari Matsuzawa, L. A.	1733

OVERALL EVENTS

1963	Mari Matsuzawa, L.A.	2596
1964	Judy Sakata, L.A.	2628

WOMEN'S TEAM

1947	Denver	2267
	Amy Konishi, Lillian Goto, Masako Kojima, Eiko Watanabe, Rosa Higashi	
1948	Salt Lake City Stars	2162
	Mieko Kusaba, Chiyo Arifa, Judy Haramoto, Lillian Kurisaki, Maxine Kato	
1949	Los Angeles All Stars	2387
	Yas Yasukochi, Mickey Tsuruta, Nobie Watanabe, Rhoda Kobo, Julia Wong	
1950	Seattle All Stars	2458
	Yoyo Konishi, Miye Ishikawa, Sue Lew, Jean Terao, Fumi Yoshida	
1951	Stonehurst Nursery, Berkeley	2238
	Terry Umene, Nobu Asami, Ayako Kawamoto, Edy Kawakami, Asako Kawamoto	
1952	Main Bowl, Seattle	2332
	Miye Ishikawa, Kazie Yokoyama, Carol Dady, Fudge Sakanishi, Lois Yut	
1953	Tashima Bros., L.A.	2517
	June Jue, Mary Matsumura, Chuckie Watanabe, Mas Fujii, Chiyo Tashima	
1954	Marigold Arcade, Chicago	2492
	Toshi Inahara, Molly Sakamoto, Bessie Miyata, Flora Morita, Lucy Sato	
1955	Tashima Bros., L.A.	2376
	June Jue, Mary Matsumura, Mas Fujii, Chuckie Seki, Chiyo Tashima	
1956	Tashima Bros., L.A.	2523
	Mari Matsuzawa, Betty Daly, Mary Matsumura, Chuckie Seki, Mas Fujii	
1957	Tashima Bros., L.A.	2568
	Sets Nishida, Mari Matsuzawa	

	Mary Matsumura, Mas Fujii, Chiyo Tashima.	
1958	California Bowlers.	2625
	Micki Inouye, Sayo Togami, Key Yuto, Kim Furuva, Nobu Asami.	
1959	Downtown Bowl, S.F.	2586
	Muts Lym, Jan Hayakawa, Shina Wada, N. Sugiyama, Suzy Toda.	
1960	Holiday Bowl, L.A.	2679
	Dusty Mizunoue, Mari Matsuzawa, Beverly Wong, Kayko Harada, Judy Sakata.	
1961	Aloha Bowl, Honolulu.	2724
	Lillian Sato, Betty Ramirez, Edith Kim, Martha Barrios, Frances Klein.	
1962	Man Jan Low, L.A.	2658
	Haidi Inouye, Chit Yamagawa, Lili Shinagawa, Eiko Nomura, Alice Fong.	
1963	Holiday Bowl, L.A.	2722
	Dusty Mizunoue, Mari Matsuzawa, Alice Fong, Judy Sakata, Chiyo Tashima.	
1964	Holiday Bowl, L.A.	2643
	Dusty Mizunoue, Mari Matsuzawa, Alice Fong, Chiyo Tashima, Judy Sakata.	
1965	Hada Auto Sv., Denver.	2694
	Susan Tawara, Sachii Yoshimura, Jane Hada, Mits Nakagawa, Amy Konishi.	
1966	Kikkoman International, San Francisco.	2620
	Lois Yut, Lucy Minamishin, Sayo Togami, Nobu Asami, Judy Lee.	

SPECIAL EVENTS MIXED DOUBLES

1947	Grace Ota (SLC) - Shorty Tanaka, Chicago	1064
1948	Amy Konishi - Sam Kawanishi, Denver	1080
1949	Julia Wong - Stanley Wong, Los Angeles	1051
1950	Yoyo Konishi - Tak Shibuya, Seattle	1083
1951	Marge Miyakawa - Pluto Shima- mura, Los Angeles	1192
1952	Julia Wong - Dixon Ikeda, San Francisco	1133
1953	Inez Kama (Honolulu) - George Kobo (Los Angeles)	1067
1954	June Jue - Easy Fujimoto, Los Angeles	1110
1955	Chiyo Tashima (L.A.) - George Inai (S.F.)	1174
1956	Lois Itano - Roy Kubosumi, Boise Valley	1127
1957	Nobu Asami (Berk.) - Fuzzy Shimada, San Francisco	1139
1958	Carol Suguro (Seattle) - Cliff Ichimasa (Honolulu)	1176
1959	Mas Fujii - Tad Yamada, Los Angeles	1164
1960	Mats Ito (Denver) - Harold Sogi (Hawaii)	1140
1961	Muts Lym (S.F.) - Richard Yoko- yama (Hawaii)	1220
1962	Mats Ito - Ken Matsuda, Denver	1157
1963	Doris Seto - Kin Mune, San Jose	1191
1964	Dusty Mizunoue (L.A.) - Jim Yasutake (Gardena)	1267
1965	Toshi Inahara - Rich Shigemura, Chicago	1208
1966	Lois Yut (S.F.) - Dixon Ikeda, Santa Clara	1171



Track and Field Records

PACIFIC SOUTHWEST NISEI RELAYS

OPEN DIVISION	Record	Year
100—Bob Watanabe (West L.A.)	10.0s	1952
100—Richard Yukihiro (OC JAYS)	10.0s	1966
220—Mas Miyano (Hobos)	21.7s	1962
440—Mas Miyano (Mikados)	50s	1964
880—Henry Kawamoto (Lords)	2m:00.4s	1954
Mile—Kikuo Moriya (Japan)	4m:37.5s	1952
70 High—Ron Muranaka (OC JAYS)	8.6s	1963
120 Low—J. Karahara	13.3s	1941
180 Low—Tommy Hom (Hobos)	19.8s	1960
PV—Tony Hamaguchi (OC JAYS)	14' 1"	1966
BJ—Mel Matsukane (OC JAYS)	22' 8 1/2"	1963
HJ—John Kanaya (Santa Clara)	6' 1 1/4"	1958
SP—Tom Sano (Fowler)	55' 6"	1958
Trpl Jump—A. Tamura	44' 7 3/4"	1941
880 Relay—Hobos	1m:32.6s	1960
440 Relay—Hobos	44.2s	1960

JUNIOR DIVISION

50—Cliff Yoshida (Untouchables)	5.5s	1961
Henry Hoshino (Maryknoll)	5.5s	1963
100—Jerry Kitahama (Long Beach)	9.9s	1962
660—Glenn Yuguchi (Lonely Guys)	1m:29.9s	1961
120 Low—Dick Fukuhara (Long Beach)	13.7s	1962
Gary Harada (Long Beach)	13.7s	1963
PV—Yamamoto (Venice)	12'	1941
Tony Hamaguchi (Maryknoll)	12'	1963
BJ—Melvin Matsukane (OC JAYS)	21' 6"	1960
HJ—Aaron Alfonso (Untouchables)	5' 9 1/2"	1961
SP—Hideo Osada (Long Beach)	54' 10"	1963
660 Relay—Long Beach JACL	1m:8.9s	1961
440 Relay—Long Beach JACL	45.7s	1962

MIDGET DIVISION: Age 12-13

50—Cliff Yoshida (Tigers)	6.0s	1959
Glen Nagami (Long Beach)	6.0s	1963
60—Gary Harada (Long Beach)	7.0s	1961
100—Glen Nagami (Long Beach)	11.1s	1963
220—Dick Hara (Long Beach)	26.7s	1962
440—Tyrone Furuta (Long Beach)	1m:34s	1961
BJ—Tom Kanegae (OC Jays)	18' 3"	1961
Will Tamura (San Fernando)	18' 3"	1963
HJ—Ronny Okamuro (Pasadena JACL)	5' 1 3/4"	1964
440 Relay—Venice-Culver City JACL	50.7s	1965

CUB DIVISION: Age 10-11

50—Wayne Yamamoto (San Fernando)	6.4s	1963
75—A. Furukawa (Flying Tigers)	10s	1960
BJ—Stanley Shira (Wanji)	14' 9 3/4"	1960
HJ—Marvin Kubota (San Fernando)	4' 6 1/2"	1964
220 Relay—Long Beach	28.4s	1961
440 Relay—Venice-Culver JACL	1m	1963

SAN FRANCISCO JACL OLYMPICS

OPEN DIVISION	Record	Year
100—Bob Kameoka (Downtown L.A.)	10.0s	1956
220—Bob Kameoka (Downtown L.A.)	22.0s	1957
440—Victor Mitsuno (Downtown L.A.)	52.0s	1957
880—John Kajiwaru (Liv.-Mer.)	2m:5s.	1965
Mile—J. Kajiwaru (Livingston-Merced)	4:35.5s	1966
70 High—Howard Shintaku (Sac'to)	8.9s	1959
180 LH—S. Nishida (Livingston-Merced)	19.7s	1966
PV—Neal Yoshida (Reedley)	12' 9"	1958
BJ—Ron Fujino (West L.A.)	22' 4"	1958
HJ—Russ Ichimaru (San Mateo)	6' 3 3/8"	1966
SP—Tom Sano (Fowler)	55' 5"	1959
Discus—Tom Sano (Fowler)	160' 5"	1964
880 Relay—Reedley	1m:34.9s	1957

LIGHTWEIGHT DIVISION

50—Don Kimura (Reedley)	5.4s	1964
100—Ron Toy (San Jose)	10.1s	1966
660—John Kajiwaru (Liv.-Mer.)	1m:28.6s	1963
120 Low—Osami Takeda (Sacramento)	13.6s	1958
PV—Michael Nishida (Stockton)	11' 4"	1962
BJ—Don Kimura (Reedley)	22' 3 3/4"	1964
HJ—Russ Ichimaru (San Francisco)	5' 9 1/4"	1962
SP—Dennis Tanaka (San Francisco)	55'	1958
440 Relays—San Francisco JACL	46s	1959

JUNIOR DIVISION (Age: 12-14)

50—Mike Nishio (Sacramento)	6s	1961
and Tom Ichimaru (San Mateo)	6s	1964
100—Don Kimura (Fowler)	10.9s	1961
HJ—Russell Ichimaru (S.F. Falcons)	5' 2"	1961
BJ—Glen Egusa (San Jose)	18' 9"	1964
440 Relay—Sacramento JACL	50.9s	1961
Baseball—John Yano (San Fran.)	301' 6"	1964
(San Mateo)		

PEE WEE DIVISION (Age: 9-12)

50—Duane Kubo (San Jose)	7.2s	1961
HJ—Ted Sugiura (Cortez)	3' 10 1/2"	1966
BJ—Steven Kiriara (Liv.-Mer.)	12' 10"	1964
Baseball—John Yano (S.Fran.)	196' 9"	1966
220 Relay—San Jose JACL	31.8s	1962

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including all regular information material sent to the regular National Board Members. In addition, they shall receive The Pacific Citizen.

ARTICLE XIV. Rules of Order

The parliamentary authority which shall govern in all cases not covered by the Constitution and By-Laws shall be "Robert's Rules of Order, Revised."

ARTICLE XV. Limitations

Section 1. The National Organization shall not be responsible for the commitments or obligations of local chapters or District Councils and their officers unless National Headquarters assumes such liabilities in advance in writing.

Section 2. The actions of the National Council, convened in a National Convention, shall be binding and effective thereafter as the policy of the National Organization, unless otherwise provided.

Section 3. The National Organization shall not advertise or purchase complimentary space in any magazine, newspaper, booklet, souvenir program, or other publication for any purpose whatsoever.

Section 4. The National Organization shall not contribute to any organization, group or individuals for membership dues or projects, except upon the unanimous approval of the National Board.

ADDENDUM

Creed, Slogans, and Hymn

Section 1. "The Japanese American Creed" as read in the United States Senate by Senator Elbert D. Thomas of Utah, and printed in the Congressional Record, May 9, 1941, shall be the official creed of the members of this organization. (Written by Mike M. Masaoka)

The Japanese American Creed

I am proud that I am an American citizen of Japanese ancestry, for my very background makes me appreciate more fully the wonderful advantages of this nation. I believe in her institutions, ideals, and traditions; I glory in her heritage; I boast of her history; I trust in her future. She has granted me liberties and opportunities such as no individual enjoys in this world today. She has given me an education befitting kings. She has entrusted me with the responsibilities of the franchise. She has permitted me to build a home, to earn a livelihood, to worship, think, speak, and act as I please — as a free man equal to every other man.

Although some individuals may discriminate against me, I shall never become bitter or lose faith, for I know that such persons are not representative of the majority of the American people. True, I shall do all in my power to discourage such practices, but I shall do it in the American way; above board, in the

open, through courts of law, by education, by proving myself to be worthy of equal treatment and consideration. I am firm in my belief that American sportsmanship and attitude of fair play will judge citizenship on the basis of action and achievement, and not on the basis of physical characteristics.

Because I believe in America, and I trust she believes in me, and because I have received innumerable benefits from her, I pledge myself to do honor to her at all times and in all places, to support her constitution; to obey her laws; to respect her flag; to defend her against all enemies, foreign or domestic; to actively assume my duties and obligations as a citizen; cheerfully and without any reservations whatsoever, in the hope that I may become a better American in a greater America.

Section 2. The slogans of this organization shall be "Security Through Unity" and "For Better Americans

in a Greater America," suggested by Sumio Miyamoto and Mike Masaoka, respectively.

Section 3. The "JACL Hymn" with words by Marion Tajiri and music by Marcel J. Tyrrell has been officially adopted by the National Council.

JACL Hymn

There was a dream my father dreamed for me

A land in which all men are free —

Then the desert camp with watchtowers high

Where life stood still, mid sand and brooding sky

Out of the war in which my brothers died —

Their muted voices with mine cried —

This is our dream that all men shall be free!

This is our creed we'll live in loyalty

God help us rid the land of bigotry

That we may walk in peace and dignity.

JACL Bowling Tournament Records

MEN'S DIVISION

Event	Score	Holder	Year Made
Team	3,262	Hawaii Perennial Stars Hit Ohara, L.A.	1964
Doubles	1,418	Gary Yamauchi, Gda	1964
Singles	715	Fuzzy Shimada, San Jose	1964
All-Events	3,267	Taro Miyasato, Hawaii	1964
Veteran			
All-Events	1,877	Ken Ye, Sac'to	1964
Overall-Events (15g)	3,267	Taro Miyasato, Hawaii	1964
6-Gm Singles	1,417	Ted Nomura, Lodi	1964
Ragtime Dbls.	1,503	Ashley Hung - Alfred Papas, Hawaii	1964
High Game	288	Gary Yamauchi, Gda	1964
High Series	787	Gary Yamauchi, Gda	1964

WOMEN'S DIVISION

Event	Score	Holder	Year Made
Team	2,843	Holiday Bowl, Los Angeles	1964
Doubles	1,258	Muts Lym - Edie Fujioka, San Francisco	1964
Singles	674	Nobu Asami, Albany	1964
All-Events	1,827	Muts Lym, San Francisco	1964
Veterans			
All-Events	1,827	Muts Lym, San Francisco	1964
Overall-Events	2,628	Judy Sakata, Los Angeles	1964
4-Gm Singles	885	Alice Fong, Los Angeles	1964
Mixed Dbls.	1,267	Dusty Mizunoue - Jim Yasutake, L.A.	1964
High Game	269	Dorothy Andrade, Hawaii	1964
High Series	674	Nobu Asami, Albany	1964

National Officers

PRESIDENT

1928-30	Clarence T. Arai, 27 (Seattle)	d. Aug. 12, 1963-62
1930-32	Dr. George Y. Takeyama, 36 (L.A.)	b. 1896
1932-34	Dr. T. T. Hayashi, 40 (S.F.)	b. 1894
1934-36	Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe, 37 (Fresno)	b. 1897
1936-38	Jimmie Sakamoto, (Seattle)	d. Dec. 3, 1955-52
1938-39	Walter Tsukamoto, (Sac.)	d. Dec. 1961-56
1940-46	Saburo Kido, 38 (San Francisco)	b. 1902
1946-50	Hito Okada, 39 (Salt Lake City)	b. 1907
1950-52	Dr. Randy Sakada, (Chi.)	d. June 4, 1955-42
1952-56	George J. Inagaki, 38 (Venice)	b. 1914
1956-58	Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa, 38 (S.W. L.A.)	b. 1916
1959-60	Shigeo Wakamatsu, 44 (Chicago)	b. 1914
1960-62	Frank F. Chuman, 43 (DTLA)	b. 1917
1962-64	K. Patrick Okura, 49 (Omaha)	b. 1912
1964-66	Kumeo Yoshinari, 53 (Chicago)	b. 1911
1966-68	Jerry J. Enomoto, 40 (Sacramento)	b. 1926

*As convention chairman of national JACL conventions held in their respective cities, they were honored as national president for the subsequent biennium.

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

1938-46	Ken Matsumoto (Los Angeles)	
1946-48	George J. Inagaki (Los Angeles)	
1948-50	Henry Tani (St. Louis)	
1950-52	Frank F. Chuman (Los Angeles)	
1952-54	Tom Hayashi (New York)	
1954-56	Tom Yego (Placer County)	d. Feb. 8, 1956-47
1956-58	Shigeo Wakamatsu (Chicago)	
1958-60	Akiji Yoshimura (Marysville)	
1960-62	K. Patrick Okura (Omaha)	
1962-66	Jerry Enomoto (San Francisco)	
1966-68	Tom Shimazaki (Tulare County)	

*District council chairmen served as national vice-president during the 1934-36 biennium. In 1946, two additional vice-presidencies were established.

SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT

1946-48	Masao W. Satow (Milwaukee)	
	—Dr. Randolph M. Sakada* (Chi)	d. June 4, 1955-42
1948-50	Frank F. Chuman (Los Angeles)	
1950-52	Tom Hayashi (New York)	
1952-54	K. Patrick Okura (Omaha)	
1954-56	Kenji Tashiro (Tulare County)	
1956-58	Jack Noda (Cortez)	
1958-60	Toru Sakahara (Seattle)	
1960-62	George Sugai (Snake River)	
1962-66	Takeshi Kubota (Seattle)	
1966-68	Dr. David Miura (Long Beach)	

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Program - Activities

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ated and contacted all previous recipients of the Pvt. Ben Masaoka Memorial Scholarship to write letters of appreciation and congratulations to be bound and presented to Mrs. Masaoka. All but two of the recipients have responded in heart warming fashion.

This marks the 21st year of the Pvt. Ben Masaoka Memorial Scholarship, the 8th year that it has been supplemented with \$100 by Dr. James Minura and the 3rd year of \$100 supplemented from Dr. Harry Abe.

Mrs. Tomoye Tsukamoto's two \$250 Scholarships in memory of Col. Walter T. Tsukamoto, former JACL National President are for the fourth year.

During this biennium Mrs. Hisako Terami of Sacramento made arrangements to donate two \$250 Scholarships by instituting a trust fund in memory of her late husband, Dr. Takashi Terami. These are being awarded for the first time this year.

Mr. & Mrs. James Michener of Bucks County, Pennsylvania adds another \$250 Scholarship starting this year, bringing the total of annual donated undergraduate scholarships to six.

The family of the late Gogoro Nakamura, long time Issei community leader of Los Angeles, and staunch JACL supporter, donated the "koden" money of \$3,500 to National JACL, stipulating that the interest therefrom be used as an annual Scholarship to be known as the Gogoro Nakamura Memorial Scholarship, in memory of her husband. This has been given for the first time this year.

Special thanks are due Drs. Victor Izui, Jack Kashihara, Frank Sakamoto and Pershing Nakada and Nelson Kutsuse, all of Chicago and personal friends of Dr. Nobe, for serving as the Judging Committee. Six applicants for this Scholarship were nominated by their respective Chapters.

Meantime, National JACL increased the number of its National Supplemental Scholarships from four to five, making a total of 12 Scholarships awarded this year which will become 13 next year with the addition of the Gogoro Nakamura Memorial Scholarship.

A total of 57 candidates were nominated by the Chapters this year. National Youth Director Alan Kumamoto efficiently undertook the responsibility of taking care of all the correspondence and preliminary paper work necessary to forwarding the complete dossiers on each candidate to the Judging Committee.

The 1966 Judging Committee was co-Chaired by George Iwasaki and Natalie Hayashida of Seattle. In addition to taking care of this phase of the program, they were instrumental in codifying the procedures involved in the entire scholarship program and reproducing sufficient copies for future Judging committees. They recruited the following in Seattle to assist in the preliminary screening of candidates: Mrs. Paul Suzuki, Toru Sakahara, Noboru Yamada, Dr. Seichi Adachi and Rev. Emery Andrews. Making the final selection as Judges were:

Hon. A. Ludlow Kramer; Hon. Charles Z. Smith; Gordon S. Clinton; Dr. Theodore S. Chihara and Mrs. Henry B. Owens, all of Seattle, Washington.

The Pacific Northwest District also had responsibility for the 1965 Judging when 50 Chapters named candidates. The Committee was under the supervision of Dr. George Hara of the Portland Chapter, chaired by Dr. Albert Oyama. Serv-

ing on the Screening Committee with Drs. Hara and Oyama were Marian Hara, Mrs. Samuel Naito and Walter Sakai. Final Judges with Dr. Albert Oyama were: Father Paul Walderschmidt, Hester Turner, Ben Padrow, Robert Houck and George Azumano.

To express our appreciation to members of the Judging Committee, Screening Committee, and the final Judges, personalized copies of the Japanese American Creed were presented.

While up through last year, the finalists for the Scholarships were sent copies of "Beauty Behind Barbed Wire", the Committee this year recommended that hereafter all candidates nominated by the Chapters be presented with personalized copies of the Japanese American Creed in recognition and appreciation of their participation in the National JACL Scholarship program. These are in process of being produced.

Scholarship Fund

Beginning with the previous biennium we brought together the various donations received earmarked for scholarships and deposited into a separate account. Our hope is to build up the principal of this Scholarship Fund to enable JACL to give more annual Scholarships to the many outstanding young people who are nominated each year for the few awards we now have.

While the full report on this Fund is contained in the National Treasurer's report, briefly, during this biennium period we have received \$960 in donations earmarked for scholarships and added interest of \$1,540.75.

By way of explanation, the interest has been derived from various sources including dividends from shares of stocks donated, by depositing into the account even for a short term basis, amounts from our current checking account at the first of the year, plus interest earned by the account itself. This was the basis on which we added one more National JACL Supplemental Scholarship this year.

Essay-Oratorical

The National Essay and Oratorical contests held in conjunction with our National Conventions continue to highlight our program involving youth, and as such, an increasing responsibility for these will be placed on the National Youth Director.

Placing the National Oratorical Contest in the Opening Ceremony of the National Convention has proven to be a popular move.

More fundamentally, we feel that National JACL and the Chapters must take a greater responsibility in encouraging their youth to participate in these especially when the topic is stipulated as containing relationships to JACL.

We feel it incumbent upon National JACL to prepare for the biennium after the topic has been decided, a packet of material to be made available to the potential contestants. Chapters must also be willing to assist their potential contestants by furnishing them any supplemental material regarding JACL.

A possible change in the prizes to be awarded for the Essay and Oratorical contests is in the offering at the National Board meeting of this Convention.

For the past two National Oratorical contests we have been indebted to Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa who has generously donated the second and third place plaques, but we felt that we should not continue to impose upon him, so starting this biennium National JACL is taking care of these.

Recognitions

The National Recognition Committee under the Chairmanship of K. Patrick Okura has been kept quite busy and National Headquarters has done a considerable amount of homework

in preparing the proper recognitions.

During the biennium a total of 18 JACL Sapphire pins were presented to deserving JACLers by 15 Chapters and one District Council, and 35 Chapters awarded the Silver JACL pin to 90 JACLers.

Upon request from the Chapters, a new recognition scroll was designed in 1965 for presentation by Chapters to special local persons who have been of great assistance to the Chapters and to persons of Japanese ancestry. 49 of these scrolls have been made up for 26 Chapters to date.

Twenty-three personalized Japanese American Creeds have been prepared for 10 Chapters and within the next month National Headquarters will have sent out another 57 personalized Creeds in recognition for services rendered by those assisting as well as candidates participating in the National Scholarship program.

Nationally, Judge George Rossman, former Justice of the Oregon Supreme Court, just retired, was cited at the Pacific Northwest District Council Convention in 1965 for his ruling on the Oregon Alien Land Law.

For the coming National Convention, scroll citations have been prepared for Mrs. Haruyo Masaoka for instituting her Pvt. Ben Masaoka Memorial Scholarship 21 years ago which was the beginning of National JACL's present Scholarship program; for former California Supreme Court Chief Justice Phil S. Gibson now retired; for wartime National President of JACL; Saburo Kido, who is being honored in special testimonial; and James C. Purcell, Mr. Kido's first law partner who was most helpful to JACL officials during wartime and was instrumental in the successful Endo Case before the U.S. Supreme Court declaring that evacuees could not be detained in the camps.

An appropriate scroll has been prepared for the 1965-1966 Nisei of the Biennium, and the citations from the Recognition Committee for those to be presented citations for Outstanding Achievement and Silver JACL Medallions for the Nisei of the Biennium program have been finalized for presentation in appropriate form.

Since the JACLer of the Biennium will not be determined until the National Board meeting immediately preceding the Convention, the citation will be made in scroll form and sent later.

National Board Certificate of Appreciation were presented to the District Council Chairmen whose terms expired last fall and winter and such certificates will be presented at the Convention to the outgoing National Board members.

As a result of the new Recognition Program for Outstanding Membership performances by the Chapters instituted by 1963-1964 National Membership Chairman Dr. David Miura and approved by the National Council at the Detroit Convention, Certificates for such performances bearing the name of the Chapter President and Membership Chairman were presented to 27 Chapters in 1964 and to 37 Chapters in 1965.

Ten Special '300' JACL gold medals for perfect games in bowling competition were presented during the biennium, two of these to Fuzzy Shimada for his 2nd and 3rd such achievements.

Bowling Tournament

During the biennium, the 19th and 20th Annual JACL National Nisei Bowling Tournaments were held. The 19th in Denver at the Celebrity Sports Center attracted 104 teams under the Chairmanship of John Sakayama and co-sponsored by the Mile High JACL and the Rocky Mountain Nisei Bowling Association. The San Francisco Chapter and the San Francisco Nisei Bowling Association co-sponsored the 20th Anniversary Tournament chaired by Kayo Hayakawa and George Inai in which 144



1666 ORATORICAL champion Diane Suda of Fresno is congratulated by Dr. Roy Nishikawa as National JACL champion.

teams participated at the Downtown Bowl.

The main consideration at the 20th Tournament was to resolve the eligibility ruling with regard to non-Nisei participants who are JACL members as recommended by the 1964 National Council. The decision made was to make all JACL members eligible provided they have been JACL members also the year prior to the Tournament, and teams and doubles are restricted to one non-Nisei member.

The 1967 Tournament is set for Holiday Bowl in Los Angeles, March 6-11, under the sponsorship of the Progressive Westside Los Angeles JACL Chapter and the Southern California Nisei Bowling Association. The 1968 Tournament is slated for Seattle.

Members of the National JACL Bowling Advisory Board who have continued to serve and be helpful in this program are Mrs. Nobu Asami, Richmond, Calif.; Gish Endo, San Leandro, Calif.; Easy Fujimoto, Downey, Calif.; Lloyd Hahn, Covina, Calif.; George Inai, Los Yut and Suzy Toda, San Francisco, Calif.; Sumi Kamachi, La Mirada, Calif.; Bubbles Keiko and Dubby Tsugawa, Sacramento, Calif.; Dr. Jun Kurumada, Choppo Umeoto, Salt Lake, Utah; Mike Murotsune, San Jose; John Noguchi and Jean Sato, Denver; Eiko Nomura, Los Angeles; Fred Takagi, Seattle; Sayo Togami, Mt. View, Calif.; and Sho Torio, Hawaii.

History Project

While a full report on the Japanese American Research Project in cooperation with the University of California at Los Angeles will be made available and reported at the Convention by those directly responsible, we should report that Headquarters has been in constant touch with the Project through Joe Masaoka, Project Administrator.

Headquarters during the past two years has made every effort possible to collect the unpaid pledges made for the Project, now amounting to approximately \$15,000. This has been done by personal reminder letters and then submitting the listing of names and addresses of such pledges to the Chapters involved.

From the looks of things at present, it would seem realistic to expect at least \$5,000 of the uncollected amount to be remitted with the \$10,000 realized from interest on JACL's Supplemental Fund for the Project as a cushion to make up the remaining amount.

As of the 1964 National Convention, the total pledges and contributions to that time for the History Project was reported as \$218,625.59. During this biennium an additional \$1,856.50 has been acknowledged in contributions for a total of \$220,482.09 and includes the unpaid pledges.

Civil Rights

Frankly, our National Civil Rights program has not been given the im-

portance anticipated, partly due to the inability for some time to find a National Chairman for this program, and also due to indecision as to where and in what specific ways JACL, both at the National and Chapter levels, can be most effective in constructive programs in this direction.

To bolster our Civil Rights Statement pronounced in 1963 and to follow up the approval of the National JACL Civil Rights Funds and administering Committee at the 1964 National Convention, a special meeting was called of National officials in September of 1965 at Chicago. Some of the specific suggestions made were:

1.—To feed into the Pacific Citizen material pertaining to civil rights, especially the activities of Nisei and to invite these Nisei to contribute articles in the Pacific Citizen to create a greater atmosphere of interest toward involvement on the part of our membership. The personal activities and experiences of National Legal Counsel William Marutani in going to Bogalusa served as a fine beginning, but the follow up has not been strong.

Bill Marutani is to be commended for undertaking this trip as a personal matter. His willingness to make quite a few appearances at various Chapter and District Council functions to relate his experiences has been a bright spot of this program.

2.—To compile a listing of Nisei and JACLers who are actively engaged in some phases of the civil rights program in the local communities and publish this listing in the Pacific Citizen. The response to this has been spotty with only 22 Chapters responding. Pat Okura is currently making another attempt to get a more complete picture by Convention time.

3.—To prepare an educational kit of pertinent factual material which would be helpful to the Chapters in this program. National Youth Director Alan Kumamoto began on this, but with the mounting work involved in organizing and encouraging various youth groups and preparing for the establishment of the National Youth Council to take place at this Convention, plus having to give his time and efforts toward filling in at the Southern California Regional Office in the absence of a Regional Director, has hampered his efforts.

4.—Suggest programs for local chapters of discussion and symposiums toward educating our membership, a need which the Proposition 14 campaign in California revealed. Some Chapters have moved ahead on this program. National Headquarters has just ordered a copy of the film series entitled, *A History of the Negro in the United States*, 16 mm sound in three parts, each part running 20 minutes. This will be available to all chapters on loan. It is a well done documentary whose making involved several of the top historians on Negro history.

The special meeting in Chicago also considered the

financial aspect of the National Council and approved JACL National Civil Rights Fund to be raised by voluntary contributions, with a view toward specifying the projects for which such money is to be used. A goal of \$30,000 was set to be disbursed as follows:

\$10,000 for legislative and legal matters, e.g. Fair housing, Fair employment, and possible assistance to such projects as the ACIA Lawyers Constitutional Defense Committee under whose auspices Bill Marutani went to Bogalusa but on his own expense.

\$10,000 for special projects which include JACL's annual commitments to the National Leadership Conference on Civil Rights (\$500) to the National Civil Liberties Clearing House (\$100), and to the American Immigration and Citizenship Conference (\$100). Several other worthwhile projects were suggested but upon which members of the Committee could not agree. The amount of \$500 was approved through the Civil Rights Administrative Committee to the Community Relations Conference of Southern California to assist on the aftermath of the Watts incident.

\$10,000 for national staff help. It was felt that for JACL to really get involved in this program would require staff help. In the meantime, it was more realistically felt that in lieu of staff help at the present time, funds would be provided for National officials and others to assist Chapters through taking care of travel and incidental expenses.

Attending this special meeting in Chicago were National President Kumeo Yoshinari, Past Natl. Presidents Patrick Okura, Shig Wakamatsu and Dr. Thomas Yatabe; National Legal Counsel William Marutani, Frank Chuman, Chairman of the National Legislative-Legal Committee, Washington Representative Mike Masaoka, Midwest DC Chairman Hiro Mayeda, National Director Mas Sato and Sumi Shimizu of Chicago who volunteered to serve as Secretary for the meeting.

Since this meeting, Congressman Spark Matsunaga has agreed to co-Chair JACL's National Civil Rights Fund Committee with former National President Pat Okura, with the understanding that each District Council would appoint a strong Chairman to assist locally.

With the announcement of the National JACL Civil Rights Fund, we acknowledge with thanks the voluntary contributions from the following:

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Prop. 14 Campaign

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Proposition 14 campaign in California, in which the real estate interests of the State sought to stamp out the right of the State of California or any of its subordinate units or departments from regulating the sale and purchase of homes by insisting on fair housing laws, the National Council in 1964 voted a sum of \$5,000 out of the National JACL Reserve Fund to fight Proposition 14. The final accounting shows that the total amount spent out of this was \$3,327.12, supplemented by \$1,824.96 in voluntary contributions.

National First Vice President Jerry Enomoto assumed the State-wide Japanese American Committee Chairmanship, and in each of the three California District Council Area Coordinators were appointed to assist in the local area phase of the campaign, co-operating with other groups and organizations. Close liaison was maintained with the overall Committee of Californians Against Proposition 14.

The work of the Southern California Japanese American Committee involving close cooperation with other Oriental groups in a rallying banquet addressed by Governor Brown was a highlight of the campaign.

A special leaflet was designed and distributed as well as a distinctive

lapel button, both of which elicited much favorable comment among our friends. Most disappointing in the defeat of those in favor of fair housing in the passage of Proposition 14 was the fact that many Nisei voted for the Proposition.

With the passage of Proposition 14, JACL joined with 85 other human relations groups and organizations in the State in a joint amicus brief before the California Supreme Court. With the ruling of the California Supreme Court that Proposition 14 is unconstitutional, the California Real Estate Association which originally started the campaign, is appealing the decision to the United States Supreme Court.

Wyoming Law

Early in 1956 it was brought to our attention that a Nisei girl and a non-Nisei boy had been denied a license to marry in the State of Wyoming through Mary Ujifusa of Worland, Wyoming, relaying the news through Min Yasui of Denver. Through Min Yasui's efforts, Tosh Suyematsu of Cheyenne, and others became involved, as a result of which for a very nominal expense to JACL, the repeal of the Wyoming Miscegenation statute was repealed by legislative action.

Alien Land Law

After two unsuccessful

attempts to repeal the Washington Alien Land Law in 1960 and 1962, the National Council went on record at Detroit in 1964 to give it a third try in 1966 and authorized the amount of \$5,000 toward the campaign out of the National JACL Reserve Fund.

To make sure that the third try would have the necessary manpower and support, further meetings were held with the Washington State JACL Chapters and the Pacific Northwest District Council in late 1964 and early 1965 with National Legislative Legal Committee Chairman Frank Chuman and the National Director in attendance. The decision to go ahead was confirmed by these Chapters upon whom the brunt of the work and financial support would fall.

The Washington State Legislature unanimously passed the necessary legislation to place this measure on the 1966 State ballot. Meantime, a strong Committee has been organized within the Seattle Chapter, and the overall organization and support appears to be much better this time with more people involved and wider contacts, and bolstering of the weak spots in the previous campaigns.

In addition to the \$5,000 voted by the National Council, an amount of \$4,000 was forwarded to the State Committee on SJR 20 by approval of the National Board at its Interim meeting in 1955. This \$4,000 was raised in 1962 too late to be of effective use in the campaign, so the Committee sent the amount

to Headquarters, and it was felt that this amount should be returned.

National Board

To the National Board is entrusted the affairs of the National organization during the interim between Biennial Conventions. It has been a pleasure to work with the group of National Officers this biennium. Our thanks and appreciation to them for giving of their time and efforts and counsel far beyond what they are ordinarily given credit for.

President Kumeo Yoshinari has kept on top of the entire National program though handicapped in the past half year by his responsible assignment with the Turtle Wax Company which has taken him to England. He has always endeavored to keep JACL on a personal contact level.

First National Vice-President Jerry Enomoto gave great leadership to the campaign against Proposition 14, gave great assistance to the National youth program as National Youth Commissioner, and has been most conscientious in communications.

Second National Vice-President Tak Kubota has again accepted the responsibility of the Washington Alien Land Law repeal campaign. He also set the pattern for the survey of employment which we trust other areas will follow up on.

Program and Activities has been National Third Vice-President Rupert Hachiya's special concern. He has come up with a number of ideas which were presented to the Interim

National Board meeting and has voluntarily taken on the summarizing of the quarterly P & A reports from the Chapters for 1965.

Joe Kadowaki has functioned as the National 1000 Club Chairman, giving much thought to ways and means of increasing the number of 1000 Clubbers and bringing 1000 Clubbers into more integral relationship in the organization program-wise, this despite a major change in his own business.

We have taken advantage of the close proximity of National Treasurer Yone Satoda for National Headquarters for his guidance and advice on the financial matters of JACL. We trust the method of national quota allocations which he worked out together with the District Council Chairman will be approved as a

rather simple expeditious way of handling a situation which does not lend itself to a pat formula.

Secretary to the National Board Mas Hironaka was loaded with the responsibility of chairing the 19th Biennial Convention besides heading the National Membership Committee. Through his contacts we hope to work out a method of membership recording and processing which will cut out some of the work hours involved at both Headquarters and the Pacific Citizen Office.

Under Dr. David Miura as Chairman of the Pacific Citizen Board, the PC has remained in the black financially, and the paper itself was converted to a new format for easier production and better appearance.

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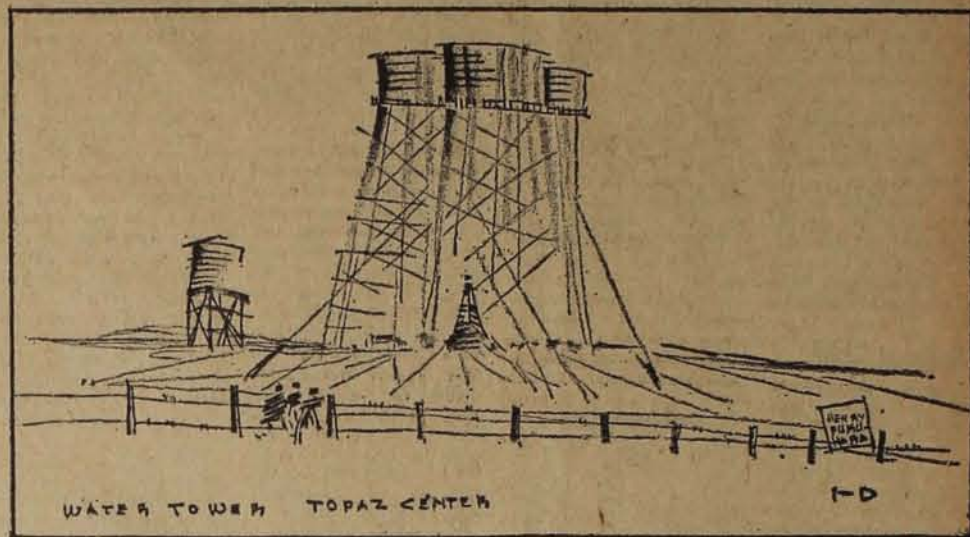
National Legal Counsel William Marutani for his always pertinent comments and keen analysis of our problems. Chapters especially are beholden to him for obtaining the ruling from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service that they are subordinate components of the National JACL, and to be included in the tax exempt status. His thinking on the problems in the civil rights field backed by his own voluntary experience of several weeks in the South, have been most helpful to the organization as well as to our members.

JACL has been blessed with a group of conscientious District Council Chairmen during this biennium. Kaz Horita is serving his second term as EDC Chairman as is Mrs. Lily

Okura in the Mountain Plains District; Hiro Mayeda carried on as Vice Chairman in the Midwest when Chairman Dr. James Takao was unfortunately stricken with terminal illness before his term of office was up. Intermountain has been taken care of by Kiyoshi Sakota and now Tats Mi-saka; Dr. John Kanda was succeeded by Mrs. Eml Somekawa in the Pacific Northwest.

The California District Councils have one year of office for their Chairmen: John Yasumoto, Dr. Tom Taketa and Jack Kusaba serving the Northern California-Western Nevada District; Dr. Frank Nishio, Bob Okamura and Hiro Kusaka filling in for Central California; and Mas Hironaka, Kats Arimoto and Aki Ohno heading the Pa-

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NAOTO NAKASHIMA:

WATER BUFFALOS

Charm of Old Hawaii Stopped by Author of 'Hawaii Monogatari'

BY NAOTO NAKASHIMA

(Translated from the Japanese by Take and Allan Beekman)

For a wonder, the sultry days continued.

It was afternoon. The heat waves rose tremblingly in the sunny yard again today, and the laundry that had been hung out just an hour ago was perfectly dry.

About the Author

Born in Hawaii of immigrant parents from Kumamoto Prefecture, Japan, Naoto Nakashima spent his early boyhood in the Pearl City area of Oahu Island. Later he attended elementary school in nearby Honolulu.

At 16 he went to Japan where he graduated from Waseda University and spent ten lean years as a writer. He is said to be the only Nisei, writing in Japanese, who has made a mark in the literary world of Japan.

He wrote nostalgically about the land of his boyhood, and published a book, Hawaii Monogatari (Tales of Hawaii). In the preface, Yasunari Kawabata remarked that so great was the love of Nakashima for Hawaii that he could write of nothing else.

In 1936, Nakashima returned to Hawaii, taught in a Japanese language school, and married. In 1939, he became principal of a Japanese language school in Gilroy, California. He was killed in an automobile accident December 13, 1940.

In Water Buffalos, written in 1928, and included in Hawaii Monogatari, he arrests in time the beauty and charm of old Hawaii. In the person of a bewildered small boy, he shows something of the loneliness that is the fate of all of us in our passage through this world.

Sometimes a breeze came that seemed to caress one's cheeks, and then the laundry, white or with colored patterns, fluttered lightly.

In a corner of the wide yard, planted with a few papaya trees with fresh green leaves, and with a flower garden full of proudly blooming sunflowers, 12 or 13 chickens flocked and scratched for feed. Some of the chickens vigorously bathed in the dust, and some chased butterflies that fluttered about the flower garden. Sometimes one choked on feed stuck in her throat.

Then it happened. From wherever it may have been hiding, a powerful gamecock appeared from behind a papaya tree. The area seemed to grow tense. The cocks that had been holding the flock under proper control, losing their calm, abruptly raised their heads as high as possible, assuming an attitude of defense.

Taking no notice, composed, striding on long legs, the flame-red, awkward gamecock approached a covey of hens. He chased after a plump hen with a drooping comb, tilted his body, rubbed against her as he tottered, and quickly boarded her.

A disturbance broke out, and the quiet of the whole place was abruptly disrupted. Greatly flurried, and as if mortified to the depths of their being, the weak cocks uttered exaggerated cries. On the other hand, the gamecock quickly consummated the act and nonchalantly arose; then, on guard against the area, he followed the example of the others by lifting his naturally long neck a notch higher.

This situation did not continue. The flock admitted the gamecock to the group, docilely kicked up the sands and continued to busily scratch for feed,

with no change from before, and as if forgetting the whole incident. Pecked on the head a little by a Plymouth Rock, a small Bantam ran into the hibiscus hedge beyond.

The honey bees were busy today, too, and they hummed faintly and drowsily as they swarmed on the brilliant pink flowers of the hedge.

Beside the shingle roof, white main house stood a lone ohia tree. The nests of many field sparrows were in the branches which stretched out to form an umbrella shape, and on the lawn below the pattern of the clear sunlight moved faintly and ceaselessly.

In the depths of a faded, old-fashioned rocking chair sat momona Yasuke. The sleeves of his white shirt were rolled up, and in his left hand he held a blue top. With a slow rhythm, his body gently rocked the chair. He gave one yawn after another, as if he had just awakened from a short afternoon nap, and, for a while, he glanced with blinking eyes around the yard before him; but finally his eyes became wide-open and fixed, and all of a sudden he blurted these words.

"Say, Mr. Maehara! A while ago your chickens joined together. Really—why do they do such a thing?"

All at once there was a merry stir beneath the ohia tree. Sitting crosslegged next to Yasuke, Mr. Maehara, who was busily mending a scarecrow, raised his sunburned face and broke into a jovial laugh, showing white teeth. (As if he thought the odd questions of Yasuke were beginning again.) Behind the fair-skinned woman whose chin clearly doubled as she laughed, Umeka, with the red ribbon, who had been sitting with her feet tucked

beneath her skirt, a great bead of perspiration at the end of her nose as she crotched beautiful lace, cast upward glances at Yasuke and giggled and giggled.

After wiping the sweat, Mr. Maehara leisurely took a bag of tobacco from his pants pocket and began to roll a cigarette with a practiced hand, assuming an expression of "well, then." In accordance with his habit, he cocked his head a little on one side, and, as if peering into the face of Yasuke, he said slowly,

"Well, then, Yasuke—How in the world were you born?"

Everyone held his breath. It appeared that they were trying not to laugh until at least they could get some kind of answer to this question from Yasuke. Smiling gently, Mrs. Maehara slowly removed her silver-rimmed glasses, of which she was proud.

Mr. Maehara studiously tightened his lips, and, after scratching a match once or twice, lit his cigarette.

Yasuke unconsciously stopped rocking the chair. (He did not know the reason clearly yet.) So he continued to sit in the depths of the chair, blinking his big eyes and pretending he was thinking more deeply than usual.

Umeka began giggling again.

Yasuke became irritated and finally threw back the answer, "I don't know."

Several days later, Yasuke was again playing at the home of his neighbor, Mr. Maehara. A refreshing breeze blew steadily, so cool as to gladden heart and body. Today they were not catching dragon flies in the rear thicket, nor were they playing house. In the yard, they had begun to jump,

rope with all their might. One end of the rope was tied to a papaya tree, and, holding the other end, one of them whirled the rope. Yasuke and Umeka took turns jumping. Yasuke copied Umeka, who, three years older than he, was the teacher. Her cheeks rosy and a ribbon fluttering on the hair that hung down her back, Umeka would do her best to instruct him when he seemed about to stumble. As if worked by springs, the shadows stretched and shrank on the dry earth.

Soon they began to perspire freely, and they ran beneath the shade of an ohia tree. Umeka brought a chunk of opihii (dried abalone) from the house, and sliced off a big piece for Yasuke.

After that came the important rice bird chasing. In the rice bed where the shoots were just sprouting, the two beat like mad on empty cans (in this case, empty kerosene oil cans), shouting themselves hoarse with "Ho-ho! ho-ho!"... and the flock of rice birds, crying "chee-chee," split into two or three groups in the low sky, as if losing their bearings.

Seizing the opportunity, the two brandished sticks and raised their voices in ecstasy to a still higher pitch.

All of a sudden the gaze of Yasuke became fixed, and he stopped beating the tin can. As if mesmerized, he stared hard at the black shapes of two water buffaloes, one atop the other, beneath the flat, corrugated iron roof shed directly before him. (He had never expected these stolid animals to engage in so lively an act.)

He was thrown into confusion. Leaving the astonished Umeka alone there, he rushed to the house and called out wildly to Mr. Maehara,

In a moment, smiling, and with a cigarette between his lips, Mr. Maehara stood on the threshold of the narrow door, blocking the way.

"There you go again—Yasuke, you really see things—"

Mr. Maehara took several quick puffs on his cigarette, flung it to the ground, and followed after Yasuke with long strides.

When they rounded the brilliantly blooming hibiscus hedge, the shed was right before them. Covered with mud, the water buffaloes were still presenting a grotesque sight. The ceiling of the low, corrugated iron roof glittered, making stripes as it reflected the muddy water.

Long-legged Mr. Maehara was wearing khaki pants rolled up to the knee, and he lightly vaulted the wire fence and cautiously entered beneath the roof. He squatted upon his heels for a moment, then began to rise gradually, and swinging his right hand wide, as if giving the "all right" signal, he came straight back.

A gray, lively water buffalo calf, born about two months before, could be seen in the rectangular enclosure, romping and shaking its hornless head to its heart's content.

From a distance, Yasuke gazed tirelessly at the scene, his arms folded like those of Mr. Maehara.

After a while, Mr. Maehara said, "Say, Yasuke—you still can't understand this?"

Yasuke looked up at Mr. Maehara. Then Mr. Maehara began to mutter as if talking to himself.

"You know what, this is the same as the chickens before—only, in that case, afterwards they lay eggs—but, in this case, it's a lit-

tle different, a small one is born outright, like that—"

He looked at the water buffalo calf with an air of complete satisfaction.

Yasuke looked from tall Mr. Maehara to the water buffalo calf in the enclosure. Then Yasuke's face gradually darkened with displeasure. (He could not help but think that what Mr. Maehara said was puzzling.) So he perked up his shoulders and spoke at the top of his voice, as if hurling defiance at Mr. Maehara.

"You think so, huh! My papa and mama don't do it!"

Surprised by this unexpected counterattack, Mr. Maehara, even more the man himself than usual, threw back his shoulders and roared with laughter.

"All right, all right then—You've never seen them, have you?"

As if greatly pleased, he reached down and patted the head of Yasuke over and over. (In his perturbation, Yasuke could only think of joining his mother at once.) He slipped away from the big hand of Mr. Maehara, who continued to laugh, and ran off without a word. He zigzagged across the footpaths between the narrow rice paddies, deftly threaded his way through the gloom of the papaya grove, and finally emerged in the yard of his home.

In the center of the yard planted with five or six much gnarled pomegranate trees, a fine looking swing hung from a thin rope, and beside it a silver colored tricycle was tumbled carelessly. A yawning brown puppy crawled from under the house, and chickens hovered about the doornail around which bohira (pumpkins) were piled up.

Yasuke called, "Mama—" "Mama—" "Mama—"

Then from beside the well came the loud voice of Mother, "Yes, Mama is here."

With a white towel wrapped lightly around her head and the dazzling sunlight in her face, Mother was alone scrubbing a pot.

Breathing heavily, Yasuke squatted with his back to the uncovered square well, fixed his pleading gaze on her, and said,

"Mama—do you and Papa really join together, too?"

The young mother rested her hands for a moment. She faced him with a strained smile, as, back arched, he squatted on his heels before her.

"Oh, you silly, Yasuke!" She gazed intently at the new shirt she had given him to wear only that morning. On the bosom, dainty pearl buttons glittered in a row.

Greatly cheered by this one word from Mother, he continued, as if on pins and needles.

"It's not so, is it? Mr. Maehara said Mama and Papa join together, but such a thing can't be—can it, Mama?"

This time, Mother seemed flustered. Then, as if very busy, she suddenly began to move about, deliberately making a fierce scrubbing sound on the pot.

"Now, now, that's enough! Go away, I tell you."

Yasuke sprang to his feet. (He was now as proud as could be.) Looking back, he discovered, on the edge of the well, a bunch of freshly picked carnations, and he quickly plucked one of the prettiest. Stealing a quick glance at Mother, he stuck the carnation in the side of his hat. Then he skipped lightly away from Mother, his small breast puffed out like a little bow.

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NATIONAL DIRECTOR:

SELFLESS SERVICE

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Other tried and true JACLers have continued to serve the organization by Chairing National Committees.

Dr. George Miyake who is winding up his 6 year term as Chairman of the Endowment Fund Committee has done an exceptional job on this; K. Patrick Okura has handled the many Recognitions as well as co-Chairing Civil Rights; Frank Chuman's background and experience stands him in good stead as Legislative-Legal Committee Chairman, and has been responsible for setting up the details in honoring former California Supreme Court Chief Justice Phil S. Gibson; Steve Doi is handling the important Nominations Committee; Dr. Roy Nishikawa has made the National Planning Committee a real working committee; Shig Wakamatsu has given a great deal of thought and time to our Japanese History Project as Chairman; and Tom Hayashi serves as Chairman of our International Relations Committee on a stand-by basis.

National Staff

The addition of Alan Kumamoto as National Youth Director this biennium has been of great help in the youth program including those phases of our program that relate to youth, namely the National Scholarship program, National Essay and Oratorical Contests, the emerging young adult program; as well as being of great assistance in our overall program, especially in pinch hitting with PC Editor Harry Honda in our Southern California Regional Office, and with the assistance of a special Southern California Regional Office Advisory Committee Chaired by Dr. Roy Nishikawa.

Harry Honda continued in his 14th year as Editor of the Pacific Citizen. His experience and contacts over these years have made him increasingly valuable, not only in his specific responsibility with the Pacific Citizen but to the National organization generally. He is ably assisted in the circulation and business aspects of PC by Yuki Kamayatsu and Jane Ozawa who by now have become old hands to tend efficiently to the details involved. The Pacific Citizen advertising reflects the hustle of Charles Kamayatsu, the main reason PC has been able to continue to operate in the black.

Florance Morimoto joined our staff last year in our Southern California Office. Her personal interest in JACL and willingness to learn have overcome her newness to JACL and helps to alleviate some of the handicaps from the lack of a Regional Director. For a time she was doubling her duties in assisting Youth Director Alan Kumamoto, but now Jo-Ann Sasada has been added on a part-time basis to put out Alan's paper work.

Despite her personal tragedy in the loss of Abe Hagiwara, Esther Hagiwara carries on as Office Secretary for the Midwest Office and has been most helpful to National Officials located in the Midwest, plus doing assignments from National.

At National Headquarters, Chiz Satow somehow manages to keep the records straight including the bookkeeping, does all the sten and mimeographing, and also serves as Secretary for the Northern California Regional Office which has assumed an added load with the JACL-CPS Group Health Program. She is assisted part time by Nao Sugiyama. CPA Jack Hirose sees to it that our financial records are kept in such shape for him to make the necessary auditing of our finances to the required federal and State agencies as well as to our membership.

While Mike Masaoka is on a retainer basis as our Washington Representative, his many years of experience and know-how plus

his great personal concern and involvement in JACL continue to be invaluable to us. He is to be especially commended this biennium for his great efforts in the 1965 Immigration law revisions, being the only one to point out the interests and concerns of persons of Asian ancestry.

In Washington, he is considered one of the real experts in the field of immigration. Mike personalizes JACL's concern and efforts nationally in the field of civil rights for which he is duly recognized by all members of the National Leadership Conference on Civil Rights and the National Civil Liberties Clearing House.

While Mary Toda is employed by Mike Masaoka & Associates, she becomes necessarily involved in many JACL matters, but with a willingness and interest stemming from her active association with the Philadelphia Chapter before she went to Washington.

Toward the beginning of this biennium just concluding, we were hard hit by the resignation of Jack Mayeda, National Youth Director and Southern California Regional Director Isaac Matsushige.

In Memoriam

Time inevitably takes its toll in removing from among us JACL leaders and members, but it seems this biennium we suffered unduly.

We pause to remember the great contributions of Larry Tajiri, wartime Editor of the Pacific Citizen; Dr. James Takao who succumbed while still Chairman of the Midwest District; Henry Tani, former National First Vice President whose work in the field of Christian youth was outstanding; Abe Hagiwara, long time JACL stalwart who added so much to both Midwest and National programs and especially in the field of youth; Bob Mukai, Intermountain District Youth Commissioner who was working toward and looking forward to San Diego for the realization of the National Youth Council; Tad Ono, former two term San Francisco Chapter President and NC-WN DC Treasurer; and Sock Kojima of Chicago, long time member of the National JACL Bowling Advisory Board.

We will also miss keenly such JACL stalwart supporters and advisors as Clarence Pickett of the American Friends Service Committee; Robert Benjamin of New York who befriended and worked in behalf of evacuees; Dr. Thaddeus Krush of Omaha, Pat Okura's immediate boss who took a personal interest in JACL.

We have also lost this biennium such long time Japanese community stalwarts as Gogoro Nakamura of Los Angeles; Momota Okura of Long Beach; Kelsaburo Koda and Kenji Kasai of San Francisco.

The contributions of these and others among our general membership who have passed on have enriched and strengthened JACL, and inspired all of us. Their loss is JACL's loss.



LARRY TAJIRI
War-time editor of the Pacific Citizen, the publication will honor the memory of the Nisei journalist by having the JACL national essay contest named after him from 1968.

By MERRILL POLLACK
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NEW YORK — The publication in February, 1967, of AMERICA'S CONCENTRATION CAMPS by Captain Allan R. Bosworth (USN, Ret.), about the internment of over 100,000 Japanese Americans during World War II, is the culmination of a four-year project that began with an editor's wartime memories, involved a lengthy literary detective hunt and ended only after a tremendous amount of research and effort on the part of the author.

The origin of this book actually goes back to Italy, during World War II. Although I was proud of the record my own infantry division ran up, all of us GI's knew the incredible record of the men of the 442nd. They had been in the Italian campaign almost from the beginning, had suffered terrible casualties and had won the admiration of every American in combat for their record of bravery and heroism. I had no direct contact with members of the 442nd, but my respect for these men was considerable.

After the war I went into the publishing business. When I was working in Philadelphia, I met a Nisei and we talked for a while of the 442nd. He was too young to have served with them; he had spent the war years in an Internment Camp with his parents.

A Shocking Discovery

This was the first time I had heard about the Internment. There had been very little press coverage of the Internment in East Coast newspapers during that period, and none at all in the Army newspapers that were distributed to troops overseas. The story shocked me. I did a little research (it wasn't easy to find much information in those days) and learned a few of the details, but not enough to get any kind of coherent, comprehensive idea of the magnitude of the Internment.

I tucked the information away in the back of my mind until about four-and-a-half years ago, when I was reminiscing about the Italian campaign with a former Army buddy and, inevitably, there was mention of the 442nd.

At that point something clicked in my head, and I considered for the first time the possibility that there might be an impor-

THE STORY BEHIND

America's Concentration Camps

tant book in the story of both the 442nd and what happened to their families. I conducted an informal survey on my own to find out how many Easterners of my acquaintance knew about the Internment. Most of them had never heard about it. Some knew isolated bits of the story; only two or three people I spoke to (and bear in mind that these were people in various branches of publishing, who read a great deal and supposedly are well-informed) knew that the United States had herded lots of people into Internment Camps.

At this point I was convinced the public needed to be told the full story and the question then became one of finding the correct writer to do the book.

Hunting for a Reporter

That stage took nearly a year of talking to writers and literary agents. We were after someone who was at once a good reporter, a good writer, and who understood the implications of the Internment. We wanted someone who had friends in the Japanese American community and who could find the proper balance between compassion for what the internees had suffered and the ability to tell the story objectively. It was a difficult set of prerequisites and although various candidates were considered, none seemed right.

Then one day, when I was having lunch with Literary Agent Marie Rodell, I told her of the difficulty I was having finding a writer to tell the story of the internment. She looked thoughtful and said, "I think I just may have a writer for you... but you'll have to wait until he finishes a book he's working on." That's all she would say at the time. I didn't know who she had in mind.

On her own, she wrote to Captain Bosworth, one of her clients, to find out if he was interested. He wrote her from his home in Roanoke, Virginia. He was, indeed, interested! He knew a great deal of the story from direct experience.

Before World War II he had been a newspaperman in San Francisco and had many Japanese American friends. During the war he worked in Navy Intelligence and had actually investigated many espionage cases. He had been struck by the fact that in not a single instance was an Issei or a Nisei ever charged with such a crime. He had been outraged by the Internment.

He knew many government officials who had helped administer the program. He wanted very much to write the full story.

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Soon thereafter, he signed a contract to write the book, and then began nearly two years of exhaustive research. Captain Bosworth read virtually every word that had been written on the subject. He interviewed dozens and dozens of people in personal meetings and by mail. His files bulged with notes and research material.

The writing and rewriting took nearly a year. He was meticulous and always concerned with accuracy. He came to New York a few times to do research and to consult with Marie Rodell and myself.

In September, 1965, he went to Philadelphia to attend a regional meeting of the JACL, and to do further research.

Finally, long after the manuscript was completed, he went to Washington, D.C. to spend several days digging through thousands of photographs in the dusty files of the War Department and the WRA, looking for pictures that would tell dramatically the story of the Internment.

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Often, in the writing business, writers tend to go stale on their subjects when they have worked too long and too hard, and have been too close to the project. Captain Bosworth worked very hard and long on his book about the Internment and for about two years he didn't work on anything else. Captain Bosworth's feelings towards his subject at the end were as intense as they were when he began. His feeling for the Japanese American is, if anything, more admiring than it was a few years ago. He expressed his sentiments in heart-felt words in the dedication to his book:

To the past and present members of the Japanese American Citizens League. Through precept and example and their wholehearted devotion to an ideal, they could teach other Americans a great deal about Americanism.

The book, to be published by W. W. Norton and Company, Inc. in February, 1967, carries an introduction by Roger Baldwin, former director of the American Civil Liberties Union. The retail price is \$5.95, and it is available to members of the JACL at \$5 per copy.

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JACL ATTAINS GREAT GOALS

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cern, study, aid, commerce, and consideration. We may be on the threshold of the Pacific era, a theoretical concept only a few years ago but now nearing reality.

All of these great and momentous achievements, only dreams a quarter of a century ago, are now acknowledged facts of life. And JACL has contributed more significantly to their attainment than ever will be known, for as some Washington observers have noted, the JACL has probably accomplished more for their own minority in a shorter time, with less in the way of financial and electoral resources, than any other similar group of Americans.

All this does not mean that JACL's work is done. For those of Japanese ancestry, a few walls of prejudice still remain to be broken down and demolished, especially in the fields of employment, promotion, certain housing, and public offices.

JACL still looks for the day when a Japanese American will be elected to the National Congress from the continental Mainland, when one will be named Ambassador, when one will be nominated to the federal judiciary, when one will be appointed to a Cabinet post, when one will be confirmed as a General or an Admiral.

But, more importantly, in the area of general human concerns, JACL has the responsibility to continue to work for greater and more equal opportunities for all Americans, not only because such activity is morally correct and a contribution to the common good, but also, if one must be selfish too, because such constructive effort will expand and enlarge the potentials too for those of Japanese ancestry.

As one who has been privileged to participate in the progress of the past 25 years, it will be most heartwarming to watch JACL's next quarter of a century of activity, when perhaps even more significant attainments may be the result of JACL's continuing concern for those of Japanese ancestry in this country. 1965 Immigration Amendments

JACL's long continuing fight for equality in naturalization and immigration opportunities for those of Japanese ancestry, first proposed in a resolution in 1930 in Seattle where the National Organization was founded, finally came to a successful conclusion in October 1965.

At the time JACL was organized nationally, our leaders were aware that the prohibition against naturalization was particularly damaging to the social, economic, and citizenship progress of those of Japanese ancestry in the United States.

And, after December 7, 1941, the lie that Japanese

Americans were loyal to enemy Japan because their alien parents refused to become American citizens was one of the principle factors that justified Evacuation.

And, after World War II, JACL leaders recognized that the citizenship of even the American-born was compromised as long as Japanese were of a race ineligible to citizenship.

Thirty-six years ago, the founders of the National JACL, some of whom were old enough to have understood some of the ramifications when the Japanese Exclusion Act was passed in 1924 as part of the Immigration Code of that year, were aware that the seeds of possible Pacific War were sown in that unhappy legislation which, if standing alone, would have provoked a presidential veto.

Moreover, JACL fears of the sensitivity of the Japanese people and nation to racial exclusion were — unfortunately — real, since Pearl Harbor was attacked.

And, after the surrender of Japan, JACL leaders understood that a New Japan, conceived and dedicated to democratic principles and practices, could not long survive and develop until that 1924 judgment of "racial inferiority" and "unwantedness" was removed from the United States Code.

JACL was, therefore, determined that these racial inequities in federal law would be abolished as quickly as possible. But, it was not until after World War II, after JACL had proved its right to leadership during the travail of Evacuation and its aftermath, that the ultimately successful campaign was finally launched.

Even in the immediate post-World War II years, however, JACL was almost alone in espousing the cause of equality for the Japanese, and other Asians, in immigration and naturalization, since the Chinese and then the East Indians and Filipinos had gained naturalization and limited immigration opportunities earlier.

Finally, in 1952, Congress was persuaded to enact the Immigration and Nationality Act, which eliminated race as a qualification for naturalization and repealed the Japanese and other Asiatic exclusion laws while continuing a special discrimination against those of Asi-

atic ancestry, over a presidential veto based on objections to other sections of that lengthy codification.

Thirteen years later, after continuous activity in which many other groups subsequently joined, amendments to the basic 1952 statute were enacted, eliminating the national origins system of determining annual quotas for the various countries and abolishing the Asia-Pacific Triangle ancestry discrimination against only those of Asian origin.

When President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Immigration Amendments into law on October 3, 1965, on Liberty Island in New York, effective December 1, 1965, for the first time since 1907 Japanese immigrants became eligible for entry into the United States on the same basis as European, and other Old World, immigrants.

Since the Pacific Citizen detailed the difficulties of securing congressional action on this legislation during the final three years after the late President John F. Kennedy proposed his Administration Bill, there is no need to repeat them in this report.

Suffice it to say that during the House and Senate debates in 1965 there was little derogatory reference to the Japanese and other Asians, especially when compared to the 1952 debates on what became the Walter - McCarran Immigration and Nationality Act.

At that time, most of the opposition to the codification of the immigration and naturalization laws was based upon fears and myths concerning the Japanese and other Orientals.

Perhaps a quick look back on history will attest to the magnitude of JACL's leadership in securing equality in naturalization and immigration opportunities for those of Japanese, and Asian, ancestry.

Resident alien Japanese were considered racially ineligible to naturalization from 1790 until 1952. Most of the laws directed against the lives and fortunes of those of Japanese ancestry in the United States were based upon this congressional distinction of aliens who were, and who were not, racially eligible for American citizenship through naturalization.

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CHRISTMAS SKETCHES

By FATHER CLEMENT
PSWDC Chaplain

The role of Santa Claus has been played by men of all shapes and sizes performing against a background of equally diversified textures and hues.

But would you believe a Chevrolet pick-up truck decorated as Santa's sleigh driven by this padre dressed in the traditional St. Nick costume, driving through a blinding sand and dust storm to deliver Christmas cheers?

That was the setting on Christmas Day, 1942, as I drove a hardy, but slightly worn pick-up truck from Los Angeles to Poston, Arizona Relocation Center to give comfort and aid to the evacuees in camp.

As a youngster raised in North Dakota, where Christmas was almost always celebrated in sub-zero weather, the sand and dust of Arizona was as much a novelty as it was a hardship. I thought, as I drove around, that the evacuees probably revised the lyrics of the popular Christmas song to "sleigh bells in the sand."

While the youngsters in the camps didn't have a fireplace over which they could hang their socks in anticipation of Santa's visit, as I did in my own youth, the Chevy brought them a special sparkle of joy that no one could really describe. It meant a chance for joy rides throughout the camp, something many of the youngsters had not enjoyed for a long time.

The three camps of Poston, each separated by ap-

proximately four miles, were most frequently visited by this Santa during the Christmas of '42, '43 and '44.

Gila River Relocation Center was another camp some 200 miles to the East, through Phoenix and south from Phoenix.

Minidoka in Idaho was some 1800 miles to the

north but despite the distance, "Santa" managed to make his call one Christmas.

It is entirely possible that this Santa came very close to rivaling the bearded one from the North Pole as far as mileage went. In the three and a half years of camp hopping, this padre

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TSUKEMONO CROP—Evacuee farmers are harvesting Daikon at the Gila River Relocation Center, which had 65 acres planted in the summer and fall of 1942.

Seed for the crop was loaned by unit foreman Min Omata from Fresno. It was the only WRA project growing Daikon in large quantities.

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Immigration, Evacuation Claims, Civil Rights

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As for immigration discrimination, the first racial prohibition was written into law in 1882 with the first of the so-called Chinese exclusion acts. In 1907, the Japanese Government entered into a so-called Gentlemen's Agreement under which it agreed to restrict emigration to the United States. In the Immigration Act of 1917, a barred zone embracing most of Asia was recognized. And, in 1924, along with the national origins quota system, the Japanese were excluded as among those races ineligible to citizenship through naturalization.

In 1943 and in 1946, first the Chinese and then the East Indians and the Filipinos were extended naturalization rights and limited immigration privileges.

It was not until June 1952, however, that the Japanese and other Asians than those previously granted these opportunities, were extended naturalization and immigration privileges, though the latter was restricted with the so-called Asia-Pacific ancestry discrimination added to the numerical restrictions of the national origins quota system. In the case of Japan, this means an annual immigration quota of 185 under the national origins system, with all others with as much as one-half Japanese ancestry anywhere in the world also chargeable to this 185 annual limitation under the Asia-Pacific Triangle formula.

Fortunately, however, for keeping families together, JACL was among those who successfully pleaded that for the first time in American immigration history, the spouses and unmarried minor children of United States citizens should be admitted outside the quota (nonquota).

Although an average of some 4,000 Japanese were admitted each year, it was not until the effective date of the 1965 Amendments that the remaining national origins and Asia-Pacific Triangle ancestry discriminations in our federal immigration code were completely and totally erased. Now, as noted previously, Japanese are eligible for entry into the United States as immigrants on the same basis of equality as all other immigrants from Europe, Asia, Africa, North and South America, Australia, New Zealand, and elsewhere.

Even though there is no longer any vestige of racial discrimination in the Immigration and National Act insofar as Japanese and other Asians are concerned, this does not mean that JACL's legitimate concerns in this legislation are over. The need for a more humane and liberal code remains, and JACL should remain committed to this task until American law is consistent

with our ideals and professions.

Evacuation Claims

Prior to the adjournment of Congress last October (1965), \$362,500 was appropriated to pay the family and estate of the late Issei rice king Katsuburo Koda their compromised and settled Evacuation claim, thereby closing another chapter in JACL's history of corrective and remedial legislation.

At the Ninth Biennial (first postwar) National Convention in Denver in 1946, the JACL delegates who voted to urge Congress to provide naturalization and immigration opportunities for those of Japanese ancestry, also agreed to ask Congress to compensate for at least some of the compensable losses suffered as a consequence of the arbitrary mass military Evacuation in the spring of 1942, when both the Western Defense Command and the Government failed to take proper and necessary precautions to protect the property of those ordered Evacuated from their Pacific Coast homes and associations.

The Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco estimated in 1942 that the property losses suffered by the Evacuees were approximately \$400,000,000.

In the 80th Congress, JACL lobbied for a bill submitted by the Department of the Interior (successor agency to the War Relocation Authority). And, on July 2, 1948 President Truman signed into law H.R. 3999, which authorized the Attorney General to receive and adjudicate claims for the loss of real and personal property arising out of the wartime Evacuation.

By the time of the January 3, 1950 deadline for filing claims, the Department of Justice's newly organized Japanese American Evacuation Claims Section had received 24,006 claims, totalling \$129,996,589.80.

The adjudicative procedure for handling claims proved too slow, too cumbersome, too expensive administratively, and too technical, so the JACL at its 11th Biennial National Convention in Chicago called for an amendment that would expedite the claims program. The Department of Justice responded with a compromise settlement formula that would authorize the Attorney General to compromise and settle all claims up to \$2,500, or three-quarters the amount of the compensable items, whichever was less.

Though the JACL considered this authorization too niggardly, nevertheless it agreed to urge its enactment by the Congress. President Truman signed this compromise settlement amendment into law August 17, 1951.

But JACL was not satisfied with this limited pro-

gram, so at its 12th Biennial National Convention in San Francisco in 1952 it was proposed that Congress be asked to liberalize the interpretation of the various compensable items, provided for compromise settlements of up to \$100,000, and permit dissatisfied claimants to petition the Court of Claims. By September, 1955, when a House Judiciary Claims Subcommittee was holding hearings in California on the JACL proposals, the \$2,500 program was virtually completed, with 20,211 claimants paid the sum of \$24,259,528.05.

On July 9, 1956, President Eisenhower signed into law the modified and considerably less generous than JACL wanted amendments approved by Congress.

On November 10, 1958, more than ten years after Congress had enacted the original Evacuation Claims Act, the Attorney General signed the last compromise settlement claim, thereby terminating the administrative phase of the program. By that time, 26,522 claims had been paid, in the total amount of \$36,847,240.49.

Eight claims, each requesting the payment of more than a million dollars, and nine cases in which the claimants were not satisfied with the proposed compromise settlement offer, were transferred to the Court of Claims.

An ironic development late in 1960 again required JACL legislation. The Internal Revenue Service began to question individual awardes as to whether their awards were subject to the income tax. On August 30, 1962, Congress approved an amendment to the Internal Revenue Act clarifying the intent of the 1948 enabling legislation as one involving "no tax" on the claims to be paid.

With the payment of the Koda claim, 17 years after the Congress had approved the program and 23 years after the losses took place, the Evacuation claims program was finally completed, with 26,526 claims in all settled and paid in one way or another, for a grand total of \$38,474,240.49.

While the claimants were paid less than ten cents on the dollar of their estimated property losses calculated in 1941 values, the JACL believes that this program was about as generous and expeditious as the Congress was willing to approve. As a matter of fact, congressmen have summarized this claims program as the fastest and most liberal ever carried out by our Government.

It may be a matter of pride in passing to note that in spite of more than 26,500 claims, the Attorney General was not able to find a single case in which fraud was involved, despite the bitter circumstances that caused the losses in the first

instance.

In any event, congressional approval of a claims program, endorsed by the Administration and signed by the President, indicates that the Government recognized that it had made a mistake in misjudging the loyalty and devotion of those of Japanese ancestry during the hate and hysteria of war and was confessing its error and attempting to redress its wrong by authorizing this compensation program.

To JACL, this is the deeper significance of the Evacuation Claims program that was brought to a conclusion last October. It is another example of the ability of democracy to make amends for some of its abuses and excesses.

National Civil Rights Activities

During the deliberations of the 18th Biennial National JACL Convention in Detroit two years ago, the Civil Rights Act of 1964 was signed into Public Law 88-352 by President Johnson on July 2. That statute has been described as the most meaningful and comprehensive civil rights law ever approved by Congress. And the JACL, as an active member of the National Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, composed of more than 100 religious, labor, civil rights, liberal, veterans, educational, civic, and business organizations, can share in the credit for persuading the Congress to enact broader provisions with greater enforcement powers than that first proposed by the White House and reported by the House Judiciary Committee.

The measure that became law featured eleven titles or major provisions, identified in the legislation itself as (I) Voting Rights, (II) Injunctive Relief Against Discrimination in Places of Public Accommodation, (III) Desegregation of Public Facilities, (IV) Desegregation of Public Education, (V) Commission on Civil Rights, (VI) Nondiscrimination in Federally Assisted Programs, (VII) Equal Employment Opportunity, (VIII) Registration and Voting Statistics, (IX) Intervention of Community Relations Service, and (XI) Miscellaneous (trial by jury, penalties, double jeopardy, authority of Attorney General, states' authority, appropriations, and separability clause).

When this 1964 Act was found inadequate to assure the franchise to all citizens in certain areas of the country, Congress enacted the Voting Rights Act of 1965, Public Law 89-110, signed by the President August 6, last year. One of the main features of this legislation was an "automatic trigger" formula under which the Attorney General could send federal registrars into certain counties when the regis-

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JACL's Civil Rights Posture

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tration of non-white voters was below a designated percentage.

In both of these successful civil rights efforts, the Leadership Conference, including the JACL, was involved in every congressional maneuver that frustrated the strategy of the opposition, which featured determined filibusters, or "extended debate," in the Senate.

The Pacific Citizen has reported the parliamentary maneuvers on these bills, so no useful purpose will be served by repeating them in this report.

The cold-blooded murder of civil rights workers and the violence that was loosened against them, as well as the failure of all-white juries to convict such law-breakers in spite of overwhelming evidence against them, caused the Leadership Conference to agree early this January that this session of the Congress would be asked to enact additional civil rights legislation providing for fair juries and protection of civil rights workers.

The Administration went beyond these suggestions and proposed that the Civil Rights Act of 1966 include provisions for nondiscrimination in the selection of trial juries in state and federal courts, desegregation of schools and other facilities more expeditiously than provided in the 1964 law, greater protection for Negroes and civil rights workers against violence or other interference with their constitutional rights, and nondiscrimination in the sale and rental of all housing.

On the basis of the President's proposals, the Leadership Conference urged, first, the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Civil Rights and then, the House Judiciary Committee itself, to add five "strengthening" amendments:

- (1) Provide an "automatic trigger" for setting motion procedures for selecting state juries on a nondiscriminatory basis,
- (2) Permit removal of civil rights cases from state to federal courts to secure "fairer" trials,
- (3) Create an Indemnification Board that would investigate acts of violence against civil rights workers and make monetary awards to victims or their next of kin,
- (4) Extend coverage of the fair employment provisions of the 1964 Act to require local and state governments to hire employees on a nondiscriminatory basis, and
- (5) Establish a Fair Housing Board with authority to issue "cease and desist" orders to prevent discriminatory practices.

On June 30, the House Judiciary Committee reported its Civil Rights Bill of 1966, H. R. 14765, which contained the Administration's basic proposals, except that it watered down the fair housing section by exempting houses or apartments of four units or less where the owner occupies one unit and sales by persons making less than three real estate sales per year. It did not include any of the Leadership Conference's proposed amendments except that establishing a Fair Housing Board.

In addition, it revived a proposal that had been advanced unsuccessfully in earlier civil rights legislation, authority for the Attorney General to file suits to defend the constitutional rights of any citizen.

Also, on June 30, the Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee filed a 21-day petition which provides that, if the Rules Committee does not clear the bill for floor consideration within three weeks, the House leadership may call up the legislation without Rules Committee clearance on the second and fourth Mondays of each month.

The fourth Monday, July 25, will be the first opportunity to call up this legislation, which means that during this National Convention the historic House

debate on this session's civil rights bill may be held.

More likely, however, the leadership will call up this measure on Monday, August 8, if the Rules Committee has not cleared the bill by that time. In the latter case, this Convention may be able to make its position on this civil rights legislation clear to the House of Representatives by adopting an appropriate resolution and urging all chapters, members, and officers to communicate their thoughts to their respective Congressmen.

The congressional timetable is such that it may be most difficult to secure enactment of this vital bill this year. Even if the House approves this measure by mid-August, and even if the Senate leadership places this legislation directly on the Calendar, by-passing the hostile - to - civil - rights Judiciary Committee whose Chairman is Mississippi's James Eastland, as was done when the 1964 and 1965 statutes were successfully passed, there may not be enough time left to consider not only this particular measure but also many other high priority bills prior to adjournment possibly in October.

"Extended debate," or a filibuster by the determined opposition so late in the session might be able to frustrate enactment before adjournment, especially since there is so much controversy over the fair housing provision that affects the North and West possibly more than the South.

Along with most sincere civil rights organizations and individuals, JACL recognizes that the mere enactment of appropriate legislation will not erase personal and community prejudices and practices established over generations.

JACL does recognize, however, that until the legal sanction for discriminatory policies and usage are eliminated, it is difficult, if not impossible, to create a climate of acceptance that will at least tolerate dignity, equality, and decency in citizenship, economic, and social activities.

That has been the experience of JACL with the anti-alien land law and other anti-Japanese bigotry.

It is for this fundamental reason that the Washington JACL Representative has agreed to serve on the Leadership Conference's Committee on Compliance and Enforcement, as well as continuing to cooperate in congressional and other efforts to bring about true equality not only of opportunity itself, but also of the ability to take advantage of that available opportunity, for of what value is the chance to be a woodworker, for example, if one does not have the necessary qualifications and experience, as well as the tools of the trade?

In the frantic years since Evacuation, and especially in the last decade, and more particularly in the last few years, civil rights has become by far the most troublesome, the most critical, the most challenging domestic problem confronting the Government and the people of the United States.

We are currently witnessing the bitter consequences of three centuries of deprivation and discrimination visited upon one-tenth of the nation, on our fellow Negro American citizens. Though the social revolution now is concentrated in the South, soon it will move on to the North and the West, to the crowded cities of the industrial complexes.

As the victims of racist exploitation and persecution not so long ago, we Japanese Americans, of all Americans, ought to understand the frustrations and the miseries of the less advantaged.

JACL cannot, therefore, ignore the plight and the problems of the Negro and other Americans who are subjected to racial and religious intolerance.

Accordingly, JACL must continue to do

everything we can to help our fellow citizens who are in distress because of their race, religion, or national origin.

Unless we meet that minimum, we are not worthy of the trust that other Americans placed in us during the period of our greatest tragedy and helped us to overcome the bigotry of those times.

Congressional Comments

In November 1964, President Johnson was elected to his first term as Chief Executive in his own right, with Senator Hubert Humphrey as his Vice President, in the next to the greatest landslide in American political history over the Republican candidates — Senator Barry Goldwater and Congressman William Miller.

Also elected for the first time was an all-Oriental state delegation, with Republican Senator Hiram Fong returning to the Senate to join Democratic Senator Daniel Inouye, who was not up for re-election last fall, and Democratic Congressman Spark Matsunaga being re-elected to his second consecutive term and Democratic Congresswoman Patsy Takemoto Mink being elected as the first lady of Japanese ancestry to the National House of Representatives — all from the Aloha State, Hawaii, where more than half of the population is composed of people of Asian and Polynesian ancestry.

Not only are three of the four Oriental members of the Congress of Japanese ancestry, but also all are highly esteemed by their colleagues.

Senator Inouye is one of four Assistant Majority Whips or Assistants to the Assistant Democratic Floor Leader, as well as being a member of the Senate Legislative Review Committee and the vice chairman of the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee.

Congressman Matsunaga is a member of the House Democratic Steering Committee.

Congresswoman Mink, a freshman legislator, was accorded the signal honor of reading Washington's Farewell Address in 1965, an honor also accorded Congressman Matsunaga a year earlier, when he too was a freshman. There are reflections of popularity, for seldom are freshmen accorded the privilege and even more seldom two from the same State within a short period of time, for there are 435 Representatives in the House, most of whom are constantly vying for such acclaim as is implicit in this annual event.

Congressional Record

The First Session of the 89th Congress established itself as one of the most productive in history, as it enacted bill after bill of the Great Society program envisioned by President Johnson — in addition to expanding the civil rights of all Americans and increasing immigration opportunities to the people of the world, it approved such precedent-setting legislation affecting the lives and fortunes of all citizens as medical care for the aged and regional medical centers, federal aid for public schools and for higher education, rent subsidies for the needy, and extending the so-called poverty program until 1968.

In addition, the Department of Housing and Urban Development was established, as well as a National Foundation of the Arts and Humanities, while highway beauty was encouraged, and a tax reduction passed.

Since all such legislation touched the lives of every individual, and mostly for the better, JACL was very interested in their enactment, though we could not actively lobby for them.

In this, the Second Session of the 89th Congress, not so many precedent-shattering bills have been approved thus far, though many may still become law before adjournment possibly in October.

Freedom of Information, automobile safety, truth in packaging and labeling, for freedom, the Cold War GI Bill, and participation in the

Asian Development Bank are among the kind of Great Society measures that are so obviously in the enlightened self-interest of the people that one often wonders why they were never approved long ago.

All of these bills have either been passed or are pending in this 89th Congress.

"One Man, One Vote"

Issue

Prior to adjournment last session (October 1965), several unsuccessful attempts were made to modify the historic ruling of the United States Supreme Court (June 16, 1964) that both Houses of State Legislatures had to be apportioned on a "one man, one vote" basis, since the lawmakers of a state, like those in the National (Congress) House of Representatives, represent people, not trees, or land, or animals.

Liberal Senators who unsuccessfully in the recent past have tried to prevent filibusters against liberal legislation by amending the Senate cloture rule, this time unashamedly carried on "extended debate" that filibustered into defeat such efforts at modification of this particular court decision.

The two great decisions of the nation's highest tribunal requiring that the "one man, one vote" test be applied to all congressional districts (March 26, 1962) and to all state legislative districts may well be among the most important of our times, for now the "balance of power" in both the National House of Representatives and in the Upper and Lower Houses of State Legislatures will be transferred from the sparsely populated agricultural "cow countries" to the highly populated metropolitan-suburban centers.

This realistic shift reflecting population trends over the past century, means that in the immediate future the many lawmakers who represent urban interests cannot be vetoed by the few representing rural concerns.

New Importance of California Nationally

California, where most persons of Japanese ancestry on the Mainland reside and vote, is now the largest State in the Union, having passed New York. In this 89th Congress, it has only 38 Congressmen, however, against 41 for the Empire State. After the 1970 Census, though, these figures may be reversed.

In 14 of the 17 presidential elections since 1900, a New Yorker has been on one of the presidential tickets. From now on, a Californian will be on every presidential ticket. Now, nearly one of ten American voters lives in the Golden State.

And, it may be surprising even to the native sons to know that California's gross annual output of wealth now surpasses that of more than 100 sovereign nations, being exceeded by only those of the United States as a whole, Britain, West Germany, and France in the Free World. The State's annual budget also is exceeded only by the budgets of those five Free World countries.

This is the reason that Californians, including Japanese American voters, will have so much influence on national legislation and politics in the immediate future.

With most JACL chapters and members also located in California, it is possible that JACL's prestige and influence in national and international affairs may be enhanced and increased.

Chief Justice Earl Warren

In the 13 years that he has been Chief Justice, Earl Warren of California has so impressed upon the nation's highest tribunal his activist concept of the role of the courts and the law that the United States Supreme Court today is often described as the Warren Court.

In historic decision after decision, he has provided the leadership that has broken new legal grounds in such areas as civil rights, separation of church and state,



MILE-HI GRADUATES—The 1966 scholarship winners of the Mile-Hi JACL administered program are (upper left) Connie Takamine (Laurel Yasui is accepting the Simpson Methodist Church award on her behalf) and Cathy Shramizu. Others standing are M. Suyehiro, Mrs. K. Mizone and Rev. Jonathan Fujita at the lectern. Seated at the head table are David Misaki of Omaha, Mrs. Robert Horiuchi, Mrs. Tak Terasaki, and Mrs. Norma Walker, mayor of Aurora; (upper

right) Neiko Hirasaka, the Mile-Hi JACL—Harry Sakata Memorial; (lower left) Joe Miyamoto, Jr. Nisei War Memorial; Joyce Kobayashi, Mile-Hi JACL—Larry Tajiri Memorial; and Glenn Madokoro, Mile-Hi JACL; (lower right) Ken Kuwabara and Richard Murahata, Cathay Post scholarships. Mme. Mayor Walker, guest speaker, spoke on municipal government and civic responsibilities. Harry Harada was general chairman and Tak Terasaki, emcee.—Tom Masamori Photos.

legislative apportionment, the power of the Congress to legislate and of the Government to enforce statutes and regulations in just about every field of human endeavor, the rights of the individual, etc.

Yet this acknowledged champion of civil and human rights is the Earl Warren who, as the then Attorney General of the State of California, probably contributed more than perhaps any single California official to the arbitrary military decision to evacuate all persons of Japanese ancestry — citizens and aliens alike — from their West Coast homes and associations early in the spring of 1942 and who told a congressional committee that, in his judgment the Japan-born Issei were more loyal than the United State-born Nisei.

While it has been suggested by several theoreticians that his experience with Evacuation has influenced him for the better on the Supreme Court, for one reason or another he has consistently refused to publicly explain his attitudes then and his reactions today to his activities against Japanese American 24 years ago.

We do know, from our personal knowledge, that within the past biennium he has been offered several excellent forums in which he might have expressed himself on this subject that is so sensitive to Japanese Americans, even after almost a quarter of a century.

These particular comments are occasioned by a United Press International news story dated out of San Diego on July 11 to the effect that Associate Justice of the Supreme Court Tom Clark has, at long last, confessed that his role urging the Evacuation was a "mistake."

In a news interview, the former Personal Representative of the President and later the Department of Justice's representative and civilian liaison to the Western Defense Command who played such a significant part in the Washington decision to authorize the Evacuation and to designate General John L. DeWitt to carry out that order, is quoted as saying that, of "a lot of mistakes in my life... there are two that I acknowledge publicly. One is my part in the evacuation of the Japanese... the other is the Nuremberg trials."

Prior to his first judicial appointment, he was for many years the successful general counsel for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) who won practically all of the civil rights cases he argued before the Supreme Court, including the now historic 1954 holding that the "separate but equal" doctrine in public school facilities are unconstitutional.

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New Court Personalities

Abe Fortas took his seat on the nation's court of last resort on October 4, 1965, succeeding another Johnson appointee, Arthur Goldberg, who was named United States Ambassador to the United Nations on the death of the late Adlai Stevenson of Illinois.

The newest Associate Justice learned about Japanese Americans when he was the Under Secretary of the Interior from the time the War Relocation Authority was transferred from an Independent Agency to the Interior Department in 1944 until it was liquidated two years later in 1946, just 20 years ago.

A "New Deal" liberal, he joined the activist Warren bloc on the Court in most of his decisions during his first year on the bench.

Of perhaps passing interest may be the commentary that of the nine justices who sat in on the historic Evacuation cases almost a quarter of a century ago, only Associate Justices Hugo Black and William Douglas remain on the Court. Both voted to uphold the constitutionality of the Evacuation, however, with only Justices Owen Roberts, Frank Murphy, and Robert Jackson dissenting.

Though not a member of the Supreme Court, the appointment of Thurgood Marshall to be the first Negro ever to be Solicitor General of the United States was of special interest to JACL. Second only to the Attorney General as the Government's lawyer, he determines which cases are appealed to, and defended, in the nation's highest tribunal. Also, he personally argues the most important cases before the nine justices.

Often rumored to be the next Justice to be appointed to the highest tribunal in the land, he left a life-time judgeship in the federal appeals court in New York to become the Government's advocate.

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For the first time since the effective date (Dec. 24) of the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, the United States Supreme Court handed down no written decisions

involving immigration or naturalization matters during its October to June 1964-65 and 1965-66 terms.

At the same time, it continued to hand down important rulings on many other aspects of JACL concern, though few were of the highly controversial, emotional, precedent-shattering types of recent years, such as "prayers in schools," reapportionment, school desegregation, etc.

An exception was the so-called birth control case, decided 6-3 on the last day of the 1964-65 term, holding that the 1879 Connecticut anti-birth control statute was unconstitutional even though there was no specific provision in the Federal Constitution on which to base the decision.

The majority established a new constitutional doctrine, "the right to privacy," which was alleged to be older than the Bill of Rights itself. Citing the Ninth Amendment's provision that the listing of certain rights in the Constitution "shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people," the majority claimed that the Bill of Rights carry with them a "penumbra" going beyond the actual language.

Some leading opinions of the 1964-65 terms of special concern to JACL including the following:

1—The constitutionality of the key provisions of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 outlawing racial discrimination in most hotels, motels, and restaurants was upheld.

2—In a 5-4 decision, it was ruled that the Civil Rights Act eliminated the trespass charges against sit-in demonstrators where trials or appeals were pending.

3—Persons who object to war because of sincere religious belief can qualify for draft exemption even though they do not express belief in a Supreme Being. Although a Buddhist was not involved in the case itself, this particular decision may be applicable to those Buddhists who otherwise qualify.

4—In a unanimous opinion, the Florida State law barring interracial cohabitation was nullified. But the Court refused to pass on the constitutionality of anti-miscegenation laws. It remanded to the Virginia State Supreme Court for an opinion a case involving the white husband of a half-Indian, half-Negro wife.

5—It was ruled that Virginia could not separate poll tax lists, property was held that a Virginia requirement of a residence certificate as a precondition to voting was illegal.

6—A divided Court declared that in criminal cases defendants are not constitutionally entitled to juries with proportionate numbers from the communities of their particular races.

7—In a landmark case, it

held that an accused person's right to confront and question witnesses against him applied to state proceedings, as well as in federal courts.

Summarized below are some of the leading cases of interest to JACL decided in the 1965-66 term:

1—Upholding a District Court ruling that the "one man, one vote" rule did not insure proportionate representation for racial or other interest groups, the Supreme Court turned down an appeal that legislative reapportionment had been used to dilute the voting power of Negroes.

2—On the basis that it was a political and not a judicial question, the tribunal refused to rule on whether the 14th Amendment had been adopted in a legal manner.

3—It also refused to pass on the so-called Princeton Plan to desegregate public schools in so-called areas of "de facto" segregation, leaving it up to local Boards of Education to make the shifts as they deemed necessary.

4—The poll taxes were outlawed as prerequisites to registration and voting.

5—Bowing to the overwhelming approval of Congress for the Voting Rights Act of 1965, the Court gave sweeping endorsement to the basic provisions of that legislation, including the so-called "automatic trigger" for sending federal registrars into certain congressional and legislative districts.

6—Reinstating 1870 Reconstruction era statutes, the Supreme Court upheld federal efforts to prosecute instances of anti-civil rights terrorism and violence by holding that there may be federal prosecution of private individuals for impairing a citizen's right to travel.

7—In a brief, unsigned order, the highest court left standing a state supreme court decision that the NAACP could be held liable for damages awarded against a local branch, even though the action leading to the awarding of damages was not authorized by NAACP and was not known to any of its officers or staff members.

8—A section of the 1965 Voting Rights Act allowing Puerto Ricans in New York, and others who, though they may be illiterate in the English language, to vote provided that they have completed at least six years in a school under the American flag, was held to be constitutional.

9—In another 5-4 decision the Court emphasized that all criminal suspects, rich or poor, have the right to a lawyer during police interrogation.

10—And in still another 5-4 judgment, the Court refused to allow arrested civil rights workers to have their trials "removed" from state courts.

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Riot at Santa Anita

By BERRY SUZUKIDA
Chicago, Illinois

I recall most vividly that hot summer day when the so-called rioting took place at Santa Anita (Calif.) Assembly Center.

The metropolitan press attributed it to evacuee's dislike of hot dog and sauerkraut for supper. While that drew the headlines, the actual cause of the trouble lay elsewhere.

Camp officials at Santa Anita had commenced a house-to-house search for contraband. This illegal search and seizure enraged the evacuees. The brunt of their resentment became directed toward a Korean informer who, it was rumored, assisted the officials in their search.

I was standing near the Orange Mess Hall when word got around that the Korean "stool pigeon" could be found at the Government House. A group of people started towards there and almost immediately, it seemed as though hundreds joined the march.

I tagged along, fascinated by the cold silent fury of the mob. A few minutes later, standing outside the one story building, I looked in the window of the Government House as the angry men rushed through the door.

They started swinging with their fists and kicking at someone crouched under an office desk. I saw one fellow pick up a typewriter and hurl it toward this person.

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Just then, a band of M.P.'s, a small group numbering less than 50 men, came on the double. They advanced toward the Government House with outstretched bayonets. I can still picture the pale, drawn faces of those soldiers, their eyes glazed and their whole bodies trembling.

The commanding officer called out:

In the name of the United States Government, I command you to disperse" or words to that effect.

The crowd slowly dispersed, having respect for authority and law and order. I recall several youngsters being seized and taken away for questioning.

Later, we learned that the Korean was not badly hurt. He was given first aid by the evacuee medical staff and the M.P.'s subsequently spirited him out of camp.

Thereafter, the military started patrolling inside the camp area in jeeps, the soldiers armed with machine guns. I remember a neighbor of mine mocking the driver of one of the jeeps with a humble salaam and if looks could kill, my neighbor would have been a dead herring.

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What would have happened at the Government House if the people had resisted the oncoming M.P.'s and a fracas ensued with many on both sides killed and wounded?

Perhaps the entire destiny of the Japanese in America could have been affected. There might well have resulted a complete reversal of Government thinking with the verdict that all Japanese be deported after the war.

Such conjectures may seem wild now but under wartime hysteria anything could have happened. Because the evacuees under great stress showed restraint and obeyed the voices of authority, the situation was brought under control.

And today, we can indulge in the luxury of wondering:

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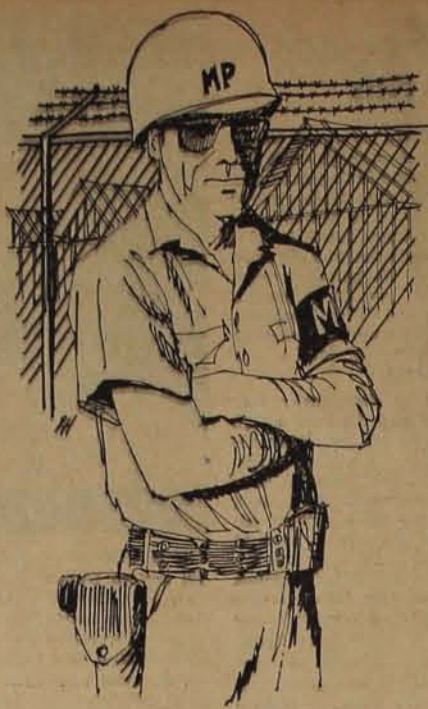


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History Project

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ter to the then Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare Anthony Celebrezze:

"It has come to our attention that there is pending before the Division of Research Grants of the National Institutes of Health, an application from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) for a research grant for the so-called Japanese Americans Research Project. The request is for \$197,000 spread over a three-year period.

"This project is well under way. The Japanese Americans Citizens League, the only national organization of Americans of Japanese ancestry, has contributed \$100,000, raised from among its members in 32 states. The Carnegie Corp. has also contributed \$100,000.

"As we understand it, this study is the only one ever undertaken of an entire ethnic group throughout the country, as well as one that involves more than a single generation.

"Census tracts covering the United States have been broken down scientifically so that representative interviews are being had with the Issei, the immigrant generation. These interviews in depth some 50-pages in length, will be followed by similar interviews with the Nisei, the first generation native-born American, and then the Sansei, the second generation native-born American, all of the same family where possible.

"In addition, there will be interviews of these three generations taped as oral

histories but of Issei, Nisei, and Sansei selected for their achievements, or their leadership, outstanding contributions and/or their unique experiences.

"Then, thousands of questionnaires will be sent out to Issei, Nisei, and Sansei, selected at random.

"Finally, an effort is being made to secure all publications and books concerning the Japanese in America published up this time, together with diaries, personal memorabilia, newspapers, and other historical documents and data, to be located at a Japanese American Center to be established at UCLA.

"The research will attempt to explain, among others, from what areas in Japan most of the Issei immigrated to the United States, why, where they entered this country, what they did, what prejudices and discriminations they faced and what they did about them, how they raised their children and what they tried to teach them as parents, their experiences during the Second World War, and so on. With understandable revisions, these same general questions will be asked of the Nisei and the Sansei, with emphasis on sociological and cultural lessons that may be learned.

"Japanese Americans are among the most successful non-Caucasian racial minorities to identify themselves with our American way of life. In attempting to find out just how this startlingly successful integration and assimilation took place, in spite of extreme prejudice and discrimination against them sanctioned by Federal, State, and local laws and ordinances, this study should make an important contribution to the national welfare. The Japanese American experience should constitute an effective example of progress between races in our society.

"Further more, inside the United States, the findings of the study should exercise an ameliorative influence on the present Negro crisis and perhaps contribute to the quest for future successful integration.

"Japanese Americans constitute one of the most effective demonstrations of democracy in action that we have, for, using the tools of our system they have overcome great obstacles and today enjoy the equality, the dignity, and the opportunities of most other Americans.

"The nearly \$200,000 requested by UCLA is needed to complete the research in order that definitive answers may be had to many meaningful questions.

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At both Conventions there were many more Nisei to be seen, and actively participating on such key committees as resolutions and platform too, than at any previous meetings of this kind in the past. And not all of them were from Hawaii.

All this merely to point up the increased interest and participation of those of Japanese ancestry in national politics.

Francis E. Walter

Memorial Fund

Because the late influential Congressman Francis E. Walter of Pennsylvania has probably been more

helpful to JACL in securing corrective and remedial legislation to benefit persons of Japanese ancestry in the post-World War II period than any other single member of the Congress, when the Francis E. Walter Memorial Committee, whose honorary chairman was President Johnson, invited JACL to contribute to a Memorial Hall in the Congressman's name at the Moravian Seminary for Girls at Green Pond, Pennsylvania, the oldest continuous girls' preparatory school in the United States, the Washington Office responded.

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Strive for Humanistic Humanism

- T—Time for an intuitive thinking is becoming necessary, for
- H—Humanism in the Nordically indoctrinated and conformed cultural world
- E—Enters into a high state of mechanistic and materialistic humanism.
- S—Science and Society must not tolerate this form of humanism.
- A—And must not continue to perpetuate this false humanism, for
- S—Such a way of humanistic existence is in truth un-natural and unGodly.
- A—And is highly destructive to all Nordically conformed people and nations.
- K—Know the truth by seeking the deeper meaning of the whole, ZEN-TAI.
- I—Indoctrinating to become a righteous person (kemi) who seeks wisdom (michi).
- S—Surely the righteous is truly whole striving for humanistic humanism.

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Public Relations

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was presented to the Moravian Seminary, which has designated a classroom in the Francis E. Walter Hall as JACL's contribution, symbolic of the gratitude of those of Japanese ancestry to one who contributed so much to their post-war benefit.

A check for \$12,000 was presented to Mrs. Ruth Miskell, the late Congressman's administrative assistant, at the Joint EDC-MDC Convention Banquet in Philadelphia over the Labor Day weekend, 1965, when Pulitzer Prize-winning author James Michener was the guest speaker. The remaining money was presented to the Seminary on Jan. 7, 1966, when the JACL gift was formally acknowledged and the classroom dedicated at the Moravian Seminary.

Public Information

Re Japanese Americans

Because there are so few Japanese Americans in the United States compared to other immigrant groups and because there is so much misinformation concerning us, one of the more important and permanent aspects of JACL public relations is to encourage, promote, and cooperate with and in the writing and releasing of favorable materials regarding persons of Japanese ancestry in this country.

On Jan. 31, 1965, the national CBS television network telecast its 20th Century, half-hour documentary entitled: "The Nisei: The Pride and the Shame," which was sponsored by the Prudential Insurance Company of America. This program reminded the World War II generation and informed subsequent generations of Americans of the Japanese American experience during World War II.

Witnessed by tens of millions of Americans, it did much to enhance the image of Americans of Japanese ancestry in the United States.

Much of the material, information, and statistics for that documentary was provided by JACL, and JACLers Senator Inouye, Immediate Past National President Pat Okura, and Washington Representative Mike Masaoka were interviewed on that program, as were Yale Law School Dean Eugene Rostow, General Mark Clark and Nisei artist Mine Okubo.

Inasmuch as that documentary proved so popular, CBS repeated its show in

ganizations. The others deal with the White House, the Congress, and the Presidents of the United States. Again, JACL provided most of the information on which this section dealing with Japanese Americans is based.

JACL has cooperated with two authors in the past year who are writing popular documentaries which should be published soon. And it is cooperating now with American Heritage publications for one of its distinguished volumes on United States history that may deal with Japanese Americans.

Retired Navy Captain Allan R. Bosworth, author of some 15 books and more than 500 magazine articles, has completed his manuscript, tentatively titled "Concentration Camps, U.S.A.," which is to be published by W. W. Norton & Company of New York. It may be dedicated to the JACL and is an angry expose of the pressures and prejudices that led to the 1942 Evacuation and to certain incidents in the WRA centers.

Dillon S. Myer, Director of the War Relocation Authority (WRA) through most of its existence, is completing his final manuscript, which does not yet have either a title or a publisher, that tells the WRA Story from the viewpoint of its administrators. Some of the materials he reveals regarding certain events may explain to some Evacuees why certain actions took place, while most of his readers will gain an understanding of the multitudinous and human problems with which the WRA dealt, with so much sympathy, understanding, and success.

Together, these two books should serve as inspiring preliminaries to the definitive and more comprehensive JACL-UCLA Japanese American Research Project publications which will not be ready for distribution for another year or more.

Since most of the more significant and meaningful books on Japanese Americans are out of print, the forthcoming publication of the Bosworth and Myer documentaries should fill a definite need not only among Japanese Americans but also among students of American history for some facts and information concerning Americans of Japanese ancestry and their remarkable saga.

Miscellaneous Activities

There are, of course, many other activities that might be detailed regarding the Washington JACL Office. Some have been highlighted already, but there are a few more that merit more than passing mention.

When the Department of Labor decided to abolish the so-called bracero Mexican agricultural workers program last year (1965), caught in that controversy was the Japanese Supplemental Agricultural Workers Program that was, in part, initiated more than ten years ago by JACL as a means of promoting "people to people" exchange among farmers.

JACL tried to help terminate this special program without undue hardship on the Issei and the Nisei growers who were cooperating in the project and illwill and inconvenience to the Japanese workers. From all reports, this temporary program did much to help rural Japan understand American culture and farming methods, and to create a pro-United States element among an influential group of Japanese that was never before directly involved with Americans.

When the United States Department of Justice in 1963 compromised and settled the so-called yen claims of depositors in the pre-war Japanese banks, JACL moved to provide similar repayment of bank depositors in the pre-war Yokohama Specie Bank, especially since the Government admits that the claims are valid and that the money is available to pay these depositors at the same pre-war exchange rate as those already paid.

Only a legal technicality excuses the Attorney General from returning these deposits, in what has been described as one of the remaining injustices and inequities of the World War II mistreatment of Japanese Americans.

When Japan Air Lines in-

Fresno to Jerome
on the Southern rail

By ELLEN NAKAMURA

Our train is just now roaring through the plains of New Mexico. It must be around 8:30 a.m. Mountain Time. The sun is breaking through a stretch of dark clouds, gilding the broken tufts in silvery gold. The cool morning breeze is stimulating to the mind after a fairly comfortable night of rest.

Breakfast in Indio, lunch in Yuma and dinner in Phoenix. That was yesterday, after we left Fresno Assembly Center where we had spent the last six months. We remember seeing a lot of date trees in Indio and hills seemingly coated with chocolate chips as well as wastelands thickly covered with desert trees, sagebrush and tumbleweed on the way to Yuma. This was before our rather unexpected discovery of the famed Salton Sea. It was incredible that such a vast stretch of water should be found midst these drylands. It was like finding the Pacific Ocean in the middle of the desert.

In Yuma we were fascinated over the many attractive signs which advertised marriage license. Day and night service, the signs said. Unfortunately, we were quite alone and could not take advantage of the service. Any other time, heading for Yuma meant to elope. We left the city, watching dark-eyed Indian squaws squatted by the wayside displaying their colorful handmade beads.

En route to Buckeye we had our first glimpse of the giant cacti. They were bold identities in the sparsely vegetated desert. They stood everywhere like huge pitchforks, like monuments, like men with arms uplifted in search of salvation, like mute preachers for the survival of the fittest. A lone owl sat and daydreamed on one.

Sagebrush Country

From Buckeye to Phoenix the scenery took on a more pleasing note. The sagebrush and cacti were replaced by green vegetation. Large tracts of young lettuce lay stretched on either side. These rows of leafy produce would be ready for the eastern and west coast dinner tables in late November. We thought of home in California. Later we left Phoenix silhouetted against a fiery Arizona sunset.

The stars played peek-a-boo from behind menacing dark clouds during the

night. We lay awake watching from our make-shift bed. A desolate feeling came over us as the train moved steadily on in the cover of the darkness, leaving behind hills, prairies and dimly-lit shacks. We passed through Tucson at 12 midnight. From there King Morpheus, bless him, took over and we entered New Mexico unknowingly.

Out of New Mexico, into Texas and El Paso at 10 a.m. We will remember the city for its pink adobe houses, the trees in their beautiful autumn foliage, and the hills which encircled the area — as if to protect it from all evil. We left behind Nisei soldiers from nearby Fort Bliss who kept waving to us as if they wanted to be taken along.

Toyah at 5:40 p.m. We stopped to stretch at this one-horse town. A curious group comprised of Texans in ten-gallon hats, stalled motorists and Mexican street urchins gathered around the train. We were permitted to leave the coaches and stretch ourselves for the second time in three days of traveling. So far we've seen nothing but hills, stretching plains, and some cattle grazing among the sagebrush. The ride has been uneventful for we have seen neither cowboys nor coyotes.

Ft. Worth - Dallas

Thursday, Oct. 29

Fort Worth, Texas, at 8:15 a.m. It rained during the night, but we slept through it unconsciously. The earth smells sweet and clean after the rain. The skies are still overcast with low-hanging grey clouds. We're getting used to seeing a lot of Negroes in this territory.

Must remember to mention about Wild Cowboy Jack who took over engineering the train in El Paso. He believes in bringing up the rear and giving us a ride hard to forget, yes, very hard. All during the trip our bones have been subjected to sudden jerks, and now we are sure of some misplaced vertebrae down our spine. So much for Wild Cowboy Jack and his bucking bronco.

Hensley Field, U.S. Army, U.S. Navy fields seen enroute. After passing through the Texas drylands, we are now in fertile eastern Texas. The surrounding is a pleasing sight to the eye. Wild oak, maple and other trees fill the country and the grass



THE SEABROOK JACL hosted a successful Eastern District Council meeting on Dec. 3 at Centerton Golf Club. In the group were seated (left to right): Washington Representative Mike Masaoka, staunch New York JACLer Marion Glaeser; Governor Kaz Horita of Philadelphia; Secretary Florence Sakata, Seabrook; and Youth Council Representative Norman Ishimoto, Washington. Standing: Eastern District Youth Council Chairman Scott Nagao, Seabrook; District Youth Commissioner Alice Endo, Washington; Seabrook Chapter President Masaaki Ooka; Washington Chapter President Charles Pace; Japanese History Project Chairman Dr. Mary Watanabe, Philadelphia; and Seabrook Jr. JACL President Steven Mukai.

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Seabrook hosts Eastern D.C.

SEABROOK — As their final activity for the year, the Seabrook JACL hosted a successful Eastern District Council meeting at the Centerton Golf Club on Dec. 3.

With Chapter President Masaaki Ooka welcoming the guests, the one-day meeting called by Governor Kaz Horita of Philadelphia was attended by 35 members from Washington, New York, Philadelphia and Seabrook.

The presence and participation of Jr. JACL members along with their advisers added a refreshing note throughout the session. Indicative of a smooth transition from Jr. JACL to JACL, more such gatherings in the future, at both chapter and district levels, were felt necessary.

Attendance at the EDC meeting meant for Washington Representative Mike Masaoka a second visit to Seabrook this year. In June he was principal speaker at the chapter installation banquet attended by 200 persons. Forty area graduates were honored simultaneously.

In a challenging message, the speaker asked the youth to contribute in the field of human relations as only they could do with their Asiatic background.

A standing ovation was given Masaoka as he concluded his outstanding address by expressing his hope that "the the kind of America at Seabrook could be extended all over the country."

Along with the speaker, the proficiency of Dr. Richard Ikeda as toastmaster will be remembered at this event.

After being installed as president, metallurgical engineer Masaaki Ooka met each month with his cabinet to carry out the year's program. Civic contributions included \$100.00 being earmarked for the Bridgeton Library Fund and another \$200.00 towards the \$1000.0 goal set for the new Seabrook School beautification project.

The annual JACL Scholarship was awarded to George Sugimura who is now enrolled at C. Berkeley, with smaller sums going to outstanding graduates of both Bridgeton High School and Seabrook Grammar School.

Among various local functions, the chapter was credited for its participation during Brotherhood Week and the Student Exchange Foundation dinner.

The formation of the Jr. JACL became one of the highlights for the year. The first president, Scott Nagao, was later elected chairman of the Eastern District Youth Council. Now heading the Seabrook Jr. group is Steven Mukai.

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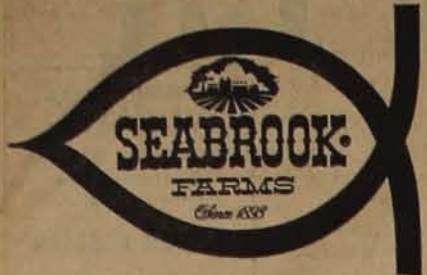
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Christmas Sketches...

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'Christmas Cheer'

Aside from the traditional Christian "business" of giving comfort and aid to the evacuees, Santa also managed to fill the Christmas basket, too. Especially with almost-impossible-to-get bags of rice and cans of alouyu.

In several instances, Christmas Cheer was brought to the evacuees in the form of news from home back in Los Angeles. Many had boarded up their houses before evacuating, and hearing how well their houses were standing up was welcomed news.

A broad grin from a few ojisanas was a reward to me as I located their private "cache" of sake they had hidden in their home in Boyle Heights. They located their hiding place for me by drawing detailed maps of

which, despite the food rationing at that time, included tables piled high with almost-impossible-to-get foods such as butter and bacon.

The voices of the German POWs were filled with reverence and devotion as they sang hymns in German. For a while, it brought back memories of my youth again, for as a German word of English when I entered the First Grade.

In Retrospect

As I look back now, I must compare the Christmas in the barrack-chapel at Poaton with the same heavy loneliness which hung over the stable, a long, long time ago.

Joseph, Mary and the Christ Child were also away from home. They were strangers in Bethlehem, their home in Nazareth left behind them. The evacuees were in a similar position.

It brought them into the harsh light of reality in the brotherhood of loneliness and suffering.

As they ached with loneliness for their homes and neighbors, left behind, they captured a sense of nobility in their meager barrack-type existence for had not the Christ Child a stable manger for His cradle?

It took courage for the fathers, mothers, sons and daughters, during those lonely Christmases in camp. But they, in their own way, shared in the heartaches of separation and loneliness with Joseph, Mary and the little Son, the Christ Child.

After all, with whom could they have shared a blessed and happy Christmas more fittingly?

To Jerome—

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is still green. There seems to be plenty of water. As we speed through, we have curious spectators everywhere. Naturally, we are just as curious and have stared right back. As we pulled out of the station at Fort Worth, a lanky Texan with kindly eyes smiled at us. A contingent of soldiers filled a train beside us, and a fair-haired private with a big grin shouted as he rolled away, "Who do ya think's gonna win the war?"

The City of Dallas sprawled out before us soon after leaving Fort Worth. We stopped briefly overlooking the lazy Trinity River. We could make out small turtles with their heads protruding above the water. The outskirts of the city is rich with groves and groves of trees. This is a beautiful country. More oak, maple, willow, cottonwood, walnut and umbrella trees growing dense. The Dallas garden plots are abundant with cauliflower, cabbage, sweet potato, beets and turnips. Furthermore, we see yellow goldenrod and corn turning brown. This is truly a picturesque country at its fall best.

Jerome Ahead

We've stopped briefly for our third stretch. Traveling is obviously in our system, for even with our feet down on good ol' tierra firma, it feels as if we are still rolling along.

Texarkana, Texas at 5 p.m. After leaving Dallas and the towns of Mineola and Glade Water, and changing our south-easterly course towards north from the town of Marshall, we passed through great lumber territories. We saw many lumber mills where Negroes busy at work stopped to wave at us.

Situated to our east is the state of Louisiana while Arkansas and Jerome Relocation Center await ahead of us to the north. We pulled into the railroad junction at Texarkana, the border of Texas and Arkansas, exactly at five o'clock. This is the gateway to our new home for the duration.

Masaoka...

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deated an interest in sponsoring summer scholarships to a Japanese university in order that Japanese Americans might better and expeditiously learn some of the more important facts regarding Japanese life, culture, history, government, industry etc., JACL volunteered to serve to process these special scholarships to supplement the ten university scholarships now administered by JACL.

Summary Comments

In looking back over 25 years of service in JACL, it is clear that the emphasis in JACL objectives and programs have shifted from primarily ministering to the immediate needs and hopes of only Japanese Americans to cooperating in the greater programs for human dignity and advancement for all citizens in this country and for the maintenance and promotion of mutual good relations between the United States, the land of our citizenship, and Japan, the land of our ancestry.

Through every biennium, including the last, was thought to be one in which the work load and responsibilities of the Washington Office would be substantially lessened, the converse has been true: Every biennium brings new challenges, new problems, and new objectives not only for JACL as such but also its Washington Office.

And, with the great social civil rights revolution of our times demanding our attention domestically, and with American foreign policy for the first time being shifted to provide equal concern for Asia with Europe, this coming biennium 1966-1968 bids to be one of the more crucial and significant in Japanese American and JACL history.

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EVACUATION BRIEF
No Sabotage

"Mr. John Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, has advised me there was no sabotage committed there (in Hawaii) prior to Dec. 7, on (1941), or subsequent to that time." — James Rowe, Jr., the Assistant to the Attorney General, written April 20, 1942.

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Texarkana, Texas at 5 p.m. After leaving Dallas and the towns of Mineola and Glade Water, and changing our south-easterly course towards north from the town of Marshall, we passed through great lumber territories. We saw many lumber mills where Negroes busy at work stopped to wave at us.

Situated to our east is the state of Louisiana while Arkansas and Jerome Relocation Center await ahead of us to the north. We pulled into the railroad junction at Texarkana, the border of Texas and Arkansas, exactly at five o'clock. This is the gateway to our new home for the duration.

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deated an interest in sponsoring summer scholarships to a Japanese university in order that Japanese Americans might better and expeditiously learn some of the more important facts regarding Japanese life, culture, history, government, industry etc., JACL volunteered to serve to process these special scholarships to supplement the ten university scholarships now administered by JACL.

Summary Comments

In looking back over 25 years of service in JACL, it is clear that the emphasis in JACL objectives and programs have shifted from primarily ministering to the immediate needs and hopes of only Japanese Americans to cooperating in the greater programs for human dignity and advancement for all citizens in this country and for the maintenance and promotion of mutual good relations between the United States, the land of our citizenship, and Japan, the land of our ancestry.

Through every biennium, including the last, was thought to be one in which the work load and responsibilities of the Washington Office would be substantially lessened, the converse has been true: Every biennium brings new challenges, new problems, and new objectives not only for JACL as such but also its Washington Office.

And, with the great social civil rights revolution of our times demanding our attention domestically, and with American foreign policy for the first time being shifted to provide equal concern for Asia with Europe, this coming biennium 1966-1968 bids to be one of the more crucial and significant in Japanese American and JACL history.

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