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PERSPECTIVES

Jerry Enomoto
Nat'l President

GOVERNING BOARD

I want to convey my thanks to the members of the National Board who met last week to chart JACL's course for the remainder of this biennium. From my perspective, this enables me to use this column to let our members know that the JACLers who accepted the responsibilities of leadership at San Diego are thinking and working to make JACL a better organization.

Like all JACL Board meetings, this one was no picnic. The two and a half days (and for some nights) of deliberations were hard work. There was routine discussion, harmonious agreement, complex problems, and hot controversy. Although we didn't always agree, there was no question about the spirit of concern that all had for the well being of the organization.

As National President, this is the most important point I would like to get over here. Regardless of where you stand in the current controversies over JACL's proper role, you may be assured that your officers represented your viewpoint actively and conscientiously. This, after all, is the essence of an effective governing body.

EXTRA THANKS

To the San Francisco Chapter for a wonderful dinner at the Kuo Wah, a treat particularly appreciated by our out-of-state visitors, who often have to go a long way for such Chinese food.

To our National Treasurer Yone Satoda and Daisy, who generously gave the National Personnel Board a comfortable place to meet on Saturday night, along with refreshment.

To our National Endowment Fund Committee and its Chairman Dr. George Miyake, for giving up Friday evening in the interest of business.

To our National Director for his usual "general arrangements" contribution to the good order of business.

To old reliable Mike Masaoka for his sometimes controversial, but always valuable contributions as well as counsel.

To our other National Staff, Harry, Alan and Jeffrey for their assistance.

To each Board member for his, and her, individual contributions, and my apologies for the hectic and disorganized ending to what I hope everyone agrees was, a good meeting.

OAKLAND CHAPTER BACKS JERRY'S STAND

SACRAMENTO — Text of the Oakland JACL letter, dated Feb. 10, addressed to Jerry Enomoto, national JACL president, who noted the letter with thanks in his column, (Perspectives, Feb. 17) follows:

February 10, 1967

Mr. Jerry Enomoto
6310 Lake Park Drive
Sacramento, California 95831

Dear Mr. Enomoto:

At our recent Board Meeting we had a lengthy discussion on future actions that should be taken by the JACL. As brought up in the recent District Council meeting discussion, for example, the tuition question, we sincerely feel that as a group we should take more active part and interest in issues and problems confronting our present day, rather than the narrow, previous issues pertaining only to the Japanese Americans.

Sincerely yours,
(DR.) YUKIO KAWAMURA
President, Oakland Chapter

Denver Urban Renewal to affect Japanese

DENVER—Floyd H. Tanaka, former executive with the Denver Urban Renewal Authority, will address the Mile-Hi JACL general meeting tomorrow at the Buddhist Church on the proposed Skyline Urban Renewal Project, which would relocate many Japanese families if the voters approve the project May 16.

As the project affects the Japanese community directly, the JACL is interested to be of assistance.

Interim Board Briefs

SAN FRANCISCO—Following is a resume of the National JACL interim board meeting held Feb. 17-19 at the Hilton Airport Inn here. Further details are to be disseminated in the weeks to come.

The National JACL Board:

—Announced that the JACL Japan Tour will be JACL's first goodwill tour to Japan, departing via Japan Air Lines from San Francisco on Saturday, Oct. 14, and returning Saturday, Nov. 4. Full particulars are under preparation.

—Requested the National JACL Cultural Heritage Committee to stipulate basic requirements of a tour in order to acquire JACL endorsement.

—Referred the matter of Changing Dates of Future Interim Board Sessions to the next National JACL Board. A weekend in-between biennial convention periods has been proposed.

—Accepted the current status report and upcoming operations of the Japanese History Project. (A separate story is published elsewhere in this week's Pacific Citizen.)

—Directed that books on Japanese Americans desiring JACL endorsement be considered on a book-by-book basis, that the JACL staff be as cooperative as possible in dealing with authors but keeping in mind that JACL program doesn't suffer, and that the forthcoming book by Sen. Dan Inouye be handled as an EDC project.

—Rejected a proposal to streamline National Recognitions where time is involved, but directed that a mail poll of the Board be taken if necessary.

—Accepted the Washington Office Report, dealing with the 1967 Civil Rights Act as offered by the Administration last week (same as the 1966 bill), immigration and a mid-July visit by National President Jerry Enomoto.

—Referred the matter of providing guidelines for JACL officers and staff in political activity to the Planning Commission in time for the San Jose convention. Advised Pacific Citizen, JACL staff and officials to exercise good judgment in matters political.

—Announced the JACL brief prepared by legal counsel William Marutani of Philadelphia was filed Feb. 17 in the U.S. Supreme Court on the *Loving* (anti-miscegenation) case. JACL has also requested permission to present oral arguments.

—Requested the three California JACL district council governors to work out funding a tri-council on legislative matters; approved recommendation that JACL continue support of Calif. Committee on Fair Practices.

—Referred to the National President to set up a special committee to study the feasibility for a *Separate JACL Arm on Civil Rights*; approved a monthly page on *Civil Rights in the Pacific Citizen*; and voted 9-7 to retain the current name of *National JACL Civil Rights Committee* over the proposed Human Rights Committee title.

—Referred to the Constitution Committee the question of *Censure, Suspension and Reinstatement* provisions of subordinate JACL units, staff and officials in view of the recent U.S. Supreme Court decision holding the NAACP liable for damages of its subordinate units.

—Accepted a progress report and recommendations on the JACL Endowment Fund.

—Approved production of two types of *Membership* leaflets: one for current members, other for prospective members. Leaflets to be ready for the 1968 campaign.

—Accepted a progress report on *Data Processing*. Matter is being explored in depth with several JACLers who are specialists in this field.

—Accepted a status report on *Communications*. Matter is being pursued by JACL staff to expedite flow of correspondence.

—Referred to the Nominations Committee the plan of *Executive Reorganization*, to have nationally elected officers each supervise general categories after 1968 elections.

—Approved establishment of a *National JACL Scholarship Foundation* in principle.

TOURIST SITE SOUGHT FOR JAPANESE CASTLE

LODI — Developer Kunizo Matsuo of Yokohama, known as the "Walt Disney of Japan", on a visit here this week said he is seeking a possible site in either San Joaquin or Sacramento county for construction of a Japanese castle, complete with moat and drawbridge, as a tourist attraction.

Matsuo operates two giant Disneyland-type centers and a hotel chain in Japan.

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Politics in JACL undecided

BY HARRY HONDA

SAN FRANCISCO — Direction on some 30 areas of concern to the Japanese American Citizens League was assessed during the three-day National Board interim meeting here Feb. 17-19.

Guidelines and details of critical issues facing the organization are to be evaluated in the coming year by various national standing committees.

On the question of political activity by National JACL officials, good judgment by individuals was to be exercised in keeping with the policy that JACL is a nonpartisan organization. Meanwhile, the Planning Commission will undertake the task of preparing guidelines.

On the proposal for reviving JACL's Anti-Discrimination Committee to engage in civil rights more actively, National President Jerry Enomoto has

appointed a special committee to evaluate the plan.

On the ultimate use of the JACL endowment fund, the National Board has directed the Planning Commission to assess the proposal. The Endowment Fund Committee reiterated its policy of wanting to make the fund grow to a million dollars and had no comments on how the fund might be expended.

On the matter of JACL responsibility for subordinate units, in view of the U.S. Supreme Court decision against the NAACP, which was sued for damages because one of its branches had picketed an establishment, the Constitution Committee will draft amendments to the JACL Constitution providing censure, suspension and reinstatement of subordinate units and individuals.

Implementation

Bulk of the action taken by

the National Board, which serves to implement policies and mandates enacted at national conventions, was referring various issues to the proper committees for further study and presenting recommendations.

Committee reports are expected to be ready by late this year so that chapters can review them among their own membership, then prepare recommendations on a district council basis before convening next summer at San Jose to take final action.

Expected are:

- 1—Basic requirements for a tour to be endorsed by JACL.
- 2—Guidelines for political activity by JACL officials.
- 3—Feasibility study on a separate JACL civil rights action group.
- 4—Amendments to the JACL Constitution on censure, suspension and reinstatement of JACL units, staff and officials.

5—Amendments to the JACL Constitution on election of national officers on the basis each will supervise general categories.

6—Recommendations to reallocate chapter quotas on a per capita basis.

7—Recommendations from the Planning Commission on functions of past national presidents.

8—Recommendations from the Planning Commission evaluating the purposes of the Endowment Fund.

9—Study on a JACL scholarship foundation.

San Francisco JACL

A welcome break in the three-day schedule was the invitation of the San Francisco JACL board of governors to dine Saturday in a restaurant in Chinatown, which was in midst of their Chinese New Year celebration. Mrs. Yo Hironaka, chapter president, introduced her board of governors, while Jerry Enomoto introduced the National Board and Staff.

Special guests introduced during the board sessions at Hilton Airport Inn were Dr. Robert A. Wilson of UCLA, director of the Japanese American Research Project; and Merrill Pollack, managing editor, W.W. Norton & Co., publishers of Capt. Bosworth's book, "America's Concentration Camps".

Dr. Frank Sakamoto of Chicago, 1000 Club chairman, screened the movies taken of the Chicago Nisei Ambassadors drum and bugle corps during their visit of New York, Philadelphia and Washington. Steve Doi of San Francisco provided the projector.

The three day session began with luncheon Friday and terminated at 3 p.m. Sunday. All national board and staff members were present.

History Project manuscript by end of 1968 promised by Wilson

LOS ANGELES—Prof. Robert A. Wilson, acting director of the Japanese American Research Project at UCLA, has agreed to submit his completed manuscript on the history of Japanese in the United States covering the last century to the JACL Japanese History Project Committee not later than Dec. 31, 1968.

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as principal investigator. A set of agreements between JACL and UCLA cover the following areas:

- 1—Books: (a) Dr. Wilson's authentic history of the Japanese in the U.S., manuscript completed not later than Dec. 31, 1968; (b) Full support at the UCLA project office to a JACL commissioned author on a "popular" version to be announced; (c) Other works and books stemming from historical and sociological research.
- 2—Publishing, Publication and Royalty Rights; 3—Distribution of books; 4—Communications and Organizational Structure; 5—Privileged Accessibility of Data; 6—Confidentiality of Identity of all Survey Respondents.

On Wilson's History

A separate agreement was also worked out between Dr. Wilson and the JACL committee which recognized the proprietary interest of JACL in Dr. Wilson's forthcoming one-volume history.

Under existing practice, the University assigns all rights and interests connected in the publication of books to the author. Under the JACL-Wilson agreement, the provisions are:

- 1—A 50-50 sharing in royalties and subsidiary rights.
- 2—JACL after recovering certain administrative and other costs from its royalties should contribute subsequent royalties to the furtherance of the Japanese American Research Project at UCLA.
- 3—Joint negotiation process with publisher.
- 4—Stipulation of academic freedom: JACL shall not interfere in any way with the editorial content of Dr. Wilson's book.

On-going work at the JARP office was summarized for the

JACL-JHP committee as follows:

- 1—Data of the Issei Survey are now being codified.
- 2—A Nisei Survey Questionnaire has been "pre-tested" in five cities and concluded by the National Opinion Research Center, Univ. of Chicago, and further refinement is in process. It is expected that the Nisei-Sansui survey will be relatively simpler in administering in the field because of the language factor, according to Wakamatsu.
- 3—John Model, statistician and assistant to Dr. Gene Levine, principal investigator, is carrying on in the temporary

absence of Dr. Levine in the sociological research.

4—Collection of documents is being encouraged by asking Issei in various communities to encourage others to contribute their papers. Wakamatsu indicates the Issei are beginning to recognize UCLA as the appropriate repository for their treasured memorabilia.

JACL-JHP committee members were luncheon guests of the University at Faculty Center, where they met Dr. Ralph Turner, head of the UCLA sociology department who is chairman of the UCLA-JACL project executive committee; Dr. George Mowry, and Dr.

Wilson, project director.

The JACL committee members were:

Sim Togaaki, Akiji Yoshimura, Mike Masaoka, Mas Satow, Frank Chuman, Yone Satoda, Bill Hosokawa, Joe Grant Masaoka and Shig Wakamatsu.

Times Story

LOS ANGELES — Community policy makers are watching for clues to help cope with discrimination and prejudice toward ethnic minorities in the history of the Japanese American now being documented by the JACL-UCLA research project in the College of Idaho Studies.

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Civil Service racial head count irks NAACP representative

WASHINGTON — Following the controversies stirred by the recently published U.S. Civil Service Commission study on Minority Group Employment in the Federal Government (see Jan. 27 PC), a meeting was called this past week to air out the charges.

The Japanese American Citizens League was among several organizations invited to express their opinions and suggestions on the study. Other groups present were organizations representing Spanish-speaking Americans, the American Indians, the Negroes and other minorities.

One of the problems discussed was the charge that the system used in accumulating the data for the study, "self-designation", is an invasion of employee privacy. Several complaints have been made to the Commission by Congressmen and federal employees against the "self-designation" system on this basis.

The Commission's reply to these charges has been that the previous or "head count" system, whereby the supervisory personnel would designate the employee's race, pay scale, etc., was more an invasion of privacy than "self-designation".

Benefits Questioned

The representative from the NAACP, Clarence Mitchell, not only questioned the benefits of such a study, but strongly opposed any employment questionnaire in which a person's race had to be indicated. He voiced strong doubts about the information being kept strictly confidential. Into the wrong hands, he added, the confidential information can be used as a means of coercion.

Another representative questioned the reliability of the data compiled in the study. In the "self-designation" system, where each employee voluntarily indicates his race, pay scale, etc., there is no assurance that the information given is factual. It was also revealed that 207,000 employees failed to answer the questionnaire. This figure represents close to 10 percent of the total number of full time civilian employees.

Representing the JACL was Roger Nikaide, Washington JACL office staff member, who asked the members of the Commission its reasons for not breaking down the Oriental minority group category into Japanese, Chinese, Korean, etc.

The Commission's explanation was that they received very few complaints from Orientals as to discrimination in Federal Government jobs. The reason suggested for not receiving more complaints is the relatively high positions the Orientals have achieved in Civil Service.

Purpose of Study

It was emphasized that the majority of Orientals are in the upper middle categories of the various pay scales. Also, it was explained that the purpose of the study was to provide a means of assessing progress and identifying problem areas where greater efforts must be made to assure equality in Federal employment.

Some interesting observations from the study were made during the meeting. In San Francisco and Oakland, where large Japanese and Chinese communities reside, over 18 percent of the employees were unidentified. In the Los Angeles area, a little over 11 percent were unidentified. What part of these figures represent the Orientals, however was not disclosed.

As to what the Commission will do to solve the problems discussed hinges on further discussions with several Federal agencies and union representatives. It was, however, disclosed that the Commission is presently considering to use, exclusively, the "head count" system along with computers from which up to date information can readily be available whenever cases of discrimination arise.

San Francisco JACL Credit Union issues newly-designed membership leaflet

SAN FRANCISCO — A new leaflet explaining the purpose and programs of the San Francisco JACL Credit Union has been designed by Hats Aizawa, advertising art director, and Bill Hoshiyama of Typographic.

All JACL members are eligible to join the credit union. Membership is 50 cents and allows for borrowing for any productive purpose or for depositing their savings. A credit union account on deposits and loans are fully insured—dollar-for-dollar—in the event of the member's death.

The local JACL credit union on Feb. 14 re-elected Eddie Moriguchi to serve as president. Other officers are:

Yukio Kumamoto, v.p.; Ichiro Sugiyama, sec. treas.; 1354 Post St., San Francisco, Calif. 94115. WA 1-1307. Supervisory: Jutaro Shiohara, Marshall Sumida, Dr. Tokuyuki Hedani; Credit—Somi Honnami, Masateru Takaue, Yasuo Abiko; Education — Edison Uno; Bd. Membs. — Yukio Itoye, former Cal-Neva JACL Credit Union pres.; Mrs. Frances Morikawa, Y.

Kumamoto, Dr. Harry Nomura, Yone Satoda, Wally Nunobiki, Mrs. Chiz Satow, E. Moriguchi, I. Sugiyama.

The credit union has a surplus of funds available immediately for loans as a result of the merging last December of the Cal-Neva JACL Credit Union with the San Francisco JACL Credit Union. Present membership is over 450 active members with total assets in excess of \$500,000.

Origami plane

NEW YORK — A rigidly constructed origami plane by Prof. James M. Sakoda of the dept. of sociology and anthropology at Brown University, was the single winner in its category in the Scientific American international flying competition Feb. 21.

Renew Your JACL Membership Today



MERITORIOUS SERVICE — 1st Lt. Stephen K. Murata, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kiguma J. Murata of 1562 Melba Court, Mountain View, Calif., is awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal for meritorious service at Vandenberg AFB, Calif. by Col. Carl A. Ousley, vice-commander of the Air Force Western Test Range, at Nellis AFB, Nev. The son of a Western JACLer is currently information officer for the U.S. Air Force's aerial demonstration team, the Thunderbirds. A Stanford University graduate in communications and journalism, Lt. Murata won the Commendation Medal while serving as chief of the internal information and community relations division at the Western Test Range. He was cited for his devotion to duty, exemplary professional skill and knowledge.

By Mike Masaoka

Washington Newsletter

JACL & SENATORS

Washington

This week we continue to note the congressional service and the committee assignments of United States Senators who represent states where most Japanese Americans reside and where, in most instances, there are also JACL chapters.

Nevada—Democrat Alan Bible, Senate service since 1954, chairman of District of Columbia Committee, 11th ranking member of Appropriations Committee, and 3rd ranking member of Interior and Insular Affairs Committee. Democrat Howard W. Cannon, from 1959, is sixth ranking member of Armed Services Committee, 8th of Commerce Committee, 8th of Aeronautics and Space Sciences Committee and 3rd of Rules and Administration Committee.

Utah—Republican Wallace F. Bennett, from 1951, 10th overall and ranking minority member on Banking and Currency Committee and 14th overall and 3rd among Republicans on Finance Committee. Democrat Frank E. (Ted) Moss, from 1959, 6th on Interior and Insular Affairs Committee, and 11th on Commerce Committee.

Idaho—Democrat Frank Church, from 1957, 7th on Foreign Relations Committee and 4th on Interior and Insular Affairs Committee. Republican Len Jordan, from 1962, 14th overall and 3rd among Republicans on Interior and Insular Affairs Committee, 15th and 5th on Public Works Committee, and 14th and 4th on Aeronautical and Space Sciences Committee.

Montana—Democrat Mike J. Mansfield, the Democratic Leader, from 1953 after House service from 1943, 3rd on Foreign Relations Committee and 14th on Appropriations Committee. Democrat Lee Metcalf, from 1961 after House service from 1953, 10th on Finance Committee, 11th on Interior and Insular Affairs, and 9th on Government Operations Committee.

Wyoming—Democrat Gale McGee, from 1959, 13th on Appropriations Committee, 8th on Banking and Currency, and 4th on Post Office and Civil Service Committee. Republican Clifford P. Hansen, elected last November, 16th and 5th on Interior and Insular Affairs Committee, and 14th and 5th on Government Operations Committee.

Colorado—Republican Gordon Allott, from 1955, 23rd overall and 6th on Appropriations, and 13th and 2nd on Interior and Insular Affairs. Republican Peter H. Dominick, from 1963, 18th and 6th on Armed Services Committee, 13th and 3rd on Labor and Public Welfare Committee, and 7th and 2nd on District of Columbia Committee.

Nebraska—Republican Carl T. Curtis, from 1955 after House service from 1939, 15th and 4th on Finance Committee, 13th and 3rd on Aeronautical and Space Sciences Committee, 12th and 2nd on Government Operations Committee, and 7th and ranking Republican on Rules and Administration Committee. Republican Roman L. Hruska, from 1954 after House service from 1953, 22nd and 5th on Appropriations Committee, and 13th and 2nd on Judiciary Committee.

Minnesota—Democrat Eugene J. McCarthy, from 1959 after House service from 1949, 12th on Foreign Relations, and 6th on Finance Committee. Democrat Walter Mondale, from 1965, 8th on Agriculture and Forestry Committee, 7th on Banking and Currency, and 10th on Aeronautical and Space Sciences Committee.

Wisconsin—Democrat William Proxmire, from 1957, 16th on Appropriations Committee and 2nd on Banking and Currency. Democrat Gaylord Nelson, from 1963, 10th on Interior and Insular Affairs Committee, and 9th on Labor and Public Welfare Committee.

Illinois—Republican Everett M. Dirksen, Minority Leader, from 1951 after House service from 1933 to 1949, 12th and ranking Republican on Judiciary Committee, and 17th and 6th on Finance Committee. Republican Charles Percy, elected last November, 14th and 5th on Banking and Currency Committee, and 16th and 6th on Aeronautical and Space Sciences Committee.

Missouri—Stuart Symington, from 1953, 3rd on Armed Services Committee, 8th on Foreign Relations, and 4th on Aeronautical and Space Sciences Committee. Democrat Edward V. Long, from 1960, 5th on Banking and Currency, and 6th on Judiciary Committee.

Ohio—Democrat Frank J. Lausche, from 1957, 4th on Commerce Committee, and 6th on Foreign Relations. Democrat Stephen M. Young, from 1959, after House service 1933-37, 1941-1943, 1949-1951, 8th on Armed Services Committee, 2nd on Public Works Committee, and 6th on Aeronautical and Space Sciences Committee.

Michigan—Democrat Philip A. Hart, from 1959, 5th on Judiciary Committee and 7th on Commerce Committee. Republican Robert P. Griffin, from 1966, 18th and 6th on Commerce Committee, and 16th and 6th on Labor and Public Welfare Committee.

Virginia—Democrat Harry F. Byrd, Jr., from 1965, 12th on Armed Services Committee, and 9th on Agriculture and Forestry Committee. Democrat William B. Spong, Jr., elected last November, 9th on Banking and Currency, 10th on Public Works Committee, and 5th on District of Columbia Committee.

Maryland—Democrat Daniel B. Brewster, from 1963, 11th on Armed Services Committee, 9th on Commerce Committee, and 5th on Post Office and Civil Service Committee. Democrat Joseph D. Tydings, from 1965, 11th on Judiciary Committee, 9th on Public Works Committee, and 4th on District of Columbia Committee.

Pennsylvania—Democrat Joseph S. Clark, from 1957, 10th on Foreign Relations Committee, 4th on Labor and Public Welfare Committee, and 4th on Rules and Administration Committee. Republican Hugh Scott, from 1959, after House service 1947 to 1959, 15th and 3rd on Commerce Committee, 15th and 4th on Judiciary Committee, and 9th and 3rd on Rules and Administration Committee.

New Jersey—Republican Clifford P. Case, from 1955, after House service 1945 to 1953, 25th and 8th on Appropriations, and 18th and 6th on Foreign Relations. Democrat Harrison A. Williams, from 1958 after House service from 1953, 3rd on Banking and Currency Committee, and 6th on Labor and Public Welfare Committee.

New York—Republican Jacob Javits, from 1957 after House service from 1947 to 1955, 26th and 9th on Appropriations Committee, 11th and ranking minority on Labor and Public Welfare Committee, and 13th and 3rd on Government Operations Committee. Democrat Robert F. Kennedy, from 1965, 10th on Labor and Public Welfare Committee, 8th on Government Operations Committee, and 3rd on District of Columbia Committee.

Better American, Better Japanese

SPECIAL REPORT

An eloquent and impressive speech delivered at the Washington, D.C., JACL installation dinner Jan. 28 by Shun-ichi Yamanaka, counselor at the Japanese Embassy, is being published in the knowledge that many in JACL are becoming more and more involved in matters of cultural relations.—Editor.

Mr. Chairman, Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen:

The other day I had a couple of visitors from Japan, from a certain movie company, who were here to locate people and scenes they wished to include in a documentary they were going to make for the Meiji Centennial. They told me they had found the perfect person for one of their shots, an Issei now living in Canada, who was born in the first year of Meiji, and who was still hale and hearty at the age of 90, in this year of 1967. As the Meiji Centennial corresponds roughly to the centennial of the Japanese in America, I was very strongly impressed by the fact that the amazing success story of the Issei and the Nisei in this country has indeed taken place within a single life-span.

Tonight, however, I am not here to sing the praises of the Issei, but rather, to speak about the cultural heritage of the Nisei—the Americans of Japanese ancestry.

Cultural Heritage

Though America's initial contacts with Japan date back to the 1790's, it was not until Commodore Perry's two visits to Japan in 1853 and 1854 that an awareness of the neighbor across the Pacific began to take shape in the American consciousness. Incidentally, it may interest you to know that the Japanese stone imbedded in the Washington Monument was brought back to America by one of the ships in Perry's squadron in 1854.

Of all the Western countries exercising influence on Japan during those formative years of Meiji, none was stronger in its practical impact upon the country and its institutions than the United States. In the other direction, the Americans too could not escape being influenced in their turn by Japan and things Japanese, even though such influence tended to be concentrated in the area of the fine arts.

Foster Rhea Dulles, in his book "Yankies and Samurai", mentions that after Perry's expeditions, Japanese arts and handicraft were soon found in many New England homes as treasured possessions, and that Tiffany and Co. were selling Japanese objects d'art as early as the 1870's.

Efforts to interpret the Japanese and their culture to the Americans were made by a host of notable figures, among whom Ernest Fenollosa, the art critic, and Lafcadio Hearn, the writer, are the best known. Fenollosa was almost single-handedly responsible for beginning the wonderful collection of Japanese art at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, and many of you who have seen the recent Japanese movie "Kwaidan" in color will know that Lafcadio Hearn wrote the original stories from which the movie was made.

Influence in Architecture

Today, probably the field in which Japanese influence is most strongly seen is that of architecture. You now have a number of excellent American architects, Minoru Yamasaki

and Iyo Obata among them, who are making good use of the Japanese heritage. But even in this field, the original impetus came in 1876, with the exhibition of a Japanese pavilion at the Centennial Exhibition held in Philadelphia in that year. It is said that the pioneer American study of Japanese architecture was the book "Japanese Houses and their Surroundings", published in 1885 by Edward S. Morse, and which quickly went through four editions.

Traditional Japanese painting, especially "sumi-e", Japanese "Ukiyo-e" color prints, calligraphy, the tea-ceremony, the art of flower-arrangement, Japanese lacquer-ware, cloisonne, silk fabrics and embroidery, pottery, sculpture, fans and screens, lanterns, Kabuki and Noh, Haiku, Zen—all have had their impact on American culture and continue to exert their fascination on American minds attuned to the East.

Thus, the original inflow of Japanese culture to the United States was in the 19th century. In our own century, however, the greatest occasion for renewed interest in the culture of Japan came, ironically, through the American military occupation of Japan after the war.

The occupation gave thousands and thousands of GIs, who knew next to nothing about Japan, the opportunity to live in the midst of the Japanese and to realize that they were human beings after all, and human beings with social and cultural values not normally evident on the field of battle.

There has long been a number of scholarly works on this and that aspect of Japanese life, and even in the midst of the war, Ruth Benedict was writing her monumental study of Japanese mores, "The Chrysanthemum and the Sword".

But the impact of the Occupation on the participating Americans was instrumental in making practical knowledge of Japan a thing to be shared by all Americans, and not just a preserve of the scholars and esthetic intellectuals. For the Americans who were there, it was an experience in "total immersion", and this experience has, of course, rubbed off on their families, friends and neighbors after their return to the States.

Though of course the Occupation ended 15 years ago, the Security Treaty between the United States and Japan has ensured a constant rotation of American personnel, both military and civilian, between our two countries. I feel that perhaps, in the long run, one of the most beneficial effects of the Treaty may well turn out to be its role in promoting mutual understanding and trust between our two peoples.

The American heritage has its roots in the mainstream of Western civilization, Greco-Roman or Judeo-Christian, whichever you choose to call it. Even the Indo-Aryan tradition travelled westward. On the other hand, though fragments of Chinese culture did reach America through the West, by and large the vast hinterland of Chinese, and to a lesser extent, Korean, culture—distilled, blended and aged in Japan—has reached America through America's contact with Japan. Even today, American news of current events in Communist China relies a great deal on news sent out by Japanese correspondents!

And this is why the American of Japanese ancestry has

a unique contribution to make to American life.

What is this nebulous, intangible thing called "culture"? What is a "cultural heritage"? My dictionary tells me that the anthropological definition of the term is: "The sum total of the attainments and learned behavior patterns of any specific period, race, or people, regarded as expressing a traditional way of life subject to gradual but continuous modification by succeeding generations."

Japanese culture, then, is "the sum total of the attainments and learned behavior patterns" of the Japanese people. My emphasis is on the word "learned". You cannot just sit back and wait for the heritage to fall in your lap. You have to learn, and in order to learn, you have to expend some effort. Obviously, there are some things that you inherit anyway, without any conscious effort on your own part—the color of your eyes, hair, certain physical and physiological features, certain qualities of mind and brain, even perhaps some manual dexterity.

Artifacts and works of art are solid, concrete evidence of cultural attainments. But to appreciate these attainments, you have to be able to understand the traditions and the frame of mind of the artist who produced them—and the effort to understand is one of the first steps by which you enter into a cultural heritage.

I have often wondered about the particular quality of the Japanese contribution to world culture. Is there anything special that the Japanese have to offer?

It is true that there are certain characteristics which have, through the years, come to be associated with the Japanese—frugality, hard work and love of beauty. Some Japanese scholars, notably Dr. Watsuji, have tried to explain the formation of such traits through the geographical and physical characteristics of the country. For instance, the Japanese have had to cultivate through the centuries the habit of hard work and frugality in order to eke out an existence from the limited area suitable for cultivation. Living close to nature, in a climate blessed with a distinct division into the four seasons, have cultivated a deep appreciation of nature and her beauties. The prevalence of typhoons, earthquakes and other natural calamities has endowed the Japanese character with a certain fortitude in the face of adversity. The Japanese as a rule waste no time in crying over spilt milk.

In some respects, we very much resemble the people of Britain. Someone once described the British as "sitting in coal and surrounded by fish, otherwise ill-provided". The Japanese are perhaps even worse off, because even though they are surrounded by fish, they are sitting, not in coal, but right on top of an earthquake zone! It seems to me quite clear, however, that the similarity in the British and the Japanese characters stems from the fact that we are both island countries, with all the good, and the bad,

points attendant on such insularity.

The fundamental qualities imposed by our natural surroundings combined with the Confucian code of ethics to build up a strong pragmatic approach towards life which has remained the backbone of the Japanese character in spite of conditioning by Buddhist beliefs.

Human Relations

Certainly one of the major contributions of Confucian thought to the Japanese has been its strong emphasis on loyalty in human relations—loyalty to one's self, to one's family and to the country. Confucianism was also responsible for the early realization of the importance of education in Japan. Parents, however humble, however poor, always strove to give their children a better education than they had enjoyed themselves, and many observers of the Japanese scene feel that this emphasis on education is one of the reasons Japan was able to manage the transition from a feudalistic society to a modern, democratic society in such a short period of time.

When I was a member of the United Nations secretariat, at U.N. headquarters in New York, an American colleague once said to me, "Do you know, Yamanaka-san, even though you are a Japanese and I am an American, I feel closer to you than I would to, say, an American farmer from the Deep South? Just as there is a North-South cleavage in the economic standards of the countries of the world, there is a North-South cleavage between the international intellectual community and the non-intellectual community, regardless of race or nationality."

I do not quote this remark from any feelings of intellectual snobishness. Indeed, I have a very realistic view of my own limited capabilities in the intellectual field. But I do have something which I share with my one-time colleague in the United Nations, and that is actual, first-hand, on-the-spot contact with a number of foreign cultures other than my own. And I think that this is important. Now that the world is getting smaller all the time, no country can afford to isolate itself.

Nationalism Outgrown

It seems to be a fact of international life that all developing countries have to pass through a period of intense nationalism. This is true in Africa and also in Southeast Asia. The danger is, of course, that such nationalism, while remaining one of the most effective devices for mobilizing national energy, runs into the great danger of becoming chauvinism. I like to think, as a Japanese, that Japan has outgrown its period of extreme nationalism, and has now reached the point where there is no need to whip up chauvinistic sentiments to maintain her position in the world community.

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By Elmer Ogawa

Northwest Picture

Seafair Parade on Tap

The middle of February is about time to think of the coming summer's activities, and in doing so are we going to have Japanese community participation in Seafair other than Bon Odori? Last summer we had no float. How about this year?

Seafair is under a new directorship this year and many changes are planned to update the festival. Some main features will be on the program however, such as the Gold Cup unlimited hydroplane races and the two major day and night downtown parades. Neighborhood parades will be cut to three instead of six on Seafair week. The communities will participate on alternate years. The Chinese community is included among the three which will put on their big show in 1968.

Last year Queen Diane Tanaka and court were chosen but did not have the benefit of the usual background and the resultant enthusiasm which goes along with float participation. So how will it be this year?

JACL's Participation

JACL sponsored the first couple of three floats, and the sponsors got an appropriate and tasteful credit line right on the float. Not to take a lot of credit for the JACL, it was a community participation undertaking all the way through, but the enterprise and leadership was as described and the net result was an improved image upon the community against the expensive backdrop of Greater Seattle.

As the national JACL convention of 1962 approached, a wheel or two of the local chapter just said: "No float, this year; we're too busy."

There were dissenters however with more of a flair for showmanship and community-wide publicity who could not see losing the momentum gained in these major prize winning contributions to Seafair that had been made.

So after a two hour heated discussion in one board meeting and an hour and half discussion the following meeting in 1962, a new group was formed called the Japanese Community Float Association which went on winning Seafair float prizes to the point of embarrassment. This went on until last summer when it seemed that everyone concerned suddenly got tired. Building a float is an intense time consuming job which

reaches its climax during the final hours when some 35 to 50 volunteers turn out to put on the final decorations.

1965 Surplus

Fund-raising has never been too much of a problem after the first couple years, and practically all the contributions come in without personal solicitation—just a few notices here and there and in the vernacular, and the job is done. There is a surplus from 1965 now.

It seems to us that some of the JACLers who opposed participation during the convention year would now like to see the local Chapter resume its sponsorship. What is needed is the will to abandon the natural shyness attendant to approaching a one-time tenuous subject, that's all.

One very important consideration is that the Seattle chapter has an active young adults group, and some new blood is just what this venture needs.

"Music Around the World" is the theme for this coming Seafair, an inspirational theme to be sure, and in signing off, hope some people in this community can get together to work out an active Greater Seattle participation. We're very confident that the younger folks will be inspired to do a much better job than the tired oldsters, if they will.

Church Bazaar

MARYSVILLE — The Marysville Buddhist Church sukiyaki dinner on Sunday, Mar. 5, from 2-7 p.m. will be handled on a reservation basis only, according to George Yoshimoto, Shurei Matsumoto and Isao Tokunaga, co-chairmen. Tickets are obtainable from:

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By Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

AMERICA'S CONCENTRATION CAMPS — A strange review of Allan R. Bosworth's book, "America's Concentration Camps" (Norton, \$5.95; \$5 to JACL members through JACL headquarters), appears in the Feb. 17 Time Magazine. Time's reviewers, skilled in use of the stiletto, seldom let slip an opportunity to employ it in their evaluation of books, plays, movies and other artistic efforts.

Thus, while reporting accurately on Bosworth's account of the Evacuation, Time's reviewer describes the book as a "strident attack" and an "angry account" that "lacks not only literary grace but balance." The concluding sentence of the review is: "As he fulminates against this lapse of democracy, the author descends to the irrationality that caused it."

It is difficult, of course, not to be indignant about the Evacuation story which Time itself calls "one of the sorriest chapters in the U.S. history." However, it would seem that few Nisei who went through the experience of being herded behind barbed wire for having the wrong kind of ancestors would find Bosworth's account "strident" or lacking in "balance." The facts speak for themselves and they are not pretty.

NISEI VIEWPOINT—Older Nisei, who were deeply and personally involved in the Evacuation and who have read the various accounts of this chapter of history may be stirred to anger all over again, but they will not find much that is startlingly new in Bosworth's book.

One possible exception is Bosworth's evaluation of Col. Karl Bendetsen as one among several staff officers who, under orders, drew up plans for the Evacuation and who, because he may have been the "most expert officer in handling the problem," had his plan adopted. This is in direct contradiction to earlier contentions that Bendetsen was a foremost advocate of mass Evacuation. In fact, Bosworth points out that an official Department of the Army history published in 1964 calls Bendetsen the War Department's "most industrious advocate of mass Evacuation." This, Bosworth says, was "unfair."

Bosworth contends that Gen. John L. DeWitt, charged with defense of the West Coast, under pressure from political and commercial interests and alarmed by "what was happening in the Pacific," wanted the Evacuation. The War Department approved the idea of evacuating all persons of Japanese extraction. Bendetsen came up with a plan of operation, and President Roosevelt issued the order which put it into action.

No doubt this is all true so far as it goes. But in the absence of further evidence to the contrary, it is difficult to ignore the Army's own evaluation of Bendetsen as the devil's advocate in this black chapter.

None of the above, however, should detract from the value of Bosworth's book in informing, and reminding, Americans about something they'd just as soon forget. It is a safe wager that the majority of American never heard of the Evacuation, or if they had, they either know few of the details or in a very human manner, have forgotten them.

DON'T REMIND US—The reaction of Time's reviewer, however, offers a disquieting hint that some Americans — maybe many of them — would just as soon not be reminded. "Sure it's all true," the reviewer seems to be saying, "and it's just too damned bad. We're sorry it happened, but why keep talking about it?"

There are many good reasons for nagging at the national conscience. Unfortunately, as husbands can testify, nagging can be carried to a point of diminishing returns. From this writer's viewpoint, Bosworth is not nagging. But the Time reviewer's reaction makes one pause for thought.

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SALT LAKE BOARD—Group picture of the 1967 Salt Lake JACL board taken at the chapter installation dinner Feb. 8 shows (from left) the following board members and committee chairmen: seated—Mrs. Koko Sutow, treas.; Johnny Tomita, program v.p.; Mildred Toma, rec. sec.; Toshiyuki Kano, pres.;

Mary Sasaki, cor. sec.; standing—Tom Miya, nomin.; George Kimura, movies; Skip Tabata, memb.; Wilford Higashi, pub. serv.; Tom Matsushita, rummage; Jim Mitsunaga, constitution; and Mitsuko Sasaki, recognitions.

—Kimura Studio Photo.

Ore.-Idaho Nisei can win in politics

BY BETTY UDA

CALDWELL, Idaho — Atty. Gen. Allan G. Shepard commented to members of the Boise Valley and Snake River chapters of the Japanese American Citizens League on their achievements and told them they should run for political offices at the group's annual joint installation banquet held recently in the College of Idaho Student Union.

Shepard, speaking on "Politics in Government," addressed the 105 persons in attendance and told them that "politics is only and simply the process by which we in this

country select our government and operate that government."

Speaking on politics, he told the group that although at times "politics can be dirty, it's people like you and me who have let it become dirty" by lack of participation. He said that too often the people will sit back and not take an active part in politics because they are "too busy to become involved." He said politics is left much too often to those ill-equipped to earn a living ... malcontents ... those who have nothing better to do.

The group of citizens of Japanese descent "are very unusual people," Shepard declared. He stated that his knowledge of them in Idaho and Oregon indicates that they "are almost overwhelmingly highly successful in business." He also commented on almost no incidents of juvenile delinquency; no one of Japanese descent in the state penitentiary; low divorce rate and seldom anyone of the Japanese race had been convicted of a crime.

Political Concern

Shepard told the group that "people with so much talent should participate in politics." This, he said, means more than just voting. In his closing

remarks, Shepard urged the group to participate and "go into" politics. He urged them to "be concerned with the precepts and concepts of freedom and liberty and be concerned enough to want to do something about it."

In other banquet activities, new officers of the Snake River and the host chapter, Boise Valley, were sworn into office by John Arima, of Caldwell, and vice governor of the Intermountain District JACL council.

Those participating in the event included Takashi Koyama of Nampa, 1966 Boise Valley chapter president, greeting

Recount denied in Hawaii gubernatorial race

HONOLULU — A suit brought by Randolph Crossley and George H. Mills to force a new election for Governor was dismissed by Circuit Judge Allen R. Hawkins.

Hawkins said that the evidence in the case "established clearly that Gov. John A. Burns and Lt. Gov. Thomas P. Gill hold their respective offices as a result of a valid election."

Crossley, unsuccessful Republican candidate for governor, gave notice of appeal.

24,500 Orientals counted in L.A. city school district, 976 teaching

LOS ANGELES—A racial and ethnic survey taken in the Los Angeles City Schools, mandated by the State Board of Education, revealed that students of Oriental descent make up 3.4 percent of all pupils.

The survey taken last October showed a total of 24,588 Orientals—Chinese, Japanese, and Korean—pupils in L.A. area elementary, junior and senior high and adult education schools.

Distribution of Spanish surname and Negro students is about equal, according to the report. A total of 138,210 Spanish surname students, or 19.2 percent of the population, are attending City schools. Negro

students totaled 149,563, or 20.8 percent.

Largest group tabulated was in the "other white" category with 402,587, or 56 percent. The Chinese, Japanese, and Korean group is fourth largest, followed by the "other non-white" category making up 0.5 percent, and American Indian students, 0.1 percent.

Annual Survey Planned

Categories in which tabulations were made were designated by the State Dept. of Education and issued to local school districts in a directive by State Superintendent Dr. Max Rafferty.

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Nishijin silk drop curtain to grace grand opera hall of JFK Center in D.C.

(Special to the Pacific Citizen) WASHINGTON — Japan presented a huge Nishijin silk drop curtain to the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington in memory of the late President who was very popular among the Japanese and as a symbol of the cultural bonds between Japan and the United States.

Teruo Hachiya, executive director, America-Japan Society of Tokyo, made the presentation at the Japanese Embassy on Feb. 9. Roger L. Stevens, chairman, Kennedy Center Board of Trustees, accepted the gift on behalf of the living memorial honoring the late Chief Executive. Ambassador Ryuzi Takeuchi presided at the brief ceremony.

Japan's gift was made possible by an appropriation of the Japanese Government and contributions from private individuals and industries of Japan which were raised by the America-Japan Society, whose president, Shigeru Yoshida, was the first Prime Minister of Japan after that nation regained its sovereignty in 1952. During the presentation, Hachiya unveiled a 50-inch square sample of the curtain. The curtain itself, valued at more than \$200,000, arrived in Washington a week earlier and will be stored in McLean, Virginia, until the Kennedy Center is completed in about two years.

Gift from Japanese

In part, Hachiya explained, "Although this gift is made in the name of the America-Japan Society, Tokyo, I want to make it clear that in a large sense it is a gift from the Japanese people. Funds were contributed by numerous individual members of America-Japan Societies throughout the country, by corporations and business associations, by members of the Diet, and lastly a major portion came from the national treasury. I cannot convey in words the feeling of affection and respect that the Japanese held for your late President, nor can any gift we might make.

"Nevertheless, just as doncho in a sense completes a Japanese theater, not only in form but in spirit, it is our hope that the Nishijin brocade stage curtain we have made, and which embodies rich traditions in our country, will contribute to the fullness of

the new Kennedy Center and serve also as a symbol of the abiding cultural bonds between our two nations."

Guests at the ceremony viewed a color film of the making of the red and gold silk curtain, which will hang in the main or Grand Opera Hall of the Kennedy Center. The film was provided for the Center by the Nishijin-ori Textile Weavers Guild of Kyoto, fabricators of the curtain and Japan's historic and traditional weavers of the finest in Japanese silk brocades.

Exhibit in Kyoto

The film depicts the story of the curtain from the initial stages of design to the public viewing of the completed curtain at the Kyoto Municipal Museum of Art last spring.

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Doi, Yoshinaga factions fight for Senate control

HONOLULU — The Hawaii Legislature convened last week with Senate leadership still unresolved. The majority Democrats are split into two factions: one led by Senator Nelson Doi of the Island of Hawaii, and the other by Senator Nadoo Yoshinaga of Oahu. In the struggle for organization, the ten-member Republican minority is voting as a bloc.

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News Deadline Tuesday

By Alan Kumamoto

Accent on Youth



STILL LOOKING—We have been receiving Membership Application Forms on a fairly regular basis lately from most of the youth groups. If your Jr. JACL needs membership application forms, please request them immediately. These must be completed and returned to our office before membership cards are issued.

We also are getting constitution ratification forms at a good rate from the various groups. We have received nearly half of the ratification forms for the 41 youth groups that were registered in 1966. Keep them coming!!!

THEY ARE THINKING—As reported last time, a meeting of youth and adults in San Jose to discuss the schedule of the 1968 Biennial National Youth Convention was held on Feb. 4.

For early convention arrivals, activities in San Francisco are being contemplated since the Convention begins in mid-week. Convention dates are set for Aug. 21-24, with the tentative agenda as follows:

Tuesday, Aug. 20—the National Youth Commission and the National Youth Council will meet. This is one day prior to the official agenda.

Wednesday, Aug. 21—the Youth Assembly meets with the adults for the first half of the morning session; a youth luncheon follows; and a separate youth assembly session takes place in the afternoon. Dinner is on your own and in the evening, the Opening Ceremonies and Oratorical Contest finals. A mixer rounds out the first evening.

Thursday, Aug. 22—Committee sessions in the morning, with delegates lunching on their own; the convention Outing in the afternoon.

Friday, Aug. 23—Youth Assembly has another session in the morning, with lunch again on your own. A Joint Session with adults to discuss a mutual topic of concern in the afternoon. In the evening, a Youth Banquet and Dance is to take place.

Saturday, Aug. 24—Youth Assembly gathers for elections during the morning. Luncheon for the new National Youth Council members takes place separately from the delegates who lunch on their own. Following the luncheon, new National Youth Council will meet; and finally the Sayonara Banquet and Ball closes the Convention.

A CHANCE TO MEET—Pacific Southwest District Youth Council (PSWDYC) had a snow trip and an executive board meeting on Feb. 11-12 weekend. It proved to be quite successful despite the late start and many changes since participants had originally intended to stay overnight. Overnights this time were limited to PSWDYC Board and Jr. Chapter Representatives.

While the adults were meeting in Gardena with Ben Kuroki as their luncheon speaker, the youth were combining fun and business in the snow. The youth who stayed overnight had a "jam" session up in a private cabin, at Big Bear Lake. Kats Arimoto, District Youth Commissioner, and his wife served as official chaperones and Kats was kind enough to lead a discussion on leadership. All in all, the overnight affair proved to be successful in that many of the newly elected PSWDYC Jr. Chapter Presidents were able to get to meet each other and get acquainted.

This is not to be a lost and found column, but I am told that a white, shaggy, fur coat; 3/4 length with round black buttons was lost up in the hills; it was last seen in the bedroom closet of the cabin. And somebody else has a wrong sleeping bag, I am told, since someone reports a missing "green bag" with red and green lining. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of either, please contact me. I hope if someone contacts me that he doesn't expect a "reward" and that he is from the PSWDYC and not another DYC.

SCHOLARS LOOK OUT—National JACL Scholarship time is almost here. Announcements concerning scholarship amounts, criteria, and so forth will be made next month.

There is a new procedure to be followed this year by JACL Chapters. Kits are being prepared for the first time for local chapters to follow explaining procedures for '67 scholarships.

Lily Okura, Mountain Plains District Governor, will have the overall responsibility of grouping judges for the final selection of candidates. More on this well ensue.

There was a discussion about the Scholarship Program at the JACL Interim National Board meeting last weekend in San Francisco. There has been some feeling expressed by JACLers that the scholarship amounts should be upgraded. I am sure that in the following months we will be getting feedback as to the scholarship program—should we have more in number; less in number but more in value, or what?

Then too, the National Youth Commission has been charged with the responsibility of establishing a scholarship foundation to raise funds on a similar basis as our JACL Endowment Fund.

NATIONAL BOARD MEETING—The interim board meeting was a 3-day affair, starting on Friday, with a luncheon and continuing through Sunday afternoon. It is interesting to note the changes in composition, which the National Board has undergone during the past few years. The caliber of individuals is always interesting to note, as well as all the items on the agenda which need to be covered.

Although National Director Mas Satow is relieved that the Board Meeting is over after preliminary preparations and the meeting itself is now out of the way, I don't envy the major task which now confronts him in preparing the minutes which must be reproduced and distributed.

While up in the Bay area Friday night, after our National Board evening session closed, Kay Nakagiri, National Youth Commission Chairman, Russell Obana, Jr. JACL National Youth Council Chairman and myself rushed into the city to catch the closing of a San Francisco Jr. JACL meeting. Their guest speaker for the evening was Gene Orro who also spoke at the San Francisco JACL installation, a few weeks past. A San Francisco young adults group headed by some past juniors met jointly with the S.F. Jr. JACL to hear the speech.

Friday also gave us a chance to settle some matters with Nancy Okada. San Francisco Jr. JACL adviser; Roy Omi, who did a magnificent job in designing a National Jr. JACL seal; and with Bill Nagata, former Interim Youth Council Treasurer, who is now "schooling" in San Francisco.

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Hollywood plans Blooming banquet for Issei parents

BY BARBARA ENDO

LOS ANGELES—Guided by newly-elected president, Mrs. Muriel L. Merrell, the Hollywood JACL executive board held its first meeting of the year to announce chairman appointments and plan the '67 calendar this past week.

Initial event on the chapter's activity-laden schedule is a banquet honoring Issei parents and members to take place March 19. Themed "Blooming Banquet," the affair is chaired by Amy Ishii.

Near future holds a chartered bus trip; a "concert" spotlighting talented members; and the second annual Graduation Gala hosted by the chapter's junior group.

Also projected on the organization's calendar are a "sealed envelope" visit to a prominent artist's studio; an exhibition of members' hobbies, arts and crafts; ballroom dance competition open to all Pacific Southwest District Council members; a small-fry Christmas party; and various cultural activities. These events are proposed in addition to the chapter's annual functions and projects.

Chairmen appointed to the Hollywood JACL executive board are:

Seiko Ishimura, athletics; (Nisei Relay); the Rev. George Aki, Hon. John F. Aiso, Frank Chuman, Manuel K. Inadomi, Arthur Ito, James Kasahara, Alan Kumamoto, Mrs. Merrell and Mrs. M. I. Watanabe, Friendship Fund; Fred Taomae, hist.; Mrs. Seiko Hattori and Dorothy Katsano, hospitality; Ellen Endo, human relations; Mrs. Masaru Suyeishi and Mrs. Merrell, cultural heritage; Chuman, legal adviser; Paul Chinn, medical group insurance; Mrs. James Kasahara, membership; Amy Ishii and Pat Kasahara, newsletters; Barbara Endo, sub.; Mrs. Mary Saito, Nisei Week queen candidate committee; Frank Kumamoto, programs and activities; Danar Abe, Art. II; Charles Kamayatsu, a. n. d. K. Saito, recognition; Mrs. June Taomae, telephone committee; Kamayatsu, 1000 Club; and Ted Tsukahara, young adults.

Junior JACL activities will be directed by Joan Kitada, newly-elected president, and Marilyn Hamano, immediate past president. Adult advisers are James Kasahara, Mrs. M. I. Watanabe and Mrs. June Taomae.

Chapter Call Board

North San Diego JACL

Food Bazaar: North San Diego Jr. JACL will stage a food bazaar this Saturday, Feb. 25, 6 p.m., at the Vista Gakuen, according to Tom Imaizumi Jr., youth president.

Sequoia JACL

Best Yet Coming: The Sequoia JACL will hold its annual Oriental potluck dinner on Saturday, March 4, 6:30 p.m., at the Palo Alto Buddhist Church. This is one event that many people look forward to. Co-chairmen Taz Kuwano and Edes Enomoto are working diligently to entice a "bigger than ever" turnout. Entertainment surprises are planned for the evening and basketball awards to the various girls and boys teams will be presented.

Members will be contacted by phone as to what dishes they are to bring. However, if no contact is made, an Oriental dish enough for your family plus five will be sufficient.

CALENDAR

Feb. 25 (Saturday)
North San Diego Jr. JACL food bazaar, Vista Gakuen, 6 p.m.
Mile-Hi—Memb. Mtg. Tri-State Buddhist Church, 7:30 p.m.
Cincinnati—Potluck supper, 1st United Church on Walnut Hill, 6 p.m.
Mt. Olympus—Issei Appreciation Night, Salt Lake Buddhist Church.
New York—Installation dinner, Park 100 Restaurant, 6 p.m.; Capt. Allan Bosworth, spkr. "America's Concentration Camps".

Feb. 26 (Sunday)
PNWDC—Quarterly session; Puyallup Valley JACL hosts Meeker's Landing, Kent; business, 9:30 a.m.; human relations seminar, 1:30 p.m.
Stockton—Installation dinner, Rizzo's Restaurant, 6 p.m.
Hollywood—Debana, Flower View Gardens, 2 p.m.
Feb. 28 (Tuesday)
Seattle—Human Relations Mtg. Jackson St. Community Council Office, 8 p.m.
Chicago—JACL Mtg. West Los Angeles—Earth Sci Mtg. Culver Rock and Mineral Club, 8 p.m.
Mar. 4 (Saturday)
Seabrook—Chow Mein benefit, Seabrook School North Cafeteria.
Mar. 4 (Saturday)
Alto Buddhist Church, 6:30 p.m.
Idaho Falls—Winter Carnival, National Guard Armory.
Mar. 11 (Saturday)
Los Angeles—Natl. JACL Bowling Tournament, Holiday Bowl; Hq.—Airport Marina Hotel.
Mar. 11 (Saturday)
Philadelphia—Installation dinner-dance.
Sacramento—Camellia Day parade.
Fresno—New Members potluck.
Mar. 12 (Sunday)
San Jose—Jr. JACL "Shmoo" Cultural show, Buddhist Church, 1:30 p.m.
Mar. 15 (Wednesday)
Seattle—Ed Mtg. JACL Office, 8 p.m.
Mar. 17 (Friday)
Hollywood—Debana, Flower View Gardens, 2 p.m.
Mar. 18—19
West Los Angeles—Earth Sci field trip, Owlhead Mountains and Toilet Mines.
Mar. 19 (Sunday)
San Diego—Jr. JACL bowling, University Lanes.
Hollywood—Debana, Flower View Gardens, 2 p.m.

Stockton JACL, Jr. JACL Aux. to fete officers

STOCKTON—Mrs. Yone Nakashima is the 1967 president of the Stockton JACL Auxiliary, which will join the Stockton JACL in the installation ceremonies Feb. 26 at Rizzo's Restaurant.

George Y. Matsumoto is the incoming chapter president and Aeko Yoshikawa is Jr. JACL president.

1000 Club Notes

Feb. 15 Report: A total of 105 new and renewing memberships in the 1000 Club has been acknowledged for the first half of February by National JACL Headquarters as follows:

19th Year: Gardena Valley—Hideo Satow.

18th Year: New York—Thomas T. Hayashi.

17th Year: Santa Barbara—Dr. Yoshio Nakaji.

16th Year: Berkeley—Masumi Fujii; Idaho Falls—Charles Hirai.

15th Year: Chicago—Arthur Morimoto; Seattle—Kay Yamaguchi.

14th Year: Portland—Dr. Matthew Masuko; Pocatello—William Y. Yamaguchi.

13th Year: Sacramento—Jerry Enomoto; San Diego—Dr. Shigeru Hara, Paul Hoshi, Hiromi Nakamura; Rexburg—Fuji T. Kikida; Tommy Miyasaka; San Francisco—Dirk Hunt; East Los Angeles—Ritsuko Kawakami; Monterey Peninsula—Hosito Yamamoto; Seattle—Mrs. Sue Omori; Placer County—Tom Yego, Jr.; Gardena Valley—Frank Yonemura.

12th Year: Delano—Paul H. Kawasaki; Gardena Valley—Mrs. Fumi Satow; Downtown L.A.—Teru Shimada.

11th Year: Chicago—Miki Hayano; San Diego—Dr. Masato Morimoto; Aliso Viejo—Miyasaka; Cincinnati—Yoshio Shimizu, Ben T. Yamaguchi.

10th Year: Milwaukee—Robert Dewa; Detroit—Arthur A. Matsumura; Sanger—Kichi Tanaka.

9th Year: San Diego—Mrs. Osamu Asakawa; Chicago—Samuel Himoto; Snake River—Hiro Kida; Sanger—Tom Miyasaka; Idaho Falls—Sam S. Sakaguchi; Seattle—Dr. Terrence M. Tada; Gardena Valley—Dr. Masashi Uchi.

8th Year: St. Louis—James I. Hayashi; Boise Valley—Tony Miyasaka; Stockton—George J. Nakashima; Portland—Hiroshi R. Sumida.

7th Year: Chicago—Ted K. Kometsani; George T. Okita.

6th Year: Stockton—Dr. Kenneth Fujii; Dr. John Morozumi; Marysville—George F. Kearby; Mile-Hi—Dr. Bob T. Mayeda; Arizona—Roy S. Moruchi; Milwaukee—Roy A. Maki; Placer County—George Nishikawa; Chicago—Yoshio Yamada; Gardena Valley—Dr. Stanley H. Yanase; County—Tadashi Yego; Bakersfield—Dr. Toshio Yumibe.

5th Year: Chicago—Henry Chinn; Portland—Dr. Toshio Inahara; Mile-Hi—William K. reiki; Mt. Olympus—Dr. Dan Oniki; Alameda—Minoru Yonekura.

4th Year: Mid-Columbia—Masami Asami; Puyallup Valley—Mrs. Amy E. Hashimoto; Contra Costa—James Kimoto; Dayton—Ken Sugawara.

3rd Year: Cleveland—Richard Fujii; Rexburg—Kazuo Hikiida; Puyallup Valley—Theodore P. Jacques; Stockton—Tetsuo Kato; George Y. Matsumoto, Dr. Tetsuo Kato.

2nd Year: St. Louis—Dr. Masashi Kawasaki; Sam N. Nakamura; San Francisco—Jack K. Kunitser; Orange County—Dr. Kunitser; March 1—Mile-Hi—Dr. Ben Miyahara; San Fernando Valley—Dr. Tom T. Nagatani; Gardena Valley—Wilbur I. Sato.

1st Year: Seattle—Mrs. S. Akizawa; Milwaukee—Toshio L. Arakawa; Paul H. Kusuda; Arizona—H. T. Dowd, Dr. Richard K. Matsushima; Berkeley—Roy Kurahara; Akira Nakamura; D.C.—Dr. Roger K. Kuwahara; San Fernando Valley—Minoru S. Yamanaka; Gardena Valley—Henry M. Nagahori; Delano—Saburo Okino; Mt. Olympus—Mrs. Helen Oniki; Arizona—R. J. Sanders.

Seabrook JACL chow mein dinner to benefit school

BY ELLEN NAKAMURA

SEABROOK, N.J.—The Seabrook JACL will go all-out to make their annual chow mein dinner slated for Saturday, March 4 at the Seabrook School North cafeteria one of the most colorful as well as successful, according to Chapter President Masaaki Ooka.

Proceeds from the dinner, the fifth to be held in the new cafeteria, will enable the chapter to complete the \$1,000 Seabrook school ground beautification program started five years ago. Several scholarships as well as other projects will also benefit from the proceeds.

The traditional event which annually attracts 1,000 persons will be co-chaired by Tom Murakami, Jim Taniguchi and Mike Minato. Treasurer Helen Kobayashi and Ooka will head the finance committee while James K. Yamasaki is in charge of ticket sales.

Featured as a counterpart will be the art exhibit to be held in an adjacent room. This year's exhibit, headed by Henry Kato, Matsugoro Yoshida and Mrs. Iddy Asada, will carry the 25th anniversary of the Evacuation as the theme.

Supervising the dining room detail and acting as hostesses are Mmes. Josie Ikeda, Mary Nagao and Taisuyo Hamlyn. Members of the Seabrook Jr. JACL and chapter-sponsored Boy Scout Troop 47 will also help at the dinner.

JFK Center -

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The design of the curtain described as "springing flowers," symbolic of progress, to capture the New Frontier Spirit of President Kennedy, was conceived by a Mr. Shimura of Kyoto. Directing the entire project for Nishijin was "master weaver" Sasaki.

Among the 25 guests present were four members of the Washington, D.C. JACL Chapter: Mike Masaoka, vice president and chairman of the Executive Committee, and H. William Tanaka, secretary of the Japan-America Society of Washington, Frank Baba, director of the Japan section, Voice of America, and Yukio Kawamoto, of the Education and Cultural Bureau of the State Department.

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Leadership makes organization thrive, speaker tells No. San Diego JACLers

OCEANSIDE—George Nagata was installed as president of the North San Diego JACL at a banquet held Feb. 4 at the Marty's Valley Inn here. Henry Kanegae, nat'l 3rd v.p., administered the oath of office to the 1967 officers.

Dean James Soules, director of vocational education at Palomar College, delivered the principal address on the subject of Leadership: What Makes an Organization Prosper.

Soules described the various forms of leadership and illustrated how they are applied, drawing upon his wide personal experiences. Soules was also a teacher in an underprivileged area, evaluated the Watts area for the state and is leader in the Greek American community.

Yohio Ohtsuki, Japanese student at Palomar College, entertained with a native dance. Tom Nomura was toastmaster and general chairman of the installation dinner. Guests included Jeffrey Matsui, associate national director, and Clarence Nishizu of Orange County JACL, who helped organize the North San Diego JACL.

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Ye Editor's Desk

JACL AND POLITICS

As expected, JACL and politics elicited the most heated discussion on the opening day of the National JACL interim board meeting in San Francisco. None of the passion or emotions that is usually associated with politics, sex or religion was missing.

But what we expected—guidelines for National JACL officers and staff in matters of politics — were not delineated for sake of what we felt would have been the "major story of the week." Instead, the Planning Commission has been asked to submit recommendations in view of the dialogue.

The discussion began with Dr. Tom Taketa of San Jose summarizing the NC-WNDC workshop on the subject. The consensus of that Feb. 5 session suggested JACL is involved with issues and political they are and that JACL is therefore enmeshed in politics — on the basis of issues rather than partisan stances. Tom Shimasaki, nat'l. 1st v.p., expressed the same idea lucidly in "By the Board" (see Feb. 10 PC).

Dr. Taketa further reported it was the consensus that when views are tied with individuals (like Tuition and Reagan, Prop. 14 and Brown) at the same time, it can't be helped.

But the workshop delegates were strongly opposed to JACL officials endorsing candidates. At least the association of the endorser should be withheld in campaign material and stories.

Shimasaki, after listening to the discussion, tried to summarize what had been offered:

1—JACL officers and staff have a right to express their political views and those who have column space in the Pacific Citizen, JACL's official publication, should reserve their opinions or endorsements in the PC Letterbox.

2—Use of chapter listings for political fund-raising should be barred.

3—Endorsement of individuals are permissible by JACL officials so long as the JACL title or office is not mentioned.

JACL, through the PC and at meetings, might be allowed to bring up both side of the issues when the Japanese American community is strongly divided. This was a proposal of Hiro Kusakai of Fresno, immediate past CCDC governor.

Mike Masaoka, Washington representative, who has expressed in most careful terms why certain congressmen are mentioned in the Washington Newsletter, reminded the board of the strong political atmosphere in which he lives. Whatever guidelines that are ultimately provided, he asked, should consider the constant political throb in the Nation's Capital in contrast to the cyclical nature of state and local politics.

Russ Obana, Jr. JACL chairman, and Jeffrey Matsui, associate national director — two newcomers to the board—reported on the views of non-members who see JACL as "wishy-washy" in matters political, suggesting that JACL membership as currently constituted is killing off the organization itself. Those legislative issues which gave JACL its growth have been concluded; thus JACL with its network of chapters is in the envious position of providing further leadership in matters not strictly Japanese American, they pointed out.

So, JACL officials and the PC must continue to play this matter of JACL and partisan politics by ear as in the past. If the Planning Commission evolves a guideline before the 1968 San Jose convention, it will be expected that it be followed.

As one who has always regarded partisan politics of "ins" vs. "outs," for the basic yearning of all those in politics is to do what he feels is the best for the nation, I sense that JACL elections for national offices might tend in that direction: getting JACL involved or not involved in political issues. That was the gist of Jerry Enomoto's parting comments on the subject as the supper bell rang.

ATTITUDES FOR THE FUTURE

The League of Women Voters, which began as an educational movement, has been offered as an example of how JACL might act in the field of political education. We are not too familiar with its operations to recommend whether JACL should follow but in recent years, it has lost its nonprofit tax status, presumably for engaging in political activity. The League of Women Voters, while it does not endorse candidates, has taken stands on various issues and propositions on the ballot.

Too many in JACL value its nonprofit status to jeopardize that position. It is this privilege that beckons a careful study of JACL and partisan politics.

The Planning Commission, which is studying this question, has an enormous task of reviewing other fraternal or educational groups to ascertain how they manage to retain or surrender their nonprofit posture in the light of partisan politics. Whatever assistance our readers can volunteer in this respect will be appreciated. They should write to Kaz Horita, JACL Planning Commission chairman, 2014 Byrd Dr., Norristown, Pa. 19401.

Letters from Our Readers

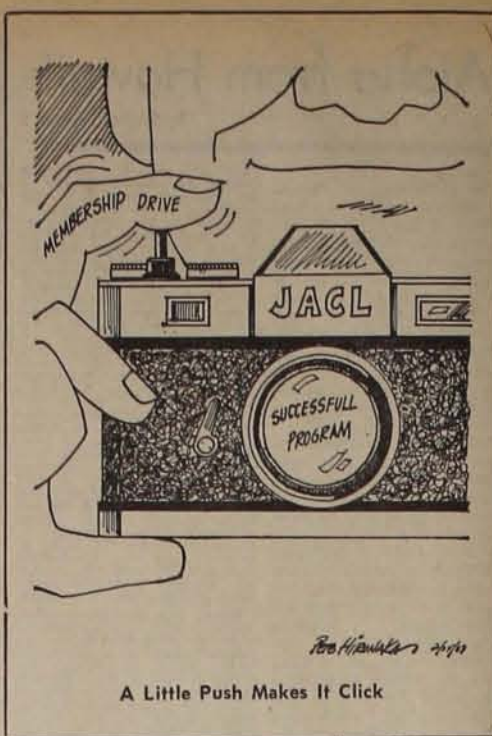
JACL AND POLITICS

Dear Editor:
Hooray for Dr. Clifford Uye-da's letter—I couldn't agree with him more!
In supplement to Dr. Uye-da's letter, I suggest renaming JACL to "The Democrat's Japanese American Citizens League".

By the actions of JACL and its President, you wouldn't think there was a Republican

in the organization. Oh yes, I believe there must be some Republicans—according to Jerry Enomoto's column a few weeks ago he mentioned a "Sensible Republican" in his cabinet. I presume a "Sensible Republican" as being one who is in agreement with Mr. Enomoto's views.)

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A Little Push Makes It Click

Episodes of Evacuation:

No Butchers Edict

BY BERRY SUZUKIDA
Chicago, Ill.

Time—1943
Place—Granada Relocation Center, Colo.
Setting—A Nation at War
Professional hatemongers continued to agitate against the Japanese even after we had entered the relocation centers. Newspapers spread ugly rumors that the "Japs" were being pampered, dining on thick juicy steaks while Americans were severely rationed. These bigots worked overtime to create an image of evacuees "living it up" in country club surroundings provided for them by an indulgent Uncle Sam.

Nothing could have been further from the truth. The palatial housing furnished us were tarpaper barracks usually in the middle of nowhere. The 640 acres of Camp Granada cost the government a mere \$250 to acquire. Until the evacuees came, this was sagebrush country inhabited only by jack rabbits, coyotes, skunks, and rattlers. And our gourmet appetites were satisfied by the War Relocation Authority's food budget of 31 cents per evacuee per day. At 10 cents a meal, juicy steak dinners were out. Rice, macaroni, beans, potatoes were the mainstay of our diet. And do I remember parsnips and rutabaga? Ugh, how often we had them.

Farms Established

Our bill-of-fare improved greatly after the WRA established center farms. Our home grown tomatoes, lettuce, celery, corn, watermelon and cantaloupes were out of this world.

Never before in this south-east region of Colorado (the Arkansas Valley) were seen such quality and varieties of produce—thanks to the hard labor and expertise of the evacuees from Merced Assembly Center, Poultry, pig and

cattle ranches were also started.

Speaking of meat, a major crisis occurred in the early months at Camp Granada. Project Director James Lindley asked for evacuee butchers to slaughter the animals needed to supply our mess halls.

The Japanese did not respond to this call. Back in the old country, only the low caste "Eta" engaged in butchering and handling meat products. This centuries old Buddhist aversion to killing presented an almost insurmountable problem.

It was like asking devout Hindus to exterminate their sacred cows. No one dared take on the job, fearing complete loss of status and face.

But Mr. Lindley did not falter. Like Captain John Smith of old who declared: "He who does not work, neither shall he eat." Director Lindley issued a flat ultimatum—"No butchers, no meat, period."

20 Respond

Because their food supply was in jeopardy, the evacuees hurriedly held block meetings. After much head shaking and soul searching, 20 brave men stepped forward to offer their services. The crisis at Camp Granada was over.

In the privacy of their barracks, a few snide individuals questioned the social origins of these volunteers, gesturing with four bent fingers representing "4 legged creatures," a contemptuous reference to the "Eta" or "Cholemba" as they are sometimes called.

Yet these Brahmans enjoyed their share of meat processed by the very people they chose to look down upon.

It takes all kinds to make a world, even that barb-wired world of 6,000 evacuees at Camp Granada in 1943 where there were too many Brahmans and not enough Untouchables.

School Survey —

(Continued from page 3)

The survey of all pupils and employees, first to be conducted annually in all schools throughout the state, was initiated to provide the State Commission on Equal Educational Opportunities in Education, as well as the State Department of Education, with information to help them determine compliance with state law, policies and regulations. A second phase of the survey concerned with teachers and administrators disclosed that Oriental teachers in the Unified District make up the third largest group. A total of 976 instructive are in the Chinese, Japanese, and Korean category representing 37 percent.

Approximately 3,700 Negro teachers are employed in L.A. schools, while 708 are included in the "Spanish surname" group. "Other white" teachers totaled 21,178.

Among principals and vice-principals surveyed, 89 were Negro; 18 had Spanish surnames; and 9 were Oriental.

Two-Thirds Negro

Citywide elementary school enrollments showed approximately two-thirds of the 431 grammar schools with Negro students. Distribution of Spanish-surname pupils throughout the district is even more widespread, with only one reporting the complete absence of pupils in this category. That school was 12th St. Elementary School, which reported an all-Negro population of 1,046 pupils.

Another reflection of neighborhood residential patterns revealed by the report showed one elementary school, sur-

rounded by schools with heavy Negro enrollment—Coliseum St. School—having an almost all-Oriental student population. Enrollments for the school included 450 Oriental pupils, 48 "other white," four Spanish surname and 89 Negro.

Greatest concentration of Oriental elementary students was found in the Harbor area, reporting 3,452. A total of 110 teach in these schools, but none serve as administrators.

The smallest percentage of Chinese, Japanese, and Korean pupils was reported in the West San Fernando Valley area, where there are 346 students and 15 teachers of Oriental descent, and no administrators.

Oriental Concentrations

Among junior highs, Peary had the most Oriental pupils, 678; followed by Audubon, 488. Neighboring high schools to Peary and Audubon Junior High also showed large Oriental concentrations. Gardena has 662 in this category, and Dorsey has 614.

Belvedere, Foshay, Hollenbeck and Virgil junior high schools, and Lincoln and Wilson high schools have the most Oriental instructors, with 10 each.

Results of the survey have been transmitted to the State Dept. of Education as required by Dr. Rafferty's directive, it was announced by Superintendent of Schools Dr. Jack P. Crowther.

The results have been published in a 104-page booklet available for distribution to the general public at a cost of \$1 by writing to Los Angeles City Schools, Administrative Services branch, P.O. Box 3307, Los Angeles, Calif. 90054.

East Wind: Bill Marutani

Little Sheba

Philadelphia

Through the kind thoughtfulness of yet unidentified benefactors, I am the happy recipient of a number of chapter publications including the "D.C. News Notes" (Washington, D.C.), "Borderline" (San Diego), the Portland Chapter's publication (the title of which slips my mind for the moment but whose editor was long Rev. Walichi Oyanagi), as well as the Downtown L.A.'s breezy newsletter — this last one thanks to "Padre" Clement. I leisurely read each and all these publications, with pleasure.

"MARU" ROUND?

I mention some of these because there are some fine talents hidden among those who write for these publications. For example, there's a fellow—"hakujin" I assume since he goes by the handle "Don Estes"—who writes a column for the Borderline. Estes not only has a charming style but also dwells on enchantingly erudite subjects such as Japanese festivals, customs and "Nihongo" etymology. His latest column was on the derivation of the suffix "maru" which appears on the names of Japanese ships — a point which many of my acquaintances have confronted me with since my family name hinges in part on that "kanji" character.

Now just where this "hakujin" fellow, who obviously knows his stuff, acquired his intimate knowledge of things Japanese, I've been long curious to know. But, anyway, I suggest his writings are too good to be rationed only to the fortunate San Diego folks and the Pacific Citizen editor should consider distributing this bit of gold to the P.C.'s 60,000 some readers.

CAPITAL STRIPES

The P.C. editor has already shown excellent discernment in picking up and publishing several of the columns by one who identifies herself (perhaps "himself" but I'll put my money on the former) as "Zebra" in the "D.C. News Notes." Zebra has an unbridled, airy, quixotic touch in handling topics in a most delightful tongue-in-cheek manner. Often I put the "News Notes" down wondering whether Zebra wasn't poking some serious fun at some foible of the Nisei, JACL, society in general, etc. I once tried to pump Mike Masaoka for the identity of this self-abnegating writer. Uncharacteristic of Mike, I received only a wry, knowing smile.

FROM THE FIRE

Speaking of Mike, his column "Washington Newsletter" which appears in this weekly publication, is, notwithstanding its often foreboding length, full of keen insights and intimate details of considerable interest. While I've at times kidded Mike about the length of his columns, I'll have to grudgingly admit that I read it regularly mostly because it contains a wealth of information which, to the extent of my reading of numerous other newspapers and magazines, I can find nowhere. If any of you readers have shied away from the "Washington Newsletter" column, I sincerely suggest you give it a try for several issues and you'll know what I mean. (After all, you don't learn anything from the "East Wind" windbag.)

INTO THE FRYING PAN

Whenever writer Bill Hosokawa makes his contributions, I'm right there in the "Frying Pan" with him, having followed the growth and development of his family, perhaps much as I used to do with Skeezix in "Gasoline Alley." (By the way, is that comic strip still around? I haven't seen it in ages). My hat's off to Bill for being able to keep it up regularly lo' these many years.

SHEBA, WHERE ARE YOU?

A couple of writers that I miss include Dick Akagi and his sharp needle which he innocuously sugar-coated as "East O' the River." He's been out of these pages much too long and we ought to try (again) to lure him back, whatever it takes. The other writer that I miss is Saburo Kido since he sold his "Shin Nichibei" of which I was a regular subscriber for many years. I've missed his "Observation" column with its unaffected, matter-of-fact style of writing. Come back, little Sheba. Come back.

Human Relations: by Phil Hayasaka

NAIRO Chapter

Seattle

Just about a year ago, a small group of persons interested in intergroup relations, met together to discuss possibilities of forming a Northwest Chapter of NAIRO (National Association of Intergroup Relations Officials).

NAIRO is the professional association of those individuals who work in professional capacities, and those who serve on the boards and commissions of governmental or private agencies, organizations or institutions in the field of civil rights, civil liberties, intercultural education, community relations and intergroup relations. NAIRO was founded in 1947 and accepted the responsibility of advancing intergroup relations practice and furthering acceptance of goals and principles of intergroup relations work.

It has 22 chapters throughout the United States and has been recognized by such prominent persons as President John F. Kennedy. Represented on the National Board of Directors from this area are Al Cowles, Executive Secretary, Washington State Board Against Discrimination and myself.

Since that initial meeting of last year, the Northwest Chapter became chartered, grew in number of members, sponsored conferences and at the last annual conference of NAIRO held in Los Angeles in November, it was lauded as the outstanding chapter in the national organization.

Active Calendar

Not to be content on past laurels, the Northwest Chapter has planned an active year for 1967. At its general meet-

ing in Portland last month, chapter chairman Al Cowles outlined a busy year, as recommended by the executive committee composed of himself; vice chairman Russ Peyton, director, Portland Human Rights Commission; secretary-treasurer, Bob Williamson, representative, Washington State Board Against Discrimination, and executive committee members, Ken Roberts, personnel assistant, regional post office; Mark Smith, administrator, civil rights division, Oregon State Bureau of Labor; John Holley, Portland Urban League; and myself.

The program for 1967 began with Fred Routh, national NAIRO executive director, addressing the January meeting. It will continue in February with a program on law enforcement and community relations with Police Chief Frank Ramon, Keith Jones, administrative assistant to Portland mayor; Ed Pratt, director, Seattle Urban League; and Sey Kaplan, director, Anti-Defamation League participating in March, a program on urban inter minority relations; in April, a program on employment; in May, a program on housing; in June, a regional conference in Vancouver, B.C.; in September, a youth conference on human rights; in October, a program on education; in November, a general membership meeting; and in December, the presentation of a human rights award.

The meetings are held alternately between Seattle and Portland and are open to all interested persons. NAIRO membership also is open to anyone interested in the purposes of the organization.

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