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Jerry Enomoto  
Nat'l President

### TERMS DEFINED

I like to think that good advice, whether "free" (as a former fellow inmate at Euclid Hall puts it last week) or not, is worth heeding. I am also grateful for the obvious interest and concern that compelled Steve to write. It certainly is not with disrespect then, that I will add the thought that bad advice is bad advice, whether it's free or not.

At the risk of being trite, perhaps we are getting bogged down in the proverbial semantic misunderstandings that prevent clear communication. I contend that JACL is a "nonpartisan" organization. As such, it does not endorse political candidates nor engage in partisan politics.

Webster defines "political" in several ways, of which two are contrasting enough to be interesting. "Of or pertaining to politics, or the conduct of government," and "of or pertaining to politicians in their partisan activities." Webster further defines "politics" as "the science and art of government." Partisan, used as an adjective, is defined as "adherent to a party or faction, especially unreasonably."

It was because JACL had faith in the democratic conduct of government in this country, that it utilized the legislatures (composed of politicians) and the courts to gain meaningful victories for the welfare of Japanese Americans, as first class citizens. Any organization like JACL that expects to get anywhere in the 20th Century, whether its vision is narrow or broad, must be political (per Webster's first definition) and must be knowledgeable in politics, "the science and art of government." In this sense, JACL is a political organization. It is not a partisan political organization, and there is a world of difference here.

JACL is not Democratic or Republican, and so the issue is academic, but I think there is right now every indication that the two party system is reflected in JACL membership ranks, as it is in the wider community.

### PARTISAN?

Much has been said about the NC-WNDC resolution opposing tuition at UC and State colleges. The "tradition," of which the resolution speaks, refers to the concept of tuition free public education that has always governed California. As such it has been the "law" as far as admission requirements at public institutions of higher learning are concerned. The statement about tuition being "detrimental to the future and well being of future California students, including those of Japanese ancestry," seems to be shared by many educators and, moreover, by many students. Students, incidentally, who are neither on LSD kicks nor in "tree love" movements.

If the tuition bit had been proposed by a Democratic administration, I would oppose it just as vigorously. The resolution expresses more than "championship of free education," which is a masterpiece of oversimplification. The NC-WNDC resolution reads as follows:

### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, our Japanese culture regards education as the hallmark of man, and

WHEREAS, it was the determination and foresight of Issei parents to encourage their Nisei children to acquire education to the highest level attainable, and

WHEREAS, it would have been more difficult if not impossible for students to pursue educational goals were it not the tuition free concept of higher public education, and

WHEREAS, it was this high level of education that enabled the Nisei to achieve their preeminent position in society today, and

WHEREAS, the State of California has by tradition and by law not required tuition in any of its public schools, and

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**SEATTLE TODAY** — A recent fire and razing of some old landmarks right in the center of Seattle's Main Street Nipponmachi, has created a situation which a bit of enterprise can build a modern business center and tourist attraction. It would restore and modernize a community center for which there

was little enthusiasm, after the population changes in the onetime Nipponmachi during World War II. With a nucleus of five restaurants and other Japanese businesses, there is a great incentive for a lucrative rebuilding job in this area.

—Elmer Ogawa Photo.

## Nipponmachi Renewal

BY ELMER OGAWA

Seattle  
The block of Main Street between Fifth and Sixth Avenues used to be considered the hub of Seattle's prewar Nipponmachi.

During War II the buildings and apartment houses were taken over almost 100 percent by newly arrived Negro families, and from that day to this the neighborhood has taken on a new face.

Early in the winter, the latest of a succession of minor fires nearly totally destroyed the Dimond Hotel, originally the Oriental Trading Co. building and the Belmont Hotel fronting on Main Street. The latter building was the home of the Maruman restaurant, popular second floor restaurant of the 20s and 30s. Opposite end of the building was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Fujii's Gyokken Cafe, popular spot for athletic club banquets and wedding receptions for over 50 years. Maruman was converted to small apartments during the war, so they never came back. Gyokken reopened at street level after the evacuation, but the Fujii's passed from the scene few years before the destructive fire.

Made homeless were the Nakashima's coffee shop, Mr. Uyeno's business opportunity and employment office, a barber shop, John Aramaki's market and Main Shokudo which has since relocated at the corner of Sixth and Main.

### Community Renewal

But to get to the point: Here is the chance to build a brand new modern up-to-date Nippon Machi, with fewer of the handicaps that popped up when a plan for community

renewal was tentatively offered several years ago.

A few steps from the intersection pictured above is the office and plant of the North American Post, and on Main Street to the left of the picture is Uwajimaya, modernized supermarket featuring all varieties of Japanese foods.

To emphasize the potential for building in this area, the corner to the right of the picture, as long as I can remember (about 1910), belongs to the U.P. Railroad, which was once going to build a tunnel under the city at that point but never did. The old frame building of about 1890 vintage at right should come down, and a pool hall and fish market are about all we remember seeing in that half block recently. The remaining tenants on the ground floor of the brick building in center of picture are a Japanese restaurant (Tenkatsu), Bain Chiba's Main Drug, and Sagamiya, Mr. Shibata's confectionery which has been there since we were so high.

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## JAPAN DOES BEST JOB TEACHING MATHEMATICS, U.S. RANKS 8TH

CHICAGO — Japan does the best overall job in teaching mathematics, the International Project for the Evaluation of Education Achievement—first such body of its kind—announced here Monday after surveying some 433,000 students in 12 nations during the past five years.

The American public schools are among the least effective in teaching mathematics, the survey showed.

Among the 13-year-olds tested, 76 pct. of Japanese students scored in the upper half of the test scale and 31 pct. were in the upper one-tenth of that scale. Only 43 pct. of American 13-year-olds scored in the upper half and only 4 pct. in the upper one-tenth.

U.S. students ranked eighth among 10 nations studied, slightly ahead of Sweden and Finland but far behind Japan, Belgium and the Netherlands, and slightly behind Australia, Scotland, England and France.

Findings are to be published in two volumes coming out Mar. 31.

Study also showed that social background of students and intellectual achievements of their parents are not strong factors, that time spent in teaching and in homework had little to do with total achievement, and that students who take the new math did uniformly better in all categories than who did not.

Benjamin S. Bloom, professor of education at the Univ. of Chicago, a member of the IEA project, suggested a major American study of Japanese teaching methods and learning incentives.

The next IEA project will survey 500,000 elementary and secondary students in 20 nations in subjects such as biology, chemistry, physics, reading comprehension, literature, foreign languages and citizenship education.

## D.C. installation oratory placed in the Congressional Record

(Special to the Pacific Citizen)

WASHINGTON — Because he was impressed with the two main addresses of the 21st annual Installation Dinner-Dance of the Washington, D.C. Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League last Jan. 28, Congressman Spark M. Matsunaga (D., Hawaii) had them "extended" into the Congressional Record for the interest and information of his colleagues, the members of the United States Congress.

The senior representative from Hawaii, himself a member of JACL's 1000 Club, lauded the speeches of Japanese Embassy Counselor Shun-ichi Yamanaka and Retired Army General Charles A. Willoughby, former Chief of Staff for Intelligence for Supreme Commander of the Allies in the Pacific, while also noting that Kaz Oshiki and Miss Anne Fukutome had been installed as board chairman and Jr. JACL president, respectively, of the Chapter in the nation's capital.

In describing the principal address by Japanese diplomat Yamanaka to his congressional colleagues (which was reprinted in full in last week's Pacific Citizen as a Special Report), Congressman Matsunaga declared,

"It was a time of renewed pride for us who are of Japanese ancestry as we listened to the splendid address of Counselor Yamanaka on the subject, 'Cultural Heritage of the Nisei'. Speaking on the various aspects of the flow of Japanese culture to the United States, the Oxford-educated Counselor commented that, ironically, the greatest occasion for renewed interest in the culture of Japan came through the American military occupation of Japan after World War II.

"Many thousands of Ameri-

can GIs, with scant knowledge about Japan, were immersed in the midst of the Japanese way of life and gained a practical knowledge of Japan, its people and its culture, to be shared with fellow Americans upon their return to the States.

"The Counselor pointed out that although the occupation of Japan ended 45 years ago, the Security Treaty between Japan and the United States has insured a constant rotation of American personnel, both military and civilian, between our two countries. He stated that he felt that in the long run, perhaps, one of the most beneficial effects of the Treaty may well turn out to be its role in promoting mutual understanding and trust between the peoples of Japan and the United States, and he emphasized that this is why the American of Japanese ancestry has a unique contribution to make to American life.

"Describing 'cultural heritage' as a nebulous and intangible thing, Mr. Yamanaka stressed that one just cannot sit back and wait for a heritage to fall into one's lap. You have to learn, in order to learn you have to expend some effort—and the effort to understand is one of the first steps by which one enters into a cultural heritage.

"Stressing education as a key to understanding, Counselor Yamanaka observed that in Japan, parents, however humble, however poor, always strive to give their children a better education than they had enjoyed themselves, and many observers on the Japanese scene feel that this emphasis on education is one of the reasons why Japan was able to manage the transition from feudalistic society to a modern, democratic nation in such a short period of time.

"The Japanese official said he believed that we Americans of Japanese ancestry, with continuous modification of our own American culture, could enrich the American tradition with Oriental elements in the direction of a wider, more comprehensive, all-embracing inheritance of human culture as a whole, with the ultimate goal being that of sharing of the achievements of all humanity.

"We, too, look for a world which Mr. Yamanaka described in his closing observation, 'when becoming better Americans and becoming better Japanese will mean the same thing—that we are becoming better citizens of the world in the process.'"

Congressman Matsunaga then related that his participation in the ceremonies was to present a special citation to General Willoughby, at the request of the 25th Anniversary Military Intelligence Service Reunion Committee, which had sponsored a reunion of Pacific G-2 Nisei in San Francisco last November.

In the words of one of the very few Nisei World War II heroes of both the 100th Infantry Battalion of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team and the Military Intelligence Language School at Camp Savage and Fort Snelling,

"General Willoughby, who for the 10-year period 1941-1951, was chief of intelligence for General of the Army Douglas MacArthur, was responsible for the initial wartime employment of Nisei in his capacity as chief intelligence officer, and he continues as if it were a mission to tell the story of the remarkable contributions of the Nisei in war and peace."

In his remarks accepting

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## MARYLAND MIXED MARRIAGE BAN REPEALED

Washington, D.C.

JACL Active in Push To Repeal Old Law

(Special to the Pacific Citizen)  
ANNAPOLIS, Md.—On March 3, the Maryland state legislature completed action repealing its 306-year-old law banning interracial marriages. On that date, the Maryland House of Delegates, without a word of debate, voted 97-25 to end its antimiscegenation prohibitions. Three weeks earlier, the Maryland State Senate, also without discussion, voted 35-7 for repeal. Republican Governor Spiro T. Agnew is expected to sign the repealer legislation without delay.

Both the Washington, D.C. Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League and the Washington JACL Office were active in the successful campaign to repeal this discriminatory statute. According to the 1960 Census, 1,842 persons of Japanese ancestry, many of whom are members of the JACL, reside in Maryland.

The law, enacted in colonial times (1661), barred marriages between white and Negro persons. In 1937, it was amended to prohibit marriages of white and Negro persons with "persons of the Malay race."

The State Legislature acted as the Supreme Court of the United States prepared to hear oral arguments possibly next month on a challenge to Virginia's antimiscegenation laws. The JACL, through its National Legal Counsel William Marutani of Philadelphia, has filed an amicus curiae (friend of the court) brief in the matter, urging that the nation's highest tribunal declare unconstitutional all antimiscegenation laws.

### 16 States Left

With the repeal of the Maryland law, sixteen states (Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia) remain with statutes that prohibit interracial marriages.

Though the legislation was approved this year without debate, last year it was among the most emotional issues in the Legislature. After heated arguments, the State Senate initially refused to approve the bill to repeal the statute. On reconsideration, it passed the measure but the House of Delegates by a narrow two-vote margin defeated it.

## SJR 20 effected by legislation

OLYMPIA, Wash.—A bill implementing the constitutional amendment (SJR 20) removing the restrictions on aliens owning land in the State of Washington was approved 9-0 by the House on Mar. 3. The measure, already approved by the Senate 46-1, puts into effect the amendment approved during last November's general election.

The JACL chapters in the state were among the prime supporters pushing for repeal of the land restrictions.

Be a Registered Voter

## Regional screening committees set to name JACL-JAL fellowship finalists

SAN FRANCISCO—JACL district governors are implementing the decision of the National JACL Board to select four winners of a JACL-Japan Air Lines 1967 summer fellowship by selecting regional screening committees.

Each district will select from among applicants within the district council area not more than two candidates by April 21. An applicant has until April 7 to apply. (See Mar. 3 PC.)

Application forms are available from the eight district governors and JACL chapters. Inquiries may be addressed to Akiji Yoshimura, 120 Tenth St., Colusa, Calif. 95932, chairman of the National JACL-JAL Summer Fellowship Committee, or to National JACL Headquarters, 1634 Post St., San

## Bosworth book showered with favorable reviews

BY HARRY HONDA

Los Angeles

On the basis of so many favorable reviews of Allan R. Bosworth's latest book, "America's Concentration Camps", it is conceivable that Bantam, which has purchased paperback publishing rights, may offer it at popular prices in a year or two.

Meantime, National JACL is moving its fourth set of 1,000 books ordered from the publishers, W.W. Norton & Co., New York. Bulk of these copies are now going to chapters, which are presenting them to public libraries and schools.

Washington, D.C., JACL is contributing 150 books to major public libraries in the area and to universities, colleges and high schools where a person of Japanese ancestry is a student. The chapter is also inviting those who might not otherwise participate in chapter activities to contribute to a fund to pay for these books. Some members have already supported this plan.

Books retail at \$5.95 a copy, are available to JACLers at \$5, and to chapters for gifts to libraries at \$4.

### D.C. JACL Example

If the D.C. JACL scheme inspires other chapters to follow, the present supply at the JACL offices in San Francisco, Los Angeles and Chicago will quickly vanish and a fifth set of 1,000 books is likely to be ordered within the month.

Merrill Pollack, managing editor at Norton who spent a year looking for the right author to tell story of 110,000 persons of Japanese ancestry being evacuated and detained by the Government in relocation centers during World War II, revealed the first printing was disposed before the publication date of Feb. 24, and that a second printing was in the process for public sale.

(Bill Hosokawa's column this week relates some correspondence he had received from Capt. Bosworth of the interview with Karl Bendetsen, Army architect of the mass evacuation plans, and the review in Time Magazine.)

Reading the two dozen reviews from various newspapers, which have been provided by PC readers and the publishers this past week, each reviewer delved into certain phases of the Evacuation story with enough detail to evoke the curiosity of readers, who probably never heard of such injustice being perpetrated by our Government.

### Be Aware

Writes Robert Hosokawa (Bill's younger brother) in the Minneapolis Tribune, where he was once its news editor: "... Americans who believe in our democratic system would do well to read his work and be so aware of what happened once that they will not let our country make such a mistake again."

Emerson Chapin, in the New York Times, called it "a readable, sound and well-documented account of this 'dark stain on American history.'"

The Chicago Tribune featured Digby B. Whitman's review as the book of the week in its Feb. 26 Sunday Book section and headlined it: "An Act of Racial Arrogance". Says Whitman: "Men like Earl Warren and Walter Lippman are not race-baiters. But the

lesson of the book is that the mass emotional wave can drown the individual reason. Bosworth proves and over-proves that the evictions were an act not of military prudence, but of racial arrogance."

In the home state of the author, who lives in Roanoke, Va., the Virginia Pilot at Norfolk called the uprooting of Japanese Americans a "tactical dud after the bombs at Pearl". Notes Tom Schlesinger in his review:

### No Lesson Gained

"Part of the stain of this injustice might have been obliterated in time if some constitutional lesson had been learned. But, chances are, the same thing could happen today under any similar set of circumstances..."

"And equally ironic, no one even hinted that those with German and Italian blood, alien or citizen, be rounded up on the much more vulnerable East Coast..."

"And certainly one of the villains of the piece must be Earl Warren, then California's Attorney General, who must shudder today when he recalls his one-time blatant disregard for basic civil liberties."

An unsigned review in the Jersey Journal, Jersey City, N.J., says: "Bosworth has written about an ugly slab of American history and he has done it with a good deal of compassion, objectivity, and just plain curiosity about what happened and why. He does not come to pretty conclusions because legally he knows it can happen again."

### First in a Decade

It has been more than a decade since a book on Evacuation has been published and official reports by the Government are generally unavailable. For this reason, the JACL was pleased a reputable publishing house and a writer with inside knowledge of what transpired in 1942 as a naval intelligence officer on the West Coast were teamed to tell this shocking episode of American history.

A book is now available on this 25th anniversary of the Evacuation which Elmer J. Williams in the Detroit News said was "long overdue."

Another irony is pointed out by the Dayton (O.) Journal Herald's review: "... Japanese diplomats in America at the outbreak of the war were set up in vacation areas in the South, with access to golf courses, tennis and badminton courts. Regular Americans, whose ancestors were Japanese, went to live in 'stables' and desert concentration camps..."

"This is the tragic saga Bosworth relates. It is a tale that should make many Americans feel guilty, guilty and ashamed."

### West Coast-Hawaii Contrast

One of the pre-publication reviews was in the San Diego Union, in which the contrast of Japanese living in Hawaii

and on the West Coast is cited: "The Japanese had not been assimilated very much into local society. They stood apart on a long and exposed coastline, whereas in Honolulu they were in the center of a small tight fortress. People tend to strike out at what they don't understand and the people of California did not understand the Japanese."

"Despite internment, young Japanese Americans insisted upon their right to serve their country as equals with other American youths, and in Europe they distinguished themselves in battle..."

"Thus, after the war, in the general public regret over what happened, Japanese Americans were able to move easily into a wide community life not many had known before."

Bosworth's book was also reviewed by "Inside Books", nationally syndicated script for some 800 radio stations, pointing out that "in effect, any American regardless of race or color can be legally imprisoned during time of war at the convenience of the government... That's you or me or anybody else. And that law is still on the books."

### Latest Reviews

The San Francisco Chronicle presented a second review in which William Hogan singles out the fact that America does its best to forget unsavory history—such as the removal of American Indians in the 1830s, which Bosworth cites. "The whole thing has been glossed over in school history texts," Hogan says. "Few people know anything about the Evacuation of West Coast Japanese in 1942, either."

Carter B. Jones in the Washington, D.C. Evening Star makes the same point about the Indians being removed from their traditional homes in the southeastern U.S. to settle west of the Mississippi because the white men coveted their lands. "Americans take just pride in their basic precept of justice toward all, regardless of race and creed... and yet there are episodes in our history which it might be well to recall now and then to avoid complacency."

Gene Kuhn in the Fresno Bee review says the "Bosworth book will stir many consciences, as indeed it should. It is unfortunate, however, that he did not do more original research. The JACL, apparently anxious that the story should again be told, is backing the book's sale. There is nothing wrong with this per se, but other and better books will be written on those sad days."

And there are some half dozen in the making, including one by Dillon Myer, War Relocation Authority director, whose principal job was to resettle evacuees in the Midwest and East—out of the miserable camps.

Renew Your JACL Membership Today



**NEW LOOK** — Sky blue or cerise serving smocks are part of JAL stewardesses' new wardrobe. They don the smocks, emblazoned with a large tsuru—ancient Japanese symbol of good luck, when serving in-flight meals.

—Japan Air Lines Photo.



By Mike Masaoka

## Washington Newsletter

### THE POWELL CASE

No issue in recent memory involving the House of Representatives has created more contention and controversy than the March 1 exclusion of Adams Clayton Powell, Harlem Negro preacher-politician who has served 22 years in the Congress, the last several as Chairman of the House Education and Labor Committee.

Although a number of civil rights leaders and organizations have charged that racism was primarily responsible for the exclusion vote, and although no doubt there were some racial overtones in the House action, in our own personal opinion—for what it may be worth—racial antagonism was not the overriding motivation for most Congressmen.

But, unless the House now sets up soon a code of ethics and requires every member to adhere strictly to it, greater credence will be given to those who allege that the New York Democrat was treated as he was because he happens to be a Negro. And one who had become, by virtue of his Chairmanship of the potent Education and Labor Committee, probably the most influential and powerful Negro in the Congress.

Regardless of all else, the basis for historic court tests have apparently been established, for the Negro Congressman has announced that he will appeal to the judiciary his right to a seat in the Congress.

When the First Session of this 90th Congress convened early January, the Democratic caucus stripped Powell of his Committee chairmanship. Then, when his colleagues were sworn in, he was asked to step aside and a Select Committee of five Democrats and four Republicans was named to look into the question of his fitness to serve in the Congress. That Select Committee, under the chairmanship of the dean of the House and the Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, Emanuel Celler of New York, recommended that Powell be seated but subjected to severe penalties (loss of all seniority rights, censure by the Speaker, and automatic deductions from his congressional salary to assure payment of a libel suit judgment against him).

The Select Committee found that he was qualified for his seat on the basis of the age, citizenship, and residency qualifications of the Constitution, but that he had "improperly maintained" his estranged wife on his payroll for which she did no work in recent years, that he permitted and participated in improper expenditures of congressional funds for trips on unofficial business, that he brought "discredit" upon the House by ignoring the authority of New York state courts, and that he refused to cooperate in the Committee's investigation.

We were in general agreement with the recommendations of the Select Committee, which were also supported by both the Democratic and Republican leadership. We believe that once a constituency legally elects a Representative, the House should respect that political judgment. At the same time, we believe that the House has a right to insist that every member live up to certain minimum standards of good conduct and public trust, and to penalize those who violate such standards.

Because of the complex parliamentary situation involved in such action, the House took five roll call votes during its six hour session to reject the recommendations of the Select Committee and to refuse a duly elected candidate. It was the first time in 46 years and only the second in this century that the House has taken such drastic action in regard to a prospective member.

The test on which the members decided for exclusion, rather than to seat with penalties, was 248 to 176. As Select Committee Chairman Celler observed after the vote, the House voted not on the legality of the problem but on the basis of the mail from home, which was overwhelmingly against the Harlem Democrat.

Most of the "freshman" Republicans who were elected last November voted to exclude Powell. So did a number of others usually classed as liberals, such as Ken Hechler of West Virginia, Byron Rogers of Colorado, and Sam Stratton of New York, Democrats, and James Fulton of Pennsylvania and Charles Mathias of Maryland, Republicans.

Hawaii's Congressman Spark Matsunaga and Paty Takemoto Mink, a member of the House Education and Labor Committee, voted for the Select Committee's recommendations.

As of this writing, it appears that at least two court tests are likely. One, against the Speaker of the House, will challenge the authority of the House to exclude a member-elect. The other, against the New York Governor, will seek an injunction against declaring Powell's seat vacant and the calling of a special election.

While the House has in the past excluded three members (B. F. Whittenmore of Missouri in 1870 for selling appointments to West Point, Brigham Roberts of Utah in 1900 for bigamy, and Victor Berger of Wisconsin in 1921 for sedition), no appeal to the courts was taken in any of those cases.

At the heart of any litigation is whether the judiciary may pass judgment on the legislature, both being coordinate branches of the government. In addition, if the Solicitor General of the United States argues the case for the House, the third coordinate branch—the executive—will also become involved. The question of the separation of powers may be at stake.

While Powell's attorneys are relying on the so-called Julian Bond case in which the nation's highest tribunal recently ruled that the Georgia Legislature had to seat the Negro who was twice elected and twice barred for criticizing Vietnam policy, House attorneys believe that there is no parallel since the Bond situation had to do with "freedom of speech and expression," while the Powell case has to do with misconduct.

If nothing else, the Powell incident has brought about a possible confrontation of the basic tenet of our system of representative government, the separation of the three branches of government—the executive, the legislative, and the judicial.

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## NEWS CAPSULES

### Awards

Michigan State University's highest prize, the Distinguished Faculty Award, was presented to six of its teachers, including Dr. Hideya Kumata, professor of communications, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Hachiro Kumata of Chicago. He is a specialist in propaganda theory and communications between nations, active as consultant for the USIA and AID. For the past three years, he served as project director for a study on attitudes toward ideological commitment and mass media usage in five nations.

Engineering aide Melvin Kiso received the Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard's Best Defects employee of the month award recently.

### Welfare

Rev. George Aki, Hollywood Independent Church minister, is secretary of the Silverlake-East Hollywood-Atwater Park Cooperative Ministry, which meets Mar. 11 with laymen of member churches to survey the area in terms of community needs, especially in the areas of poverty.

### Flowers-Garden

Despite talks of a sagging economy and threat of higher taxes, Adachi Florist & Nursery of El Cerrito is embarking on an extensive expansion program, involving reconstruction and relocation of its existing retail facilities and opening this week of an additional retail outlet at nearby El Sobrante. Hideyo Adachi, president, will manage the El Sobrante nursery, while Tosh Adachi, v.p., will manage the El Cerrito operation, which must be moved to make room for the Bay Area rapid transit.

## Washington—

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the citation, General Willoughby disclosed that he undertook the task of first employing Nisei in military intelligence early in 1942, "at the height of anti-Japanese feeling and at the peak of war hysteria." He explained his reason for speaking out that night in these words: "I have long sought an opportunity to record the remarkable contributions of the Nisei in war and peace, and perhaps atone for barbaric injustices inflicted upon them by color-blind politicians."

After summarizing the amazing record of the Allied Translator and Interpreter Service (ATIS) up to September 1945 (processing over 330,000 captured documents in addition to 855 published interrogation reports based on screening and examining more than 10,000 Japanese prisoners of war), the General continued, "In this connection, it is appropriate to emphasize the invaluable services rendered by our Nisei in conjunction with combat operations. A regiment of Nisei, the 442nd Infantry, established an incredible record of heroism on the battlefields of Italy in 1944.

"Preceding this record by two years, (MacArthur's) command accompanied American assault units in every landing from Papua to the Philippines to match the Italian combat performance. Over 180 members of ATIS received battlefield decorations; 125 additional personnel were cited in Brigade and Division Orders."

Noting that there was a shift from "military (combat) to civil intelligence" following the Japanese surrender in mid-1945, General Willoughby declared,

"It was inescapable that Japanese linguists were to play a significant role in the occupation of Japan and its civil administration."

Then, mentioning the approximately 30,000 pages of text in the MacArthur historical projects for which he was editor-in-chief, the ranking intelligence officer in the Pacific stated that "this mammoth job could not have been done without the linguistic support of the Nisei in MacArthur's intelligence agencies. And that means members of the present audience who served in Japan."

"The full story of the Nisei in MacArthur's command, however, has not been told as yet. The record is available in the 'General Intelligence Series,' especially Volumes III, IV, and IX. Since it has taken me 15 years to force the publication of the MacArthur Reports in only four volumes into the open," the aging General concluded that "there is little likelihood that the 'Intelligence Series' will ever reach the public."

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## Episodes of Evacuation:

# Crystal City Internment

Now an active member of the San Francisco JACL, writer Edison Uno was a teenager while interned with his family at Crystal City, Texas, an enemy alien detention center administered by the Justice Department during World War II. His father, the late George K. Uno, was among the last internees to be released. Three of his sons were already in the U.S. Army serving overseas and a fourth son volunteered from Crystal City after the war to enlist and serve in the U.S. Navy.—Editor's Note.

### BY EDISON UNO San Francisco

Manzanar, California.  
Tule Lake, California.  
Poston I, II, & III, Arizona.  
Gila River, Arizona.  
Minidoka, Idaho.  
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Granada, Colorado.  
Topaz, Utah.  
Rohwer, Arkansas.  
Jerome, Arkansas.

All these names will be long remembered by many of us who experienced the "Great Evacuation of 1942." As we mark the 25th anniversary of this dark era and reflect on the many experiences of the various assembly centers, the relocation centers and the subsequent resettlement of all persons of Japanese ancestry from the West Coast in the Spring of 1942—it might be well to examine a phase of that evacuation that is not too widely known and about which very little has been written.

The only real internment camp in the United States during World War II was Crystal City.

Crystal City Internment Camp was located deep in the heart of Texas; not far from the Mexican border and the Rio Grande. Unlike the ten relocation centers administered by the War Relocation Authority (WRA), the camp at Crystal City was under the direct supervision of the Justice Department. It was a converted immigration station that was once used for housing Mexican border violators.

A genuine internment camp, Crystal City was composed of a variety of "dangerous enemy aliens" including Germans, Italians and Japanese from the mainland, Hawaii and South America. Of the several thousand internees, the majority were of Japanese ancestry from all parts of the West Coast. Every relocation center was represented by Nisei that came to join their interned fathers. Crystal City was known as a family camp; an attempt by Uncle Sam to join Nisei children and mothers with their "dangerous" fathers.

### Detention Camps

Soon after Pearl Harbor the Dept. of Justice, with the cooperation of the FBI, quickly arrested several hundred alien Issei, all parents of U.S. citizens. Within a few months of Dec. 7 the government had interned all suspected Issei and were holding them in detention centers in Bismarck, N.D.; Santa Fe and Lordsburg, N.M.; Seagullville, Tex.; Alexandria, La., and in other remote parts of the United States. These camps were inhabited only by male Issei internees, the majority of whom were heads of families, though some were single or widowed.

Although classified as "dangerous enemy aliens," the Japanese internees represented a broad cross section of any typical small community. Most were prominent leaders in their respective communities, including Buddhist ministers, Japanese school teachers, small businessmen, farmers, fishermen, community leaders, and just average family men. Why many of these respectable family men were interned still remains a mystery, for although many were suspected as being pro-Japanese during the critical years of World War II, the majority were victims of circumstances and had no strong feelings about the Pacific War itself; rather their resentment was against the arbitrary abridgment of their children's constitutional rights and their own humiliating imprisonment.

The camp at Crystal City was established to re-unite the families that were shattered by the Evacuation. Crystal City was the only wartime measure that brought together aliens representing the Germans, Italians and Japanese in one vast camp. There were no physical restrictions for the three groups though each nationality group was housed in their own separate area with free access to others.

In the summer of 1944 a large number of persons of Japanese ancestry were declared persona non grata by their governments and deported from Peru, Bolivia and Brazil to Crystal City for safekeeping by the U.S. government for the duration of the war.

Again, no satisfactory explanation of this action has

ever been made.

After the war many of these persons were refused permission by their governments to return to their homeland, even though many were citizens, and have subsequently resettled themselves in the United States.

Perhaps the reason that no student of government, social science or history has investigated the most unique aspect of the Evacuation is that there is very little material available on this subject for the fact is the government would like to forget an embarrassing mistake and a terrible miscalculation.

Crystal City was unique among internment camps. All housing was designed as family units with separate cooking facilities in most units, community washrooms and showers, a central commissary, a variety of housing accommodations, including small but substantial duplexes, "victory" huts, army-type barracks and individual houses.

Security and controls were carried out to the extremes. All mail, incoming and outgoing was censored. Letters and packages were limited to two per family each week.

Passes to the town of Crystal City were only granted to few individuals and were always accompanied by a U.S. Border Patrol Guard.

The racial composition of the camp made an interesting study of social behavior. Under the watchful eyes of camp authorities, Germans, Peruvian Japanese, mainland Issei and Nisei worked, studied and played together largely without friction under circumstances that were both trying and difficult.

### Repatriation

In the winter of 1946 a number of residents of Crystal City chose to repatriate to Japan. This was perhaps the most tragic result of the whole Crystal City experience since many residents had been pressured by pro-Japanese elements in the camp to repatriate and forego the opportunity to return to their homes in the United States. Many a young Nisei will no doubt reflect on this decision and wonder how different their lives might be today if their parents had not repatriated and remained in the United States.

For those who decided to remain in the United States there was a long time to wait; yet ultimately they were to return to their homes or establish new homes in the process of resettlement after their fathers were released and allowed to leave camp.

Crystal City was the last camp to close its doors thus concluding that dark chapter in the chronicle of our history.

When the last inmate was released in late 1947, almost to full years had elapsed since the war with Japan had been concluded. During those last two years of operation the camp took on many changes. Many residents were released soon after V-J day.

### Indonesian Sailors

A portion of the camp was segregated and more than 300 new residents were shipped in to join the remainder. This was a group of Indonesian sailors that were taken off a Dutch ship that landed in New York.

They were interned at Crystal City for "protective custody" for the duration of the war.

Only a few could speak suf-

ficient English so the sailors designated a spokesman for the group in any negotiations with camp authorities or other internees.

These sailors were not allowed to mingle with other groups in the camp. Yet, due to their Muslim religion, diet and their cultural differences they were quite content to be left alone. Their imprisonment was a solitary one. They had very little recreation or work to keep them occupied. Their only pleasure seemed to be watching American movies, which they could not understand; however they always enjoyed the westerns and, as I recall, became quite boisterous over typical Hollywood love scenes.

While the War Relocation Authority was closing down all of its ten relocation centers, and as Japanese Americans were involved in the great task of resettlement, a small group of renunciants remained at Tule Lake Segregation Center in California.

When Tule Lake was scheduled to close a hard-core group of Kibei (Japan educated U.S. citizens) renunciants were shipped to Crystal City to await their fate. The renunciants represented those who by choice or under duress had renounced their U.S. citizenship.

Many of these young men were subject to extreme pressures from pro-Japanese groups in their centers and because they were educated in Japan it was difficult for them to fully understand the value of their U.S. citizenship, especially in the face of their recent denial and arbitrary relocation.

In one sense these people were as much casualties of the war as the dead and wounded; for they lost their faith in their country and when they arrived in Crystal City they were bewildered and embarrassed and fought desperately to re-establish the respect of their community and their own selves.

Many years later their citizenship was restored after lengthy court proceedings and today the majority of these citizens are proud and useful members of their communities.

Perhaps the magic, the very strength of a system of democracy is that these transformations are possible, and while the pace is often very painful neither this action nor the persons involved can dispute the rewards for making the effort.

### Daily Camp Life

The day-to-day life in an internment camp was very similar to that of the relocation centers with exception that the atmosphere among the Nisei was influenced by the elements of pro-Japanese older internees.

A high school was established in the camp and was known as Federal High School. One graduating class held commencement exercises known as the class of 1945, each graduate receiving a diploma engraved Federal High School, Crystal City, Texas.

A vigorous campaign was waged to enroll all Nisei in Japanese language schools and all Nisei were expected to participate in military drills under the guise of belonging to either the Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts. Any signs of patriotism or loyalty to the United States was quietly suppressed.

An example of the tension and influence created by the pro-Japan minority was the

unsuccessful attempt to cancel the senior prom dance sponsored by the graduating class of Federal High School. On the afternoon of the scheduled prom, notices were circulated among the camp's residents that anyone attending the dance would be considered anti-Japanese. In spite of threats and pressures, the dance was a mild success though with less than full attendance.

While many Nisei were fighting on the battlefields of Italy and France with the 442 and others who were serving with Military Intelligence in the Pacific, all news of their accomplishments were suppressed or minimized. Internees who had sons fighting for the United States were looked upon with great suspicion and oftentimes ostracized by certain members of the camp.

### After V-J Day

After V-J day, the pro-Japan atmosphere disappeared. All internees were anxious to prove their loyalty in hopes they would be released and allowed to return to their homes. The releases issued by the Justice Department were eagerly anticipated and as the residents moved out, the remaining internees pondered their fate as no word from Washington was forthcoming after the initial grants of freedom were issued.

A small group of internees had to wait almost two years before they finally closed the camp. Gradually, housing areas were closed down, the school was disbanded along with the camp's commissary. A main mess hall was established as private cooking facilities were no longer available. Family members were encouraged to leave the camp without their interned fathers.

After a time there remained only a small group of alien Japanese and a group of single Kibei transferes from Tule Lake who were considered trouble makers. Just why Crystal City Internment Camp was not quickly disbanded at the conclusion of the war was never explained, as was so much that occurred during that period: one theory holds that it was the practice of "empire builders" that perpetuated the camp since the closing would mean the loss of certain official jobs. At all odds the camp closed finally in late 1947 after four years, many heartaches and so many thousands gone.

## UCLA Extension plans seminar on Evacuation

LOS ANGELES — A one-day seminar on Evacuation is being planned by the UCLA Extension on campus for Saturday, June 3, it was revealed by Dr. Harry Kitano, professor of social welfare at UCLA. The all-day session will feature two panel programs and being invited are several Nisei speakers. JACL cooperation has been requested and has been assured.

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## Ogawa —

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In the immediate area within a radius of one block are five Japanese restaurants, Miyako, Tenkatsu, and Main Shokudo, all on Main Street and, Maneki and Tanaka restaurant around the corner.

### Potentials Seen

The potential to make this once again the center of a new Nippon-machi is quite obvious. Turn a sleazy hotel or two over to the bulldozers, and we could have the ground cleared for one of the finest tourist attractions in the west. Not just for the casual tourist, but with the interest in things Japanese, the block could be a rendezvous for interior decorators, architects, and the kind of curio store which caters to the carriage trade.

It is quite likely that there are others in the community who see the possibilities which lie here now, though similar thoughts were passed up a few years ago when Chinatown put on a little bit of a new look.

Well, so much for the brain storm of this week. As a guy who is busy in heavy industry all day, we have found no time to discuss the ideas or thoughts with anyone in the community, but it is just as well. Someone is always trying to shush us up. It's frustrating to try to get out a piece or two for former Seattleites to read about the old hometown—too often run into people who want to slap on the muzzle.

### Nisei Couple Sought

SUMNER, Wash.—Believed to be in California, former Cpl. Vaughn Melton of Oklahoma, now at 1421 McMillan St., Sumner, is seeking the whereabouts of a Nisei couple only known to him as George and Faye, stranderes in Japan during WW2. Melton and George became acquainted as co-workers at the Tokiyama Petroleum Storage Yard in 1950. George had two brothers who served in the U.S. Army.

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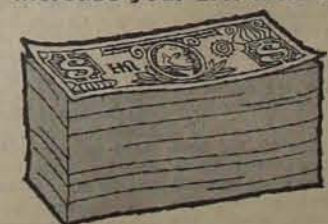
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# From the Frying Pan

By Bill Hosokawa

Denver, Colo.

**REMEMBER THE 442ND** — My review of Allan R. Bosworth's "American Concentration Camps" had scarcely appeared in The Denver Post when one of the fellows from the first floor came trotting up to my desk. "Just saw your review," he said. "Why didn't you mention the 100th Battalion and the 442nd Combat Team?"

"Well," I tried to explain, "most of the book was about the Evacuation and what caused it and what happened in the camps, and I had only about ten paragraphs to tell about the whole book."

"I know," he replied. "But I think you should have said something about the 442nd. What a bunch of fighting men they were."

My critic is a fellow I've known rather casually for some five years. I didn't even know he had been in the Army. Now he told me he had gone as a replacement into the lines in North Africa about the time the 100th Battalion, made up of Hawaiian Nisei, showed up. Later, in the bitter fighting to break out of the Anzio beachhead, and the Rapido River campaign, he was in a unit on the flank of the 442nd and came to respect and admire those gutsy Nisei infantrymen.

He knew no Nisei before the war and seldom encountered them after it. But a chance reading of a book review revived memories, and he had to come up and tell me about it. Truly, the feats and sacrifices of the men of the 442nd will be long remembered.



ISSEI APPRECIATION — Mt. Olympus JACL invites Salt Lake area Issei to its annual Keiro Kai, a dinner program honoring the elders of the community. This year, there were 53 Issei attending.

## Mt. Olympus JACL honors Issei parents



**POSTHUMOUS AWARD** — Raymond Uno (left), Intermountain District Youth Commissioner and Frank Yoshimura, Mt. Olympus JACL president, award a recognition plaque to the late Robert Mukai, IDC youth commissioner and Mt. Olympus JACLer, as his wife Mayumi accepts the honors.

## Chapter Call Board

- Fresno JACL**  
Thailand Visit: Dr. and Mrs. Kikuo Taira, who attended a Buddhist world conference last fall in Thailand, will present his colored slides taken during their visit at the Fresno JACL new member dinner meeting tomorrow at the local Buddhist Church Annex.  
While it is not potluck, co-chairmen Lily Suda and Nancy Suda asked that members bring their plates, cups, chopsticks, knives and forks. New members and their families will be guests of the chapter.
- Community Picnic:** Fresno JACL and the Nisei VFW Post will co-sponsor the local Japanese community picnic at Eucalyptus Grove, Roeding Park, on Sunday, April 23. Dr. Fred Kubota and Nori Masuda will be co-chairmen.
- Washington, D.C. JACL**  
Changing Japan: Dr. Takehiko Yoshikawa, professor of international relations, American University, will speak on "Changing Japan" at the D.C. JACL general meeting Mar. 18, 8 p.m., at the Maryland Capital Park and Planning Commission, 8187 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring.
- San Francisco JACL**  
Meet Mrs. Mink: The San Francisco JACL and the Nisei Voters League will co-sponsor a dinner Mar. 24 at A. Sabel's Restaurant on Fisherman Wharf honoring Rep. Patsy Mink (D-Hawaii). Fred Abe is dinner chairman.  
Tickets at \$5.50 per person are available from: Sam Sato, Bank of Tokyo, Edison Uno, SK 2-765.  
On the committee are: Hats Akawa, Sam Sato, Mrs. Yo Hironaka, Glen Kaya, Steve Doi, Will Takamoto, Don Negi, Akira Horikoshi, and John Yasumoto.

**BOSWORTH AND BENDETSEN** — In reviewing Bosworth's book in this column a couple of weeks ago, I commented on the author's evaluation of Col. Karl Bendetsen's role in the Evacuation decision. Contrary to the Army's official history which identifies Bendetsen as "the most industrious advocate of mass evacuation," Bosworth writes in the book that Bendetsen was just one of several junior officers assigned to come up with an evacuation plan, and his plan just happened to be the one that was adopted by higher-ups.

Bosworth, who talked to Bendetsen preparatory to writing the book, was moved to drop this column a note. He says in part: "I was inclined to believe Bendetsen's story when I interviewed him. I certainly would agree that he was very ambitious, and perhaps he did have a very racist attitude. It goes without saying that he was quite brilliant. I find it hard to believe that as a major (which was his rank at the time), he carried enough weight to shape a national decision. Therefore, I did accept his rather apologetic explanation: That, since the Evacuation was being considered, he—and others—were asked to come up with a plan. Bendetsen was just smart enough to produce the best workable plan."

Bosworth says he told Bendetsen during their interview that official Army histories identified him as "the most industrious advocate of mass evacuation." Bosworth reports: "He rushed out and bought a copy of the official history... and was wounded by the account. He insists he only followed orders to come up with a plan... Bendetsen was only a tool."

**REVIEWS** — It has been observed in this space that Time magazine gave Bosworth an undeservedly snide review. Says Bosworth: "Frankly, I expected nothing else from Time. It will do us absolutely no harm. In fact, I have received several indignant letters from all over, condemning the review... I'm glad to tell you that the reviews have been pouring in and that the Time review alone has been at all unfavorable... I think the book is going to do pretty well, and I am just back from a round of publicity in New York and Washington..."

All of which is good news indeed.

**SALT LAKE CITY**—Fifty-one years, 54 years and 83 years represented the youngest Issei, Mrs. Bob Imada; the longest married couple, Mr. and Mrs. M. Ushio; and the oldest Issei, Mr. H. Kusaba. Other categories were honored and each were awarded a homemade cake at the annual Mt. Olympus JACL Issei Appreciation Night Feb. 25 when members honored their parents.

Theme of the program was "Issei, Nisei, Sansei and Yonsei." First came the small tots with their Japanese odori and vocal numbers, Sansei girls with a "Sakura" odori and the boys with instrumental numbers, followed by an ancient "Gimbu" by Mrs. Betty Nakamura and shigin by Toru Shimizu.

Six Nisei fellows climaxed the program with their rendition of a "can can" dance to "Ginza no Musume". The hall was filled with laughter and joy by the Issei upon seeing their children and grandchildren perform. Emceed masterfully was bilingual Sansei Ronald Inouye.

The evening had its seriousness when Raymond Uno, IDC Youth Commissioner presented a plaque to Mrs. Mayumi Mukai, honoring the late Robert Mukai, who inspired and helped the local and district youth groups.

The programing, decorating and serving approximately 275 people fell on the following: Meiko Hashimoto, Aiko Nakamura, co-chmn.; Tomiko Hissake, food; Mami Motoki, Lily Shino, dec.; Martha Hoki, Sadie Yoshimura, prog.; Aiko Nakamura, Amy Tomita, Taro Sudoko, tickets; Shigeru Hashimoto, tables; Susue Seo, Ida Ninomiya, Dessie Kano, hostesses; Shigeru Motoki, photog.

# MDYC workshop to moot LSD, early marriage, sex

**DETROIT** — The "Open Generation" is the topic of the Midwest District Youth Council spring workshop to be held Mar. 31-Apr. 4 at the Brightmoor Community Center, 14451 Burt Rd.

The workshop, slated for Saturday afternoon at 2, will treat on early marriage and sex, LSD and marijuana and the fads, such as mod clothes, psychedelic music, etc.

MDYC delegates will meet after the opening mixer Friday night and reconvene in the morning. George Fukushima, ex-Chicago Jr. JACLer studying at Michigan State, will address the group on the Japanese youth.

MDC board members are also planning to meet concurrently Saturday morning, according to District Governor Hiro Mayeda.

A semiformal Sayonara dinner-dance at the Topinka Country House concludes the weekend program, according to Elaine Akagi, workshop chairman, and JoAnn Shimamura, Detroit Jr. JACL president. Youth delegates attending are to be accompanied by their adult advisers.

The \$11.50 registration package covers the Friday potluck dinner and mixer, the Saturday luncheon, banquet and dance.

## INTERMOUNTAIN DYC MEMBERS LEARN PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

**BY LYNDA YAGUCHI**  
IDYC Reporter

**SALT LAKE CITY**—The first quarterly session of the Intermountain District Youth Council, hosted by the Salt Lake-Mt. Olympus Jr. JACL here over the Jan. 28-29 weekend, was highlighted by a program on parliamentary procedures.

IDC Youth Commissioner Raymond Uno, who led the discussion, explained the importance of conducting a business session according to Robert's Rules of Order. A pamphlet outlining the ranking of various motions is being sent to Jr. JACL chapter president.

Lorraine Sakota, IDYC chairman, and Ken Miyake, host chapter vice-president, opened the meeting Saturday with greetings and Sharon Aoki, IDYC secretary, called the roll. Dave Nishitani read the minutes of the previous meeting.

Alan Kumamoto, national JACL youth director, brought the IDYC delegates up-to-date on general youth activities. Jr. JACL chapter reports followed and discussions followed on membership and fund-raising drives.

Dinner was served at the Japanese Christian Church in the evening, followed by a lively social with a group called the Road Agents playing. The new IDYC officers were installed by Kumamoto. They were:

Lorraine Sakota, chmn.; Jim Watanabe, 1st v.c.; Gene Ochi, 2nd v.c.; Sharon Aoki, sec.; Dan Sakota, treas.; Lynda Yaguchi, reporter; Sharyn Mizuta, hist.

The session concluded Sunday noon. The IDYC will next meet at Caldwell, Idaho, April 1-2, with Boise Valley JACL as hosts.

## Royal Presentation ball for Sansei debts planned

**LOS ANGELES** — Prominent society matron, Mrs. Howard L. Taylor of Bel Air, is local chairman of the Royal Presentation Ball scheduled for early summer in Japan. The ball in Tokyo will introduce U.S. and Canadian debutantes of Japanese ancestry.

Originator of this international ball for Canadian and American Sansei is Harriet Weaver, who organized a summer debutante ball in Madrid.

Young ladies 18 to 23 are eligible, according to Mrs. Taylor, of 10711 Sunset Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. 90024.

**Sword Club Dinner**  
**LOS ANGELES**—The So. Calif. Japanese Sword Club will have its annual dinner meeting Apr. 1 at the Kyoto Restaurant, Gardena, at 8 p.m.

## Nisei up for Oscar

**LOS ANGELES** — Nisei actor Mako was nominated this week as one of the five best supporting actors for an Oscar to be presented by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Science in April. He is the son of artists Taro and Mitsu Yashima. He is being cited for his role in "Sand Pebbles".

## Mile-Hi JACLers to stress service

**BY RAY MOROYE**

**DENVER**—Floyd H. Tanaka, speaking on the proposed Skyline Urban Renewal Project, told some 60 members attending the Mile-Hi JACL general meeting Feb. 25 that the chapter can be of valuable assistance to the Japanese living within the project area.

At the same time, the chapter program for the year was revealed and an ambitious schedule has been undertaken. The aim is oriented toward service to local Japanese Americans and the community as a whole.

The significant aspect of the turnout was the attendance of seven former chapter presidents, the new blood and the old guard, indicating that interest in JACL is not entirely restricted to one group. Hopefully, the Mile-Hi JACL objectives can be accomplished by use of the talents and efforts of all groups.

## Reno to install all-lady cabinet

**RENO** — The Reno JACL Chapter has elected its officers for 1967, an all-lady panel consisting of:

Mrs. Frank Chikami, pres.; Mrs. George Oshima, v.p.; Mrs. William Spahr, sec.; Mrs. Tom Oki, treas.; and Mrs. Fred Aoyama, del. Installation will take place Mar. 11 at a dinner meeting.

Plans for the coming year were also discussed which include community picnic and instructions in the art of Japanese cooking.

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## Calif. Assembly gets modified housing bill

**SACRAMENTO** — Assemblyman William T. Bagley (R-San Rafael) introduced a bill to modify the controversial Rumford Housing Act this week, making it more palatable to the public by exempting privately-owned single family dwellings and multiple dwellings of less than five units from coverage under the act.

Tract sales or rentals, transacted by a person or firm in the business of providing housing would not be exempt. Defendant in a housing discrimination case could choose to have his case heard either by the FEPC or the courts.

## 700 Oriental wives live near Camp Pendleton

**OCEANSIDE**—The First Baptist Church here has initiated Americanization and English classes for some 700 Oriental wives of servicemen stationed at Camp Pendleton. Mrs. Marge Quinby, former missionary in Japan, and other volunteers are in charge.

## Ford Foundation

**NEW YORK** — The Ford Foundation announced nine grants totalling \$905,000 aiding Japanese students, scholars and organizations fostering the study of English in Japan.

## Biased apt. owner fined \$150 for not renting

**LOS ANGELES** — Owners of a Reseda apartment house practiced illegal discrimination in their refusal to rent one of their apartments to a Negro last October, according to a decision made by a panel of the Fair Employment Practice Commission.

The determination was made following a public hearing Jan. 24 when the four-man panel heard evidence on the complaint of Leo Dukes of Los Angeles that Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Cartwright had refused to rent him an apartment in their 20-unit building at 7505 Canby in Reseda.

Since the Cartwrights have now sold this property—a fact not disclosed until the hearing—and could not be directed to rent Dukes an apartment, they were ordered to pay him \$150 in damages, an alternate remedy provided by the State's fair housing law.

## 300,000 A-bomb victims still living in Japan

**TOKYO** — The Japan Health and Welfare Ministry reported a total of 298,722 persons as victims of the atomic bombs dropped in Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Women outnumbered the men. Count was based on a 1965 survey of victims still living.

News Deadline Tuesday

## Stockton teachers to hear Joe Grant Masaoka

**STOCKTON**—In-service training for the Stockton School District announced Joe Grant Masaoka, administrator for the Japanese American Research Project, will speak on the contributions of the Japanese to the history, culture and heritage in the U.S. at Stagg High School, Mar. 17, 7 p.m., according to Dr. Lawrence Crouchett, of the Diablo Valley College history department.

## Pilot at 60

**LOS ANGELES** — Nisei attorney Kenji Ito, whose age hovers around 60, has passed his tests for a private pilot license with flying colors. Onetime president of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce did not consider flying until he attended a gyrocopter meet at Lake Mirage last May.

## Festival of Arts

**LOS ANGELES**—Charred and melted debris of the 1965 fires are featured in the second annual Watts Festival of Arts Mar. 19-25 at Markham Jr. High School. The festival is held during Easter Week in honor of the late Simon Rodia, builder of the Watts Towers.

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By Jeffray Matsui

# Sounding Board

## BRG ITCH

Being number two, I'm told, will arouse the great spirit of competition which rests in the hearts of men to a feverish pitch of passion to compete—to be number one.

The Pacific Southwest District is number two in membership—has been for the past 21 years. And we'll be number two again this year. So the big question is why this contradiction. Why isn't the PSW the most aggressive district—hungry for increased membership and experimenting with new programs to attract these new members (especially since we have a J.A. population of 2:1 over the number one district).

The quick answers are: (1) the district has been number two so long that it's been frustrated into a state of not caring; and (2) the leadership is the same as 20 years ago and so the district is still programmed for mediocrity and to remain "second best."

However, a look at the records and facts show the fallacy of these quick answers:

First, the district has never initiated a hard-nosed membership campaign to try to be number one, so how could it be frustrated (although the old Southwest Chapter carried on its own vigorous campaign and brought membership up from 197 in 1954 to 754 in 1955 and 1,216 in 1956).

Second, the PSW has had more leadership changes in the past 20 years than the Ichiban district.

So what's the real answer? I don't know—but I got a slight itch behind my left ear which means I may have a few answers to work on pretty soon (either that or I forgot to wash behind my ears again last Saturday).

## BRIGHT SPOTS

Actually things really aren't as bad as I've made them out to be. In fact there are quite a few bright spots and each of these bright spots has a chapter membership chairman standing in the middle.

I just received the first Membership Bulletin for 1967 and I see first that North San Diego has already hit their all time high with 130 members. The feat is not surprising when I recall my experience with the chapter's membership chairman, Toru Hirai.

I attended their installation dinner and was talking and drinking—with Toru for about half an hour when the program started and he was asked to the podium to give the invocation. When he returned to his chair I told him I had no idea he was a Reverend and apologized if I sounded disrespectful. He appeared even more embarrassed as he explained he is not even a church goer and that he was a last minute replacement for the reverend that didn't show up.

Joe Ikeguchi, retired U.S. Army lieutenant colonel and present chairman for Long Beach, seems well on his way to equalling last year's performance or even breaking the chapter's all time high of 539. Joe has his work cut out for him in trying to keep Long Beach as the largest chapter in the district as George Nakao of the West L.A. Chapter already has 438 members and is pushing for 600.

In viewing the first bulletin, it seems that Venice-Culver chairman, Dr. Richard Sakai with 267 members already signed up may also pass their chapter high of 315. The performance is even more outstanding when you realize that Dr. Sakai has also been busy with the upcoming district convention to be hosted by Venice-Culver as well as additional work with the local Optimist Club.

Other chairmen showing the fruits of a successful drive are Joe Honda of the Santa Maria Chapter and Tad Kanemoto of the Santa Barbara Chapter.

## LOOKING AHEAD

Hopefully, all chapters will realize the importance of selecting a hard working and capable membership chairman to further the growth of their chapter.

Chapter growth will mean more manpower, fresh ideas, broader programs that reach out into the Whole Community and the realization and fulfillment of our Organization's motto.

Well for now, let me just face north to where Tony Bennett left his heart, shake my fist and shout, "We'll be number one in 1968 I betcha."



By Ken Kuroiwa

# MAMPITSU

Goodbye to Europe

After a year's study in Europe under UC Berkeley's Education Abroad Program, Mampitsu columnist Ken Kuroiwa is back home completing his senior year in Linguistics. Following is his final report of his impressions on Europe—though he would have had more to say had time and space allowed. Ken was introduced to PC readers after the 1964 Detroit convention as a Jr. JACL commentator—Editor.

Stones. The whole coast stones, rocks. The coast highway cuts a honey-Ian path through the stones. Even the houses, nestled in the crooks of the elbows of the road, were made completely out of stone. Terraced plots of land, whose precious soil is retained by stone walls, lay there in profound and self-assured silence.

Children, even adults, stop and wave to us as we go by, shepherd boys with their sheep, children on donkeys, lean, tough old women, hardened by peasant life, dressed in black from head to foot, grizzled old men, prodding the horse pulling the carts to somewhere or nowhere.

The people here are as tough as the land. There is strength in the people and in the land. But there is also friendliness, cordiality and simple happiness. It is deep, silent, confident, wise in its simplicity. This land is a pause between colliding worlds, dominated by neither, as internally distant from the great confrontations of power as it is externally involved in the midst of it, as removed as a dream, as real as the body of his dreamer.

## The Continuing Travels of a Rolling Black Stone

The 1966 World Ice Hockey Championships at Ljubljana, Yugoslavia was a disaster for the Americans, at least the match that we saw. The (mis)match with the Russian team was a hideously one-sided affair. The passing and playmaking of the Russians was smooth, beautiful, devastating, executed with the professional polish of a team which had played together for many years, whose members knew each other's moves to perfection.

We marvelled at the Russians' ability to smell out a

play and be in perfect position to intercept or to break up a play.

Contrasting these respective strengths and weaknesses, one would have to conclude that we would have come out on the short end of a high score, perhaps even something like 10-0.

It was with despair and shock and sadness that we watched the Russian flag being unfurled to the Russian anthem. We felt that an injustice had somehow been committed, stemming from the ingrained myth of perpetual American athletic superiority—after all, American teams have ALWAYS won the World Series and have always been World Champions in football and basketball.

We grew up on Frank Merriwell stories, Baseball Joe at Yale, on clearcut distinctions of Good and Evil and what the Good Guys look like and what the Bad Guys look like: the Lone Ranger in a powder-blue Texas Ranger's outfit on his white horse; the Bad Guys in their black outfits (or I suppose nowadays we are taught that the Bad Guys are, automatically, of course, the ones in sandals and with beards; it IS really quite easy, you know, to identify the Bad Guys if you think on it hard enough); we know this from Roy Rogers too, and Gene Autry and Hopalong Cassidy (you remember him: he's the one who would walk into a saloon and order a glass of milk—but he wore an all-black outfit, hmmm! aha, but his horse was pure white!); then there was Crusader Rabbit, Rocky and Bullwinkle and Boris and Natasha, and Mighty Mouse; and GI Joe.

We have learned that the crook will always get it in the end, in the comics the

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## PSWDC art show entry deadline set for April 15

LOS ANGELES — Contestants in the PSWDC convention art show May 6-7 have until April 15 to submit their entry forms, according to art show chairman Mrs. Mitsuo Sonoda.

The JACL chapters in the district are assisting the committee in contacting as many Japanese American high school students to enter this first JACL district art show.

One grand cash prize and prize ribbons for the top three places in the three categories of the competition (oil, water color and mixed media—sculpture, ceramics, graphic arts, etc.) are being offered.

The art show will be a special feature of the PSWDC convention being hosted by Venice-Culver JACL at the Airport Marina Hotel, 8601 Lincoln Blvd.

## 1000 Club Notes

Feb. 28 Report: A total of 90 new and renewing 1000 Club memberships were acknowledged during the second half of February, bringing the current active total to 1,735, according to National Headquarters. Recently acknowledged were:

19th Year — San Luis Valley—Roy T. Inouye.  
18th Year—Salinas — James Y. Aber, Salt Lake City—Roy Tachiki.  
17th Year—San Diego — Tom Kida.

16th Year—San Luis Valley — Charles Hayashida.  
15th Year — San Jose—Yonoo Bepp; Parlier—James N. Kozuki; Chicago—Dr. Newton Wesley.

14th Year — Parlier — Noboru Jerry Doi, Rosemead — I. Okumura, Tad Katsura, Richard Y. Migaki, Seattle — Dr. Susumu Fukuda, Dr. Kelly K. Yamada, San Luis Valley — Mike M. Boudi, Harry Sumida, San Diego—Leo Owasaki.

13th Year — Hollywood—Danar Abe; San Francisco—Lucy Adachi, Yone Satoda; Los Angeles—Minoru Yamaguchi; Chicago — George S. Yoshida.

12th Year — Chicago — Max S. Joichi, Parlier — John Kashiki; Long Beach—Harbor — Dr. John E. Kashiwabara; Detroit—George Matsuhira; Seattle — Mrs. Kiyo Matsuda.

11th Year—San Jose—Phil Matsumura; Parlier — Fred Nagare; Fresno — S. G. Sakamoto; Portland — Robert H. Shioni; San Diego — Dr. Peter Umekubo, George Yasuda.

10th Year — Chicago — Kiyoshi Ito; San Fernando Valley—George Koike; Mile-Hi — Mrs. Shigeo Mayeda; Gresham—Toudale—Dr. Joe M. Onchi.

9th Year — Long Beach—Frank Ito; Long Beach—Ichiro Nakajima, Toshio Nakajima.  
8th Year — Seattle — Fred Y. Imantschi; San Diego—Harry Kawamoto; Tokime Yano; Fresno—George G. Miyamoto; Chicago — Frank T. Okita; Cleveland — Yoshiko Takahashi.

7th Year — Dayton — Pete K. Hironaka; Detroit — Kenneth T. Miyoshi; San Fernando Valley — Kay Nakagiri; Mt. Olympus — George Tamura; Seattle—Theodore T. Taniguchi; Mrs. Shigeo Uno; Hollywood—Fred Taomas.

6th Year — Chicago—Richard K. Hikawa; San Francisco—Mike Inouye; Idaho Falls—Shoji Nakaya; Stockton — Dr. James T. Tanaka; Spokane — Richard M. Tsutakawa; Mile-Hi — Dr. Ayako Wada; Salt Lake City — Choppo S. Umemoto.

5th Year — Long Beach—Harbor — Dr. Masashi Itano; Detroit — Lloyd H. Joichi; Seattle — Umeko Tsuya; Monterey Peninsula — Mas Yokogawa.

4th Year — Philadelphia—John E. Endo; Oakland — Mrs. Florence T. Ida; Thomas K. Nomura; Salt Lake City — Tats Misaka; Detroit — George Okamoto; Dayton — Yoshiko Nakajima; San Francisco — Ken Tamura; Stockton—Yoshio Bob Yamada.

3rd Year — Salt Lake City — Dr. Wilfred H. Nishizaki; Oakland — Dr. Kiyu Kuriaki; San Francisco — Raymond K. Konagai; Kiyoshi Y. Yukawa; Snake River — Rob Uru.

2nd Year — Arizona — Dr. Tamio Kumagai; French Camp — Bob S. Ota; Chicago — Wilfred T. Shoda.

1st Year — San Jose — Tomoo Inouye, Tatsuo Miki, Torao Toyofuku; Gardena Valley—Mrs. Ami E. Nagahori; Seattle — Eira Nakajima; San Jose — Mrs. Yoko Nakano; French Camp — Tom Natsumura; Cleveland — Henry T. Tanaka; Spokane — Dr. James M. Watanabe; San Fernando Valley—Rokuro Watanabe.

**San Jose:** Informal discussions on the format of the National JACL Convention 1000 Club winging down were held at a recent dinner hosted by the local 1000 Club when Dr. Frank Sakamoto, national 1000 Club chairman, visited San Jose. Masumi Onishi is local 1000 Club chairman.

## CALENDAR

Mar. 11 (Saturday)  
Long Beach—Harbor — Oriental Fantasy Dance, Harbor Comm Ctr. 9 p.m.  
Chicago—VJA potluck dinner. Philadelphia — Installation dinner-dance.  
Sacramento — Camellia Day parade.

Fresno — New Member dinner, Fresno Buddhist Church, 6 p.m.  
Mar. 12 (Sunday)  
CCDC — Delano JACL hosts: Meeting.  
Hollywood — Bonnet class, Alpine Baikie Nursery, 5207 W. Jefferson Blvd., 2 p.m. (Every other Sunday through 1967).

San Jose — Jr. JACL "Sinhui" Cultural show, Buddhist Church, 3-5 p.m.  
March 14 (Tuesday)  
New York — Bd Mtg. Japan Society, Rm. 1621, 150 Park Ave., 4:30 p.m. supper (Every second Tuesday of the month).

Mar. 15 (Wednesday)  
Monterey Peninsula — Bd Mtg. JACL Hall.  
Seattle — Bd Mtg. JACL Office, 8 p.m.

Mar. 17 (Friday)  
San Jose — Jr JACL Bd Mtg. JACL Bldg., 7:30 p.m.  
Hollywood — Ikebana, Flower View, 7 p.m.

March 18 (Saturday)  
D.C. — Gen Mtg. Maryland Capital Park and Planning Commission, 6787 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring, 8 a.m. Dr. T. Yoshikashi, speaker, "Channing Japan."

Twin Cities — Jr. JACL Retreat, Mar. 18-19  
West Los Angeles — Earth Sci field trip, Owlhead Mountains and Talcott Mines.



**AEROJET EXECUTIVE** — Dr. Tom Omori (right) addresses Downtown L.A. JACL luncheon meeting. Chapter president Ed Matsuda is seated at left. One of the leading Nisei executives in an American corporation, the Aerojet General, and expert in missile rocketry, he discussed the progress of Japanese rocketry and the work of Aerojet's program of using nuclear energy in rockets. —Toyo Miyatake Photo.

## JACL, Jr. JACL delegates to attend Civil Liberties Clearing House parley

(Special to the Pacific Citizen) SACRAMENTO — Both the Japanese American Citizens League and its Youth Council will be represented at the 19th annual conference of the National Civil Liberties Clearing House, to be held at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D.C., March 21 and 22, according to Jerry Enomoto, National JACL President.

Observing that the JACL was one of the founding organizations of the Clearing House and that its Washington Representative Mike Masaoka served as its second chairman, Enomoto noted that the JACL has been represented at every conference.

JACL representatives at past conferences have lauded these annual meetings as among the most productive and constructive conferences attended by JACL delegates because the delegates themselves participate in commenting on and asking questions concerning the statements made on various aspects of civil rights, civil liberties, human rights, and intellectual freedom, the four general areas of concern for the Clearing House, by active national leaders in the field.

Enomoto recalled that the National Convention in San Diego last summer had voted unanimously to continue JACL participation in the Conference. He also recalled that Jr. JACLers from the Eastern and Midwest District Councils had attended the last several conferences.

While he himself will designate the National JACL representative, he explained that this year Kay Nakagiri, the National JACL Youth Commissioner, and Alan Kumamoto, the National JACL Youth Director, will designate two Jr. JACLers to represent the Youth Council.

## Timely Program

Enomoto described this year's Conference Program as "most timely and provocative."

The first session will be devoted to "The Economics of Equality: Civil Rights in Transition", with Harold C. Fleming, executive vice president of the Potomac Institute, presiding. Panelists include Samuel C. Jackson, member of the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Congressman Thomas B. Curtis of Missouri, member of the House Ways and Means Committee and of the Joint Economic Committee, and Jack T. Conaway, executive director, Industrial Union Department of the AFL-CIO.

The dinner meeting will hear an address by Ramsey Clark, the recently nominated and confirmed Attorney General of the United States.

The second session will be concerned with "What's Happening to the Negro?"

## Whereabouts Sought

MANHATTAN BEACH — Arnold B. Larson, 1457 Fifth St., publicist for the U.S. Forest Service before the war who had Nisei secretary, is anxious to learn of her whereabouts today. The secretary, Yoshie Hashimoto, was married to a former New Yorker Harry Otori. Larson said he would like to meet their relatives during a trip next month in Japan.

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## Open housing needs discussed by new advisory committee to Calif. FEPC

LOS ANGELES — High-level representatives of the California housing industry, spokesmen for fair housing groups, and representatives of the State Fair Employment Practice Commission agreed on the need for broader equal opportunity programs to aid minority group families to obtain housing in an open market.

"We agreed on the need," said Clive Graham, FEPC commissioner and chairman pro tem of the meeting. "And we hope to stress voluntary means as an effective way of achieving our objective. Many of the organizations represented already have voluntary programs within their associations, and the committee seeks ways to further and intensify such programs."

The meeting, held here Feb. 7, was the first gathering of the newly-formed FEPC Housing Advisory Committee. According to Graham, a Long Beach realtor, the committee was organized so that a strong open-housing trend in California can benefit from the diverse approaches of authorities from all areas of the housing field, including sales, rental, financing and construction.

Graham said that the group agreed upon the need for widespread dissemination of information on equal opportunity in housing to apartment owners and small real estate companies.

"The committee was particularly concerned in informing such people of the realities of the open housing market," Graham said. "Some land-

lords and realtors still choose to believe that the value of property falls when it is sold to a minority buyer or that moveouts by other tenants occur if an apartment is rented to a minority family. The members of our committee, who are involved in the day-to-day operation of the entire housing market, know what today's facts are and are anxious that others in the industry be made aware of them.

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## Ye Editor's Desk

### PRESIDENT'S NOTEBOOK

A valuable source of information for JACL chapters is the "Chapter President's Notebook", which are still in supply at National Headquarters. These are provided new presidents upon request, although the copy now in chapter hands should be passed to successive chapter presidents.

The current edition was last revised as of December, 1962, and one of the on-going projects at National Headquarters is to keep updating and selecting new material for a new edition.

The President's Notebook contains three policy statements in the front section—and the first one, JACL's Statement of Policy, is a formulation of practices over the years and a reiteration of basic JACL philosophy. It has not been formally adopted by a National Council.

The other two statements were adopted by the National Council and are noted accordingly in the President's Notebook. The JACL Policy Statement Against Communism was adopted in 1954; the JACL Policy on U.S.-Japan Affairs in 1958.

Before the next edition of the President's Notebook is published, perhaps the 1968 National Council will adopt the JACL Statement on Policy. We bring this up at this time in view of District Councils holding their conventions this year as a prelude to the National Council session.

### STATEMENT OF POLICY

The statement we are referring to is as follows:

The Japanese American Citizens League is in existence because there are problems and adjustments which are peculiar to Americans of Japanese ancestry. The term "Japanese American" in the name of the organization is used merely to identify the problems, now to identify the constituency, nor to describe the organization.

Moreover, the designation "Japanese American" does not limit the membership of the organization exclusively to Japanese Americans. On the contrary, we encourage and solicit other Americans to join with us for we need them to build the strongest possible organization.

We believe that the work for the solution of the problems peculiar to our own minority group, we are helping constructively thereby to solve the total problems of all minorities.

We are often asked, "Why does not JACL take a stand upon important issues other than just those which affect Japanese Americans and other groups as racial minorities?" Our basic premise is that when we start taking stands as an organization upon other matters, we begin to set ourselves apart as a group. Upon such issues we believe that our individual members should express themselves as individuals and join actively whatever groups and organizations in their communities best express their own thinking and points of view.

Moreover, the membership of JACL is made up of various individuals with differing viewpoints. To take stands upon issues where opinions are divided would be to create disunity among our group. We hold, however, all of our membership can go along and work together upon the basic problems which affect people of Japanese ancestry.

We pledge to devote ourselves and our efforts to the hastening of the day when Americans of Japanese ancestry face only problems which are no different from those faced by all other Americans, and we are known only as Americans with no racial designation.

### JACL's JOB

Another popular statement circulated to chapter presidents is the one entitled: "National JACL's Job: A Continuing One", which deserves formal adoption as well by the National Council. It reads as follows:

The Japanese American Citizens League has three stated purposes:

1. The first of these is to promote and protect the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States consistent with our democracy. This includes working to eliminate all discrimination, legal, social and economic, which in any way prevent Americans of Japanese ancestry from realizing their fullest capacities and making their particular contributions to the life of this country.
2. Secondly, JACL is concerned that Americans of Japanese ancestry fulfill their citizenship obligations to this country and in their respective communities. JACL serves to train its members for leadership and participation in the affairs of the larger community in cooperation with their fellow Americans, and to open up channels whereby such active participation is made possible.
3. Finally, JACL strives to carry on a continuous program of public relations in behalf of Americans of Japanese ancestry in order that an increasing number of our fellow Americans will be



JAPANESE CUSTOM: ONE PAINTS IN DARUMA DOLL'S BLANK EYE WHEN ONE'S WISH COMES TRUE.

### The Long Wait

## — Letters from Our Readers —

### REAGAN'S STAND

Dear Editor:  
There is little point in discussing the current tempest raised by Governor Reagan's proposals with regard to funding higher education and tuition or the firing of Clark Kerr.

I say this out of the conviction that most of the opposition to the positions taken by the Governor is predicated on the condition of the academic community's collective digestive system, rather than upon the exercise of the mental processes.

Let us begin with Dr. Kerr. The charge that Clark Kerr was the victim of partisan politics is absurd. The Reagan administration brought a total of three votes to the meeting of the Board of Regents at which the dismissal of Clark Kerr took place. The preponderant number of regents who voted to oust Dr. Kerr were Brown appointees. It seems that the only injection of partisan politics to take place in the Board of Regents involved various members who actively campaigned for Brown.

The question of tuition is always good for raising someone's blood pressure a few points. The Governor has proposed that a rather moderate portion of educational expenses be borne by those who receive the benefits most directly—the students.

Sooner or later we must realize that we all have to sacrifice a little for an education. The state does not owe its citizens an education—it owes them the opportunity to achieve this end if they so choose. Those who expect to pay nothing will gain nothing, except higher taxes and more liberalism.

When Governor Reagan was inaugurated, he was faced with the immediate and vital problem of bringing about financial solvency out of the chaos left by his predecessor. An overall 10 percent budget cut was needed just to get California through the next fiscal year.

Since education expenses constitute more than half of the state budget, failure to cut them by 10 percent would result in the necessity to cut other parts of the budget by more than 20 percent, an action that would nearly deal a death blow to such things as welfare services.

Perhaps the critics of Governor Reagan's proposals would be better advised to think of ways in which fat could be trimmed from their

expenditures, after which time they might in good conscience approach the Governor with something more substantial than protest marches.

Governor Reagan has a thankless task to perform. Marching to Sacramento to not my type of answer to the state's problems. It will take more than the diaper brigade with hand painted platitudes to secure a better system of higher education in California.

TOSHIO ODA  
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### U.S. PEN PAL

Editor:

I wish to make friends with your country, so I am writing this letter from Japan with hoping I have been desiring for long time to get contact with some people in your beautiful country to correspond in order to create a good friendship.

I want to introduce myself. I am 20 years old and now I am attending cooking school. My hobbies are reading, postcards, watching TV, stamps and etc.

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### Kuroiwa —

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Russians never would have won!

It is a sad day indeed for America when the DJ's (Dis-honest Johns) of the world begin to make even small gains on liberty, freedom, and good. Outrageous it is, that the Russians should be able to infringe upon American freedom to win world championships in everything. For we have learned that "just as the President resides in Washington and the Pope in Rome, the Devil resides in Moscow (Fulbright, Old Myths and New Realities)".

Even though we were confronted with the obvious and undeniable truth of the score, how could we, with our up-bringing, our pride in our national sport heritage, our knowledge of our glorious and righteous history, of Good and Bad, not sense the perpetration of a sinister injustice?

After all, to those of us brought up and educated in the post-war-cold-war generation, they were the Russians and we were Americans. It is a matter of considerable gravity.

They were Russians! Still, we lost. And God was not on our side either.

And there was no joy in Mudville, for the mighty Casey, yes, our mighty Casey, had—struck out!

The evening was not without its compensation. We found ourselves in the presence of a celebrity, none other than President Tito, seated four rows directly in front of us. There was an interesting character always at his side.

You might have very easily taken him for just another face in the crowd, were it not for the fact that he wore a trench coat and a hat which slouched just over his eyebrows. On the end of his rigid arms were hands buried in the pockets of his coat; his head and shoulders were hunched over defensively. His dark beady eyes darted back and forth and then would scan the surrounding crowd with a distrustful sweep.

The comic relief provided for us by this would-be super-secret agent was not unwellcome. Now it was again time to leave the world of confrontations, policy, prestige, the world of Good guys and Bad guys.

By the Board: Henry Kanegae

## Need No Apologies

Nogales, Ariz.  
Flying home from the National JACL interim board meeting with Tom Shimasaki aboard, conversation was at a minimum. But both of us were thinking about that board meeting. The Perspectives (see Feb. 24 PC) needs no apologies about that "hectic and disorganized ending." Whether Tom felt that way we can't say.

That "hectic and disorganized ending" was probably referring to the lively debate that erupted minutes before the adjournment Sunday afternoon when we directed some questions at the Civil Rights Committee. Thus, while it is clearly evident that there is total agreement on the JACL goals regarding civil rights, the ways and means of achievement is a debatable matter. The votes reported in the PC about the question of changing the name of the civil rights committee to human rights committee indicates the intensity of feelings.

To this, the telephone calls and letters we have received on the subject, letters to the PC Editor, Tom Shimasaki's "By the Board" column and long personal discussions all show the intense interest gripping our membership over policies guiding the JACL today.

PC's necessarily brief resume of the Interim Board Meeting cannot in any way show the complexity of the membership on the National Board nor reveal in detail the diversity of opinions on many basic matters. We can only assure people like Lorraine Komatsubara (Letter to the Editor, Feb. 24 PC) that there are Republicans on the national board who are not only "sensible" but responsible as well. But let's make it clearly understood this JACL board is not composed of two diametrically opposed political factions. Rather it is a group of men and women agreeing on basic matters but disagreeing on how to achieve them.

In all JACL history, it is possible that no national president has had to contend with his board as President Jerry Enomoto. We believe this is good, a sign that it is an active and a concerned board.

We all respect Jerry and give him full support on his ideals. We shall give him honest criticism if we feel it is right.

Discussion on the National JACL scholarship program after the report and recommendations by youth director Alan Kumamoto and committee disturbed us to no end. It seems our oldest, most honored and respected scholarship has set a ceiling on the dollar amount to be awarded.

Further, we understand that the exact wishes of subsequent donors were adjusted to meet this restriction. That is not right. Those who are able and wish to set up scholarships in greater amounts should be encouraged.

We are happy that the Board approved in principle the establishment of a National JACL scholarship foundation. But we should go further, the Japanese American economy being what it is today. It is very possible to find a number of individuals and groups wishing to set up scholarship award programs — both annual awards in cash or setting up endowments whose interest could be used to make the awards. And the awards should be meaningful in the amount of dollars.

What with all the furor raised about tuition, we believe we are missing the boat in not actively and immediately pursuing this possibility.

### Perspectives—

(Continued from Front Page)

WHEREAS, there exists today a threat to the concept of tuition free higher public education here in the State of California, and

WHEREAS, this tuition would preclude many qualified students including those of Japanese ancestry from attaining their educational goals,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Northern California Western Nevada District Council of the Japanese American Citizens League, in meeting assembled this 5th day of February, 1967, at the Berkeley House, Berkeley, California, go on record opposing tuition at any of the State Colleges or at the University of California as being against tradition and the law and, moreover, detrimental to the future and well-being of future California students including those of Japanese ancestry. Adopted this 5th day, Feb. 1967

### UC & POLITICS

Those who chose to play the spotlight upon the unfortunate disturbances at Berkeley in 1964, who utilized (and are still utilizing, inflammatory remarks about "creeps, crud, etc.") on the Berkeley campus as descriptive of the school, who attacked and fired former President Clark Kerr (much to the delight of the extremist left and the extremist right) should do a little soul searching about where the accusing finger of playing partisan politics with UC should be pointed.

### LEADERS?

Where the issue of civil rights is concerned, I do not need to be "subtle". If a Sansei is rejected from a fraternity, should we be subtle? If you are refused housing in an apartment, should you be subtle? Should we have been subtle about Prop. 13? How about the Alien Land Laws? How about the general hot issue of open housing? Anti-Miscegenation? A poverty-free chance for all Americans?

If voicing my beliefs is "demagogic" or "foisting my views on the readers", then so be it. I don't believe that there is a PC reader who will allow my views to be foisted on him, or her, against his or her will. I wish I had such influence.

### ATTITUDE

Let me close with the assurance that I mean no arrogance in what I say. Further, that I am at all times expressing my own "line", not the JACL "line", in this column. To be honest, however, though I do not speak for the JACL, the column reflects my attitude as a member and as President. It also reflects what I sincerely believe to be contributory to the best interests of JACL.

Lastly, I take the question of

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