

## Credit Union Reveals Student Loans Plan launched by National Board

### VICARIOUS THRILL

Enjoyed vicariously a little of the thrills experienced by our fellow JACLers, as they prepared to leave for Japan last Saturday. Someone commented that the mob of nihonjin at the S.F. Airport was reminiscent of another "evacuation", albeit of a happy nature. Fog caused delay of the plane bringing in the Los Angeles contingent, aroused some anxiety as take-off time approached. I was privileged to get my picture taken with the group by the JAL jet, although a non passenger. So many people said it was too bad we weren't going along that my stock reply of "somebody had to see the people off" got monotonous. The best offer I got was the gag that there was a last minute cancellation for one passenger, but I couldn't break Joyce's grip on my arm.

I hope that the Tour leader responsibilities of Mas and Pat do not detract from a full enjoyment of the trip. Certainly the group will benefit from the work done by Mas, and the extra courtesies made possible by the ground laying of Haruo Ishimaru, and the National Japan America Cultural Relations Committee, as well as our Washington Representative, Mike. We were sorry that our schedule precluded seeing the second contingent off, but we did see early birds, Mr. and Mrs. "Chewie" Ito of Sacramento as we left the airport. Bon Voyage to all.

### 'THE FOUR SEAS'

Was the site of a wonderful testimonial to San Francisco Issei pioneers last Friday evening. Some of our Bay Area non-Japanese friends who stood by us 25 years ago were also honored. A fitting bilingual talk by renowned world traveler and much honored Nisei civic leader, Dr. George Kiyoshi Togasaki highlighted the evening. Present to hear the President-Elect of Rotary International, were all of his distinguished family living in the bay area, Drs. Kazuo, Yoshiie and Teru, along with brother Sim and wife. I can't forget their kindness to my family, nor Dr. Kazuo's urging years ago to get involved in JACL—and, oh yes, her admonitions to continue to graduate school at Cal when I was strongly tempted to quit.

A masterful job of toastmastering was turned in by National Treasurer, Yone Sato. The Issei present looked wonderful and, as respondent Mr. Asano put it, they intend to go on living for years and years. Bravo!

### HAPPY ENDING

Some stories do end happily, as witness the return of JACLer and community leader Fred Hoshiyama to his YMCA post. This is a fitting aftermath of an episode which is best quickly forgotten. The best thing about it was probably the flood of support that rightly came to Fred from the community to which he has given more than a little.

### BONUS

Just released figures by Mas show that a little push for couple sign-ups in JACL will pay off in membership bonuses in many chapters. Let's take advantage of this.

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### DEADLINE CHANGED

Until further notice, news and advertising deadlines are advanced to Saturday. The Pacific Citizen will actually be printed on Tuesdays though its date will continue to be on Fridays.—Editor.

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### Representative Mink joins halt bomb group

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Representative Patsy T. Mink announced that she has joined a bipartisan group of 30 Congressmen in calling upon President Johnson to halt the bombing of North Vietnam as the best means "to open the way for a reasonable and peaceful settlement of this tragic conflict."

The Congressmen concurred with Defense Secretary Robert McNamara's statement which questioned the wisdom of "a less selective campaign of air attack against the North."

The National J.A.C.L. Credit Union has been designated as a lending institution under the Federally Insured Student Loan Program. This action was motivated by the Board of Directors of the National J.A.C.L. Credit Union to give additional service to children of its members in the furtherance of their education in a vocational or technical school or as an undergraduate or graduate in a school of higher education.

This will mean that members of our Credit Union who are undergraduate students of an accepted higher educational institution will be able to borrow up to \$1,000 a year and \$5,000 maximum for all undergraduate years from their Credit Union. Repayment of the loan commences not earlier than nine months nor later than one year after the date of graduation or withdrawal from school. During the student's in-school period the Federal Government pays the interest and during the loan-repayment period the Federal Government pays one-half of the interest.

Loans under this Act are also available to graduate students at \$1,500 each graduate year, or \$7,500 maximum for all undergraduate and graduate years combined.

Assistance to vocational students are also available to the extent of \$1,000 maximum for each academic year or \$2,000 aggregate for all academic years.

The interest rate is 6% per annum and the loan is insured by the Federal Government. The cost of this insurance is payable by the student/borrower ¼% per annum figured up to the month of his anticipated graduation.

Since this type of loan will necessarily be a long-term type and the total amount that we may loan is 10% of our assets, priority will be given to children of present members of the Credit Union.

/s/ Hito Okada  
Treasurer

## American florists styles wow floral designers in Japan

LOS ANGELES—Art Ito, outstanding Nisei florist and proprietor of Flower View Gardens with his wife Alice, winner of many Florist awards, just returned from a successful whirlwind lecture tour of Japan, sponsored by the Japan Florist Transworld Delivery Association (JFTD), demonstrating American flower designs which is quite a switch, having an American tell the Japanese about flower design.

Over 1,600 florists and flower design students from all over Japan... from northern Hokkaido to the southern-most tip of the islands, they came to hear Ito speak in Japanese. With flowers and dry material flown in from Los Angeles and San Francisco and, of course, indigenous material, Ito demonstrated American designs used for weddings, funerals, hospitals, party decorations and novelties.

### Three Week Stay

"They were hungry to learn," said Ito who still seems astonished at the SRO crowds and numbers who were turned away. Many followed him to other cities to catch his lecture, demonstrations and films of the fabulously unbelievable '66 and '67 Florists Headquarters.

Ito's first lecture was given on Sept. 5 and 6 in Tokyo at the Shin Nippon Kaidan to turnaway crowds. An address to the JFTD convention in Kanazawa with delegates from all over Japan was received with enthusiasm. A few Americans have lectured to the group in the past but this was the first time, a lecturer spoke in Japanese.

Listeners remarked that it was most enjoyable to ask questions from the floor and have answers without the use of tedious interpreters.

### Professor to speak on Japan culture

LOS ANGELES—"A Glimpse of Japan: Its Cultural Geography" will be presented by Dr. John C. Kimura of California State College at Long Beach, who has just returned from Japan after his five-year study in various cultural aspects on Japan.

The lecture will be given at the Institute of Japanese Language and Culture, 1913 Purdue Ave., West Los Angeles, on Thursday, Nov. 2 from 8:00 p.m. The program is open to the public.

## Miki tells tour leaders to speak Japanese to understand heritage

TOKYO—Persons of Japanese ancestry in America were urged to use the Japanese language freely as a penetrating means of better understanding their cultural heritage.

This petition was made by Foreign Minister Takeo Miki on Oct. 18 when he met for 15 minutes with leaders of the first JACL Japan Tour at the Foreign Ministry.

In the group were tour co-leaders Masao Satow and Pat Okura and their wives, Dr. David Miura, Kay Nakagiri, Tad Hirota, Frank Kasama, and Harry Honda. The meeting took place in the Foreign Minister's conference and reception room.

A copy of JACL's just published brochure on the brief

Again, the lecture at Nagoya on Sept. 21 found the auditorium filled to capacity. The lecture in Osaka on Sept. 22 met the same reception.

By popular demand, Ito had to present another lecture before returning home in Tokyo on Sept. 23.

### Savage Daigakko

Ito has never studied the Japanese language except during the WWII stint in the U.S. Army. He is a graduate of "Savage Daigakko" (intensive 7 months of language training at Camp Savage, Minn.) followed by service in Guam, Saipan, Okinawa, Philippines assigned to a mobile radio unit in air-ground interceptor work teamed with Yori Wada of San Francisco and two Nisei from Hawaii.

The Immigration Department sanctions Flower View Gardens as one of the few shops in the U.S. to train students from Japan in floristry under the Trainee program.

Many of Ito's graduates are now teachers in Japan. Many have opened schools of their own such as Nancy Tanabe who accompanied the lecture tour, giving her running commentary when the unbelievable Florists Ball headresses were shown.

## Isles educator Kanda to quit

HONOLULU — Honolulu District School Superintendent Stephen S. Kanda will retire Nov. 30 after more than 41 years with Hawaii's public school system.

Kanda, 64, said he is retiring because of health problems.

"I am very slightly diabetic, and my blood pressure has been up and down," he said. He began his career in 1926 as a \$125-a-month teaching principal in a two-room school in a town, Hilea, which was near Pahala, where he was born. Hilea no longer exists.

"Had I gone into business, perhaps I could have made more money, but I feel very much satisfied, thinking I played a big part in helping many of the youngsters. And because of the kind of part I've had, I've made many good friends.

"To look over leading citizens and to feel I've had a small part in helping them become what they are brings satisfaction," he said.

history of the organization was presented by Satow.

During the informal meeting, conversation was staged in both English and Japanese—or "Nisei-go" as Satow described it. The foreign minister, in keeping with the challenge that Nisei use as much Japanese as possible, spoke in Nihongo. The "Nisei-go" as some of the JACLers used, of course, was thoroughly understood by Miki, who has studied in the United States.

Miki was also apprised of the fact that many of the JACL tour members were visiting Japan for the first time, that JACL was a nationwide American association of Nisei and some naturalized Issei.

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**FIRST SHOW**—Bruce Lander, UCLA geology student and a member of the West LA JACL Earth Science section, explains his rare finds of Oligocene period (30 million years ago) to neophytes John Funke, Mark Suzuki, Andy Susuki and Kirk Ishizuka. The First annual Earth Science show was held this past weekend at Santa Monica Civic auditorium. Tak Suzuki of UCLA geology department displayed some of his rare specimens. Other interesting exhibits included sand paintings, Bonsai and Suiseki.

## NISEI CLAIMS DAD'S DISCHARGE BY RAILROAD DURING WW2 ILLEGAL, SEEKS COMPENSATION

Injustice against persons of Japanese ancestry is still a live issue with some 300 families whose Issei fathers were fired from their jobs on western railroads in early World War II, according to the son of one of them.

The problem is still far from being resolved although it has taken a step in that direction.

Hashime Saito of San Jose, who is seeking remuneration for his father who was discharged from the Union Pacific Railroad, reported that the National Railroad Adjustment Board has his petition under consideration. His original petition to the Union Pacific was turned down, he said.

Congresswoman Patsy Mink (D., Hawaii) steered him to the railroad board, Saito said.

His father, Mitsunobu Saito, who had been employed by Union Pacific for 27 years, was verbally dismissed in February, 1942, because "no Japanese could be within five miles of a railroad," said Saito. His father was told to leave the premises within 48 hours, according to Saito.

The petition to the railroad board claims that the dismissal of his father was "illegal, wrongful, unconstitutional and discriminatory because . . . no such law existed whereby no Japanese could reside within five miles of a railroad."

Also certain, certain provisions of the National Railway Labor Act were violated when his father was discharged without a just and valid reason or cause, Saito claims.

### Foreman 21 Years

The elder Saito, aged 70, now and the father of seven, was a coal chute foreman at Yoder, Wyoming, when he was discharged. He had been a foreman for 21 of the 27 years that he had worked for Union Pacific, having joined the company on Jan. 25, 1916 when he was 19. His father and his father's brother also worked for the railroad but subsequently returned to Japan.

The petition further claims that the dismissal was unjust because other railroads retained Japanese workers and many Japanese families resided within 700 yards of the Union Pacific line in Hanna, Wyoming. Also that the termination was discriminatory because German and Italian workers were not discharged.

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By the same token, the railroad should compensate the discharged men in a like manner, says Hashime. Hashime himself volunteered for army duty on December 16, 1941 and is a 20-year vet. He points to the fact that the Japanese

were loyal, a trait which spawned the famed 442 Regimental Combat Team.

### Has Govt. Pension

Hashime tried many sources to get satisfaction for his father, who is now on a railroad pension of \$103.55 a month from the government. After he could not get a settlement from Union Pacific, Hashime wrote to the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees, his father's union, but could not be helped due to a union clause which limited assistance only to "grievances which involve a violation of a specific rule of the Working Agreement."

Besides Mrs. Mink, he also wrote to Mike Masaoka, JACL's Washington Office, National JACL president Jerry Enomoto, the American Friends Service Committee, American Civil Liberties Union and Joe Grant Masaoka, administrator of the Japanese American Research Project at UCLA. He gained much advice and information which he is compiling to carry the case further, if necessary.

In this connection, Saito asks that former railroad workers who were dismissed in circumstances similar to his father's, contact him at 540 Bonita Avenue, #201, San Jose, California 95116.

Saito said he is trying to get

## ELA Jr. JACL Chapter formed

EAST LOS ANGELES—More than 100 JACLers, future Jr. JACLers, district officials and representatives from "kin" clubs attended the first meeting of the ELA Jr. JACL held Sunday, Oct. 8, at Hope Hall of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Monterey Park.

Among the guests present from the Southwest District Youth Council were Co-Chairmen Merlynn Hamano and David Takashima, Vice-Chairman Dan Fukushima, and Treasurer Patti Dohzen. Also attending were Kats Arimoto, District Youth Commissioner, Fran Higuchi of the Hollywood Jr. JACL, and Ritsuko Kawakami, President of the ELA JACL.

Alan Kumamoto conducted the meeting and kept it moving at a fast pace. After short, fiery speeches from representatives of the District Youth Council, attendees divided into two groups for a period of discussion and questions and answers.

Refreshments were served by the ELA JACL. A Halloween candy sale is in process to raise funds for the Jrs. Anyone interested in purchasing candy for the youths are requested to call Sumi Ujimori 280-3917 (evenings) or Alan Kumamoto MA 6-4471 (days).

The next meeting for the ELA Jr. JACL will be held Sunday, Oct. 29, 2:00 p.m. at ELA Gardener's Association Hall, 2420 E. First St., L.A.

remuneration for his father because since 1948, his father earned only about \$200 per month before taxes. He said that his father did not contest the matter previously because his father felt that the railroad pension was from Union Pacific. His father was an alien but has become a U.S. citizen since then.

It has been an uphill climb fraught with disappointment for Hashime. He feels sometimes as if he is beating his head against a brick wall but again he would like to take it all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court. Of his progress so far, he says, "I guess the war is going on with Japan and I had thought it had ended 22 years ago."

### Carrier's Case

Union Pacific also has a submission before the railroad board in rebuttal to the Saito claim. Among other things, the railroad claims that in the early days of 1942, the United States was confronted with a period of peril and confusion, that the Japanese attack had scored great initial success and that the United States was ill-prepared to deal with its potential consequences. The West Coast was highly vulnerable to a Japanese attack and "there was evidence which led to a widespread conclusion that the Japanese nationals in this country were organized and prepared to assist their homeland by various acts of sabotage, espionage and general 'fifth-column' activity."

The petition further states that Japanese had obtained employment in various public utilities where they were in a position to do incalculable 'fifth-column' damage.

"There were some five Japanese military associations in the United States with approximately 8,000 members, all active in espionage work (Continued on Page 2)

WITH THE TOUR:

## JACLers Brieted By Ambassador

TOKYO — Overall relations between the United States and Japan are healthy because the basic elements are healthy, their interests are parallel today and whatever differences that exist are being worked out, assured American Ambassador U. Alexis Johnson in a special briefing attending by the JACL Japan goodwill tour group.

Nearly 100 JACL members were present Oct. 18 at the U.S. Embassy residence to hear the ambassador, who was JACL Convention main speaker five years ago in Seattle.

In view of the steady growth of Japanese economy, the ambassador pointed out, Japan has set a goal of 1985 when its per capita income matches that of the United States at the present time. And if the present rate continues, doubling every eight years, there is no reason to feel otherwise, Johnson added.

Of the problems facing U.S.-Japan, a chronic issue concerns Japanese restriction of American capitalization in Japan and restrictive of "quantitative" restricting on trade. A remaining issue is Okinawa, the JACLers were told, but it is less a problem for U.S. as it was a problem of Japanese interest.

On the matter of the security treaty, which "expires" in 1970. The ambassador pointed out that the no renunciation clause for 10 years, which was added to the 1952 treaty in 1960 "expires". The treaty continues in force with the normal procedure of allowing one year notice in the event of a treaty abrogation.

For the JACLers, it was a meaningful briefing and in that 20 minutes the political and economic highlights that have made Japan America's best "overseas" customer and the U.S. the best Japanese

## Ponder reason Army over Navy

HONOLULU — Lyle Nelson, Star-Bulletin Military Writer, ponders:

What do island boys of Japanese parentage have against the Navy? People of Japanese ancestry make up about 30 per cent of Hawaii's population and the total Oriental percentage runs about 35. The last 15 lists of Navy enlistments in Honolulu shows the percentage of AJA men runs between 10 and 20 per cent. Army enlistment lists run 40 per cent or higher for men with Japanese, Chinese or Korean names.

Navy recruiters have no explanation since they take young men as they come with no quotas. Army recruiters say the same except they suggest the glorious history of the 442nd and 100th may color the thinking of young men picking a service. One Navy enlistee, Mitchell Suzuki, said, "I just preferred the Navy. I think it's a good deal. But maybe the reason is that Japanese boys think they don't look as good in a sailor suit."

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customer were stressed. The Tokyo and Washington date-lines have taken on added significance.

The briefing was concluded with a reception hosted by the Ambassador and Mrs. Johnson that included civic dignitaries and Nisei residents of Tokyo.

Hank Goshio of the Embassy Staff introduced Johnson at the briefing. National JACL Director Masao Satow thanked the Ambassador for enabling JACLers to visit with him and staff.

## Nobe grant reminder out

LOS ANGELES—A reminder restating the Dr. Mutsumi Nobe Memorial Graduate Work Scholarship application deadline of Oct. 31, 1967 was issued from the Southern California Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) Regional Office to the leagues' 91 local chapters throughout the country. The graduate scholarship is a cash grant of \$500 donated by Mrs. Catherine Nobe of Alhambra, Calif. for entering or continuing male Japanese American graduate students majoring in the biological or physical sciences of engineering.

According to JACL National Youth Director, Alan Kumamoto, "The approximate number of candidates cannot be determined at present until we actually begin receiving the application forms. However we are hopeful of two things this year: one our chapters can sponsor an unlimited number of graduate students and, secondly this year and in following years to come, our organization shall administer the graduate scholarship in the fall creating less confusion with our undergraduate scholarship program in the spring. We had about six candidates last year which was our initial attempt but we feel that with the importance currently placed on graduate school that the number of applicants will continue to increase."

Final judging will take place in Chicago, Ill., under the chairmanship of Nelson Kitsuse with the announcement of the graduate winner expected sometime in late November.

Further information regarding this year's Dr. Nobe Graduate Scholarship should be referred to the local JACL Chapters in the community or contacting the JACL So. California Regional Office, 125 Weller St., Room 305, Los Angeles, Calif. 90012, telephone (213) 626-4471.

### Vietnam Casualty Report

1st Lt. Lawrence Gallego, husband of the former Karen Oyana, was killed in a helicopter accident while evacuating wounded men in Vietnam. Full military funeral service was held at Rose City Methodist Church (Oregon) Oct. 13.

## Talented young Suzuki violinists perform for spellbound audience at Lincoln Ceter House

BY JOE OYAMA

NEW YORK — Performing with a violin recently in Lincoln Center's Philharmonic Hall, with a rendition of "La Follia" (Corelli-Suzuki), six year old Yasuko Fukuda held a packed audience completely spellbound by her professional playing style.

This was followed by Hito Kasiya's (8 year old) exciting, but masterful rendition of Mozart's Concerto No. 4 in D major.

Seven performers, ranging in age from 6 to 15 years old, stunned the audience with their complete mastery of Beethoven, Schumann, Vivaldi, Bach and Handel, in solo on the violin and as an ensemble.

This is Dr. Shinichi Suzuki's 1967 talent education tour of the United States, playing in 17 different towns and cities as widely separated as Pen-

dleton, Ore. to Oklahoma City to Owensboro, Ky.

Dr. Suzuki, founder of the Suzuki Talent Education approach to violin playing, said, "If I had said twenty years ago that I was going to have a group of over one thousand children, between the ages of five and thirteen, play the Vivaldi Concerto or the Bach Double Concerto, I doubt that a single person would have believed me."

Since 1946, nearly 15,000 Japanese children have studied violin under Talent Education. "I was teaching music before the war and found to my amazement that small children develop their abilities far beyond what their parents or the world expect of them. As long as they have a normal mental ability to learn, it has been proven that any child can be taught to appreciate music."

"Therefore," urges Dr. Suzuki, "I urge youngest students (generally, 3 or 3½ years of age) to hear recordings of the music they are studying as well as the music they will study next. Perhaps this is in direct conflict with many teachers who oppose having students listen to recordings of anything they are working on."

Constant repetition is a part of the Suzuki curriculum, combined with "meaningful variations, relaxing exercises, and body movements to build the security and confidence which can easily be seen and heard in performances on this tour."

There is also constant emphasis "on the positive aspects of the student's performance, analysis of the problems that he might have, and then demonstration of what the child is expected to do. By this, he is able to highly motivate pupils."



By Mike Masaoka

## Washington Newsletter



### IMMIGRATION AMENDMENTS

On October 11, Democrats Edward "Ted" Kennedy, Senator from Massachusetts, and Emanuel Celler, Congressman from New York, introduced identical bills to "remove the remaining inequities" in the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952.

Senator Kennedy, who was the floor leader of the Senate debate that resulted in that chamber's approval of the 1965 Amendments, which included elimination of the racist National Origins Quota System and the Asia-Pacific Triangle, was joined by 21 other Senators in co-sponsoring the proposed amendments.

Congressman Celler, Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, and Democratic Congressman Michael Feighan of Ohio, Chairman of the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization, were the principal House sponsors, although a number of other lawmakers joined in introducing similar amendments.

JACL, as the acknowledged prime mover in removing racial discrimination in United States naturalization and immigration laws directed against Asians and others of Asian ancestry, is among those generally endorsing the bills, which were drafted with the cooperation of the American Immigration and Citizenship Conference. JACL is a member of the Conference.

The Senate Bill is designated as S. 2524, while the House Bill is identified as H. R. 13453. Early hearings have been promised on this legislation, though they may not be this year.

A summary of those provisions of special interest and concern to JACL follows.

1. A Board of Visa Appeals is established as an independent office in the Bureau of Security and Consular Affairs in the State Department. The Board, on petition of qualified citizens and aliens, is to review the denial of an immigrant visa to a relative of a United States citizen or a permanent resident alien. The Board's decision is final.

2. Parents of permanent resident aliens will be granted second preference status. Under existing law, spouses and unmarried sons and unmarried daughters of such permanent resident aliens qualify under this second preference category.

3. Refugees are removed from seventh preference status, and 10,200 immigrant visas will be made available annually on a first come, first served basis, to certain aliens currently not required to secure labor clearances as a precondition to entry. Certain "religious" aliens, retired persons, and the fiancées of American citizens and permanent resident aliens would benefit. All are now classified as "non-preference" immigrants.

4. New authority is provided for the admission of refugees.

5. Adjustment of status, for exceptional hardship cases, is provided for natives of Western Hemisphere countries.

6. A "Statute of Limitations" relating to aliens subject to deportation is provided for certain aliens under certain conditions, except those aliens who received their resident status illegally.

7. The naturalization of otherwise qualified aliens over 50 years of age and residing in this country for at least 20 years is facilitated.

8. The naturalization of otherwise qualified aliens who are employed overseas by an accredited American philanthropic organization, or the alien spouse of such an alien, is also facilitated.

9. Derivative acquisition of citizenship of a minor child, through his parents' naturalization, through 18 years of age, instead of the current 16, is permitted.

10. The naturalization of an alien child adopted by citizen parents, or parent, employed overseas by certain American organizations is expedited.

11. Permanent resident aliens serving with the Armed Forces in Viet Nam may be naturalized through expedited procedures.

12. The question of "Country of former nationality" is eliminated from naturalization certificates.

13. A Select Commission on Nationality and Naturalization "to make a full and complete study" of the nationality and naturalization laws, with particular reference to recent court decisions involving loss of citizenship and the "fairness" of American policy, is created.

14. Special immigrant visas are to be issued to fifth preference (brothers and sisters of American citizens) aliens who petitioned for admission prior to December 1, 1965.

Practically all of the proposed amendments have been urged for years by the JACL.

But the JACL believes that the two major problems created by the 1965 Amendments remain untouched by the latest amendments, the matter of labor certifications and the questions of New World immigration. The latter is postponed by legislation approved by the House and now pending in the Senate for another year.

In introducing the legislation, Senator Kennedy noted that at the time of the 1965 Amendments, the Administration gave assurances that additional recommendations would be sent to the Congress "at an early date." Similar assurances, he said, were given throughout 1966, but early this year the Department of Justice informed him that no bill would be sent to the Congress "in the foreseeable future."

Accordingly, he and Congressman Celler and Feighan, the principal architects and floor managers of the 1965 Amendments, joined in introducing what is hoped will be the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1967, though in reality the proposed amendments are to the 1952 Walter-McCarran Immigration and Nationality Act.

## Railroad--

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... In recognition of this situation and to forestall such anticipated subversive activities, the Federal Government immediately took the most stringent steps to restrict and control the activities of the Japanese aliens . . .

"Whether or not these steps

might now, in the calm detachment of 20 years after a secured victory, be considered as excessive or beyond what was actually necessary, in the context of their time, they were reasonably necessary. Indeed, the very fact that there were so successful tends to obscure what might have been the potential consequences of lesser action. In this grim period, the security of the lines and operations of the UPRR was clearly a matter of prime military and strategic importance, and its management had the very real responsibility of taking any and all steps necessary to assure its full protection. The presence of a substantial number of 'alien enemies' as employees was clearly a potential threat to that security, particularly in view of current evidence at the time to the effect that large numbers of Japanese nationals were organized and prepared for subversive activity. In the context of those times, the carrier was but taking reasonable and necessary precautions in the interests of national defense in removing Japanese nationals from its service."

Union Pacific also insisted that Mitsunobu Saito was entitled to be advised of the cause or discharge in writing if he had so advised. Mitsunobu Saito was also entitled to a fair and impartial hearing upon making a written request to the superintendent within ten days. The fact that he did neither of these things indicates that "claimant thereby accepted the carrier's actions as proper and waived any objections thereby," Union Pacific claims.

The National Railroad Adjustment Board has until next spring to render a decision.

Join the 1000 Club

### CONFERENCE REPORT:

## 'Rights and Responsibilities' entwined in good citizenship

BY RICHARD OKABE  
MDYC Chairman

I had the honor and privilege of representing the JACL at the 22nd National Conference on Citizenship, Sept. 17-20, at Washington. In spite of hurricane Doria, I landed at National Airport and was greeted by Norman Ishimoto, EDCY National Representative. Norm graciously took me on a tour to see the Capitol, Lincoln and Jefferson memorials, the Washington monument (we climbed up all 898 steps), and Arlington Cemetery. This being my first trip to our Nation's Capital, I really enjoyed seeing all of these historic sites.

A Citizenship Day celebration took place on Sunday commemorating the 180th signing of our Constitution. It was an impressive ceremony with representatives from each of the thirteen states participating.

The conference was officially opened on Monday with Sen. Jennings Randolph from West Virginia delivering the keynote address. Sen. Randolph emphasized the theme of the conference, "Democracy: Youth's Challenge and Responsibility." He brought out the fact that 45 per cent of the country's population is under 21 and that the future of the country lies in the hands of

these young people. In the light of the recent riots, Sen. Randolph reminded us that while our democracy insures us many rights, these rights carry with them many responsibilities — responsibilities of good citizenship.

At the Youth Night, Marilyn Van Derbur, a former Miss America, asked the question, "Are you willing to pay the price?" Everything we desire carries a price and that price is work. Miss Van Derbur cited people such as Jesse Owens, Helen Keller, and Eleanor Roosevelt who had the will power and determination to attain their goals.

Congressman Louis C. Wyman spoke at the Conference Banquet on need for achieving progress through understanding, not violence. Each of us as good citizens has to be a goodwill ambassador to each other.

During the closing session, we were honored by the presence of Vice President Hubert Humphrey. The Vice President spoke briefly about the young people's role in our democracy.

I thoroughly enjoyed my stay in Washington and I want to thank Mike Masaoka and Norman Ishimoto for their Washington hospitality.

(The writer is a senior at Northwestern University.)—Ed. Note.

### CALENDAR OF JACL EVENTS

Oct. 27 (Friday)  
Chicago—Annual Mtg. Christian Fellowship Church, 512 W. Sheridan Rd. 7:30 p.m. Panel: "People to People—Our Share," Yoji Ozaki, chmn.  
San Diego—Bd Mtg.  
Seattle—Japan Night, Issel Memorial Hall.  
Oct. 28 (Saturday)  
Mt. Olympus—Fund-a-Rama, Murray National Guard Armory.  
Oct. 29 (Sunday)  
ELA Jr. JACL—Meeting, 2 p.m. at ELA Gardener's Association Hall, 2420 E. First St.  
Spokane—Issel Appreciation Night Dinner, Chuck Wagon Inn, 5:30 p.m.  
Contra Costa—Fishing derby, 5:30-7:30 p.m. weigh-in, Joe Oishi's packing shed.  
San Diego—Chapter golf tournament.  
Hollywood—Ikebana, Flower View Garden, 2 p.m.  
Dayton—Hallowe'en party.  
West Los Angeles—Nisei GI Memorial service, Sawtelle Gakuen, 2 p.m.  
Oct. 30 (Monday)  
Sonoma County—Nisei GI Memorial service.  
Oct. 31 (Tuesday)  
Prog. Westside—Hallowe'en party.  
Seattle—Human Relations Comm Mtg. JACL Office, 8 p.m.  
Nov. 3 (Friday)  
Contra Costa—Bd Mtg.  
Nov. 4 (Saturday)  
Hollywood—Origami, Independent Church, 2:45 p.m.  
Monterey Peninsula—Jr. JACL Mtg. JACL Hall, 7:30 p.m.  
San Francisco—Jr. JACL dance, The Village.  
Nov. 5 (Sunday)  
NC-WNDYC—Stockton Jr. JACL hosts: Stockton Inn.  
Fowler—15th Anny dinner, Bruce Lodge, Akaji Yoshimura, spkr.  
Nov. 7 (Tuesday)  
Wilshire—Epitown—Bd Mtg. St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 8 p.m.  
Hollywood—Bd Mtg. JACL Office, 7:30 p.m.  
Nov. 8 (Wednesday)  
New York—Bd Mtg. and Elections.  
Nov. 10 (Friday)  
Philadelphia—Bd Mtg.  
West Los Angeles—Installation dinner Airport Marina.  
Nov. 11-12 (Saturday)  
Sacramento—Benefit movie.  
Nov. 12 (Sunday)  
Contra Costa—Bd Mtg.  
Nov. 13 (Friday)  
Hollywood—Ikebana, Flower View Garden, 7 p.m.  
San Francisco—Bridge Championship, Christ Episcopal Church, Clay and Pierce, 8 p.m.  
Nov. 17-19  
Milwaukee—Holiday Folk Fair.  
Nov. 18 (Saturday)  
San Diego—Installation dinner-dance.  
Sonoma County—Sukiyaki dinner.  
San Fernando Valley—Board election Mtg.  
Dayton—Cincinnati—Joint installation banquet: Imperial House, North Woodlawn.  
Nov. 19 (Sunday)  
NC-WNDYC—Salinas Valley hosts: Quarterly session, Hyatt House, 12n regis.; Shirley Matsumura, spkr. JACL-JAL Fellowship Program.  
Nov. 21 (Tuesday)  
Pasadena—Bd Mtg.  
Nov. 24 (Friday)  
San Diego—Bd Mtg.  
Nov. 24-25  
IDC—SLC hosts DC Convention, Ramada Inn, Salt Lake City.

## EAST WIND (or "Toh-Fu"):

### All Look Alike

How often we've heard that tired saw: These Orientals, they all look alike. When U.S. troops first entered Japan following the end of the Pacific War, the Japanese populace would comment that they couldn't tell one G.I. from another, and particularly the Negro G.I.'s. Yes, all looked alike.

Some of my "hakujin" friends ask whether indeed it is possible to detect a Japanese from, say, a Korean or a Chinese. "Not always, but quite often," I respond. Naturally, they ask "how". And this is difficult to spell out in specifics except to point out that one can and does detect for example, whether a European is a Spaniard or a German. But not always.

Anyway, I had always assumed that I looked "Japanese" (however it is that a Japanese is supposed to look like) my parents having come from the very heartland of Honshu (Hiroshima) on the Seto-naikai. That is, until I happened to stop in at a new Chinese restaurant the other day. The Chinese owner looked at me and asked, "You from North China, I bet."

I was a bit startled. Not that I've never been mistaken for various ethnic groups, cosmopolitan variations of Mexican, Filipino, Hawaiian, Italian, and yes, Chinese of course. But these were always by some amateur "hakujin" anthropologist. But never before by a fellow Oriental.

For a second I thought my new Chinese acquaintance was jesting until he insisted he could tell I was "Northern China." I assured him I was neither Mandarin nor Cantonese (the only two styles of Chinese foods I know) but that my parents were from Japan. While indicating that he could have sworn I was "Northern China" he nevertheless undismayedly concluded: "Chinese, Japanese, no difference. All the same."

And then in his quaint, broken English he related a bit of ancient Chinese history (or lore) with his wife beaming agreement. It went something like this: "Long time ago Chinese man tell Chinese emperor he go to Japan to get medicine to bring back to China. It long trip so he say he take 500 boys and 500 girls. He go to Japan. He never come back. Chinese, Japanese, all the same."

Now I don't know whether or not Chinese history records any such thing; perhaps some reader steeped in ancient Chinese history can fill us in. It's interesting.

As I departed, I laughingly told him that one of these days I'll have to "go back" to China. He chuckled gleefully, his beaming wife standing by his side.

"East Wind" in Japanese is "higashi-kaze". But in "no-yomi" (loosely, Chinese phonetics adapted to the Japanese language) it is pronounced "toh-fu", the "toh" being the same character as "east" in "Tokyo."

Now, there is another "toh-fu" that we eat, namely the bean curd cakes. Whether it's Northern or Southern pronunciation I know not, but the Chinese call it "dah-fu." At least that's the way I've been ordering it in Chinatown, and so far it hasn't missed.

There are other similarities in pronunciation of the same characters in Chinese and Japanese. For example, in Chicago's Loop there's a Chinese restaurant known as "Ong Luk Sun". The Chinese characters would be pronounced in Japanese as "Ahn-raku-en" which, loosely translated, means "Garden of Leisure and Peace."

Starting from a base of 500 girls and boys each, whether you may like it or not, the odds are that we're related. So don't knock "Toh-Fu" too severely: you may be knocking your own blood relative.

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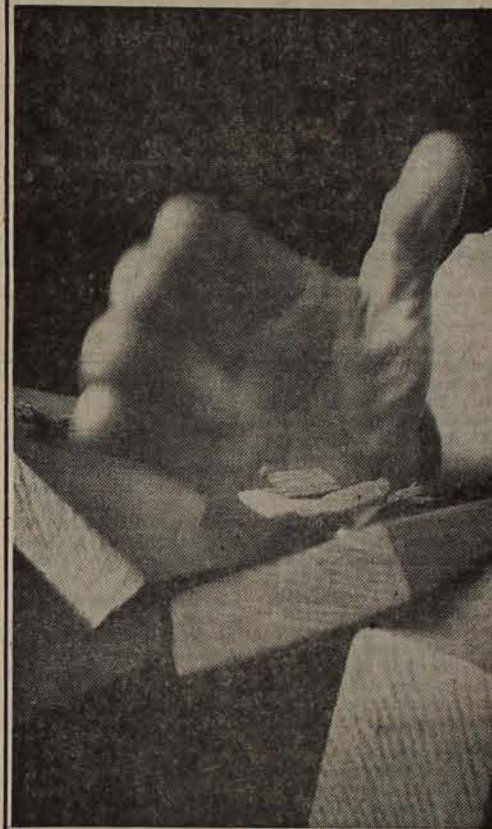
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By Bill Hosokawa

## From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

**SONS OF CATHAY**—Some of my best friends, as the saying goes, were Chinese Americans. In high school there were the Leo brothers, Fat and Ralph, whose mother introduced me to the delights of chicken cooked with ginger in oyster sauce. Money was hard to come by in those days. Before completing high school, Fat took a job as a sort of houseboy for the good fathers at Immaculate Conception Cathedral and he'd almost gag every time he answered the telephone. Last I heard Fat was working for the U.S. Immigration Service in San Francisco and Ralph was in the retail business there.

In college there was Ed Luke who worked in a restaurant for four years to set aside enough money to study journalism. After graduation he found it was easier to get into the newspaper business by the back door, so he became a printer and a good one. Ed refused to trade on the reputation of his brother, Keye Luke, a successful actor. Haven't heard from Ed for years.

In between, there were the Louie brothers. Art now runs one of Seattle's finest Chinese restaurants. Al died an untimely death. Stan became a doctor and our paths crossed long ago in Des Moines. Then there was Jimmy Mar Hing who played basketball with our Nisei team. After we won a game, each of us would chip in a quarter, fifty cents, whatever we had, and Jimmy would take us to a Chinatown restaurant, talk to a cook he knew, and come up with the best darned meals. We'd stuff ourselves until we could hardly move.

**MOUNTAIN OF GOLD**—What brings all this back to memory is a book called "Mountain of Gold" by Betty Lee Sung (The MacMillan Co. \$6.95), an American-born Chinese. For five years she wrote a weekly Voice of America program beamed to the Far East, reporting on the lives and activities of the Chinese in the United States. In her library research she found something that startled, then angered her.

"Over and over again," she writes, I found the same adjectives, the same characteristics, the same stereotyped labels ascribed to the Chinese: opium dens, tong wars, coolie labor, yellow peril, high-binders, hatchetmen, laundries, waiters, houseboys, slave wages, unassimilable aliens, and so on ad nauseam.

"Were these my people?" she asked. "If so, I did not recognize them. Were these labels true of them in the past? If so, how long ago and from what perspective? How come the Chinese had never presented their side of the story?"

She set out to tell that story, and this book is the result. It gains its title from the Chinese name for California.

**FAMILIAR**—Some of Mrs. Sung's passages have a familiar ring. She says the Chinese in the United States were partly at fault for the distorted image about them. "They were decidedly reluctant," she writes, "and adverse to giving out any information they thought would appear in print. The general feeling among them is that the less the Americans know about the Chinese, the better. The trait comes from a cultural tradition and from fear that such information may be used against them. It had not occurred to them to dispute or attempt to disprove or improve their public image. They do not realize that such reticence is self-damaging."

Substitute the word Japanese for Chinese in the paragraph above and what do you get?

Since the Chinese arrived in the U.S. before the Japanese, perhaps it is proper that they should be first in publishing such a book as this. As readers of the Pacific Citizen know, a somewhat comparable book on the Japanese is in the process of being written. Meanwhile, having read Mrs. Sung's volume, I feel I know Fat and Ralph and Ed and Art and all the rest of my old friends just a bit better, even though it's been a long time since I've heard from them.

SAKURA SCRIPT: Jim Henry

## Ghost Stories

**TOKYO**—Halloween is not celebrated as such in Japan, ghost stories have been popular here for centuries. For example, whenever one talks of ghost stories in Japan, the first one to come to mind is the ghost of Oiwa in the celebrated "Yotsuya Kaidan" story.

Oiwa's husband, Tamaya Iemon, is said in the story to have killed Oiwa and then been haunted by her ghost. The truth, however, seems to be that Oiwa and her husband quarreled, as a result of which Oiwa ran out of the house and drowned herself in a pond. This all happened 332 years ago.

Two hundred years later, playwright Tsuruya Nanboku took the story of Oiwa, coupled it with two other notorious events, a robbery-murder in which the victim was drowned, and another double-suicide incident. Thus was the story of "Yotsuya Kaidan" formed.

To this day, Kabuki actors who perform the play, or professional raconteurs who narrate the tale, come to offer their respects at the shrine before putting on their performances, out of fear of offending the spirit of Oiwa.

AS TO modern day happenings, in the town of Yamakawa in Tokushima Prefecture, Shikoku, one hour west of Tokushima City, there are active rumors of a ghost that appears from time to time at the entrance of the waiting room of a crematory that was shut down three years ago. This ghost, instead of choosing the dank, rainy nights that are generally associated with such apparitions, always comes out in the early morn-

ing of a bright clear day. Yamakawa is a quiet farm town known for growing watermelons and sweet potatoes. However, it is now the center of attention because of its ghost. It is claimed that five people who were involved in trying to tear down the closed-down crematory died, perhaps as a result of the ghost's curse. Nowadays, people are beginning to come to town just to see if they can catch a sight of it.

TO PROVE once again that you can find just about everything and anything in Tokyo, consider Hozenji Yokocho, a cabaret in Tokyo's Shinjuku district. To provide chills for its guests this establishment, named after a well-known amusement area in Osaka, offers a "ghost" in its floor show attraction.

Scenes from "Yotsuya Kaidan" are staged and, as the lights are dimmed to create the proper spooky mood, the ghost of Oiwa, with a hideously bloated face, suddenly appears on stage.

Instead of being frightened, however, most customers take it as a joke. Piercing shrieks are heard, however, when the "ghost"—while attention is diverted by other action continuing onstage—slips out and starts wandering around the tables in the dark, putting a clammy hand (holding a piece of ice) on the shoulders or legs of unsuspecting hostesses.

To heighten the effect, the "ghost" switches on a flashlight concealed in the kimono in such a way as to light up the eerie mask of a bloodied face with long dangling hair. Good spooking, everybody!

## WLA Auxiliary Elections Held

**LOS ANGELES**—On October 16, members of the WLA JACL Auxiliary enjoyed a dinner meeting at the Yamato Restaurant in Century City and elected a new cabinet for the 1968 term.

Leading the Auxiliary women as president next year will be Mrs. Denby Nakashima, an active and valuable WLA JACL member of long standing. Assisting Mrs. Nakashima will be Mrs. Milton Inouye as vice president; Mrs. Tanny Sakaiwa as secretary; Mrs. Munee Kataoka as treasurer; and Tave Isono as publicity-historian.

Installation of the new officers will be in conjunction with the WLA JACL Chapter Installation Dinner Dance to be held at the Airport-Marina Hotel on November 10.

**End of Term**—Nearing the end of her term as president, Mrs. George Kanegai conducted plans for the Auxiliary's main event of the year, the forthcoming Holiday Fun Fair. The Fun Fair will be held on December 2 at the Elks Lodge in Santa Monica and will have many unique boutique items for Christmas shoppers. This same affair was held last year and proved so popular that it will be repeated.

Outgoing officers on Mrs. Kanegai's cabinet are: vice president, Mrs. Shig Take-shita; secretary, Suki Uyeno; treasurer, Eiko Iwata; and publicity-historian, Mrs. Fran Uyematsu.

## School Front

A translation of a detailed description of the school and its operation by Mrs. Kei Nagamori, 3060 St. George St., Los Angeles, was given to each of 22 Japanese educators who visited Elysian Heights Elementary School recently. Mrs. Nagamori is a Hollywood JACL chapter member and formerly was superintendent of the YWCA Magnolia Home for women residents. Mrs. Nagamori is now confined due to arthritis so other Japanese-speaking parents helped explain the school program to the visitors.

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UNDER 21: Russell Obana

## Elections Coming Up

BY RUSSELL OBANA

Elections are about to take place in many of your areas. Perhaps they have taken place by now. The old officers or I should say the outgoing officers should have some suggestions to make to the new officers. The new officers, who were presumably active during the past year, must have ideas of their own they want to implement.

The programs which all of you had during the past year were probably for the most part successful or at least not complete failures. Traveling around to the different Districts and meeting with chapter individuals, has reinforced this feeling. Success or failure cannot be measured in terms of financial income or material gain. The gain should be in terms of the feeling that you accomplished something to help further the philosophy or the goals of the outgoing administration. Whether or not an event was successful would also depend upon the maximum utilization of chapter members. I do not mean the same old people who are always doing something, but rather using the new members and making them feel they belong. How many of you did this?

The outgoing officers must look back upon their administration and measure what they have accomplished toward attaining the objective or goal of their administration. Did you have an objective or a goal? If you did not, I certainly suggest that you find one for the next administration. Justification of the purpose and objectives through the program is the basis for the existence of your group. Without a goal or objective, your program will tend to be haphazard and discontinuous.

This idea of having a goal or objective for your organization certainly applies to the adult organization. I must challenge the adults to relate to their Junior counterparts their justification of existence and what they will offer the Juniors who will one day, hopefully, become Senior JACLers.

Purposes and goals are not constant. This is in part why the stated purposes and objectives of the National Jr. JACL are so general. In each area you have distinct and unique problems to deal with. You, the new officers, must formulate a goal, a purpose, toward which you will strive. You, the new leaders, must impart this goal to your chapter members and motivate them to accomplish it. Of course, when you formulate a goal, you must take into consideration the make-up of your chapter.

There are some chapters which exist today in which neither the officers nor the advisor have bothered to look at their program in terms of goal or purpose. The officers, when questioned about, "What is this Jr. JACL all about?", cannot come up with an answer because they have not given it any thought. Same goes for the advisors. If anybody, the advisor(s) should have good reason to believe their group is headed somewhere. The "where" is to be decided by the membership and the officers, not by the advisor(s). I suggest that the newly elected officers and the outgoing officers get together with the advisor(s) and start with the basic questions of, "Who are we? Where are we going?" When you can answer these questions, you will have direction in mind and purpose in your heart.

Formulate a goal. Use your program as a means of "transportation" to reach that goal. When you get there, be satisfied in knowing you have done all you can to make the group what it is. This applies to everyone involved in the program. Congrats to the outgoing officers and much success to the incoming Jr. JACL and Sr. JACL officers. Many thanks to the understanding and hard working advisors.

## 25 Years Ago

in the Pacific Citizen, Oct. 29, 1942

Resettlement problems to draw JACL leaders from 10 WRA camps in first National JACL wartime emergency session at Salt Lake City.

Citizens of Lamar, Colo., welcome Granada evacuees to town; merchants earlier displayed "No Japs Wanted" signs in windows. . . . Government hopes to relocate evacuees in private industry, WRA Director Dillon Myers tells Arkansas congressional delegation. . . . Poston WRA Center Fair attracts 16,000. . . . George Rundquist of New York American Friends Service Committee named executive secretary of Committee on Resettlement of Japanese Americans.

Robert W. O'Brien, asst. dean of arts-sciences at Univ. of Washington, named director of National Japanese American Student Relocation Council by Clarence Pickett of Philadelphia, American Friends Service Committee.

23,000 Japanese Canadians evacuated from British Columbia defense zone to inland camps and farms.

Hirabayashi loses first legal evacuation test with jury taking ten minutes to reach verdict in Seattle. . . . Topaz Center plans to raise hogs under \$50,000 budget allowance. . . . Army will complete Evacuation on November 1. Gen. DeWitt announced, as final evacuees in Santa Anita and Fresno assembly centers move inland this week. . . .

National church organizations band together to sponsor community Christmas celebrations in each of the ten relocation centers on the suggestion of National JACL secretary Mike Masaoka. . . . Masaoka makes the suggestion for the benefit of "some thirty-thousand little children living in government projects" . . . One-thousand may be employed in camouflage net factory at Gila Center.

Caucasian American writes sympathy letter to evacuees: R. W. Anderson pens, "Not the least of the difficulty for some of you will be the maintaining of your faith in America and the democratic ideals for which she is supposed to stand. . . . Nisei Ralph Iba, an elec-

trical engineer, teaches physics to potential officers at the University of Nebraska.

Nisei USA: Coming California election of importance to all Japanese Americans as state "has been the fountainhead of prejudice against the Oriental in America."

Editorials: No Peace With Murderers (a negotiated peace with aggressor nations is not an honorable peace); Bouquets for the Living (In referring to sympathy letter from Caucasian, editorial states that "those sincere and courageous people who have stood by the evacuees in their time of travail should be praised"); A Mistaken Conception (on the part of President Alfred Atkinson of the University of Arizona who refused to provide extension facilities to residents of relocation camps in that state) as editorialized in the Palo Alto Times of Oct. 17.

## Farm setting attracts 200 to Dayton luau

**DAYTON**—Over 200 Dayton JACLers, families and guests motored to Gene Crothers Spring Valley Farm on Sept. 17 for the chapter's first Hawaiian luau.

Mrs. Rachel Akana, an Air Force wife from Hawaii presently in Dayton, entertained as did the grass-skirt clad male JACLers in a hula dancing contest. Prizes went to best costumes and special guest Teresa Muraoka of Cincinnati, Miss EDC-MDC, drew for the door prizes.

## Buddhists Near 100,000

According to the latest statistics compiled by the yearbook of American Churches, the religious affiliation of Americans by major denominational groups is as follows:

Buddhists 92,000  
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Eastern Churches 3,172,163  
Jews 5,500,000  
Roman Catholics 46,246,173  
Protestants 89,688,183

The largest Protestant denomination is the Southern Baptist Convention with 10,770,573 members. Two other conventions add 8,192,799 to the Baptist grand total.

## Contra Costa Car Wash

Jr. JACL of Contra Costa County will hold a car wash Saturday, Oct. 28, at the Enco Station (across from Wards 4325 Macdonald Ave., Richmond) from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

## Carol Kai cuts initial album

**HONOLULU**—Carol Kai (real name, Carol Shimizu) displays a refreshing vocal-and-piano talent in her initial offering now on sale in the record shops.

The album, "All at Once" (Kanaka KS 1002), is a blend of Hawaii today: there's a bit of pop hits, such as "Try to Remember" and "Goin' Out of My Head", there's a hint of Brazil, in "Meditation", there's a sampling of Japan in "Here Is Happiness" and "Kimi to Itsu made Mo", and a glimpse of Broadway and Hollywood in "Sunrise, Sunset," "Alfie," and "A Man and a Woman."

Miss Kai sings at the Pagoda Hotel.

## Heart surgery

**CHICAGO**—Dr. Hitoshi Mohri, Univ. of Washington school of medicine, addressed the clinical congress of the American College of Surgeons Oct. 4 on improved techniques in heart surgery, crediting deep hypothermia.

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Accent on Youth Alan Kumamoto

## Run, Paul, Run

The end of the "Endless Summer" approached for most youth over the Labor Day weekend. While in Chicago for the combined biennial Eastern and Midwest district convention we observed "Shades of Paul Bryant," the star of the TV "Run for Your Life," while serving as a judge in the convention queen contest. A question was asked of each of the attractive candidates, relating their reaction if told they had a month to live, a sympathetic public and unlimited finances.

It was in a sense an indirect exploration into personal values. Values which perhaps come most crucially to light when we know that death is close at hand. Personal values that direct and guide our actions. While not trying to be a "Crusader Rabbit" hopping along a Civil Rights path let us look at two thoughts.

Race separates us into one of three commonly accepted types. We happen to fall with the Mongoloid category. To the non-Japanese Americans our phenotypes, our distinctive combination of physical traits, make the "Orientals" look indistinguishably alike to the outsider.

Take the example on the front page in the Oct. 6 PC accounting the charges of anti-Oriental racism by a New York taxi driver. Our physical characteristics still make us identifiable by our "mellow yellow" complexion in contrast to our other shaded contemporaries, "for better or for worse."

Four possible aims of minorities, and minorities can be typed into national, religious, ethnic (cultural differences) and racial, can be segregated into the following:

(1) Pluralistic — desiring peaceful co-existence (common goals with majority; rich pride with heritage.)

(2) Assimilation — desiring absorption into the majority.

(3) Secessionist—desiring political and cultural independence.

(4) Militant—desiring total reversal of status quo. Where do our personal values fit into these schemes? And then too where do our collective group values place us?

Will Paul keep running? How far? How long?



West Wind

Yosh Hotta

## Keiro Kai

Of all the many enjoyable evenings and perhaps the most satisfactory ones, are the JACL functions honoring the Issei. To be with these spry ladies and gentlemen, to see them enjoying each other's company; to hear them roaring with good-humored laughter at the efforts of the Nisei speaking to them in Japanese; and seeing them sing and dance, as if they had shed their mantle of years and become again, the high-spirited youths who left their homes for a distant, unknown shore, is an unforgettable experience.

Dr. George K. Togasaki, President-elect, Rotary International, spoke recently at the San Francisco Chapter's Issei Appreciation night. Dr. Togasaki is still a JACL member, and while he has made his mark in life in Japan, he is also a Nisei. It seems exotic to listen to a Nisei who went to school in the early 1900s, served in the U.S. Army in World War I, and was one of the persons who formed the JACL. He spoke about 1906, when he was going to grammar school in San Francisco, and the ruling by the city was then that all Japanese children had to attend a segregated school. It affected only 75 students, yet the Japanese community, although they had no rights as citizens, decided to make a stand, to ease some of the intolerable pressures that affected their lives. Education was precious, and a means to a better life. A protest was made and the segregation of Japanese students stopped.

We are all in debt to the many patient efforts of our parents who stood up for the dignity of the human spirit and gave us all the right to ride tall in the saddle.

Sounding Board Jeffrey Matsui

## Smog City

There are many problems to cry over today, but if you live in Los Angeles, there's one in particular for which you'll shed an ocean of painful tears—the damn smog problem, naturally.

We've been constantly surrounded the past three weeks by this foul, dirty, contaminated air made of a mixture of ozone, carbon dioxide, sulfur dioxide and other poison ingredients. But what really gets me down is the apathy of the citizens towards the smog. Even our leader, The Mayor, who in his spare time commutes to his office in City Hall from Tel Aviv, Tokyo, etc., displays little enthusiasm to confront this serious health menace.

It's certainly depressing to hear politicians say they can't do anything to correct the air pollution—and worse to see the people believe it. So everyone today talks about the smog but nobody does anything about it—when they could.

To do your part, please enlist all your friends to copy the preceding letter on post cards, sign it and mail to the politicians in your district.

Dear Mr. Politician:

Our terrible smog problem has made you a poor, unfortunate victim of circumstance.

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## Horatio Alger attitude key to success

BY TODD ENDO

Cambridge, Mass.

This past school year I interviewed in considerable depth a number of students in the Boston school system as part of an evaluation of an experimental social studies course on the history of the Afro-American. Because the students were candid in expressing their opinions of school, classes, teachers, and Negroes, this experience was most enlightening. Inevitably, our discussion of the course turned to the current black upheaval.

A majority of the whites, who were of Irish and Polish extraction, were strongly opposed to the major efforts of the black protest. Most of them were not bigots, but rather were members of lower middle class families which had seen an improvement in their status through hard work over time.

The organizing concept in their beliefs concerning the Negro, the poor, injustice, the slums, and progress was the myth exemplified by the heroes in the stories by Horatio Alger. They believed that by consistent hard work any individual could overcome obstacles and lift himself out of poverty. Maybe not far, but far enough so that the next generation could go even farther.

To these students, the responsibility for personal progress lay solely with the individual. He controlled his own destiny. But let the students speak for themselves.

### The Dialogue

A white boy has been relating how his brother, who never even finished high school, succeeded through hard work. A Negro girl says: "Well, maybe the Negroes tried too and they can't make it." The boy replies, "If you try, no matter how hard you try, you're going to get something better. The Negroes tried to get out of slavery, right? They cracked slavery. That's because they tried. (Note his misunderstanding of history.) If they try hard enough, just like every other race has, they might not get what they want right away but they'll get another step higher."

The boy's concern was with the absolute progress of the individual. He was not bothered by the fact that two men who held exactly the same type of job could earn vastly differing salaries.

For instance, after he had explained how his drop-out brother was earning \$130 a week, how his father earned \$150 a week, and how he expected to earn \$200 a week, he argued that: "If Negro ancestors weren't making anything and now they're making \$80 a week why should they think of themselves in slavery? If they're making money now, and in the next generation they can be making even more than them. And then more and more!"

To him the Negro had made great progress since slavery days and he couldn't understand why they were complaining.

### 'Fault' of Poor

With the idea that any poor man could escape poverty if he tried, these white students gave the obvious answer to the Negro girl's question, "Is it the poor people's fault for being poor?"

The same white boy answered: "Sure it is. They can go out and get themselves a better job or do something so they don't have to live in that section. If they're used to that section all their life, if they're used to sleeping in no bed and eating terrible things for supper, if they're willing to eat something that I consider terrible and they consider it good then I'm saying these people must be bad."

Note his conviction that anybody who lives in poverty must like it because there's no other reason why he'd remain poor. Poverty is proof, then, of laziness or lack of character and will.

So far, much of what these students said makes perfect sense. Most people through hard work, ambition, self-sacrifice, and perseverance can make economic headway.

### Horatio Alger Myth

Where the Horatio Alger myth misguides them though is in their conviction that the total responsibility for individual progress falls upon the individual. I asked their reaction to the hypothetical situation where a Negro tries to join a labor union and the union refuses to admit him because he is a Negro.

The Negro girls says, "You see, that's something that he has tried." A white girl replies, "Then he could go out and try other unions." The white boy backs her up: "He could get another job. You don't have to get into that exact union. He'll get into something better than he has."

Similarly, another Negro girl was relating how her father could not get a job as

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To Secure Equal Opportunities and Equal Dignity

## RACIAL ISOLATION IN SCHOOLS:

## CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION SAYS SEGREGATION HARMFUL TO ALL

By YOSH HOTTA

San Francisco

Not too long ago, the Nisei in certain areas attended segregated schools. All the Japanese were seated in one part of the room, not by choice, and they spoke nothing but Japanese when they got out of their school.

Today, about the only time some Nisei become concerned with their school system is when busing of their offsprings to another school outside of their home area is proposed. It may be the only time that these Nisei may realize that their community, city, has a local government, and that they might have a voice in the "tampering" of the education of their children.

In rural areas, the school bus is an accepted part of the educational process. In the cities, there is a feeling that children should be near walking distance of their schools. Often the choice of a home is determined by their proximity to "desirable" schools.

The Negro poor has a problem in that he feels that the schooling his children are receiving is not the same standard as that given to the rest of the population, and eventually will keep him in servitude, never allowing him to "catch up."

### School Segregation Monograph

The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights recently summarized its conclusions about the effects of this racial problem in a monograph, RACIAL ISOLATION IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS. Its conclusion is that racial isolation in schools, regardless of the various economic and social causes, is harmful for all Americans.

Negro children who attend predominantly Negro schools do not achieve as well as other children, Negro and white. Their aspirations are more restricted than those of other children and they do not have as much confidence that they can influence their own futures. When they become adults they are less likely to participate in the mainstream of American society and more likely to fear, dislike, and avoid white Americans.

Negro children believe that their schools are stigmatized and regarded as inferior by the community as a whole. Their belief is shared by their parents, by their teachers, and is founded upon fact.

Isolation of Negroes in schools has a significance different from the meaning that religious or ethnic separation may have had for other minority groups because the history of Negroes in the United States has been different from the history of all other minority groups.

They do not reside today in ghettos as a result of an exercise of free choice and the attendance of their children in racially isolated schools is not an accident of fate wholly unconnected with deliberate segregation and other forms of discrimination.

### Help The Youngster

Negro children often are handicapped in school because they come from poor and ill-educated families. Some educators believe that the school cannot be expected to deal with these deficits. However, the purpose of American education has been and is to help youngsters surmount the barriers of poverty and limited backgrounds to enable them to develop their talents and to participate fully in society.

Some feel that if disadvantaged Negro youngsters are in need of special attention, smaller classes, a better quality of instruction, provide funds for it, and the problem will disappear. But infusions of money still will not provide a program which attempts to instill in a child, feelings of personal worth and dignity in an environment in which he is surrounded by visible evidence which seems to deny his value as a person.

Some hold that the problem of educational disadvantage is one of class not of race. It is true that providing good education for youngsters lies in affording them the opportunity to attend school with children who, by reason of their parents' education and income, have a genuine head start.

Children benefit from as-

sociation in schools with others more advantaged than they and from a classroom environment which permits the establishment of high standards toward which they must strive.

But social class integration comes only by providing racial integration. And even if social class integration could be provided without racial integration, the remedy would be partial and inadequate for children would still be attending schools stigmatized because of race.

### Eliminate Segregation

Racial isolation is the cause of educational disadvantage, and enduring solutions will not be possible until it is dealt with. The fact of racial and economic separation has generated attitudes which make integration increasingly difficult.

It has been suggested that the problem of securing equal educational opportunity is really a problem of housing, and that if discrimination in housing can be eliminated it will be possible to desegregate the schools without changing existing school patterns. Such a solution would require vast changes in an area where resistance to change is most entrenched.

Laws designed to secure an open market in housing are needed now, but the attitudes fostered in segregated schools and neighborhoods make it unlikely that such legislation will be fully effective for years.

To make integrated education dependent upon open housing is to consign at least another generation of children to racially isolated schools and to lengthen the time that will be required to overcome housing discrimination.

It has been suggested that if integration were to be sought only at the high school level, it would be accomplished with relative ease and without unduly disturbing existing attendance patterns. But the hard fact is that attitudes toward learning are formed during a child's early years and it is in this period that the educational process has its greatest impact.

### Dangers of All-White Schools

Children educated in all-white institutions are more likely than others to develop racial fears and prejudices based upon lack of contact and information. White children are deprived of something of value when they group up in isolation from children of other races, when their self-esteem and assurance may rest in part upon false notions of racial superiority, when they are not prepared by their school experience to participate fully in a world rich in human diversity.

Unfortunately, this does not seem as real to many parents as the feared consequences of integration. The fears most frequently articulated are that integration will destroy the concept of neighborhood schools and will require busing of children over long distances.

The values of neighborhood

and proximity are relative. We do not hesitate to bus our children long distances in rural areas, or in cities, to private schools or to other schools offering special advantages. Thus, the issue is not whether small neighborhood schools are good or bad per se but whether the interests of our children will be served or impaired by particular proposals or solutions.

### Parental Fears in Bussing

The image conjured up in the minds of many parents has been one in which their children are cross-bussed to ghettos and taught in classrooms populated by large numbers of disadvantaged children and lacking in essential services. Ethnic and class tensions have been aroused by proposals for partial solutions which appear to place more responsibilities upon the less affluent whites than upon those who are better off.

The fundamental answer to these fears is that solutions sought must be those that will not only remedy injustice, but improve the quality of education for all children.

Negro parents have reported that the values of better education have not been diminished by the bus trips necessary to obtain it. White parents have reported that their children have benefited from the experience. Administrators and teachers have described the educational results as positive.

Efforts to achieve integration by establishing schools serving a wider community clearly will be more difficult and costly in large cities than in smaller cities and suburban communities but there is every indication they will yield beneficial results.

Remedies suggested for school systems:

### COMPENSATORY EDUCATION:

Many educators believe that the environment of poverty, the lack of cultural stimulation in the home, and the lack of motivation to learn, account for a child's failure to achieve in school.

To overcome these factors, four programs are used: remedial instruction; extra work in academics; cultural enrichment programs; raising the expectations of teachers and students to overcome negative attitudes; and pre-school programs to provide training in verbal skills and cultural enrichment.

Compensatory education plans showed initial improvement in test scores at first, but were not sustained. When children in these programs were compared with similarly disadvantaged children who had received no compensatory education, the two groups showed no significant or consistent differences in academic achievement.

Results of test scores in Syracuse, Berkeley, Seattle, and Philadelphia, showed that Negro students attending majority-white schools made better progress than those who

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attended majority-Negro schools with compensatory programs.

**SCHOOL DESEGREGATION:** The effectiveness of any school desegregation technique depends in part upon the Negro proportion of the school population and the size of the city. Cities with relatively small areas of high-density Negro populations may find it easier to desegregate by such devices as strategic site selection, redistricting, or the enlargement of attendance areas.

Systems in Princeton, N. J., Greenburgh, N.Y. have completely desegregated their elementary schools by pairing, a device which involves merging the attendance areas of two or more schools serving the same grades. Once paired, each school serves different grade levels.

The central school technique has been employed by the school system in Englewood, N.J. and Berkeley, Calif. Certain schools are used to serve all children of a single grade in the city and the school's student body becomes representative of the population of the entire city.

Other cities have desegregated their schools by enlarging attendance zones through the closing of a racially imbalanced school and assigning its students to other school districts.

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**Horatio Alger--**

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a truck driver through a certain employment agency but a white man could. A second white girl responded, "Your father, if they couldn't get him a job at the employment agency, he should have went to the sub-way company or something."

Confronted with injustice and discrimination these students side-stepped the issue by saying that there were countless opportunities so that some discrimination could be disregarded. They believed that the individual and the society had neither the right nor the duty to try to eliminate the injustice that does exist.

They believed that such injustice was part of the game; that everyone should face and overcome the monumental obstacles and gross injustice that the heroes of the Horatio Alger stories overcame.

Take the first white boy again: "They should try to work their way up like everybody else had. Persecution is always going to be around, minority of somebody. But the United States is the melting pot of everybody. So if they want to make something of themselves they have to make it by themselves, and for themselves. Instead of feeling low about it and asking everybody for help."

This last statement of the boy reveals an either-or choice which unfortunately characterizes much current thinking on the problem of poverty. Either the poor make it by themselves and for themselves or they feel low about it and ask everybody for help.

This boy and the other white students could not see that they could believe both that the individual had the responsibility to try his best and the society had the responsibility to attempt to remove all unjust roadblocks from the individual's path. Unfortunately it seems that the adults of this country also believe in this false either-or, rather than the responsible both-and.

**Deaths**

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Matsumura, Tokichi, 70; Selma, Sept. 14 - w. Kotoyo, s. Shigeo, haru, Hiroshi, d. Hisaye, Sachio, Nagao, Shigeo, Isamu, 9 gc, br. Kiyoo, sis. Masao Nakaguchi, Oda, Saburo, 3; Selma, Sept. 8 - w. Yaeko, d. Yoshie Kaida, Toshiko Tsudama, Emiko Kaida, Fujiko Sasaki, 17 gc.  
Fujii, Taira, 78; Parlier, Sept. 22 - s. Shigeaki Fujii, d. Haruko Okuma.

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Tanimoto, Morio, 76; Lodi, Aug. 18 - s. Nobuyuki, George, James, Morimoto, d. Akiko, Ayako Ideno, Fusaye Kurita, Kinako Marumoto, Asame Okino.  
Shinozaki, Ritschi, 64; Lodi, Sept. 13 - w. Emiko, s. Hitomi, Kame, Satoru, Fujio, Akio, d. Yuriko Sasaki, br. Hiroshi.  
Mura, Percy, H.; Sacramento, Sept. 13 - w. Haruko, s. Masahiro, Masaji, br. El Yamamoto.  
Hiromoto, Kichi, 76; Clarkburg, Sept. 14 - w. Masao, Haruo, d. Toshiko Nishimoto, Rose Watanabe, Susie Goto, br. Haruji, Teruo, Hideo.  
Watanabe, Etsu, 74; Sept. 19 - s. James, Akira, Louis, Jack, d. Shizuko Fukushima.  
Aoki, Seichi, 68; Marysville, Sept. 23.  
Kajitara, Masataro, 81; Sept. 8 - w. Umeko, d. Masako Kurotori, 2 gc.  
Yoshioaka, Moyo, 75; Lodi, Sept. 12 - s. Masaru, Satoru, Teruo, Noboru (Japan), d. Toshiko Saitome, Merilee Yamuchi.

**HONOLULU**  
Tokuda, Mrs. Makoto, 67; Aug. 26 - s. Sankichi, s. William, Walter, Henry, Edward, Ronald, Wallace, d. Janet Higa, Barbara Arakaki, Elizabeth Nakama, Lillian Nakano, b. Noko, Yonezu Shinobu, kuro, s. Uto, Shinamoto, Taru Tengan, 17 gc, 1 ggc.  
Tsukuda, Soichi, 86; Kekaha, Aug. 31 - w. Katsu.

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Yabusaki, Mrs. Tsuru, 86; Aug. 27 - s. Gilbert, James, d. Yukiko Muramoto, Masayo Iyo, 12 gc, 7 ggc, 2 ggc.  
Yamamoto, Misaburo, 85; Aug. 31 - no known relatives.  
Yamamoto, Raymond, 81 (Los Angeles); Aug. 31 - w. Lilly, s. Garrett (Los Angeles), b. Seichi, s. Kiyo Knim, Kinuyo Yokomichi.  
Yamashiro, Mrs. Makoto, 76; Hanapepe, Aug. 31 - b. Selyei, s. Fred, Wallace, David, d. Toyo, Chikako, Haruo Souza, Dora Yamamoto, Margaret Oshiro, Sue Honma, Rachel (San Francisco), Marjorie Honjiyo, 14 gc, 1 ggc.  
Yamashiro, Naoto, 43; Vietnam, Aug. 22 - m. Tsuruko Higa, sis. Oase, Uncle Matsui, aunt. Goro Yamashita, Masaki, 79; Aug. 17 - w. Fujie, s. Harry, Fred, Kenneth, d. Janet Sueaigu, Sue Bennett, Eleanor, b. Sueo, 13 gc.  
Yamauchi, Tako, 69; Aug. 36 - w. Momoko, Mrs. Lawrence (Minneapolis), Nakatsuka, Jean S. Kim-mich, Amy Takayama, b. Masami, 9 gc.

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Fujimoto, Hiroyuki, 95; Sept. 7, Kahului - s. Tadao, d. Umeko Tatsuaki, Haruyo Ogasawara, 13 gc, 8 ggc.  
Gushiken, Mrs. Uto, 72; Sept. 7, Koloa - b. Taku, s. Hajime, Nobuo, James, d. Kinoko Oshiro, Katsuko Matsuyama, Madeline Matsuda, Toshiko Kamiya, 23 gc, 1 ggc.

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**Vaccine vanishes...**

Because of a rabies scare on Oahu, thousands of Island pet owners are crowding veterinarians' offices and clinics for inoculations and used up most of the vaccine on the island. The number of animal rabies cases on Oahu climbed to eight on Oct. 9 when tests revealed that a mongoose captured in Barber's Point area was rabid. The army medical laboratory at Schofield Barracks is testing all animals brought in by civilian and military agencies to determine if they are rabid. Honolulu district school superintendent Stephen S. Kanda will retire after more than 41 years with Hawaii's public school system. Kanda said he's retiring because of health problems. Two 1966 beauty queens have transferred from the Univ. of Hawaii and are now studying at New York colleges. They are Cherry Blossom Queen Sandra Shikimokawa and Narcissus Queen Lynanne Moo. Sandra is a senior at Long Island Univ.

**School Segregation--**

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No evidence was found that white parents had withdrawn their children from these schools in any significant numbers. Open enrollment plans have been used, however experience shows that while some Negro families take advantage of the plan, others do not. It often does not result in significant desegregation because it is limited by the number of seats available in underutilized white schools.

Other programs place Negro youngsters from majority-Negro city schools in neighboring suburban schools. These programs operate in Rochester, N.Y., Boston, and Hartford.

Parents often fear that their children will suffer educational harm as a result of desegregation. It has been found that performance of white students in desegregated classes was no different from the performance of similar white students in all-white classes. Many school administrators in communities such as White Plains, N.Y., Teaneck, N.J., and Berkeley, reported that desegregation was desirable for both white and Negro students.

**MAGNET SCHOOLS:** These proposals would establish specialized educational programs either in existing schools or in new facilities. Such schools would serve children from broad attendance areas. They would still attend their neighborhood school but would spend part of their time at special schools. Plans of this type are being developed in Mt. Vernon, N.Y., Cleveland, Philadelphia, and Los Angeles.

**THE EDUCATION COMPLEX** involves grouping of existing schools and consolidating their attendance zones to serve a heterogeneous student population. Schools in the group would be close enough together to allow the sharing of more specialized personnel and facilities than is now possible. This type is planned for New York City.

**THE EDUCATION PARK** would be a new facility consolidating a range of grade levels on one single campus. One such plan for smaller cities would assemble on one campus all school facilities for all students in the city.

Another for larger cities would assemble on a single campus all school facilities for a particular level, such as all middle schools or all secondary schools. Cities which contemplate such parks are Syracuse, Berkeley, New York, Pittsburgh, Albuquerque, and St. Paul.

**Summation**  
Commissioner Frankie M. Freeman sums the education proposals by stating:

"Segregation is a term at which many Northerners wince, but it is a reality which has hardly been mitigated by legalistic definitions between de facto and de jure. Neither the presence of nondiscrimination statutes nor the absence of overtly discriminatory laws has been very effective so far in erasing the barriers between Negro and white, advantaged and disadvantaged, educated and mis-educated.

"Only if this is understood can we also understand why today there are Negro Americans who are saying in effect: Since we seem to be tending toward public school systems offering a superior quality of education in middle-class and white schools and inferior quality in schools for poor Negro children, why not accept the separation as inevitable

**Aloha from Hawaii**

by Richard Gima

and Lynanne is a junior at Pratt Institute.

**Kalani High School's** 100-piece band will represent Hawaii in the 79th Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena on New Year's Day. The band is scheduled to leave Hawaii Dec. 27. It has also been asked to give a concert at Disneyland's Carnation Plaza Garden on Dec. 29. Nine appointments to state boards and commissions have been announced by Gov. John A. Burns. They are: Maj. Gen. Benjamin J. Webster, Pacific War Memorial Commission; Richard F. Mawson, Civil Defense Advisory Council; Dr. Richard T. Mamiya, board of health; Mrs. Eva C. Bubie and Mrs. Kinji Kanazawa, Commission on Aging; John N. Thompson, Board of Dispensing Opticians; Dr. Daniel S. Fujisaki, Board of Examiners in Optometry; Dr. Kenneth E. Little, Board of Osteopathic Examiners; and Dr. Edward K. Nakagawa, Board of Veterinary Examiners. Leroy B. C. Yuen has been named director of public utility regulation and chief engineer of the State Public Utilities Commission. Yuen succeeds Frederick Bolte, who recently left the PUC to become president of Honolulu Rapid Transit Co. Insurance executive Kazuo

Kage and prison superintendent Alfred O. Souza, both of Maui, have announced their candidacy for the state's constitutional convention next year. Supervisor Goro Hokama from Lanai earlier became the first to announce his candidacy.

**Appoints two...**

Gov. John A. Burns announced two appointments on Oct. 6. They were Mrs. Tomoe Ichi Tanimoto of Honolulu to the Hawaii County Library Advisory Commission and Alvin T. Amaral of Kahului to the Board of Taxation Review for the Second Taxation District.

In action at the Oct. 5 meeting of the state school board, Teichiro Hirata, McKinley High School principal, was named acting deputy superintendent of the Honolulu district. Helen Y. Matsui was deputy last year while she was an administrative intern. With Hirata moving to the Honolulu district office, the board named Edmund K. Toma. McKinley vice principal, as acting principal at McKinley. The board of education also laid the ground work for four year olds to attend kindergarten when facilities are available and provided that the youngsters pass tests conducted at the expense of their parents. The board also asked Ralph Kiyosaki, the superintendent of education, to develop standards to permit early admission of qualified five year olds to first grade as well. Ronald Yee, formerly with the Kahala Hilton and Hilton Hawaiian Village, has been appointed purchasing agent for the Hotel Mark Hopkins in San Francisco. He is the son of Kwok Sun Yee of 1111 Kaumailuna Pl. Dillingham Corp. has named Burt Y. Nose as general manager of its Young Bros., Ltd.

**Jan Kagiwara**, daughter of Mrs. Fred Kagiwara of Honolulu, has pledged Alpha Sigma Pi at the Univ. of Redlands. She is an alumna of Punahou School. McKinley High School's class of 1932 will have its 35th annual reunion Nov. 3 at the Elks Club lodge. Those in charge include Jack Meek, Solomon Ke and Fred Ito. Randolph Crossley, who came close to winning the governor's office in last fall's elections on the Republican ticket, thinks Democratic Lt. Gov. Thomas P. Gill will seek the post of governor in 1970.

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"There's no question about that—Gill will run for governor on the Democratic ticket in 1970," Crossley said on Oct. 5.

**Hairy situation...**

Andrew Frantz, the Kailua High School senior suspended because he refused to cut his hair, has been granted a release from school and will continue his education through a correspondence course. Frantz, 17, who was suspended on Sept. 22, will continue his school work through American Schools program, an accredited correspondence program. The Roos/Atkins chain stores of Calif. have purchased the local McKinley chain, it was announced here Oct. 9. For the time being, at least, the Mainland chain will retain the McKinley name, it is said. Wendy Wong, Kaimuki High School senior, has been chosen to attend the National Youth Conference on Mental Retardation to be held Oct. 16-19 at Portland, Ore. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kwan Yung Wong of 1644 Tenth Ave. Henry Tuck Au, city traffic engineer for seven years before resigning last month, went into business for himself Oct. 11. He opened his own office in the First National Bank building as a planning consultant and structural engineer.

**Sgt. Maj. Masao Inouye**, who returned home Oct. 10 from Vietnam on rest and recreation leave, led the Oct. 14 Aloha Week floral parade as grand marshal. Inouye was selected for the honor by the U.S. Army headquarters in Vietnam from among 14 non-commissioned officers nominated by their own outfits. George A. L. Yuen, 47, on Oct. 10 was named manager and chief engineer of the Board of Water Supply. Yuen, who has been with the water dept. 20 years, formerly was deputy manager and chief engineer. He succeeds the late Edward J. Morgan, who drowned at his beach home in Windward Oahu Sept. 15. Dr. George T. George, former world champion weight lifter, was named president of the Honolulu County Dental Society at the annual banquet Oct. 10 at the Ilika. He succeeds Dr. Peter Wong as president. George has been in practice here since 1962. Thomas Mayeda became administrator of the State Labor Dept.'s unemployment insurance division on Oct. 16, succeeding Frank M. Torres. Torres retired after serving with the dept. for the past 30 years. Mayeda has been with the dept. for 18 years.

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## Ye Editor's Desk

TOKYO — WE ARE HERE

"Enthusiasm and anticipation" is the motto of the JACL Japan Tour this first morning in Tokyo for the 100 members after the fatigue induced from a sleepless 24-hours in-flight became disengaged. Over our morning coffee, the four of us at table twitted about our first night along the gay and gleaming Ginza. It would be pointless here to describe the sights and sounds, the pace and the pause, the nice and the naughty and countless other conspicuous combinations a tourist in Tokyo discovers throughout his fabulous stay here.

The group flight, despite the lack of sleep, had compensating factors—new friends will now be lasting ones bound by the motto of Enthusiasm and Anticipation... Japan Air Lines was superb in its service but it is already planning to improve on that... Japan Travel Bureau guides officiate in a light-hearted manner that ease the weary feet... For the first time, the resolve to return hardened with each passing hour... Bank of Tokyo of California during the first week and the Sumitomo Bank of California during the second week were treated not easily surpassed—a relaxing and colorful evening flourishing the finest forms of Japanese femininity in spectacular stage shows... And with so much to observe, so much to say—one doesn't dare sleep less he misses something he shouldn't miss...

On the other hand—this sightseer's paradise, this picture postcard country can't be all idyllic or as radiant as the eye perceives in a perfunctory perusal... Our guide, as we were sightseeing through downtown Tokyo during the morning hours, pointed out how the women of Japan, since obtaining their right of franchise under the 1947 Constitution, have taken over the management of household affairs—so that the salaried husband who gives his wages to his wife is allowed but 100 yen a day for lunch. He is known as the "100-yen husband." (Which may explain the popularity of Pachinko to the 100-yen husband who must rely upon his skill with the game to augment his needs for cigarettes and candy.)

Riding the train to Nikko (and what railroad doesn't pass through the worst areas of any town?), the traveler sees that part of Tokyo that doesn't glitter. There was much reconstruction of tiny homes, stores and factories enroute—making this metropolis more congested than ever. Hence, bigger companies are now building in the suburbs (a pattern that is also draining New York City of its industries) and to accommodate their employees have apartment complexes nearby... Even the garden of the simplest household, as pleasing to the casual eye from the West, doesn't begin to relate the countless hours of painstaking labor that went into it.

Reading the classified ads can be another peek into the daily life of Japan that may render a jolt or two. Americans in Japan offer 40,000 yen (\$100) to have a maid who will live in and care for the children... Real estate prices in Tokyo are such that a pound of dirt could be more valuable than a pound of gold... Apartment rent is fantastic if we're looking for comparable appurtenances of American standards—\$200 and up per month with deposits equivalent to 10-month rent in advance. There is one announcement asking for \$1,300 a month (nearly a half million yen) that provides such first class features as air-conditioning, living room, dining room, wall-to-wall carpeting throughout, 3 bedrooms, a maid's room, furnished with stove, dishwasher, refrigerator, washer & dryer, balcony or roof garden and parking.

Yet as tourists, we shall live up to "Enthusiasm and Anticipation" for the remainder of our stay in Japan. The idiosyncracies of Japan and America so differ in manner and attitude that they still intrigue us. We have read about them in the past, but now coming into actual contact with them in Japan and seeing many more, are what we wanted to observe... Every tour member has come with his own idea of what this trip should mean. Ours may be called the adventure in the "comedy of cross-cultural errors"... Upon our return, we shall have a better opportunity to cite them.

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The long trek of more than 3,000 miles, from California to Pennsylvania was pleasant and without mishap. My '62 Chevy did very well. I could never call it a "jalopy" because it averaged 18 miles per gallon all the way from San Francisco.

From Seattle to Scranton, my journey was made in easy stages by several stop-overs along the way. My visit home in Bismarck, N. Dakota was a trying one in that I attended my Dad in his final illness and death and placed my invalid Mother in a Nursing Home where she is happy and contented.

Continuing on East, in mid-September, I visited relatives and friends in Minnesota, Wisconsin and Illinois. In Detroit, a most enjoyable weekend was spent with former Maryknoll and JACL friends. Concern was felt by mutual friends on the west coast regarding the Detroit group since the riots there. It was gratifying to learn that the mob feeling did not extend itself towards our wonderful Japanese friends.

Philadelphia was my last brief stopover before the final 24-hour drive to Clarks Summit. I had lunch with a great man, a warm friend and dedicated JACLer, Mr. William Marutani, a prominent lawyer and father of 8 children! (Not He's not a Catholic!) Among the many impressive things he said was that he had relocated to South Dakota during the war years and was very graciously accepted there. His gracious welcome to me to the birthplace of our beloved land was heartwarming indeed. I had the pleasure of meeting Bill again a week later, at the October General Meeting of the Philadelphia Chapter, where more than 75 JACLers were present. Renewing old friendships as well as meeting fellow JACLers for the first time was a wonderful experience. This old padre promptly became a member of the Chapter, while still retaining his 1000 Club membership in DTLA.

The guest speaker at the meeting was Kennon Nakamura, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. Nakamura of the Seabrook JACL Chapter. Kennon did an excellent job in telling about his interesting six week fellowship study at the Sophia University in Japan. Unlike some slide lectures, his talk was not "boring" but "down to earth" and very human, interspersed with many humorous incidents. It would be well for any Chapter to hear Kennon's very fine account of his stay in Japan.

After the meeting, I spent the week-end in Philadelphia, a visit which was highlighted by the gracious hosting of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Okamoto. Howard is the Philadelphia Chapter President. Their lovely home is a gem in Japanese culture! One room is entirely devoted to Japanese decor, with tatami and tokonoma. They have 3 young children, 2 boys and a girl — "3 angels without wings."

Howard and Kuniko are very conscious of the many historic spots in and around Philadelphia. We toured around and visited the spacious area of Valley Forge and the historic place where Washington crossed the Delaware with his 2,400 men. President Howard and his secretary wife, Kuniko, couldn't do enough for this old padre! I returned to Clarks Summit feeling that I had known them for many years! To be a JACLer, for me means to be "at home" in any part of the country where there are JACLers. Had I not attended their Chapter's General Meeting and met these fine dedicated JACLers, my present adjustment to a new environment and assignment, would be a lonely one indeed!

As I look now at the maps I've used since leaving California, I find that I've actually crossed over 13 states, including California. What a grand, immense and wonderful country we have! Oregon and Washington, beautiful in scenery with evergreen pine and fir practically everywhere; Idaho, with its Coeur d'Alene Lake; Montana, with its mountains and "Big Sky Country"; North Dakota, my home state, with its gently rolling hills and prairie land as well as its immense fields of wheat and rye — this is the state that is called the "Bread Basket of the World." Minnesota, with its 10,000 beautiful lakes; Wisconsin, with its wonderful dairy farms; Illinois, with its Chicago, the hub city of the country, and the "Land of Lincoln"; Michigan, with its Detroit and auto factories; Ohio, with its many ports on Lake Erie, and Toledo called the "Gateway to the Sea." And finally, Pennsylvania, with its Gettysburg, Valley Forge and Philadelphia, famous places all "loaded" with history! One must really make a journey across our great country to fully realize how wonderful it is and what it means to be an American!

I could write a book, but these lines must do for now and besides I just want to let you, my Maryknoll and JACL friends, know that I am thinking of you with grateful gratitude. All's well with me. I hope this finds you all well too. Beautiful Indian Summer weather here in northeastern Pennsylvania, with a tremendous variety of Autumn colors on the trees. This area is one of the most scenic in Pennsylvania.

The Maryknoll House here is like a large estate with more than 140 acres of beautiful landscape, with just 15 minutes away from Scranton and only a 2 1/2 hour drive from New York City or Philadelphia. My present assignment, which is temporary, is helping out in different parishes where there is a shortage of personnel — a sort of "P R work" for Maryknoll Missions.

Since I have arrived at my assignment, rumors have been heard that this Maryknoll House here, which was formerly Maryknoll's Prep College (Junior Seminary) for almost a half century, will probably be sold soon. Rumor also has it that a college, the Baptist Bible Seminary now in Johnson City, N.Y., will be the purchaser. There seems to be nothing definite as yet. Official silence on the part of both the Baptist Seminary and Maryknoll headquarters conveys an element of seriousness and delicacy about the negotiations.

This Maryknoll House where I am now stationed is called "The Venard" (pronounced "vey-nard") and is named after a Father Theophane Venard, a French missionary of the Paris Foreign Mission Seminary in the 1870's, who went to Tonkin, China and was martyred there. If and when the sale of this place materializes and is finalized, I shall be on my way again to another assignment. I'll keep you informed. Regards and best wishes to all.

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## A Question of Age

Long Beach  
Are the leaders that determine the policies of our organization getting too old? Are the young leaders being given the opportunity to take positions of leadership in the organization? Let's examine this problem at all levels of our organization.

Does your chapter have several board members who have served ten years or longer? Do these members have an undue influence upon the decisions of the board? Do they tend to thwart efforts to change old programs that may be outdated? Are all or most of the board members over thirty? Do new board members tend to be quiet and rely upon the wisdom of the "old timers"? Is the president or the board so dependent upon these "old timers" that they are afraid to take any action that may offend them?

If the answer to most of these questions is yes, your board may be infected with age. The cure is not an abrupt discharge of duty by the "old timers" but a rapid shifting of responsibilities to the newer members. The "old timers" are all sincere, dedicated JACLers and should move on to district and national levels or become more active in other organizations in the larger community where they can make a greater contribution.

At the Next Level: How does your district stack up to the above questions? Is your district so dependent upon the old timers that they are reelected year after year? Is the nominating committee doing an adequate job of seeking out new candidates or simply falling back on outgoing board members to fill the slate?

District board members come from many chapters, and if openings are not made annually, good leaders are kept at the chapter level causing stagnation. Perhaps there should be a limit to the number of years one may serve on the board. Perhaps the constitution should be amended to require that one-fourth of the board members be new members. A combination of the two will insure a gradual change over, with a completely new board every ten years.

And Nationally: What about our national level? Most of the board members have been active in JACL for 10 years or longer. They have been active at all levels of the organization and therefore have sufficient experience and knowledge to make decisions for the organization.

There are also national board members who have been active on the national board level much longer than 10 years. Add to these the influence of our old time staff and the age (in years of activity) really begins to show.

National board meetings are dominated by people who have been on the board well over 10 years. These people have been active in JACL for 20 and 30 years. This not being bad enough, there is a proposal before the board to form a past national presidents club to give guidance to the national board.

How can this organization be dynamic and evolve into the kind of organization that coming generations can fit comfortably into, unless we do something about this aging factor? How can the youth of today look up to an organization whose major concern seems to be the best way to exploit the anniversary of something that happened 20 or 30 years ago?

Since voluntary retirement has not worked, perhaps constitutional amendments at all levels are in order.

GUEST COLUMN: Don Hayashi

## Where JACL Can Help Fight Negro's Employment Fears

By DON HAYASHI

Japanese Americans generally experience little job discrimination. This may be attributed to high educational achievement, and the ability to adjust to middle class values. Possibly the stereotype of the hardworking, soft spoken, patient Japanese American has worked favorably, because employers like to hire desirable employees.

The Negro has found many difficulties in employment. First, he looks markedly different, and there is the fear of offending important clients. Secondly, the Negro has fled the rural South for large urban centers. His values are of a lower social class and rural society, and life in the city is strange. He is not accustomed to regular garbage collection, large shopping centers, and impersonality of the city. Thirdly, the Negro is tired of unkept promises.

Future Date  
Youth are especially reluctant to commit themselves to training programs which are based on middle class values and equal opportunity at some future date. A recent employment survey of the Portland area revealed that many firms seek "qualified Negro applicants."

Yet some Negro officials are skeptical of these employers, charging that the firm's stated inability to find qualified Negroes is just another form of practicing discrimination. There is skepticism by many Portland employers of the Negro's sense of responsibility. Much is based on past experiences of absenteeism and tardiness; it is also based on racial prejudice. Applicant testing programs, inherently are discriminatory by the fact that they are written for a white, middle class, Anglo-Saxon Protestant culture, disqualify most Negroes before they ever get to prove themselves on a job. Probably these observations of Portland could be applicable to other cities and minority groups as well.

Applies How?  
How does this apply to Japanese Americans and JACL? I believe that there are

three areas which JACL should concern itself. First, there is financial aid. It is gratifying to see National JACL supporting Civil Rights organizations. Many local chapters are likewise donating funds to instrumental agencies.

Simultaneously it is necessary to understand other minority groups, and it is difficult to appreciate another culture or people without knowing something about them. Through speakers, panel discussions, and personal contact, we may better understand our neighbors and community.

Thirdly, our presence is needed. We must demonstrate our concern in positive ways. Whether it means serving on a committee, assisting in a program, or helping to improve a blighted area, our concern can be demonstrated. For example, the San Jose Junior JACL is undertaking a project to plant a lawn at the new Economic Opportunity Commission office.

Down and Out  
The idea of direct involvement is usually passed aside by most Nisei as being too time consuming or not worth helping the "down and out." The Sansei is different; he is willing to do something about it, and if JACL does not offer that opportunity, he will turn to other means.

Possibly it would be helpful if the Nisei would turn back the clock 25 years and recall the evacuation. Then maybe helping a discriminated minority may not seem so time consuming. Can the Nisei and JACL help open the door to employment? Does the motto "Better Americans in a Greater America" apply only to Japanese American rights and not the Negro, Mexican American, Puerto Rican, and human rights?

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