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PERSPECTIVES

● Jerry Enomoto
Nat'l President

THE REAL WORLD?

I saw the Jan. 12, 1968 issue of Crossroads in which Dr. William Shinto addresses himself to the grim national issue of the Vietnam War. On an occasion or two I have expressed my feeling that this issue, although a grave one for all Americans, was not a proper one for JACL to take a stand on.

Rightly or wrongly, I have also felt that I knew too little of the complex nature of international policy and relations to commit myself either as a "hawk" or a "dove."

Neither am I willing to label the President of the United States a "murderer", although I share Dr. Shinto's feeling that, in the fullest sense, all of us figuratively must accept responsibility for mankind's inability to end shooting wars. To that extent, the death of Professor Clark's son is indeed on every American's head.

SO-CALLED LIBERAL

Because I feel the way I do, I would ordinarily not react to a piece on Vietnam. However, as I read it I find that Dr. Shinto honors me by quoting a comment I made in the P.C.

Describing me as the "so-called liberal JACL prexy", the quote is "The Jr. JACLers are not draft card burners or advocates of violence." He then aligns me with the beliefs of the esteemed Barry Goldwater who said (according to Dr. Shinto) peace demonstrators are "a paltry, lousy, rotten little bunch of 50,000 who do not represent 200 million people." Also that I am in league with our equally esteemed Governor who "wants to punish those young people as traitors."

Since the label of "liberal" is his, I presume that Dr. Shinto has his own definition of the word. One dictionary lists a number of definitions including, "not narrow or contracted in mind", "broad minded", "no bound by orthodox tenets." I see myself as meeting a bit of each of these definitions, but not completely. Certainly, there are orthodox tenets that I have trouble freeing myself from, e.g., willingness to burn a draft card.

At the risk of putting words in the Doctor's mouth, I would bet that to him, I would be a "phony liberal." In the very article on a speech I made in San Gabriel from which he took the above mentioned quote, I spoke to the issue of labels like "liberal and conservative" as often doing a disservice, because they oversimplify and polarize complex problems.

PEACE MOVEMENT

In all honesty, although I do not know every Jr. JACLer, I am sure very few are draft card burners, and that very few advocate, or practice, violence. I think this is good. Why? Because I don't believe that this arrogant affront and flaunting of one of our country's laws is acceptable as a means of expressing disagreement. My comment about violence needs no explanation, and it was not said with specific reference to protests against the Vietnam war.

Having said this I will say with even more feeling that the quote attributed to Mr. Goldwater is unworthy of him, and I certainly don't agree that peace advocates should be punished as traitors. Indeed, the kind of commitment that moves a person to demonstrate, and submit to arrest, and endure the sneers of many of his country men is to be respected.

Dr. Shinto's comment that students who protest are "forcing our society to re-examine the purposes and goals of the university" is well taken. He asks that we protect the right of free speech, a noble statement that I certainly second. However, burning draft cards is not free speech, nor is destroying property, or injuring people. Although these may be excusable transgressions in pursuit of a noble objective to some, it will not be seen that way by many. Therein lies a grave danger. The philosophy that the end justifies the means is always a tough one to swallow.

START FROM WHERE WE ARE

Since Dr. Shinto identifies

NATIONAL JACL CREDIT UNION MARKS 25TH YR.

Charter Members
To Be Recognized
At Jan. 27 Dinner

SALT LAKE CITY—National JACL Credit Union will mark its silver jubilee by recognizing its incorporators and charter members that may attend the annual dinner-meeting Jan. 27 at the Ramada Inn here.

The 25th anniversary dinner committee is being headed by S. Ushio, credit union president, with assistance of his board of directors. Special recognitions are being handled by S. C. Umemoto and George Y. Fujii.

The social hour at 6:30 p.m. will be followed by a top sirloin steak being served promptly at 7. Reservations are being accepted by the JACL Credit Union office, 242 S. 4th East (Phone 355-8040).

Members shall be charged \$2 to defray part of the expenses. If they wish to bring guests, the cost will be \$8 per person.

A business meeting to elect two directors and two members to the credit committee will follow the dinner. Incumbent directors S. Ushio and George Yoshimoto, incumbent credit committeeman Rupert Hachiya and Gerry Wakayama (who filled in for the ex-priest of Maki Kaizumi's term) have been nominated. The dance will follow.

The board of directors declared a 4.8 pct. per annum dividend again for the second half of 1967 and the member's share account was credited Jan. 12. Nearly \$24,500 has been distributed to JACL credit union members.

ENOMOTO ADDRESSING TWIN CITIES INAUGURAL

MINNEAPOLIS — National JACL President Jerry Enomoto will address the Twin Cities JACL installation Jan. 27 at the Hopkins House. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. with members allowed a choice of entrees — fried chicken (\$4.50) or filet mignon (\$6), which is a new wrinkle for JACL installation billing.

Also attending as special guest will be MDC Gov. Henry Tanaka of Cleveland. Area Issei are also being invited as guests of the chapter.

The chapter is also absorbing half the cost of dinners ordered by Jr. JACLers.

me as the JACL Prexy, let me return to that context. I do not claim to be a great liberal (whatever that may mean to him). I have spoken, written and acted as JACL President in the belief that JACL needs to expand its horizons and get in step with the times. However, regardless of the nobility of motive, I am sure that JACL is not ready (if it should or ever will be) to support draft card burning, breaking the law and sundry forms of violence. For that matter, I personally am not.

I suggest that the "Real World" of Dr. Shinto's is not everyone's, and that the "Real World" of JACL is my concern. The social conscience reflected in much of what he says is of JACL concern, but I remind him that we can only move by beginning from where we are.

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EDITOR HONORED—New York JACLers, entrusted with personal presentation of the National JACL Certificate of Appreciation to Merrill Pollack, managing editor of W. W. Norton & Co., (second from left), are Augie Nakagawa, EDC vice-governor and noted city planner (left); Moonray Kojima, New York

JACL chapter president; and Murray Sprung, chapter vice-chairman and prominent New York lawyer. Presentation was made Dec. 7 at a Nippon club luncheon. Pollack was instrumental in having Capt. Bosworth write the book, "America's Concentration Camps." —New York JACL Photo.

JERRY ENOMOTO:

A Christmastide Message

(Text of Jerry Enomoto's address to the PNWDC Convention luncheon Dec. 17, 1967, at Portland, Ore.)

In view of the timing of this convention a week before Christmas, may I extend my sincere wishes for a most joyous holiday season to you and yours.

Having said that, it is also my pleasure to report to you from the vantage points of the National Presidency that JACL is in a relatively happy position membership wise, and money wise. As of December 1 we were somewhat ahead of our 1966 membership. We are also operating in the black, as it were, and every indication is that we will finish this biennium that way.

More than that, we have seen some concrete accomplishments in this biennium. As the citations presented to JACLers last evening reminded us, last year saw the successful end of the long fight by JACL and its friends to remove the alien land law from the statute books of Washington state.

PR Brochure

Many of you have seen the long awaited public relations brochure, just released. Coincidentally, it was written by a native son of the Pacific Northwest, Bill Hosokawa, and came off the presses of Ed Tsutakawa. It will be a big asset in telling our story in and out of JACL.

The attractive pages of the membership kit are the product of our national membership committee, and the kit is a definite tool given to chapters by the national organization. Hopefully it will

help boost membership but, whether it does or not, its creation is a significant contribution by a national committee.

We recently saw the emergence of a brochure issued by our national civil rights committee to provide guidelines to JACL chapters, as they seek ways toward constructive participation. Major contributors to this work were your own Phil Hayasaka and his colleagues in Seattle.

When in Denver last month, it was my pleasure to have Min Yasui, director of the Denver Human Relations Commission, tell me that this brochure was an excellent tool for its purpose, in the eyes of other human relations professionals in, and around, Denver.

JAL Fellowship

The JACL-JAL Japan fellowship program was initiated last summer, and certainly reflects JACL's status in being selected to administer the program, as well as being symbolic of another very good cultural bridge between the land of our birth and the land of our parents. In the same vein the recently concluded Japan tour, sponsored by JACL, marks another step across that span.

With the publication of Dr. Robert Wilson's definitive history and Bill Hosokawa's popular history in mid-1968, the long journey of the "Issei History Project" will come to an end. The impetus and pioneering contribution of the JACL will enable a team of social scientists at UCLA to continue with work that will ultimately result in a series of technical sociological works

on the Japanese in America.

You, of course, know that the Issei History Project was first created and nurtured by past national president, and another Pacific Northwesterner, Shig Wakamatsu.

We are embarking upon the creation of a JACL national scholarship foundation, intended to improve and expand the present scholarship program. It is a commentary upon JACL's image that it is sought out as a partner in worthwhile projects. Note the recent announcement by the Sumitomo Bank regarding the granting of several scholarships, to be administered by JACL.

These examples are signs of progress, and should make us proud of JACL.

Kind of Commitment

JACLers young and old can appreciate the kind of commitment and follow-up action that enabled these events to happen, these projects to approach fruition, and some to conclude successfully. Yes, we have reasons to be proud of JACL, and it is nice feeling to have as we contemplate another Christmas.

Yet Christmas is not going to mean much to many Americans, nor many people in other lands. America is still not the perfect democracy, and people are still killing other people. So as we celebrate Christmas, and are grateful for what we have in JACL, let's also look at what greater commitment and action might do for JACL.

Unhappily, in the midst of membership increase and financial solvency, we do have lapsing interest, static pro-

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SAN JOSE SANSEI IN VIETNAM CAMPAIGN:

Too young to buy liquor at PX, but doing a man-sized job on makeshift U.S. Navy river craft in the Delta

BY PHIL JORDAN

SAIGON—"Hey, All! Do your gistsal troops!" folks know you smoke?"

"Sure, I guess so. Why?"

"Cause that guy is taking your picture."

At 20, Allen T. Kawabata, son of Mr. and Mrs. Yukio Kawabata, 1424 Arnold Ave., San Jose, who graduated from Abraham Lincoln High School in San Jose two years ago, is still too young to buy the liquor ration stamped on his PX card.

He's not too young to be doing a man-sized job on a boat as old as himself, but, like most of the young American servicemen in Vietnam, this apprentice seaman isn't nearly as impressed with himself or the job he is doing as his elders are.

He is much more interested in what he'll do after he gets out of the Navy—and at this point seems rather inclined toward becoming a butcher, a field in which he has some experience already (the navy, naturally, did not take advantage of this) and which he says he enjoys.

A Gunner's Mate

Instead, Al Kawabata is on his way to becoming a gunner's mate on the U.S. Navy's makeshift river fleet in Vietnam, though the title, except for pay purposes, doesn't mean

too much — as he puts it, "I drive the thing, stand gun watches. On this boat, everybody can do everything, and we do," an observation backed up by the boat's skipper, 36-year-old Bosun's Mate 2nd Class Bill Hunter of Wilmington, Del.

There are still plenty of Viet Cong in the Rung Sat, but these days are more on the defensive than not.

One of the most effective weapons developed in this muddy war in the "Rivering Force," World War II landing craft converted to combination landing craft — gunboats, straight gun boats and even aircraft (one helicopter) carriers. It is the first time the U.S. Navy has had such a force since the Mississippi River campaign of the Civil War, now more than a century past (The swamp fighters also have army heavy artillery, 105 and 155mm field Howitzers mounted on barges operated by logistical troops.)

More Armor Preferred

In the Delta war, nationality doesn't make too much difference. Vietnamese navy river boats land U.S. Navy "Seal" attack parties, American River Assault Group units "borrow" Vietnamese Navy craft (originally given Vietnam by the United States) while their own craft are being repaired.

When I met Al Kawabata, he was, as a matter of fact, part of the crew of a Vietnamese vessel, but hoping soon his crew would be given an American boat. The distinction? American craft have "bar armor," a latticework of steel construction rods backed up by foam plastic that pre-denote rifle grenades and recoilless rifle rocket missiles that otherwise could easily pierce the 3/4-inch standard armor.

Of the craft he was on, Al said, "We have good firepower — three 20mm guns, two .50 caliber heavy machine guns and seven M-14 automatic rifles — but not much protection."

Of the landings he's been on in the Rung Sat, Al had little to say other than, "We just stood by" and, like most youngsters over here, he gives the impression his year in Vietnam doesn't really count the world is someplace else.

Of his trips ashore in Vietnam, generally to Vung Tau, once an expensive seaside resort and now headquarters for much of the Rivering and Delta army forces . . . "I can't say much for it."

Liked Japan

He was much more impressed with Japan, where he has visited the Tokyo and Sasebo

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JACL-JAL summer fellowship applicant should ask chapter

SAN FRANCISCO — Application forms for the 1968 Japanese American Citizens League-Japan Air Lines summer fellowships are in the hands of the JACL chapters, it was announced today by Akiji Yoshimura, National Chairman of the JACL-JAL Summer Fellowship Program.

Japan Air Lines has again made available four Study Fellowships in Japanese History and Culture at Sophia University, Tokyo. The program which will be held from July through August includes round trip transportation via Japan Air Lines from either New York or San Francisco, tuition and fees for the one month of summer classes, room and board, and educational trips throughout Japan.

Applicants for the Fellowship must be members of the JACL or the Junior Japanese American Citizens League and have reached their 21st birthday by April 30, 1968.

Successful candidates for the four fellowships will be

selected primarily on their motivation for studying things Japanese and their willingness to relate their observations to their respective communities.

JACL District Councils will conduct initial judging of applicants in April, 1968, selecting two candidates from each District Council. The final selection of the winners of the fellowship will be made in May, 1968.

Yoshimura stressed that the primary criteria for applicants were their motives for visiting Japan and that age, occupation, or no knowledge of the Japanese language were no handicaps to applying.

While in 1967, applicants included many in the teaching professions, students, and professionals, Yoshimura expressed the hope that among others, housewives would apply and perhaps be able to further round out their varied experiences. The 1967 winners of the Fellowships included two from California, one from

New Jersey, and one from Illinois.

Interested applicants can obtain application forms and instructions from their local chapters, by writing National JACL Headquarters, 1834 Post St., San Francisco 94115, or the Southern California JACL Regional Office, 125 Weller St., Los Angeles 90012. Inquiries to Chapters or JACL offices can be expedited by using: ATTN: JACL-JAL 68.

Japan Ambassador to United Nations to address JACL

NEW YORK — The annual New York JACL installation dinner will feature, as the principal speaker, Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations Senjin Tsuruoka.

Ambassador Tsuruoka, who is fluent in English, will speak on topics of interest to Japanese Americans, including appropriate reference to the Meiji Centennial.

The dinner is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, Mar. 2, in New York City.

Invitations are being extended to the Philadelphia, Seabrook and Washington D.C. Chapters. In view of the importance of Japan's role in world affairs, and the extended coverage which is expected of his talk, the New York Chapter also extends an invitation to all interested parties to attend.

Further information can be obtained by writing Moonray Kojima, 195 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10007.

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Gresham-Troutdale elects Fujii president

PORTLAND — Ed Fujii was elected chapter president of Gresham-Troutdale JACL. He and his cabinet members were installed during the PNWDC convention Dec. 17 at the Portland Hilton by Jerry Enomoto, national JACL president.

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Weeks Remain Until
Convention Time



JUNIOR MISS—Hollywood Jr. JACLer Kathi Mukai competed in the recent Hollywood district Junior Miss pageant and was voted runner-up. She was sponsored by the Japanese American Junior Chamber of Commerce.

By Mike Masaoka

Washington Newsletter



STATE OF UNION MESSAGE

Washington

In his State of the Union message to the Congress and the American people Wednesday night, Jan. 17, his fifth since he assumed office, President Lyndon Johnson broadly summarized the international, domestic, and economic situation in which the country finds itself and outlined his legislative program for the year.

As in the past, within the next few weeks, some ten to 20 special messages will spell out the details of his various proposals, though much of which he urged the Congress to enact this session was proposed last year or even earlier.

Regardless of one's personal bias of political views, one can hardly charge the Chief Executive with retreating from the many goals he set forth in previous State of the Union messages, for he not only urged that the United States must persevere in Vietnam until an honorable peace can be achieved but that the noble hopes of the Great Society must be attained, that both guns and butter are possible for these United States.

Moreover, no matter what one may personally think of the message—its contents, its meaning, its eloquence—one can hardly fault the courage of the President who spoke out boldly enough in spite of the evident frustrations, irritations, and tensions of the Congress and of the citizens.

And, while the President may not have come forth with many innovative and inspired new programs and projects for the times, he certainly catalogued for the Congress and the nation the legislation he desired this election year.

In this Newsletter, it will not be our purpose to evaluate or criticize the message; it will be only to identify those specific concerns to which the JACL as an organization is currently committed.

JACLers, as individual citizens of the nation, have their own opinions as to the wisdom and the necessity for practically every program proposed by the Chief Executive.

While considerable time was devoted to the problems of the cities, the jobless, the consumers, etc., the President noted in a single paragraph the civil rights program which he was urging Congress to enact as a "vital pending" bill.

"Especially the civil rights measures—fair jury trials, protection of federal rights, enforcement of equal employment opportunities and fair housing."

Though many civil rights have decried the fact that Congress applauded the reference to saving California redwoods much more than it did the mention of civil rights, JACL is more concerned that the President use his political muscle to seek House and Senate approval for these specific aspects of civil rights.

In spite of the presidential endorsement, as the Senate continues to debate civil rights legislation, the Southern bloc, both Democrats and Republicans, are threatening a filibuster. And even Administration spokesmen are hinting that the amendments relating to the enforcement of equal employment opportunities and to open housing may be scrapped in order to appease the hard-core Dixiecrats.

That of the more than fifty legislative proposals the President identified in his State of the Union message the JACL is committed on only one seems a travesty on JACL's proud boast of "Better Americans in a Greater America."

As citizens of this nation in these troubled times, as residents of the inner cities, suburbs, or farms, as beneficiaries or victims of the consequences of the leadership of the President and of the Congress, and as members of one of the smallest national minorities in this country, should not JACL as an organization, and JACLers as individuals, be involved in some, if not most, of the several major problems facing our nation and our government at these crossroads of history?

Japanese Americans, as with most other citizens, think perhaps more in terms of their personal employment or profession, or place of residence or status in the community, than in terms of their racial minority regarding most of the grave issues challenging the country and the world today. They do not, and perhaps cannot, identify with the general problems of the day, since these matters do not seem to be necessarily ones whose resolution would directly affect them as individuals of Japanese ancestry.

While all this may be true, perhaps the JACL should move into general public affairs, on the grounds that what happens to any citizen also happens to JACL members and to Americans of Japanese ancestry. Perhaps JACL should consciously undertake to assume leadership among Japanese Americans to secure a consensus on these great issues of the times and to at least indicate to the Congress, as well as the Administration, the thinking of those of Japanese ancestry in this country on the vital subjects of the day.

In this process of attempting to reach a consensus, JACL may be able to motivate and activate its members to become truly better Americans concerned with trying to build a greater America.

Perhaps this is one more item for the agenda for the National JACL Convention when it meets in San Jose this summer to chart the organization's future.

As the President concluded his State of the Union message:

"If ever there was a people who sought more than abundance, it is our people."

"If ever there was a nation that was capable of solving its problems, it is this nation."

"If ever there was a time to know the pride and the excitement and the hope of being an American, it is this time..."

Are Japanese Americans included too?

ENGLISH

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English Language Services is pleased to announce the opening of a new ELS LANGUAGE CENTER in cooperation with the University of Southern California. The Center will provide intensive courses in English for foreign students at all levels of proficiency. Part-time courses will also be offered in the evenings.

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NEWS CAPSULES

Business

Bank of Tokyo of California has its first woman Nisei officer, Mrs. Ann Morita, pro-assistant cashier, at the Santa Ana branch. Before joining the Bank of Tokyo in 1963, she worked in the loan department of First Western Bank and Trust Co. for 10 years. Another Nisei, Kazuo Ohsawa, of the Fresno branch was promoted assistant manager. He joined the bank in 1957 after graduating from East Los Angeles City College.

The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States appointed Peter T. Yamazaki of Huntington Beach to the position of District Manager for the Henry Dymond Agency, headquartered at Century City. He joined the Equitable in 1964, and has been one of its outstanding salesmen, selling \$1,000,000 or more every year.

School Front

New York City's public school system will have its first Oriental principal if the Board of Education approves the nomination of David W. Lee, 42, to head P.S. 178 in the Ocean Hill-Brownsville experimental school district. A native of Hempstead, L.I., where his father operated a Chinese restaurant, he was nominated by the district school board whose student enrollment is predominantly Negro and Puerto Rican.

Karen Sue Kitani, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Susumu Kitani of Los Angeles, was elected the student body president of Berendo Junior High School for the coming semester.

Music

Yoichi Hiraoka, noted Japanese xylophonist, now on a nationwide tour, will have his only Southern California one-night program of classical, Japanese and European numbers Feb. 16 at Wilshire Ebell.

Churches

Rel Yoshinobu, assistant football coach at Monterey High and Portola Jr. High school teacher, this month began his second year of a three-year term as First Reader of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Monterey. He is the first person of Japanese ancestry to be elected to this post in Monterey Peninsula. As First Reader, he has the main responsibility for Sunday services. There are no ordained ministers in the Christian Science churches.

"Live in the Nembutsu" is the theme of the 20th Annual Western Adult Buddhist League Conference to be held at the Gardena Buddhist Church on Feb. 10-11, according to Dr. John Koyama, general chairman. The agenda for Saturday will be a golf and bowling tournament, a harbor tour, buffet dinner, community sing, stage entertainment, and dancing by Dan Caviello and orchestra. The Rev. Arthur Takemoto, will be the Sunday keynote speaker. The Rev. Paul Nagano, executive secretary of JEMS, was elected president of the So. Calif. Nisei Ministerial Fellowship for 1968 Jan. 10 at the Anaheim Japanese Free Methodist Church.

Flowers-Garden

San Francisco Bay Ikebana International will sponsor its eighth annual "East Meets West" flower shop Mar. 29-31 at the Golden Gate Park Hall of Flowers.

Courtroom

A Toronto Nisei Kazuo G. Olye, has become the second Japanese Canadian lawyer to be appointed Queen's Counsel. The first was Lucien C. Kurata of Toronto, now a magistrate.



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AGENCY AWARD—Here are the people (nearly all of them are JACLers) who made the Chinn & Edwards Agency, Los Angeles, a real winner as they receive the Outstanding General Agency Award from Capitol Life Insurance Co., Colorado's oldest and largest life insurance firm. (From left): Front—Sonny Kaneko, Mary Ann Hochstadter, Michi-

ko Gozawa, Fred and Akie Ogasawara, Pat Kasahara, Paul and Lily Chinn, George Nakao, CLI President Harland Farrar, back—Hal Hochstadter, Joe Koga, Jimmy Gozawa, Jim Kasahara, Sam and Hanako Higurashi, Yoko Nakao. Presentation of the champagne bucket and plaque was made the company's convention at the Broadmoor Hotel, Colorado Springs.

Awards

Order of the Sacred Treasure, 4th Class, was conferred posthumously to Dr. Yaemitsu Sugimachi of Los Angeles, for his contribution to education, the Japanese Consulate General announced. Dr. Sugimachi, 66, who died Dec. 28, began his teaching career in 1934 at Lili Tokio's Daiichi Gakuen, became its principal in 1947 and worked for public school credit of Japanese studied in private school.

Medicine

Dr. Stanley Higashino of the East Bay Children's Hospital medical center cardiology department addressed a one-day symposium at Oakland's Kaiser Center under sponsorship of the Alameda and Contra Costa Heart Assn.

Heart specialists representing a dozen health institutions presented their works at the Los Angeles County Heart Association's 12th annual Midwinter Symposium Jan. 17. Dr. Lloyd T. Iseri was among those serving as moderator.

An international genetics symposium at the City of Hope Medical Center, Jan. 29-Feb. 1, will bring together, by invitation, more than 30 of the world's foremost research geneticists. The symposium, entitled "The Origin of Genes and Evolution by Gene Duplication," is sponsored by the City of Hope's Institute for Advanced Learning in the Medical Sciences. Dr. Susumu Ohno, chairman, of the Department of Biology at the pilot medical center, is the symposium's organizer.

Politics

Bud Umemura, a Canadian Nisei who ventured into politics for the first time, was elected Dec. 8 as alderman in Hope, B.C. in a landslide victory over three other candidates. He polled 464 out of 664 votes cast.

Vital Statistics

Jane Ellen Azumano, 16, daughter of the George Azumano of Portland died of leukemia Jan. 8.

Dr. Masauki Hara, 51, Arkansas' Man of the Year in 1963 and an eminent surgeon who headed an open heart surgery team at the Univ. of Arkansas Medical Center, died Jan. 11 at Little Rock of brain cancer. Prewar, he starred with the San Francisco Mikado basketball team, graduated from Stanford University Medical School.

Dr. George Akamatsu, 69, Sacramento physician who practiced for many years before the war in Walnut Grove, died of heart attack Jan. 12.

Chokichi Sakaguchi, 73, of Turlock died Jan. 8. He farmed for 15 years in Santa Clara County before moving to Cortez in 1925. He received a Japanese award for contributions to agriculture. His son

Imperial Valley re-elects Dr. Ikeda

EL CENTRO—The Imperial Valley JACL re-elected Dr. Hito Ikeda as president and retained last year's cabinet. They were honored at a kick-off dinner held at the Ramada Inn in Brawley, Jan. 13.

Dr. Ikeda, recently promoted professor of education at San Diego State College's Valley campus at Calexico, has served as campus director and teaches and supervises student teachers in Valley schools.

The Imperial Valley JACL, organized in 1958, is hosting the PSWDC first quarterly session on Feb. 11.

Yeichi is a past Cortez JACL president.

Denbel Kobayashi, 89, leading Haiku writer in Canada, died Jan. 4 at his home in Okanagan Centre, B.C. He composed under the name, Hosui.

U.S. Army Capt. Royden Kimoto of Pepeekeo, Hawaii, exchanged vows Dec. 15 with Japan Ground Self-Defense Force 2nd Lt. Miesko Yanagawa of Kashima, Japan, in a wedding that had international flavor at Ft. McClellan, Ala. Kimoto is stationed at Ft. Benning, while Lt. Yanagawa was at the WAC School at Ft. McClellan.

Information pamphlets on Food Stamps available

WASHINGTON — Information pamphlets on the U. S. Food Stamp program are available in Chinese, Filipino, Japanese and Spanish, according to Congressman Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii).

Under the program eligible families are required to pay about what they normally spend for food for stamps and, in return, receive stamps of greater value. Such stamps may be used at grocery stores just like cash, and may be used to buy any food for human consumption except for imported items. Tobacco and alcoholic beverages are excluded from the program.

CALENDAR OF JACL EVENTS

Jan. 26 (Friday)
Melanoco—Bd Mtg, Henry Yamaga res.
Jan. 27 (Saturday)
Natl JACL Credit Union—Annual Mtg, Ramada Inn, Salt Lake City, 8:30 p.m.
San Jose—Installation dinner, Leninger Hall, Kelley Park
Dr. Robert Clark, San Jose State College pres, spkr.
Downtown L.A.—Installation dinner, New Moon Restaurant
Fremont—Installation dinner, Fremont Ranch, 6:30 p.m.; Mayor Jeffrey Steele, spkr.
Twin Cities—Installation dinner; Hopkins House Executive Suite, 150 Hwy. 7, Hopkins, 6 p.m.; Jerry Enomoto, spkr.
San Francisco—Credit Union annual mtg, Park Presidio YMCA
New York—Installation dinner
San Diego—Jr. JACL membership dance

Intensive English language class opens

LOS ANGELES—The Washington Educational Research Associates, Inc., of Washington, D.C., has opened a division, the ELS Language Center, in Los Angeles under Perry S. Atkins, director.
The new center at 511 S. Bonnie Brae, will be able to accommodate 300 foreign students who wish to study English on an intensive basis prior to enrolling in an American college or university.
Atkins, who has been with the ELS Language Center in Washington for several years, explained the center is equipped with the most modern language laboratory equipment available, complemented by more than 5,000 pre-recorded language learning tapes.
Students receive four hours a day of small group instruction in addition to two hours of required language laboratory attendance per day.

Otokichi Satoda, 82
HANFORD — National JACL treasurer Yone Satoda's father, Otokichi, died here Jan. 10. He was 82. Other survivors include wife Asano, son Masaji and daughters Misayo Kawai and Fumie Ebisu.

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By Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

THE CONTEMPORARY CHURCH—Physically, he was slight. Yet, when he spoke, the sanctuary of the Simpson Methodist church here in Denver was filled with his intensity, and the ideas he expressed flowed forth smoothly, powerfully. Dr. Harry Komuro of New York City, executive secretary for Missions and Provisional Conferences, National Division, Methodist Board of Missions, has the gift of expression.

It was no ordinary sermon that he presented, but a ringing challenge to the church, to Christianity in general, to get with it—to become aware of change in the world, to become part of life as it is lived today. Don't be left behind, don't be bogged down in a morass of ritual, he warned the congregation. The role of the church is not alone in matters spiritual, he said. Christians must use their resources and their influence to protest social and political injustices, he went on. Christians must become involved in the issues of our times in order to understand, and have a role in shaping, the world we live in.

Speaking directly to the Nisei in the congregation, he urged them not to forget their past while enjoying the comfort of their present affluence and social status. He made pointed reference to the 15 per cent of the American population still in poverty and invited the Nisei to help do something about them.

A PRACTICAL APPLICATION—It is not this writer's custom to attend church services, nor to write about them. Yet Dr. Komuro's eminence in theological circles is such that we felt a desire to hear his message, and what he had to say this Sunday was particularly timely in view of another meeting we attended just 36 hours earlier.

This was an informal gathering of concerned Nisei in the Denver area who had come to meet with Masao Satow, National Director of the JACL, about reviving the organization in the Denver area. A series of unfortunate developments had rendered the local chapter all but inoperative, and some of the older hands had come together to see could be done about repairing matters.

Satow's message was clear. A chapter could not survive if there was no need for it, he said, and therefore it was essential to find a function it could serve, and then go out and take care of it.

And as we listened to Dr. Komuro, it gradually occurred to us that he was saying much the same thing that Satow had said, only in other words and other circumstances. If Dr. Komuro had substituted "JACL" each time he mentioned the word "church," his sermon would have been a most appropriate and completely applicable pep talk at the earlier meeting.

A SIMILAR SITUATION—It requires no great stretch of the imagination to see that both the church and JACL locally, if not nationally, are in pretty much the same fix. Both have become somewhat separated from reality. Both have failed to remain aware of the social ferment that stirs the nation. Both have lost touch with the anger and frustrations that threaten to split black from white, the young from the matured. Both have become so overly concerned with small, private matters that they cannot see the opportunities for service—opportunities that not only justify existence, but demand strong organization.

This is not to say that all is lost and that the organizational roof is falling in, here or anywhere else. But there is a world of truth to what both Dr. Komuro and Masao Satow had to say about the need to become involved with the world of which we are a part. And thus endeth today's lesson.

Nonwhites to swarm S.F. schools soon

SAN FRANCISCO—In 1971, three years from now, two out of three San Francisco public school children will be members of minority groups. To be more precise, the school population will be about 87,500 students, of whom 36 percent will be white, 34 percent Negro, 20 percent Oriental and 10 percent Spanish-speaking.

It means a nine percent decrease for white children (excluding those designed as the Spanish-speaking minority) who now comprise 45 percent of the total enrollment.

The projection was made in preliminary findings released this week by the Stanford Research Institute in its study of racial balance in the city's school. The findings are based on the trend in most major cities in the United States.

The findings also showed that in 1966 San Francisco elementary schools were 41 percent integrated; junior high schools, 52.3 percent; and senior high schools, 60.6. The SRI employed a newly developed balance whereby a 100 percent would result if every objective measure of racial school's racial composition matched that of the city as a whole, and a totally segregated school would yield zero.

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grams, and staggering chapters. These are not new problems and they do not require new answers. Wherever I go in JACL, where there are JACL chapter leaders who care about their jobs, there are healthy chapters. Such committed officers make sure that the life blood of any chapter, a live program and an active membership, is not allowed to stop pumping.

Role of Jr. JACL

We have long nurtured a youth program which, in recent years, has blossomed rapidly. In some quarters I have been told that chapters are relying upon Jr. JACL units to bolster sagging programs. In other situations there have arisen serious breaches between the youth and adults for which there are no pat answers.

Misunderstandings between youth and adults are often the result of adult conservatism and youthful zeal. Both are well motivated, with we adults saying things like "Rome wasn't built in a day," while the youth crusade for human dignity for every individual, and are swept along by such civil rights calls as "freedom now."

Much to our dismay we find that our Jr. JACL leaders may be getting disillusioned with what they see as the apathy and "do nothing" stance of JACL chapters on social issues. No more comforting are the signs that our youth may be unimpressed with the heritage of Evacuation and combat that we cherish. Respectful yes, but not impressed.

I have gotten the distinct message that the youth want to "do things" outside the mold of JACL. Yet, they are in Jr. JACL because they respect the organization and its history, and want to enjoy social relationships, while doing worthwhile things for people. I hope that JACL chapters will maintain the degree of



FASHION NOTE—Ann Jacobson models the latest in fashions from Tweed and Twill Shop for the IDC Convention. At left is June Morishita, Salt Lake-Mt. Olympus Jr. JACL president, fashion show chairman, and narrator Susie Rytting at right—IDC Convention Photo.

flexibility necessary to let the youth try their wings.

Youth Can Help

I believe that the leaders of Jr. JACL are sensitive youth with social conscience, who can help us create better images for JACL. JACL has been a tradition steeped in organization, slow to change, and justifiably proud of its record.

The JACL is still a Nisei organization, and we are not turning it over to the Saneis, but what we do today will inevitably influence whether the Saneis and Jr. JACLers will tomorrow decide that JACL is an organization worth being interested in.

If we are committed toward making JACL an active and meaningful force in our community, we must be politically aware. That means knowing what important social issues affect us, and what the stands of our representatives are on those issues.

Such issues as fair housing, fair employment, good educational opportunities for all, and freedom from poverty are of direct concern to JACL. The records of our conventions state our position on these, and related issues, clearly and unmistakably.

Other issues may not be as clear or as simple in their nature, but JACL must have the courage and integrity to stand up for what it sees as right, whether it be popular or unpopular to do so.

Right of Dissent

This is a time when so much stress is placed upon the right of dissent, a right that we in JACL should zealously guard, if only through the selfish realization that effective dissent against our government's policy might have prevented Evacuation.

However, we should be sure of what we mean by dissent. U.S. Senator Robert Kennedy recently said, "Obviously democratic dissent is not to be found in the commission of felonies, in assaults, in a deliberate refusal to listen to those who disagree with the views of the dissenters. Dissent is the willingness to compete in the marketplace of ideas. He who is so willing to partake of such competition does not tip over the carts of the other man, and does not try to bar them from the marketplace."

"Nowhere in the whole body of democratic ideological strife is anarchy accepted as a creditable form of dissent."

I believe that commitment to making JACL a more effective human rights organization obligates us to attain a more than superficial understanding of the struggle of the Negro. I claim no such deep understanding and reading the Newsweek of November 20, titled "The Negro in America, What Must Be Done," reminded me again of the enormity and urgency of that struggle.

For Understanding

Most of us cannot engage in dramatic and eye catching activities such as the very worthwhile participation of our national legal counsel, Bill Marutani, in the Deep South, as a member of the Lawyers Constitutional Defense Committee. Most of us can, as an example, avoid the kind of superficial thinking that quickly condemns the Negro athlete who says he will boycott the Olympics.

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Salmon P. Chase

Statesman and abolitionist Salmon P. Chase (whose face adorns the \$10,000 bill) was appointed by President Lincoln, chief justice of the supreme court, and in this capacity presided over the trial of Jefferson Davis and impeachment of President Andrew Johnson.

Rev. Horinouchi thesis on Issei values passed to Nisei through 'Shushin' published by Sacramento State group

SACRAMENTO—A thesis on the assimilation and cultural values of Japanese Americans has been published by the Sacramento Anthropological Society at the Sacramento State College.

The thesis was written by a Sacramento Seventh-day Adventist minister, the Rev. Isao Horinouchi, for his Master of Arts degree in anthropology at Sacramento State. He is now on an educational leave from his pastoral duties working towards a doctorate degree in sociology at UC Davis.

The major premise of Rev. Horinouchi's thesis is based upon the value of education as an important cultural value which the Issei brought with them from Japan as immigrants to America. "The emphasis of educational achievement was an important variable in the upward social mobility of Japanese Americans," states Horinouchi. Many Issei members were interviewed and their experiences on edu-

cational values are described in this thesis.

Assimilation problems and the changing patterns of Nisei generation and projection into Saneis experiences are discussed. "Urbanization of Japanese Americans has created many social problems which were not evident in the past," said Horinouchi. He further mentions that, "It would be well for all Japanese Americans to reexamine their cultural heritage. Does assimilation into the dominant stream of American life mean discarding of one's culture?"

This thesis was published through the financial support of Mr. and Mrs. George S. Oki Nursery, Sacramento JACL, the Senator Lions Club, and the Human Relations Commission of the City and County of Sacramento.

The thesis may be purchased through the Sacramento Anthropological Society, 6000 J Street, Sacramento, Calif. 95819 for \$2, plus 35c for tax, packaging and mailing. Local

Sacramento residents may purchase directly from the Sumitomo Bank, 1331 Broadway, Sacramento.

Personal Data

Rev. Horinouchi has drawn upon his own Japanese and Buddhist background and other experiences of his fellow Japanese Americans. Part of the experience is drawn from the writer's past 14 years as a minister for the Seventh-day Adventist Church. The geographical contact with people of Japanese ancestry is based upon residency in Hawaii, California, and British Columbia (Canada). He was born in Honolulu and attended Hawaiian Mission Academy, Honolulu; Pacific Union College (B.A.), Angwin, Calif.; Andrews University (additional graduate work), Berrien Springs, Mich.; Sacramento State College (M.A.).

Rev. Horinouchi was the former pastor of the Central Japanese-American Seventh-day Adventist Church of Los Angeles during the period 1954-1964. Previous to his educational leave he was pastor to the Sacramento Japanese Seventh-day Adventist Church (1964-1967).

Carbon-14 method dates objects less than 13,400 years, JACL group hears

LOS ANGELES—Geologic time was the subject of a talk presented to the West Los Angeles JACL Earth Science Section by Dr. Rainer Berger from the Dr. Willard F. Libby Carbon-14 laboratory, UCLA.

Time, as applied by geologists, is often misunderstood and often incomprehensible to the layman in attempting to visualize span or duration.

Measuring time objectively, as explained by Berger, may be categorized into three major subdivisions: (1) By astronomy which utilizes the moon, sun, the earth's rotation in formulating the origin of the yearly calendar. (2) Biological clocks being those which take in yearly growth patterns in organic materials such as growth rings of trees.

(3) Radioactive elements which include Carbon-14, Uranium-238, Potassium-Argon, Helium, Thorium-232 and others.

Berger stated that the old-

est dated rocks reach back to 3.5 billion years and these rocks came from the deepest diamond mines in Africa. Yet the rocks on earth are not the oldest as Meteorites have shown ages of 4.5 - 4.7 billion years. On the basis of the age of Meteorites, a speculation was made that possibly the universe was formed somewhere nearly 4.7 billion years ago.

Emphasis on the talk was placed more on the use of Carbon-14 (discovered by Dr. Willard F. Libby for which he was awarded the Nobel Prize) in dating objects less than 13,400 years which is the maximum usable years of Carbon-14.

While discussing the Carbon-14 method, many dated artifacts were shown by slides including items such as cloth materials from the Egyptian tombs, screen from China,

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FLORIDA ISSEI, 82, A TRAVELING CITIZEN

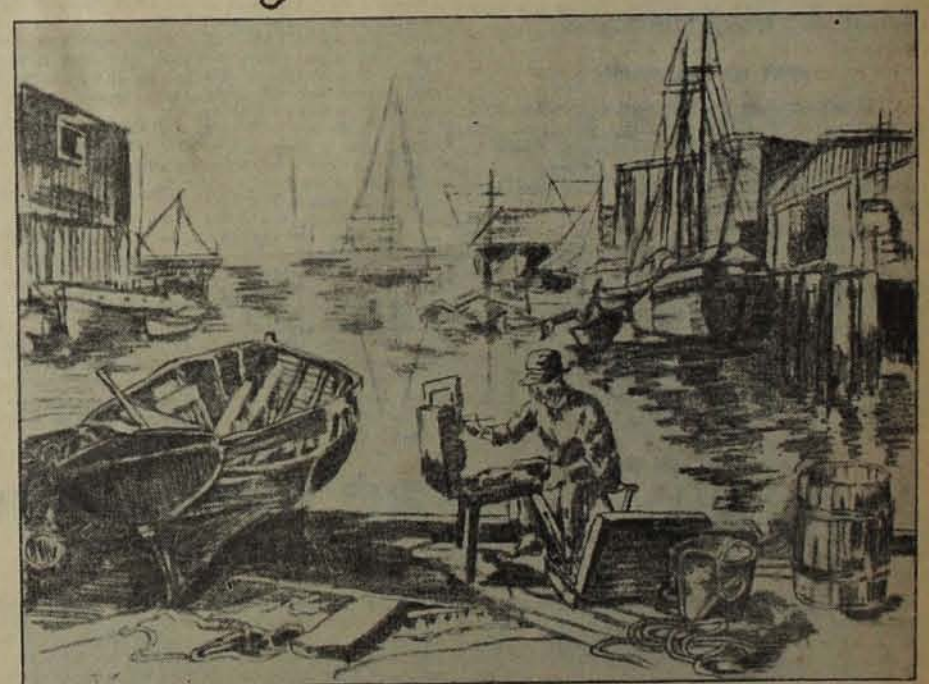
FORT LAUDERDALE—

George S. Morikami, 82, of Delray Beach hopes to see the pyramids and the ruins in Central and South America, visit India, Africa and Japan as soon as he can find someone to care for his pineapple plants.

This ambitious globe-girdling plan came to light after Morikami was naturalized Dec. 15. The Issei came to Boca Raton in 1906, when Orientals were not allowed to become citizens. Now he knows there is no question about getting back into the U.S. if he leaves, he wants to travel.

A retired farmer the past decade or two, he has been experimenting with new plants and new methods. He currently has 10,000 pineapple plants under experimentation, including a new variety with smooth leaves.

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Ye Editor's Desk

A PARTISAN VIEW ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Politicians recognize the need for civil rights, the big question being how much and when. As former Vice President Richard Nixon continues to speak on civil rights, he is urging a so-called middle ground in race relations. Nixon is urging that as equal opportunities become a reality, there be an equal respect for law and order. He calls for a "decade of reconciliation" to assimilate the results of the "decade of revolution."

In his speech before the National Association of Manufacturers, he urged private enterprise to make a determined bid for racial harmony in the employment sector—full equality of opportunity to all Americans. Nixon is for tax and credit incentives to encourage employers to train and accept more Negroes and minorities for meaningful, production jobs.

The idea of bigger payrolls—not swollen welfare rolls—as an answer to the problem even drew applause from an audience in Richmond, Va., the capital of the Old Confederacy.

Speaking on the growth of lawlessness—a problem that is deeper than race, Nixon said it cannot be arrested without changes in attitudes which bear on the problem. Nixon believes the courts have gone too far in weakening the hand of the forces of peace as opposed to the forces of crime. Nixon further believes the opinion makers have gone too far by blaming crime on society instead of the individual. And so have those who seek to protest by deliberately breaking laws.

"In a country which provides for progress through rule of law," Nixon declared, "there is no cause that justifies the use of violence or lawlessness."

As we read the various speeches of a man who is expected to announce soon for the 1968 Republican presidential nomination, Nixon appears to advocate a more sure-footed approach to the problem. Whether the Negro will agree or continue their militant bid for equality remains to be seen. We do know if a person—whatever his color or creed—has a meaningful job, a decent home and family life, he has a better chance of being proud of himself and a help to the greatness of his community.

If there is any hesitation to allow this much on another person because of his color, the vestiges of racial prejudice still prevail. And racial prejudice—at least in America—knows no other color than white. The Nisei should not be so complacent as to believe that yellow is white—for that spells a Japanese American tragedy beyond repair. We like to think we know better—but sometimes we wonder. We're not trying to be racist about this—just realists.

YEAR OF THE MONKEY

A Chinatown elder predicts that under the sign of the Monkey, travel will be beneficial, especially going abroad. Last Sunday at the Hollywood-Wilshire Uptown-Avanties joint installation, we presented a representative collection of 175 slides of the recent JACL Japan Tour.

In showing what we saw, what we learned and what we enjoyed—it may have activated the travel bug in some. It was not intentional, but understandably unavoidable. A JACL tour—no matter where—should be fun and exciting. The next one to Japan can be even greater.

I can say this much about the JACL Japan Tour—I want to be present when someone else is showing their slides. And those who take heart in the sign of the Monkey should be free to go.

A NOTE TO THE WIVES

JACL installations are in season. There is not enough space in the paper these weeks to relate everything being planned to make the occasion inviting. But where possible, we must mention the cost of the dinner.

The Washington, D.C., JACL News Notes this past week was publicizing its installation dinner for Jan. 27 with a Note to the Wives, we feel every reluctant couple might consider.

"If your husband says this event is too expensive (it's a \$7.50 tab for the D.C. installation dinner-dance at the Marriott Twin Bridge Motor Hotel with William L. Taylor of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights as speaker), simply point out that this year they are doing away with corsages . . . a saving of \$4.50; that you are willing to wear the dress you bought last year . . . a saving of \$36.79; that your children are now old enough not to need a baby sitter . . . a saving of \$5.60; that you will save the price of two teevee dinners . . . a saving of \$1.74; and that you are willing to wash and set your own hair . . . a savings of \$3.75. Now where else can you go in Washington, be among Beautiful People, and still save \$52.38?"

The husband, of course, will point out it's really not a \$52.38 saving but \$15 less than that to cover the cost of two dinner-dance tickets . . . The bachelor, on the other hand, may appreciate what his date spends just to be ready.

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Letters from Our Readers

Tassajara Hot Springs

I would like to mention something which should be of interest to all persons interested in Orientalia, or with Japanese heritage. As you may know, there has been in San Francisco these past few years a Zen study center at 1881 Bush St., presided over by Suzuki Roshi (Zen Master). He has probably built up in to the largest Zen Study Center outside of Japan.

By an almost incredible stroke of luck, the Zen Center several years ago was offered a magnificent site for a monastery. Such a place is needed for both students and laymen, as the San Francisco center is getting quite crowded. A Zen monastery is not a place of permanent abode, but rather a spot to take short or long courses of instruction.

The reason I called this an incredible stroke of luck, is that the site—Tassajara Hot Springs is smack in the middle of Los Padres National Forest, and will never have the distractions of civilization built up around it. In fact, this spot was originally a homestead—one of just 5 that were allowed before Los Padres became a National Forest (2 of the other sites have also been offered the Center).

Recently, I decided to visit Tassajara, and I must say it was a moving experience. To reach the Hot Springs (it is a former resort), one must go over an 18 mile dirt road which goes up to 5,000 feet, then descends into a beautiful canyon, from which the hot (140 degrees) mineral spring bubbles forth. The Zen Center has decided to keep the Springs open to the public, as it affords an excellent chance for people to see Zen in action, while bathing. There are also cold springs, and steam rooms. Cabins are available, but reservations should be made, as many students come and go. Everything is still crude, and being improved, but this should deter no one, for the beauty, the solitude, and peace of this spot must be experienced. It is very much like a small mountain hot springs in Japan.

Unfortunately, there is one

big fly in the ointment with all this. In order to pay for this land, well over \$220,000 must be raised. A great deal of money has already been spent in payments this past year. However, a \$40,000 payment must be made by Dec. 15, and bi-annual payments of \$20,000 thereafter until 1972.

I am not in the business of soliciting money, nor am I connected with the Zen Center in any way. However, if I have ever seen a heaven sent opportunity for our country—for our children—this is it! I can think of no more worthy cause to contribute money to—even if it hurts—than to preserve this unique spot. I might add that plans were underway to divide up the land into hunting lodges, but the original owner wants the Zen Center to have it, as they will conserve the land in its natural setting, for all people.

A number of prominent educators here and abroad have voiced enthusiastic approval for the Zen Mountain Center, and it is receiving a great deal of publicity in Japan.

VAUGHN M. GREENE
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Scholarship info

Editor:
Could you tell me about the various awards and scholarships put out by the Japanese American Citizens League or any other Japanese organization?

I am now attending the Univ. of Hawaii in Honolulu and am also a member of the JACL Chicago chapter.

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(The JACL scholarship program, other than the single award at the graduate level, is geared exclusively toward the high school senior who must be nominated by a JACL chapter. Your inquiry points to an area which Japanese American organizations should consider—that of providing scholarships to those currently enrolled at the collegiate level.—Editor.)

25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, Jan. 28, 1943

U.S. Army announces Japanese American unit for combat service overseas, voluntary induction procedure to be set up at WRA centers to enlist Nisei . . . U.S. Attorney General Biddle expresses doubt (Jan. 22) about need for removing all Japanese from west coast in report to Congress . . . Suspects in Manzanar disturbance of Dec. 5-6 shipped to Moab, Utah . . . Iseki at Topaz prefer to take their chances with America, will submit grievances to Washington and not to Spanish consul . . . Ogden Selective Service Board urges industries to employ Nisei . . . Robert W. O'Brien, director of National Japanese Student Relocation Council, recalled to post at Univ. of Washington; 870 evacuee students accepted.

California "Little Dies" committee chaired by Sen. Jack B. Tenney of Los Angeles takes over American Legion inquiry on relocation . . . Sen. Robert Reynolds (D-N.C.) asked by Heart Mountain Sentinel to spend month behind barbed wire and sentries . . . Sen. Chandler (D-Ky.) says Nisei mostly loyal, want to work and fight for America; wants to segregate disloyal elements . . . JACL "still our best bet," declares Minidoka WRA camp news-

paper; large crowds hear Mike Masaoka during three-day visit to center . . . Outcry in Congress on WRA centers contrary to facts, writes Chester Rowell (S.F. Chronicle, Jan. 21).

Role of JACL chapters outside relocation centers discussed Jan. 25 by Intermountain District Council at Pocatello . . . February Reader's Digest reprints Blake Clark's story: "U.S. Soldiers with Japanese Faces" . . . Priorities cancelled for Amache WRA camp school after controversy . . . Poston WRA council wants more self-government.

Salt Lake radio KLO forum discusses (Jan. 21) use of evacuee labor to meet U.S. manpower needs . . . Sacramento floriculturist renames Wakamura Rose the MacArthur . . . House of Mitsukoshi in Honolulu turned into Victory Club for USO . . . Missionary expatriated from Japan reports Nisei in Japan prefer to retain U.S. citizenship.

Nisei USA: Obituary for the Living (re: William Randolph) . . . Editorials: "The Senate Investigates" (an optimistic view); "The Enemy Alien Stigma" (asking for "friendly alien" status).

Voices from ghettos cry vigorously for change

By YOSH HOTTA

San Francisco
Nineteen-hundred and sixty-seven, a year in which some proclaimed the death of the civil rights movement, and many others used the excuse of abhorring violence to turn their backs on it, was like every year since the increasing militancy of the civil rights feelings—much talk, not too much action, and some progress.

Negro mayors were elected in Cleveland and Gary, and a mayor appointed in Washington D.C., which reflected the growing use of political power to achieve some aims of the civil rights movement. Thurgood Marshall was appointed and confirmed to the United States Supreme Court. There was the use of corporate stockholders throughout the United States to influence the hiring practices of a plant in New York, and a picketing of corporate offices in California in an attempt to influence the employment practices of the company's plant in the deep South.

The United States Commission on Civil Rights conducted hearings in 1967 in four metropolitan areas: Cleveland, Rochester, Boston and San Francisco. Its report has been summarized in its book, "A Time to Act: Voices from the ghettos of the Nation's cities." In summary, its conclusions states:

Within the Ghetto

What is not visible to the eye and what apparently is not generally understood is the feeling of many ghetto residents that they live in a trap from which they cannot escape. The life of a slum dweller is characterized by frustration, despair, and hopelessness. He has a sense of powerlessness and a feeling of inability to communicate his own problems, control his own destiny or influence persons in positions of authority.

The symbol of white authority is the policeman, who, in their view, has often not provided protection for citizens within the ghetto, doesn't threaten them with dignity and respect, and views his role as that of keeping people in line on behalf of the white community.

Symbols of the white business community are the merchants who sell inferior merchandise or who exploit economic dependence by providing credit at exorbitant rates and the absentee landlord who reduces services and allows property to deteriorate.

It would be reassuring to conclude that the situation of people in the slums is not dissimilar to that of past generations of Americans who lived in ghettos but were able to leave. They are Americans of long standing. They were oppressed not by foreign governments but by a system of slavery supported by this government and its people.

Harder to Climb Out

The legacy of slavery continues in the form of racial segregation (de facto is no longer legal) discrimination and prejudice. Escape from the ghetto is much more difficult in the Americas of the 1960s than it was one or two generations ago. Society has become more complex and unskilled employment or small business enterprises no longer are meaningful first steps up the ladder.

The traditional exits from ghetto life have been blocked. Public education long has been viewed as a means to provide the nation's youth with skills which would enable them to escape poverty and join the mainstream of society. But many youngsters are in overcrowded and inadequate schools, segregated by race and class and which are stigmatized by the community.

Contrary to widespread belief, recent Federal efforts to make available more aid to inner-city schools have not appreciably affected the disparity between the resources of these schools and those of other schools within the city and better financed suburban communities.

Many youngsters having failed to receive a meaningful educational opportunity, at an early age and without the necessary skills, enter a labor market in which racial discrimination is still prevalent. Entry into the construction trades—one of the few remaining fields of well-paid employment that does not require extensive formal education—still is blocked by union practices of discrimination untouched by civil rights laws and governmental action. Employment opportunities in private industry are increasingly ductile,

moving from the inner-city into the suburbs and beyond.

Housing Needs Short
Despite its declared goal of providing a decent home in a suitable living environment for all American families, the Federal government has not met the housing needs of the great majority of low and moderate income families and

has often acquiesced in the decisions of local authorities to locate public assisted housing in tightly restricted areas of the ghetto.

The response of Government to deprivation and discrimination has raised expectations but has too often been characterized by an inadequate commitment of re-

sources and by acquiescence in, or failure to deal effectively with, practices of segregation and confinement.

Welfare programs which offered not a dole but assistance which would achieve the program's stated purpose—to promote economic independence and family stability—would be welcomed. Instead, welfare programs have been devised and administered in a manner which tends to break up families and perpetuate dependency.

Critical decisions are often made by officials far removed from the scene and persons most intimately involved are generally not permitted to participate in planning their own affairs and futures.

Complacent Attitude

Underlying these private and public actions have been attitudes within the white majority—attitudes based on fear, on racial prejudice, and on a desire for status. While many of these attitudes are not overtly expressed, they are nonetheless real and effective. They have been accompanied by a lack of concern for a failure to become involved in the problems of the slums.

Despite the great destructiveness of recent urban riots, mainly to people and property in the ghetto itself, relatively few people have been involved.

But the general public should come to understand that the riots are only the violent manifestations of feelings of anger and despair which are much more widely shared. Reacting to continued rejection and to doors which do not open even after years of patient waiting, increasing numbers of citizens are rejecting white America. The failure of state, local and federal governments to respond to efforts of moderate leaders is causing an increased number of citizens to despair of moderate methods and of moderate leadership and to favor a separatist course.

Expressions of these feelings are varied. Those which help to build a sense of dignity and pride, and which stimulate community participation may be constructive; others, such as riots or violence can only be destructive of what little has been achieved so far.

Role for 1968

Even the most constructive efforts are not likely to reduce materially the deeply held feelings of frustrations and anger, or to improve the sad state of race relations in this country until Americans generally make a massive commitment to strike at the underlying causes—poverty and segregation.

The Nation may continue to struggle with the problems which arise when we are divided into separate, unequal and alien groups—either torn by violence or co-existing in an uneasy peace purchased at the cost of repressive action. Or we can all together make the commitment which will redeem our promises and ideals by opening the doors of the ghettos so that everyone can become full participants in American society, with a truly equal opportunity for all.

Nisei on Colorado civil rights commission staff

DENVER — Jim Nakayama has joined the Colorado Civil Rights Commission staff as an assistant civil rights specialist.

A retired Army major, Nakayama also served with the Youth Opportunity Center and was supervisor of education with the Job Opportunity Center here.

He was born in the state of Washington, graduated from high school at Sumner and attended Denver U. in 1946-47. While serving in the Army, he attended San Antonio College and the Univ. of Maryland. He received his B.S. degree in psychology from Denver and completed a year's graduate study at Denver U. in 1963.

A Mile-Hi JACL member, he is married to the former Chiz Kuga, has five children and resides at 12932 Elgin Pl., Aurora.

The Colorado Civil Rights Commission was founded as an independent agency in 1957, charged with enforcement of a fair employment act and a public accommodations act. Mrs. Armando J. Sinerio is commission chairman.

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Civil Rights Commentary

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To Secure Equal Opportunities and Equal Dignity

YOUTH SPEAKS: Don Hayashi

Attitudes Need Revision

Portland minority.

Despite a significant advance in civil rights in recent years, open housing remains a controversial question; there is stronger objection to a Negro neighbor than any other form of Civil Rights. Residential segregation and discrimination remain the most deeply rooted and most well-defended form of racial discrimination.

The Issei and Nisei experienced difficulties in housing following Evacuation. Economic and social factors accounted for most of the resistance by the white community, and many returnees were compelled to locate in "Nihonmachi."

Today, Nisei live in practically every part of the city and many have moved to the suburbs and are well-integrated in their communities.

Albina — Portland's Ghetto

However, many racial minorities do not enjoy this acceptance. One example is the Albina area of Portland which has a two-thirds majority of non-white residents, and Negroes predominate. The city's non-white population is only 21,000 (or 5.6%), yet 8,500 or 40% live in this area of about one square mile. This predominance is a result of voluntary and imposed de facto segregation.

Voluntary segregation is caused by the minority's cohesive ties. Albina provides a secure surrounding with its ethnic churches and social groups, which carry on community activities. Imposed de facto segregation stems from a lack of interest of the total community to realize and meet the needs of a neglected

minority. Though housing conditions vary, one out of three houses is considered deteriorated or dilapidated. Also, there is a lack of encouragement on the part of the community leaders to help minorities move to new areas.

Two-Pronged Approach

According to the housing director of the Portland Office of Equal Opportunity, this problem requires two remedies.

1—Changing attitudes of the total community to allow minority groups to purchase good homes in previously all-white neighborhoods.

2—To uplift the standards of the Albina area and provide reasonable low-cost housing, instead of massive urban renewal and industrial expansion.

The State of Oregon's Civil Rights Division enforces a relatively strong Fair Housing law, but the legal machinery alone is insufficient.

As one representative related, "The question of finding housing for Negroes is not whether they are available, but rather where it is and how many door bells and telephone calls one wishes to make; eventually someone will say yes."

What is necessary is public support for open housing, and JACL can play a unique role, as many of its members have experienced discrimination in rental and sales. There is a basic need for JACL to begin to think in terms of the total Civil Rights spectrum rather than only within the contexts of Japanese Americans.

Chinatown youth problems stir San Francisco human rights body

SAN FRANCISCO—Police relations, grievances with city and community agencies, lack of recreational facilities and programs, lack of jobs and other problems facing youth of San Francisco Chinatown were related in a recent report of the Chinatown-North Beach Advisory Council to the San Francisco Human Rights Commission.

The Dec. 26 report, according to commission director William Becker, was prepared after a meeting with representatives of LeWay, Youth for Service and the Telegraph Hill Neighborhood Center.

The problem of unemployment and jobs was made the sole subject of the January, 1968, meeting of the council.

In response to the charges of police harassment, council chairman Judge Harry Low had appointed a committee of

Chinatown leaders to meet with representatives of the youth organizations and of the police department.

Established Chinatown organizations, said Becker, also came in for discussion on the question: What facilities for dances and other youth activities can be made available, without exorbitant rents. The Family Associations, Six Companies, Chamber of Commerce were asked to survey their buildings to see what can be done to give youth places to go. Alan Wong and Attorney Norman Lew urged that the total community become concerned and decide on ways to help.

The problem of dance permits and the increasing difficulty in getting them was raised several times reported Ernest Wu, Human Rights Commission staff member as North Beach youth joined in the declaration that there was no place available. A committee will call on the Recreation and Park Department to report on what can be made available.

Library facilities were described by Harold Martelle of the San Francisco Public Library as committee members urged expansion and longer hours with a larger collection of Chinese literature.

"The Human Rights Commission's Advisory Council seems to have become the place to which every problem is brought," said Judge Low, chairman of the council. "We are fortunate that the city has an agency like the Human Rights Commission to listen to the people on a regular basis."



Northwest Picture Elmer Ogawa

Referendum 35

Seattle

The "on again"—"off again" atmosphere that pervades the atmosphere from local to state levels in legislation and administration of the equal housing problem is something more than confusing and puzzling to the average citizen.

They say: "What's with all these rules and regulations? Now we got 'em and next day we ain't."

Perhaps the answer lies in the old principle to "keep trying," and the process of evolution (if we can call it that) will turn up something effective.

In connection with the latest master case concerning the renting of housing for an educator recalls the examples of past years, the most controversial from the attention getting standpoint were the trials of University of Washington assistant professors, one of Chinese extraction, and the other Japanese, to obtain housing near their jobs. Eventually these, and other similar cases were solved, but not without the expenditure of a lot of time and printers' ink about town. Until the dawn of a new day it still turns out that the settlement of these hassles must be custom built jobs, rather than a quickly resolved problem determined by the application of the heretofore ineffectiveness of mass legislation.

The latest "case" to focus the attention of the city's reading public is the renting experience of a Negro educator, onetime Seattle teacher who has been East with his family and now returns to take over the principal's chair at Meany Junior High School on Capital Hill, one Dr. Roland N. Patterson.

It was the Meany Junior High which last summer came under severe criticism by the Central Seattle Community Council (formerly Jackson St. C.C.) and similar organizations for effective "segregation" in channelling Negro students into low achievement courses.

The controversy resulted in the transfer of principal Carl Barbo to another junior high and an announcement the school board would seek a Negro educator for the Meany chair.

So Dr. Patterson was recalled to Seattle, after having taught elementary grades here from 1952 to 1955, and who later moved to teach in New York City schools while working for a doctorate at Columbia Teachers' College, after which he took a vice-principalship in a New Jersey junior high.

Dr. Patterson has been on the new job here in Seattle all this week, who is in the position of being a qualified educator, but not quite qualified for the two bedroom apartment the family is seeking to rent. The family is made up of wife Marion, Roland Jr., 9, and Doris, 3 weeks.

Last Saturday the Pattersons arrived 10 minutes early to keep an interview about an apartment, and on arrival were told by the manager that the apartment had already been rented.

In the face of many discouraging setback and frustrations, Seattle's Human Rights Commission is now studying the feasibility of a fair housing ordinance that would apply only to rentals, a measure that would affect directly Seattle hundreds of Issei and Nisei apartment operators.

One of Human Rights director Phil Hayasaka's view is that discrimination is most frequently encountered in rentals. The president of the Apartment Operator's Association, Donald C. Haas asserts that great progress has been made in equalizing the rental situation for servicemen, and that biggest difficulty arises from the extreme rental shortage caused by the boom situation, with accent on Boeing.

The Pattersons, luckily, are staying temporarily with relatives, but the spotlighting of the Patterson case will without a doubt reach a solution through the action of newspaper reading friends, as such cases have been resolved in the past.

In the meantime this is another case which will help focus public attention to an issue, Referendum 35 on next November's ballot, which seeks to cancel out the recently enacted state law providing license penalties against real estate agents who perform repeated acts of discrimination.

Footnotes to History: Joe Grant Masaoka Japanese Unique, Dramatic

Los Angeles and good will of their fellow men in their various communities — all within the lifetime of many still living; and

"WHEREAS, The University of California at Los Angeles, with the cooperation of the Japanese American Citizens League, is engaged in the Japanese American Research Project, a socio-historical study of Americans of Japanese ancestry in California and the nation; now, therefore, be it

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Senate Resolution No. 224 read and unanimously adopted June 3, 1965.

Correspondence School

An estimated 5 million persons are currently enrolled in U.S. correspondence schools. A list of accredited schools is available free from the National Home Study Council, 1601-18th St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20009. The U.S. Office of Education has approved the council as an accrediting agency for private home study schools.



MISS HOLIDAY FOLK FAIR — Irene Jonokuchi, 24, reigning as queen of the 1967 Milwaukee Holiday Folk Fair, which attracts over 50,000 visitors in mid-November. She is the daughter of the Eddie Jonokuchis. —Photo Courtesy: Elmer Richardson.

JR. JACLER REPORTS ON HUMAN RELATIONS:

Talking Out Your Prejudices

Two Jr. JACLers of the Pacific Southwest District—Patti Dohzen and Dan Fukushima—attended the 14th annual human relations conference at Camp Hess Kramer, Nov. 3-6, which was sponsored by the Wilshire Blvd. Temple and the Los Angeles County Commission on Human Relations. A keynote address by Rabbi Joel Gooz, two-hour discussion periods interspersed with group singing, and an evaluation session comprised the program for the purpose of developing individual and group identity, values and sensitivity toward the feelings of others. Participants were college students from various Southern California campuses.

By PATTI DOHZEN

Los Angeles I have happened to stumble upon a truth that is recognized and believed by a small minority of people. It is something instinctive in and characteristic of children; but, is, unfortunately, rarely maintained into adulthood. My discovery occurred during the weekend conference on human relations. Along with my warm and cool-weather clothing, I also tied my personal fears, prejudices, Oriental conservativeness and controlled impulses into a tight bundle and stuffed it into my suitcase. That I had everything I might need to deal with any weather or emotional problems which could arise, I gathered together my overnight case and sleeping bag and started out for the conference grounds.

Soon after my arrival, we dispersed into assigned discussion groups. The night air was cold as I headed for my group meeting place and I went to get a sweater. Also feeling a need for moral support, I searched for my protective bundle of prepared emotional responses.

The First Session

Securely clad, I greeted the other members for the first of five sessions. I studied their faces and made a mental evaluation of each one.

Mary was an enviously attractive, self-assured white girl with beautiful, long blond hair. I immediately labeled her as a spoiled upper middle-class socialite who was ignorant of and unconcerned for all races other than her own. I visualized her among her all-Caucasian friends discussing boy friends, clothes and the latest scandals.

There was Roy, a stocky, dark-skinned Mexican with a repulsive pimple-scarred face. He had a slightly irritating "bean" (Mexican) accent when he spoke. I could just imagine him among his Mexican friends, speaking rapid Spanish and laughing boisterously at some off-color joke. I did not want to associate with him or "his kind."

Kay was another blond-haired Caucasian who was extremely friendly to everyone in the group. I eyed her carefully with reserved suspicion. I couldn't understand why she would be so friendly to strangers, particularly to people of minority races.

Then there was Robert, a black-skinned Negro with short, kinky hair that glistened from the application of a smelly, greasy pomade. I immediately pictured him among his rowdy black friends together on a street corner in a shoddy neighborhood, smoking and drinking beer. As I completed my evaluation, I realized that they, too, had brought and made use of security bundles. Safely clothed, we began to discuss objectively and knowledgeably such abstract subjects as family life, race and personality carefully avoiding any offensive aspect of those topics.

Fear Begin to Crack

By the third session, everyone's protection bundles began to dissolve. Someone remarked to Kay that upon first impression, her friendliness seemed phony. She was so deeply touched by that frank comment that tears came to her eyes. She confessed her fear of appearing to be unbelievably friendly and it hurt her to know that other people saw her as a fake. When she admitted this, I began to believe that she actually did have a genuine interest in people regardless of race.

I envied Sue because she had the courage to admit something that had troubled her a great deal without being afraid of what others thought. It had erased a specific fear and had relieved a great deal of suppressed tension.

I was so impressed by her confession that I felt myself wanting to do the same. But my long controlled impulses struggled against my desire to release my emotions and I managed to stifle that desire. I was so frustrated at not "letting myself go," I finally yielded. I admitted my fear that continually controlling all my natural impulses would lead, eventually, to my becoming so conditioned that I would become a very hard, cold person without feelings. My fear was so great that tears came to my eyes.

But in confessing the fear that swelled within me like an overloaded dam, I felt a great emotional and physical release. The force of my natural impulses pushed through the controlled barriers and flooded my spirit with powerful inner strength.

Anyone could see myself as I really am and I was happy that I could finally allow them to do so without feeling ashamed of exposing my inner feelings.

Prejudices Fades Away

As we spent our last two sessions together, encouraging and helping each other to admit their fears and inadequacies, my preconceived prejudices of the other group members faded away. I no longer considered

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HUMAN RIGHTS: Y. Philip Hayasaka

A realtor looks at housing issue

(From the Seattle JACL Newsletter)

(At the hearings before the Senate subcommittee on Housing and Urban Affairs of the Committee on Banking and Currency, relating to civil rights and housing, Aug. 21, 22, 23, 1967, Elliott N. Couden, Seattle realtor since 1941, presented testimony that deserves a larger audience. Portions of his testimony follow.—PH.)

External reasons why segregated housing is perpetuated would include, at least, the following:

1—The corporate attitudes of the majority society that tends to fear a commingled diversity of any significance, especially where skin color is involved.

2—The policies and practices of those engaged in real estate, particularly those devoted to the building, financing, managing, selling and renting of residential properties.

Of all these in the second category, the one most significant and influential is the selling and renting group, in my experience.

Realtor's Code

In the state of Washington an addenda to the realtor code of practices, relating to minority housing, was adopted by all boards in the state a

couple of years ago. It has been subsequently determined that there has been no implementation of the code, which tended to divest the discriminating act from the realtor and place the burden upon the property owner.

It is a mystery to some of the public why real estate people will pass up the chance to earn legitimate commissions in selling or renting to qualified customers, regardless of race, color, religion or national origin. This is a valid concern, but it is a greater mystery me why state governments which require real estate people to be licensed in order to engage in the business—and this includes most, if not all, of our states—would allow licensees to discriminate when the state represents all citizens who, in effect, have granted the rights exercised under the license . . .

Why real estate people—and from this point I shall refer to them as realtors, because most of my associates in the business bear that name—act "as they do" in the matter of minority housing would provide material for a fair-sized volume, but it is relevant to look at a few reasons:

Most brokers who belonged to real estate boards were once subject to an ethical code that, in effect, prohibited selling to minorities in hitherto all-white neighborhoods. Though this aspect of the code

is ended, the "melody lingers on" for many.

Order of 'Acceptance'

Second, appraisal manuals and similar texts pursued by real estate people were quite emphatic on the dire results to be expected when minorities were brought into white neighborhoods. Some even went so far as to codify various groups in order of "acceptance," which bears out the "caste system" charge earlier referred to. These books stressed especially the dislocation of property values when such sales were consummated. This axiom is still regarded as "gospel truth"—despite scientific studies to the contrary—by most realtors, and real estate boards do little, if anything, to dispel this myth held by its membership.

In conclusion, I would like to make two observations relative to fair housing laws. One is that these actually tend to stabilize property values. The reason is that when minority buyers appear, some people in the immediate vicinity are often impelled in-

to panic selling. Panic selling tends to depress prices, at least for awhile. The "panic seller" is his own worst enemy, not the innocent person seeking adequate housing in his neighborhood.

In the second place, many real estate salesmen and brokers who would voluntarily provide equal service to all clients suffer a reasonably well grounded apprehension that their efforts will result in intimidation from other realtors and economic attrition from potential clients. This legislation frees all parties from coercion, probably the greatest single element in the minority housing syndrome.

(Elliott Couden gave his testimony in favor of the Federal Fair Housing Act of 1967. It appears that the remarks of this realtor, in business for nearly 30 years in Seattle, are also appropriate for Referendum 35, a measure that pertains only to licensed real estate persons in Washington State and not to property owners.—PH.)

Denver co-ed may be first Sansei to study in Japan for Buddhist priesthood

BERKELEY—The only coed in weekly lecture classes at the Institute of Buddhist Studies here, is Eileen Fujino of Denver.

At the moment she may well be the only Bussei girl around whose inclination is to become a Buddhist priestess.

Miss Fujino, who recalls her first inclination toward this calling when she was an eighth grader in elementary school, leads a busy academic life out here. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fujino of Denver.

A junior transfer from Univ. of Oregon where she majored in Asian studies, she now majors in English at California State College in Hayward.

Attends Lecture

One night weekly, she attends lectures at the Institute. Its interim director is the Rev. Hogen Fujimoto, head of youth department, Buddhist Churches of America in San Francisco. His predecessor was the Rev. Kanmo Ima-

mura, who last September became the first Nisei Bishop of Hawaii Hongwanji mission.

The Denver Bussei's present plans is to complete her undergraduate studies at Cal State, then enroll full time at the Institute.

Its two-year curriculum is generally designed for graduate students. Thereafter she may enroll at Ryukoku Buddhist University in Kyoto to complete her seminary education.

The coed, a member of Tri-State Buddhist Church, feels strongly that Bukkyo Kals of America certainly need English-speaking priests, but more, priests who understand Bussei.

Beyond academic preparations, the coed feels the priestly qualities of patience and compassion are most in need in ministering to the spiritual needs of young members.

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My long enduring, Virginia, dreading to make me even more insufferable than I am, blurted out some one at the hospital where she had been staying, had wondered who that "distinguished" man was that visited her. She had to admit that it was her husband. Since that adjective to describe me is not displeasing (rather describes me well), I only wish that it were true. I fear that "distinguished" to describe me means decrepit, and is like that great blow to my ego, that day when I realized that I was no longer a handsome, suave, young man, that awful day when the pretty little hostess at a bar in Tokyo called me "Ojisan."

But there are distinguished men that take the time to appear at JACL functions, such as Jerome Waldie, Representative from the California 14th District, and Governor Daniel J. Evans of the State of Washington. Representative Spark Matsunaga of Hawaii has appeared at many JACL functions. Congressman Waldie related that he had relaxed a few hours this past New Year season learning how to play Jan Ken Po from Congressman Spark.

The thought is that if these busy, distinguished men can make the time, can feel that it is worthwhile to participate in a JACL function, then perhaps there is some good in these meetings and something worthwhile to be derived.

If you haven't been going to some of the meetings, perhaps you are one of those who always have a clenched fist when the other fellow has the paper. Change your luck this year, make it profitable for you to attend the public functions of the JACL.

THOUSAND CLUB NOTES

Jan 15 Report: National Headquarters acknowledged 126 new and renewing memberships in the 1000 Club as follows:

Life: Stockton — Junzaki Agari, George S. Tabuchi; Mid-Columbia — Mrs. M. Y. Yano; Sacramento — Joe Matsunaga; San Diego — Joseph Owahashi.

10th Year: Berkeley — Marjui Fujii; San Jose — Dr. Tokio Ishikawa.

10th Year: Chicago — Harvey N. Aki.

10th Year: Gardena Valley — Henry J. Ishida; San Diego — Martin L. Ito, Leo Ohashi; San Benito County — Kay K. Kamimoto; Seattle — Mitsu Maeda; Sacramento — William Matsunaga; Contra Costa — Mrs. Satoko Nabeta, Tamaki Ninomiya; Eden Township — Tetsuaki Sakai; Detroit — Minoru Togasaki.

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NEW PLACER STAFF—Newly installed officers of the Placer County JACL Chapter honored at the Valencia Club in Penryn are (from left) Herbert Tokutomi, president; Bob Takemoto, rec. sec.; Seichi Otow, Mitz Doren, Joe Kageta, board members; Homer Takahashi, 3rd v.p.; Roy Yoshida, Eugene Nodohara, Tom Hoshida, board members; and Nob Hamasaki, cor. sec. Absent were Nob Nimura, 1st v.p.; Dick Nishimura, 2nd v.p.; Ellen Kubo, treas.; and Mas Sugiyama, Harry Hirakawa, board members—Photo by Kay Miyamura.

NC-WNDC workshop to suggest Human Rights at grass-root level

MARYSVILLE — The NC-WNDC first quarterly meeting will be held Feb. 4, with the Marysville Chapter acting as the host.

Shurei Matsumoto and Bill Tsuji, co-chairmen, announced that the meeting would be held at the Elks Club, 920

"D" St. The District Council's business session will begin at 1 p.m., and the banquet featuring the installation of the new officers of the Marysville Chapter will begin at 6 p.m. A dance will follow.

During the business meeting Governor Grant Shimizu

will outline the District's program for the year and introduce the new DC Executive Board. Shimizu promises a vigorous, active program for the NC-WNDC and will present it to the Council for its implementation. One of the latest proposals to implement programs to be presented is a more meaningful District Civil Rights program.

Workshop Topic

The session will be conducted by Hank Ogimachi, JACL's participation in "grass roots" community relations. Haruo Ishimaru, JACL National Cultural Heritage chairman, will also present the implementation. One of the latest proposals to implement programs to be presented is a more meaningful District Civil Rights program.

Dr. Harry Hatasaka, Se-

quoia chapter and member of the DC Executive Board, will be in charge of the District's clubbed by Mrs. Chizu Iiyama, oratorical and essay contests. Contra Costa chapter, and to select District finalists for lecturer at the Contra Costa and the National contests to be held at the JACL's National Convention in August, 1968.

Young scholars honored at Christmas frolic staged by San Fernando JACL

BY SUE OGIMACHI

PACOIMA—Over 150 members and friends of the San Fernando Valley JACL, gaily decked out in holiday finery, frolicked Dec. 20 at the Christmas party to enjoy a lavish banquet prepared by the women. The success of this always eagerly awaited annual event was due in large part to the tremendous effort of foods chairman Chiz Nagatani, general chairman George Seno, and reception chairman Micki Nakagiri, who set the gay mood of the evening by greeting each guest with sparkling name tags.

After mountains of food had been consumed, the guests were treated to a lovely solo by George Seno and carols by the Dimensions, the junior high girls' club sponsored by the chapter.

Scholarship awards and certificates were presented by scholarship chairman Micki Nakagiri to Nancy Iijima, Janice Kimura and Layne Yonemura.

Nancy Iijima, an outstanding graduate of Granada Hills High School, was student body vice-president, Senate president, cheerleader, member of the steering committee for three years, active in athletics and scholastic organizations, and was elected Ephebian and homecoming queen. She attended the Student Council Leadership Conference, the Governor's conference on Youth, and Girls State, and was awarded the Anna Bing Arnold Alumni Award by the University of California. Her term paper on internment of the Japanese Americans won high praise from the faculty.

Janice Kimura, a graduate of Polytechnic High, was on the student Council, a songleader and Ephebian and annual queen.

Layne Yonemura, Polytechnic High, served in various offices in the Student Council, was a cheerleader, was on the basketball and track teams, active in service organizations, and was elected an Ephebian.

The Coordinating Council of the San Fernando Japanese community supported the project with a donation, and the awards and certificates were made in the names of both organizations. Special recognition was also given to our National JACL scholarship winner Clyde Muneoka.

GEO. OHASHI HEADS SANTA BARBARA JACL

BY MIKE HIDE

SANTA BARBARA — George Ohashi, owner of Ohashi Coiffure, who has had several years of leadership experience at both the district and chapter levels, was installed Jan. 23 as president of Santa Barbara JACL.

Dr. Charlotte Emlott, Head Mistress of Devereaux Schools in California and past dean of Women of Pitzer College near Claremont, installed the officers.

Santa Barbara Jr. JACL officers were also installed. Susie Okada is chairman with Karen Sumida co-chairman.

Guest speaker Robert D. Elliott, president of North American Weather Consultants, spoke on Weather Consultation.

Tad Kanetomo is membership chairman, assisted by other sectional co-chairmen.

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Convention Headquarters

Now that we have the Juniors organized nationally and they meet with the adults at biennial conventions, the facility requirements have about doubled.

Unfortunately, there is no single hotel large enough to accommodate the needs of both groups simultaneously here in San Jose. The adults will use Hotel Santa Clara—the headquarters for the convention; the youths, the facilities (dorms and rooms for meetings and recreation) at San Jose State College, which is located within easy walking distance from Hotel Santa Clara. Joint adult/youth programs will be held in the civic auditorium complex, located across the street from the headquarters hotel.

Since San Jose is not a convention city, we know we have to try harder to make your attendance—both delegates and boosters—worthwhile. There are many little things we hope to do and provide which will add to your comfort and pleasure.

To mention a few—continental breakfast will be made available to the hard-

working official delegates who are expected to be on time for the morning council sessions (this was suggested by Yone Satoda, National Treasurer); courtesy cars with drivers for official business (suggested by "Wild Bill" Matsumoto of Sacramento); baby sitting and other services which may make it possible for the mothers to enjoy the social events with their husbands; self-service snack room, where you might enjoy "ocha-zuke" and "koko" if you wish; and arrangements for sporting events of all kinds for both the old and the young (pro-baseball, bowling, swimming, golf, miniature golf, etc.).

As you can see, we aim to please, so give us your suggestions.

Proper Programming

Because we wish to make the convention as pleasant as possible for all of you, there is one thing we are going to insist upon—that is, if any person, chapter or group, be it a National officer, staff or otherwise, wishes to do anything connected with or at the convention, please program it through the convention board in plenty of time before the convention, since it is the board's responsibility to coordinate the activities related to the convention.

If they are not properly programmed, there will be a hodge-podge of "things" going on which will cause a lot of confusion and unnecessary headaches for all concerned.

Recently, Bill Marutani, our National Legal Counsel, wrote that he was considering a special meeting of all JACL attorneys attending the 20th Biennial Confab and requested our assistance. By knowing beforehand we will be able to work out the details as to date, time and place with Bill, and thus provide for his needs.

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BOOK REVIEW: 'Japan's Decisive Century'

Shigeru Yoshida extols postwar achievements and transformation

By ALLAN BEEKMAN

Shigeru Yoshida, former premier of Japan, recently given a state funeral by his grateful countrymen, has left a record of his views in "Japan's Decisive Century: 1867-1967", originally published in the 1967 "Britannica Book of the Year." Slightly revised, the article has been published in book form, 110 pages, \$4.95, by Frederick A. Praeger.

Yoshida's life spanned most of the period of which he writes, for he was born in Tokyo, September 22, 1878. The Shogunate had been abolished ten years before, and the Emperor Meiji, his dynasty restored to power, had begun to strike off the shackles of feudalism.

At the birth of the future premier, Japan was serving an apprenticeship as a modern government under the benign influence of Great Britain and America. He says a basic principle of Japanese policy was, and should be, the maintenance of "close and cordial political and economic ties with Great Britain and the United States."

While Japan maintained such ties, she made progress—such rapid progress that, a year before Yoshida graduated from the Law College of Tokyo Imperial University in 1906, his country defeated Russia and emerged from the conflict as a world power. Yoshida entered diplomatic service, and from 1916 to 1917 he was a second secretary at the Japanese embassy in Washington.

He was Japan's minister to the Scandinavian countries in 1928, vice-foreign minister, 1928-1930; and ambassador to Italy, 1930-32.

Rise of Militarism

The international situation of the thirties, he says, could only have been understood by statesmen with a world view. The complex currents of world affairs were not understood by the Insular Japanese Army officers who were plotting a coup on the Asiatic mainland. Yoshida writes with superb tact, and he does not mention the matter, but these young army officers, who were to become the bane of American, had been helped to power by America itself. In 1924, Congress had discredited America's friends in Japan, and aided the militarists, by gratuitously insulting Japan through passage of the Japanese Exclusion Act.

Thus assisted by American folly, the Japanese militarists began their rise to power. In 1931, in Manchuria, they found opportunity for a dramatic exercise of their overweening ambition.

Japan had long been interested in this area of Asia, and had fought a costly war to preserve the region from conquest and absorption by Czarist Russia. In 1931, China seethed with civil wars. And though Japan's rights in Manchuria were secured by treaties, there had been, according to Yoshida, more than two hundred separate and distinct violations of such rights by local Chinese officials.

Unauthorized

From these violations there was no redress, for the Chinese war lords paid scant attention to orders issued by the central government at Nanking. Following an explosion on the South Manchurian Railway tracks, the Kwantung Army of Japan took over Manchuria by force of arms, though not authorized to do so by the Japanese government.

Yoshida says of the leaders of this coup, "They set off a chain reaction, opening a dark and tragic chapter in the story of their nation."

Thereafter the militarists continued their policy of force on the Asiatic continent. At home, they gained ascendancy over the civilian government through terrorism and attempted coups d'etat.

Yoshida skips over the confrontation of Japan and America in World War II, for which he feels the seizure of Manchuria paved the way. But his attitude toward the conflict is indicated by his arrest as a peacemaker toward the close of the war.

Freed after Japan surrendered, he became foreign minister. He became premier May 22, 1946.

Japan had lost nearly 50 per cent of the total prewar area of her empire. With the exception of Kyoto and Nara, practically every major Japanese city had suffered heavy damage from American raids; 2.5 million buildings had been destroyed.

Two million Japanese had been killed.

Postwar Comeback

The American conquerors came with idealistic plans for reform, some of which were inappropriate to the prostrated, starving nation over which



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tyke how to aim through the flintlock rifle. There is enough here to keep a family occupied throughout the entire day.

Enomoto—

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Question: I am a lawful permanent resident and by profession a physician. When I immigrated to the United States two years ago I was classified "over-age," so far as the draft is concerned, because I was 28 and foreign physicians were liable to be drafted up to the age of 35, like all other Americans with the exception of American physicians. American physicians always were liable to the draft until age 35.

In July 1967 the Universal Military Service Act was amended to make foreign physicians subject to draft up to the age 35. When I came here as a lawful permanent resident I merely intended to work at an American hospital for a few years and then return to my own country. I do not wish to serve in the army. Is there any procedure under which I can claim an exemption?

Answer: The Selective Service regulations do not provide for applications for exemption from military service for lawful permanent residents on the ground of alienage and you will have to accept the same situation as other physicians. If you feel strongly about it, you should know there is nothing in the Military Service law which would prevent you from leaving the country. It would be wise to notify the Selective Service Board of your intention and your reasons for leaving.

After you leave the country you should notify the Draft Board of the fact that you have left. You will then be automatically classified 4C. You will not have violated a criminal law but thereafter the Immigration and Naturalization Service and the Visa Office of the State Department may take the position that you are not eligible to return because you have left to avoid military service. Undoubtedly you will have difficulties ever to return here on a permanent visa.

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they assumed rule. But with characteristic optimism and energy, the Japanese began to revitalize their country.

At first the Americans were unconcerned about the economic rehabilitation of their ward. But the conquerors learned it was to the interest of America to assist the recovery of Japan, and they gave assistance.

The Japanese succeeded so well in reconstructing the nation that Japan is now the 4th greatest industrial power in the world. Within five years Japan expects to advance to 3rd place—after America and Russia.

"And this transformation," Yoshida says, "has come about in a little more than a score of years: a mere moment of time in its age-old island story."

Past presidents of S.F. JACL C.U. to be honored

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are just as real as you are, and try to look behind their faces to their hearts, hungry for joy? To know that probably the only good reason for your existence is not what you are going to get out of life, but what you are going to give to a life? To close your book of complaints against the management of the universe and look around you for a place where you can sow a few seeds of happiness—are you willing to do these things even for a day? Then you can keep Christmas. And if you can keep it for a day, why not always?



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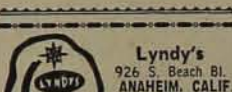
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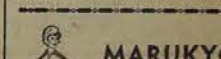
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