

Nominations Now Open

CHICAGO — Nominations are now open for the "Nisei of the Biennium," JACL's highest award conferred upon a Japanese American who has

PERSPECTIVES

● Jerry Enomoto
Nat'l President

ECHOES FROM THE "SOUNDING BOARD"

For those JACLers, especially in the Southland, who have been wondering about what they can do to participate in some area of the current fight to improve the lot of minority Americans, we recommend "Green Power" ("Sounding Board" by Jeffrey Matsui in the March 15 PC).

We all have reason to remember the tragic events that projected the name of Watts into the headlines across the country. The resulting concern, and joint action of government and industry, has resulted in some improvement in the social and economic causes from which the Watts riots stemmed.

The Green Power Foundation Inc. represents the efforts of a group of professional people to harness the raw energy of some of the so called "hard core" unemployed in the Watts area, in productive industry. Production of baseball bats mounted on inscribed plaques, acknowledging \$10, supporting memberships in Green Power, is the plant's current job and is preliminary to the later production of bats called the "Watts Wallpaper."

James Nakano, Los Angeles attorney, has written me two letters about Green Power, and has invited JACL support of this project. As Jeff's column explains, he visited the Green Power Plant and checked it out. Despite the nobility of purpose and cooperative efforts of business, this kind of economic venture is hardscrabble and may flop. It is also true that many other projects of similar nature, just as worthwhile, merit support.

On the other hand I, as National President, have received only this request. In making it, Mr. Nakano speaks to his understanding JACL is looking for ways to help in this area. He has fully documented the background, structure, and plans for Green Power. I am currently writing for counsel from several Board members as to the feasibility of National support of this project.

I note that, although cash is the biggest commodity needed, there are some calls for talent to be donated to a face lifting job on the Green Power plant.

Jeff has invited interested readers to donate \$10 to Green Power, either through PC or to its mailing address. Let me ask you, the reader, what my reply to Mr. Nakano's request for a financial aid from National JACL should be?

CHUMAN'S RITE

Last week's P.C. showed us cartoonist Pete Hironaka's take-off on Frank Chuman's \$2,500,000 "challenge." Some have ridiculed the challenge in various ways. It seems typical of the negativism inherent in us that we so often choose to belittle something like this, rather than look within ourselves and wonder if there isn't a positive message in it. (Incidentally I am not criticizing Pete's cartoon.) If indeed the challenge (Continued on Page 6)

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advanced the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in America during the past two years, announced Kumeo Yoshinari, chairman of the National Recognition Committee.

Entry forms are being circulated to the chapters. Applications must be returned to Yoshinari, care of Midwest JACL Office, 21 W. Elm St., Chicago 60610 and postmarked not later than midnight June 15, 1968.

The gold medallion award will be conferred during the coming 20th biennial National JACL Convention, Aug. 20-24, at San Jose. Runners-up will be also honored and presented a silver medallion.

The judging will be primarily based on these two categories:

1. Distinguished Community Leadership, which has helped to advance the welfare of persons of Japanese American ancestry, and which has brought about a greater acceptance of the Nisei into the American way of life; and

2. Distinguished Achievement based upon successes and outstanding feats in special fields of endeavor where such has been nationally recognized.

Any Japanese American may be nominated as a candidate. The individual's performances of the past two years are the essential criteria. Under this policy, previous recipients are eligible on the merits of their latest accomplishments.

The previous honorees are as follows:

1966 — REP. PATSY T. MINK, Honolulu; Dr. Kazumi Kinsaga, Washington, D.C.; Henry Ushijima, Chicago; Yoshihiro Uchida, San Jose; and Kenji Fujii, Hayward.

Nat'l Civil Liberties Clearing House holding 20th annual conference today

(Special to Pacific Citizen) WASHINGTON—Mike Masaoka, JACL Washington Representative, is attending the 20th annual conference of the National Civil Liberties Clearing House on March 21 and 22, at the Washington Hilton here.

The two-day symposium on civil rights and related issues is expected to attract representatives of more than 150 national organizations concerned with the protection of constitutional rights and freedom.

Among the topics of discussion for the conference are: Dissent and the Law; What are the Rights and Lim-

its of Protest?; The State of the Union, 1968; Divisions and Dangers in This Election Year; and Race Relations in Crisis.

Masaoka, chairman of the 1952 National Civil Liberties Clearing House Annual Conference, will be seated at the head dinner table where Secretary of Labor Willard Wirtz is scheduled to address the conference.

Also attending the annual conference as official JACL representatives will be Paul Ishimoto, Washington JACL Chapter 1st v.p. and Membership Chairman, and Richard Amano, Washington Jr. JACL president.

1964 — HENRY Y. KASAI, Salt Lake; Rep. Spark Matsunaga, Honolulu; Dr. Tom T. Omori, Pasadena.

1962 — MINORU YAMASAKI, Detroit; Tom Kitayama, Union City; Dr. Kiyoshi Tomiyasu, Schenectady, N.Y.; Caesar Uyesaka, Santa Barbara; and John Yoshino, Washington, D.C.

1960 — REP. DANIEL INOUE, Honolulu; Stephen K. Tamura, Santa Ana; Pat Suzuki, New York; Rev. Donald K. Toriumi, Pasadena; and David M. Tatsuono, San Jose.

1958 — BILL HOSOKAWA, Denver; Tom Shimazaki, Lindsay; Dr. Iwao Moriyama, Washington, D.C.; Harry A. Osaki, Pasadena; and Tommy T. Kono, Honolulu.

1956 — GEORGE INAGAKI, Los Angeles; Shigeo Wakamatsu, Chicago; Robert Sakata, Denver; Jack Murata, Washington, D.C.; and Minoru Yamasaki, Detroit.

1954 — HIROSHI MIYAMURA, Gallup, N.M.; Judge John Aiso, Los Angeles; Rev. Jitsuo Morikawa, Chicago; Dr. Minori Ota, Lovell, Wyo.; Thomas Yego, Newcastle; *Dr. Harvey A. Itano, Bethesda, Md.; *George Iwashita, Bloomfield, N.J. (*Special recognitions awarded in the fields of science and industry.)

1952 — MINORU YASUI, Denver; Bill Hosokawa, Denver; Tomi Kanazawa, New York; Carl K. Sato, Mesa, Ariz.; Ford H. Konno, Honolulu; and K. Patrick Okura, Omaha.

1950 — MIKE M. MASAOKA, Washington, D.C.; Mrs. Setsuko Nishi, Chicago; Larry Tajiri, Hito Okada, Salt Lake; and Saburo Kido, Los Angeles. (This award was initially titled "Nisei of the Year.")

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White racism rapped hard by Nisei on WBBM's Town Meeting of the Air

CHICAGO—A Hawaiian Nisei whose life was abruptly overturned by the prejudice and hatred caused by the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor vented her feelings on WBBM's "America's Largest Town Meeting of the Air" program Feb. 6.

Mrs. James Tanabe, who called moderator Jerry Williams of WBBM to present her views on "white racism in America," this week released the copy of her statement.

(Berry Suzuki, in his letter published in the PC Letterbox Feb. 23, remarked "this articulate Nisei girl bared her soul in blistering, Eartha Kittish indignation.")

The Statement By MRS. JAMES TANABE

To you who discriminate against children because of race, I dedicate this essay, with the hope that you might reconsider. Have you ever wondered what happens to people you discriminate against?

My parents came from Japan and settled in Hawaii where I was born, the last of ten children. I was almost eleven years old when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. Until then, life was quite uneventful.

If you have ever been to Hawaii, you will understand when I compare being brought up there with being in a huge fruit basket. Daily one is surrounded by brown faces, yellow, white and black faces—Japanese, Filipino, Hawaiian, Spanish, Puerto-Rican, Swede, German, Chinese — name it and you see it.

At eighteen, upon graduation from high school, I attended a college of about four hundred (all Caucasians) in Indiana. Each morning and evening as I brushed my teeth, I was startled by my reflection in the mirror, for no one else looked like me.

Five years later, I married and followed my husband to Japan in Uncle Sam's Army. Walking the streets of my parents' homeland, again I was startled — this time by the

masses of Japanese faces. I just was not used to being among people of one color—even when that color was the same as mine!

"Yellow Jap"

Now, going back to Pearl Harbor — how drastically things changed! Overnight I was a "yellow Jap"—even to my Chinese school mates! The situation worsened when the first Army divisions came from the mainland. We were allowed to skip classes to line the streets with V-for-Victory signs, but the soldiers soon knew the "Japs" from the Chinese, and of course, the difference between us and the other races was even clearer.

So, even as a kid, how I wished my hair was blonde, my skin white, my eyes wide and deep-set, my nose straight and tall. How I hated my parents for being Japanese—they could at least have been Chinese! But "can the leopard change his spots?"

How well I remember, after being taunted at school about being a "sneaky Jap" and reminded of the atrocities committed against the U.S. prisoners of war by the Japanese, I went home and called my own parents "Japs." (Somehow my hurt was not assuaged.) How well do I also remember my oldest brother saying, "Go look in the mirror and see if you're a 'haole' (Hawaiian for Caucasian)?"

Loyalty Issue

I was "fortunate" enough to have two brothers join the U.S. Army—one in the 442nd, one in the 100th (the most decorated units in the U.S. Army)—so we could hang a service flag with two stars in our window. And every day my alien Japanese mother prayed that her two American sons would return with their lives, if not their legs, arms, or eyes. Return they did — one with a Purple Heart and scarred physically and emotionally for life.

Some said, "You Japanese sure proved your loyalty!" I

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PSWDC PREPARES FOR MAY 3-5 CONFAB RALLY

Miss Jr. JACL, Oratorical Contests Among Highlights

EL SEGUNDO — Pacific Southwest District JACLers will convene May 3-5 here at the Hacienda Hotel, 525 N. Sepulveda (1½ mile south of L.A. International Airport) to stage its rally for the 20th biennial National JACL Convention being hosted by San Jose in August.

A pre-convention rally determines the district's oratorical candidate for the finals, a Miss Jr. JACL queen candidate, nominees for National JACL offices and stand on various issues confronting chapter delegates.

The banquet on Saturday, May 4, will feature the popular Nisei Congressman, Rep. Spark Matsunaga as main speaker and presentation of district recognitions to persons of Japanese ancestry who have served the community this past biennium in an outstanding manner.

On the lighter side, a 1000 Club whiling ding and dance on Friday, May 3, will open the three-day event being hosted by Progressive Westside JACL. Mas Hironaka, district 1000 Club Chairman, said hours of devoirs will be served from 7:30 p.m. followed by a 90-minute program of chapter skits and talent and then dancing.

Concurrent Session

Chapters have been reminded by Akira Ohno, district recognitions chairman, to submit nominees for the PSWDC Certificate of Recognition by Friday, April 5. Nominees may either be Issei, Nisei or Sansei, Ohno added.

Highlights of the Saturday luncheon will be the oratorical contest, the winner to be given a trip to San Jose to compete in the national finals. Oratorical theme is: "JACL—Heritage for the Future" according to Gene Sugiyama, district oratorical chairman, of 1863 Locust Ave., Long Beach 90806. Chapters are expected to submit the name of their candidate to Sugiyama by Friday, April 19.

Contest rules in brief call for a speech to be between 8 and 10 minutes. Stress will be made in content by the judges, by noon, May 4, and to take it District Governor Ron Shiozaki will preside during the business sessions during the two days.

The Jr. JACLers will meet concurrently to prepare for their 2nd biennial National Jr. JACL Assembly at San Jose. At least one meeting is expected to be a joint adult-youth session.

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PROGRESSIVE WESTSIDE — Being installed Mar. 23 at the Proud Bird Restaurant near the L.A. Airport will be the 1968 officers of the Progressive Westside JACL (from left): seated — Louise Watanabe, Freda Inouye, Dr. Franklin Minami, pres., Carol Okamura,

Dorothy Shimizu; standing — Kenneth Izumi, Tak Hiroto, Roy Yamane and Roy Komori. Dr. David Miura, nat'l. 2nd v.p., will be main speaker. Dancing with the Polo Quintet follows.

—Progressive Westside JACL Photo.

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Apr. 15 deadline for Japan Air Line-JACL summer fellowships

Four Winners Will Also Have Two-Week Tour of Southern Japan; Will Stay at New Otani Hotel

SAN FRANCISCO—The four winners of the Japan Air Lines-Japanese American Citizens League Summer Fellowships, 1968, will not only attend Sophia University in Tokyo, but will also have a two week tour of Southern Japan after their course of study, it was announced today by Japan Air Lines and

Akira Yoshimura, chairman of the JACL-JAL Summer Fellowships.

Sophia University will offer a wide range of courses which will be acceptable for six units of college credit. During the school term, trips throughout the Kanto area to include weekend tours to the resort areas of Nikko and Hakone, will be scheduled.

Fellowship winners will stay this year in the luxurious New Otani Hotel, which is close to the Sophia University campus.

To Leave July 9

Japan Air Lines will take the winners of the fellowships from either Chicago, New York, Los Angeles, or San Francisco to Tokyo on July 9, arriving at Haneda airport on July 10. Winners will depart Japan on Aug. 23, arriving in the United States on the same day.

The school term will be from July 11, to August 15. From Aug. 16 to the departure date, there will be a trip to southern Honshu and Shikoku to include the cities of Osaka, Kyoto, Hiroshima, Uno, Nara, Nagoya, Toha, and Takamatsu.

Deadline for the applications for the scholarships is April 15. All applications must be in the hands of the several JACL district governors by that date. There is no age limit, except that the applicants must have reached their 21st birthday by April 30, 1968. Application forms are available from the local JACL chapters or by writing the National and Regional Offices of the JACL.

Motivation

Yoshimura stressed that motivation for visiting Japan was the prime consideration in selecting the four winners of the JACL-JACL Summer Fellowships, 1968.

Jack Kusaba, a vice president of the Sumitomo Bank of California, will head the judging committee of applicants in the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council.

Ronnie Yokota, District Governor of the Intermountain District Council, will chair the committee selecting applicants in his area.

REP. MINK WANTS DRAFT MODERNIZED

WASHINGTON — Rep. Patsy T. Mink will co-sponsor legislation to modernize and update the Selective Service System to include some form of lottery selection of men for the "draft", provide for vocational training for men rejected for military service, and permit deferment of the service requirement for students, apprentices and other undergoing special training.

Principal sponsor is Rep. Frank Thompson (D-N.J.), who also serves on the House Education and Labor Committee. The legislation is identical to a bill introduced into the Senate by Sen. Edward M. Kennedy of Massachusetts.

ORANGE COUNTY SANSEI KILLED IN VIETNAM

COSTA MESA — Lance Cpl. Roger K. Yamanaoka, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Y. Yamanaoka of 2809 LaSalle Ave., Costa Mesa, was among 96 U.S. servicemen listed by the Defense Department as having been killed in action in Vietnam.

Roger, who was sent overseas last September, died of shrapnel wounds in an encounter in late February.

The well-known YMCA secretary and his wife, Terue, received the news from visiting chaplains Mar. 5.

The 20-year-old son had two sisters, Jeanne, a graduate of USC who is now a member of the Peace Corps in the Philippines, and a younger sister, Doreen.

"Jimmie" is currently the associate general secretary of West Orange County YMCA headquartered in Westminster. In pre-war days, the father was active in the YMCA program and worked with Masao Satow. He has held various positions in an executive capacity in New York, Hawaii, Southeast Los Angeles and Las Vegas.

Nisei Fishermen saved

SAN DIEGO — Three Nisei were among nine survivors of a tuna boat that broke up in heavy seas off Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, on Mar. 11 and rescued three days later: Isami Konishi, 43; Henry F. Terashima, 42; and Eiji Oya, 40, all of San Diego. They were found clinging to debris at sea.

"Heritage for the Future"

20th Biennial National JACL Convention

AUG. 21-24, 1968—SAN JOSE

23 Weeks Remain Until Convention Time



Getting into Show Biz

Earlier this month our office received a report that an oriental actors organization in New York City, calling itself The Oriental Actors of America (OAAA), had lodged a formal complaint with the New York State Commission on Human Rights about discriminatory practices resulting in the hiring of non-Orientals to portray Orientals in the theatre, motion pictures, and television.

As part of their protest campaign, members of the OAAA staged an unrehearsed demonstration in front of the Billy Rose Theater on West 41st Street on the opening night of "Here's Where I Belong." They protested the casting of a Caucasian actor in the role of an Oriental servant in the Broadway play.

Pointing out the inequities and distortions inherent in casting Caucasians in Oriental roles, the OAAA said:

"If the Oriental performer is to survive, to contribute to the theatre, to keep pace with his fellow performer, to make a living in his profession without resorting to other means or wait ten years for a 'Flower Drum Song' to come along, he must be afforded the same opportunities as any other performer to utilize and hone his talents . . . if not more so."

"We want the people with the power to hire for a show, a movie, commercial, industrial to be made, vitally aware that the people in the minorities have extended far beyond the old stereotypes. These images were created in a bygone era. The writer, director and producer seem to constantly see the Oriental as a houseboy, laundryman, geisha girl, gardener, waiter, etc. . . . In reality we have politicians, doctors, lawyers, millionaires, technicians and other professionals which are not being portrayed. There are Orientals in occupations which are true to any group, major or minor."

"We want to be looked upon and considered as people of today . . . 'people' people . . . human beings with capabilities such as any group may possess. We want to be seriously considered for specific Oriental roles, starring and supporting. Have you ever seen an Oriental perform the role of Sakini in 'Teahouse of the August Moon'? Or Charlie Chan or Mr. Moto? The King in 'The King and I'?"

It's a fact that the world of entertainment through the media of motion pictures, television, and the theatre has had a considerable impact on the image of minority groups in the country.

The American Negro realized this relationship between the entertainment field and stereotypes; and because of such performers as Sidney Poitier, Harry Belafonte, Sammy Davis, Jr., and Bill Cosby, the toe-tapping, cotton-picking, watermelon eating image of the American Negro has undergone a metamorphosis.

This leads to the question, what are the Japanese American performers doing about changing the buck-toothed, slant-eyed, karate chopping, sinister "Jap" image that no longer appeals. There are two Nisei performers about which I can speak with some personal knowledge.

The first Nisei standup comedian to be nationally recognized is Pat Morita, featured as the "Hip Nip." When Pat was in San Francisco at Bimbo's 365 for a limited engagement, I had a chance to talk to the former Sacramento resident on the subject of ethnic humor.

While much of his act revolves around ethnic humor—"about the only good thing about marrying a Japanese girl is that your mother-in-law is three thousand miles away"—he said he was gradually working away from ethnic humor.

Incidentally, in answer to Bill Hosokawa's question, "where is Pat Morita these days?", two weeks ago, during NBC's new comedy show, "Laugh In", Pat Morita, garbed in a Japanese Imperial Army uniform, exchanged punch lines with a German Army officer. It appears that Pat Morita is still working away from ethnic humor.

Another Japanese American pioneer in the entertainment field is Sab Shimono, a former Jr. JACL officer, who most recently gained prominence on the Great White Way playing the role of Ito in a record breaking musical, "Mame!", starring Angela Lansbury. Sab Shimono is another Japanese American trying to remove the stigma of the familiar giggling Oriental.

In a recent trip to New York City, I had the chance to talk with Sab on the same subject of the Oriental image in show business. He said the opportunities for an Oriental actor are very limited in New York. The only parts open to him were for Asian natives or immigrants.

Sab's big dream is to one day play the role of an "American," but because of existing barriers, he admitted the realization of his dream was years away.

There are other well known Japanese American actors who are still playing the role of an out dated image of Orientals. Most recently, on television, James Shigeta, star of the film, "Flower Drum Song", appeared on ABC's "It Takes a Thief", however, the role was that of a foreign military official.

In the OAAA's discriminatory practice case, there is a twist in its campaign for equal treatment. Here is a case where the Oriental is experiencing discrimination that the American Negro had successfully overcome. The American Negro was successful in eliminating the use of the "black face" because it was discriminatory, degrading and an insult, however the use of the "yellow face" has not been eliminated. In addition, non-Orientals are permitted to use adhesives to slant their eyes and artificial buck teeth.

It's evident that the Japanese American and the JACL have been neglecting the promotion of the true "Oriental" image through the world of entertainment. A field that reaches and educates virtually every American in the country, about minority groups and where racial discrimination is still practiced against Japanese Americans.

The need for the JACL to promote equal opportunities for the Oriental performer, and to foster a successful campaign to portray the true "Oriental" in the American scene is evident. It's about time we got into Show Business.

EAST WIND: William Marutani

"Make-Girai" & Vietnam

Philadelphia
As an Oriental American, I am among those imbued with that characteristic which my parents labelled "make-girai"—the compelling aversion to failure or losing. Conversely, to use a palatable euphemism, it might be called "the will to win." However, to be candid I must confess it is more "make-girai" which in many respects can be, and often is, a weakness rather than a virtue. A will to win emphasizes the affirmative; "make-girai" bears more on the negative.

I think most Nisei readers of this column understand what I mean because somehow I have the sneaking suspicion that many of you Nisei readers also have this characteristic, in varying degrees, in your make-up. Witness, for example, that glorious battle motto of the 442nd: "Go For Broke."

And so whether it be poker (at which I get soundly trounced, at times), or a judo tournament of my younger days, or more currently a courtroom encounter, I hate to lose. . . . it's more like "hate like hell to lose." In one of my very first legal battles I lost at the trial level, took

an appeal all the way up to the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, and lost. To this day I'm firmly convinced that my legal position in that case was right and that both the trial judge and the seven justices of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court were wrong. That's what "make-girai" can and will do.

And I suspect that this "make-girai" characteristic is not one exclusive to Orientals of Japanese extraction: I suspect it also permeates the cultures of many other Asians including Koreans, Chinese and, yes, the Vietnamese, both North and South.

"MAKE-GIRAI" HAWK?

So what's all this to do with Vietnam? Well, figuring that another Asian by name of Ho Chi Minh is also a "make-girai" fellow, I'm not about to give in to him and his plans. My "make-girai" make-up compresses me into a firm determination that we're going to see this thing through in Vietnam. Ho or no Ho. Not that I favor war, destruction, suffering and killing; no responsible person favors these

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NEWS CAPSULES

Courtroom

Attorney Toshio Ando of Denver has surrendered his license to practice law in Colorado, the State Supreme Court announced. He had been summoned before the court's grievance committee twice to answer charges relating to his professional conduct, the court said. Nature of the charges is not announced unless the Supreme Court issues a public reprimand or other disciplinary action.

A \$125,000 breach of contract suit was filed Mar. 4 in the U.S. District Court at Denver against Mitsuo Fuchida of Nara by the Sky Pilots of America, Inc., a religious group headquartered at Aurora, Colo. Fuchida, the pilot who led the Japanese air raid over Pearl Harbor, was charged with failure to turn over proceeds from lectures, articles and books it claimed was owing to Sky Pilots.

Politics

JACL 1000 Club Life Member James Michener was one of the 163 delegates to the Pennsylvania Constitutional Convention and served as Secretary. The Convention met for 3 months just concluded.

On the strongly pro-Johnson but officially uncommitted California delegation to the Democratic national convention are Kimiko Fujii of Hayward and Sam Ishihara of Los Angeles, according to state party chairman Charles Warren. Miss Fujii served on the same delegation four years ago with Taul Watanabe of Los Angeles.

Press Row

Bill Hosokawa, associate editor of The Denver Post, explains the baffling events that have rocked Red China in the longest single article ever published in the Empire Magazine, Post Sunday supplement of which Hosokawa is its editorial director. It appears in the Mar. 10 edition.

School Front

Mrs. Yoshiko Baker, active Cleveland JACLer, continues to tell of Japanese culture before schools, churches and civic groups. A former Tokyo teacher now instructing at Berlitz, she recently demonstrated the wearing of the kimono before 90 kindergartners at Eastpark School in Berea.

Organizations

Livingston Farmers Assn. elected Sherman Kishi as its 1968 president. He is currently a member of the Merced Union High School board of trustees, Rotary Club, First Methodist Church and JACL. He succeeds Fred Hashimoto. Buddy T. Iwata is general manager . . . Shig Hongo is commander of the Oregon Nisei Vets, succeeding Shig Hinatsu. Yutaka Inai of Denver succeeds Seishiro Nakamura as president of the Colorado Nihonjin Kai . . . Sadaaki Mouri, business manager of Chicago Theological Seminary, was re-elected chairman of the Chatham YMCA Center board of directors.

Agriculture

Livingston Farmers Assn. for the first time last year is in the cooperative packing and marketing of sweet potatoes for its members under the brand names: Pride of Livingston and Yamato Colony, it was revealed by Buddy Iwata, association general manager . . . The Calif. Dept. of Agriculture named four Nisei to the Bush Berry Advisory Board: Toshio Kawamoto, Fresno; George T. Teraoka, Fowler; Kenji Sakuma, Watsonville; freezer-processor division alternate—Ben Noda, Watsonville.

Ray Koyama, Guadalupe lettuce grower, was elected president of the Santa Maria Valley Grower - Shipper Assn. . . . Kee Kitayama, Union City flower grower, was re-elected president of International Farmers Aid Assn., which assists Japanese farm trainees in the U.S. About a 100 have been studying American methods each year since the program was inaugurated in 1952 by Gov. Earl Warren. A group of 143 is expected for the 1968 program.

Awards

Shigeo Takahashi and Walter Sakamoto received Life Membership Awards from the Parents Club of the Placer Elementary School. Seichi Otow received the same award at the Eureka Union School . . . Cosma K. Sakamoto of Loomis received the Silver Beaver award from the Tahoe Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America. The Cubmaster of Pack 12 has been a Scoutmaster for 42 years. He is a former president of the Placer County JACL.

Lynn Okasaki, 8th grader at Lee O. Mathison School, won first place honors and \$100

savings bond in the San Jose Goals essay contest, "San Jose 1980".

Sports

Believed to be better than pitcher Masanori Murakami, 19-year-old Won Kuk Lee has been signed by the San Francisco Giants to pitch for the Fresno Giants in the California League this year. Lee is Cappy Harada's first find since joining the Giants as a full-time scout last year. Lee played high school ball in Seoul and pitched in the Japanese minors. He is 6 ft. 3 and weighs 185.

Book

The UC Berkeley East Asia Library is seeking a copy of "Minami Kashu Nihonjin Shi", published in 1958 by the Japanese Chamber of Commerce of Southern California, according to bibliographer Eiji Yutani. The library is trying to locate a person willing to sell or donate this out-of-print book. (There were two versions: one which contained personal remarks by the compiler and another revised edition.)

Taro Yashima's "Seashore Story" (Viking) was first runner-up in the 1967 Caldecott Award selection for the best picture book of the year. Selection is made by the American Public Library Assn., which has honored Yashima's "Umbrella" and "Crow Boy" in the running for the Academy Award for juvenile picture book in previous years.

Churches

A congregation founded by Pasadena Issei 62 years ago at the Union Presbyterian Church was moved last year and on Mar. 17 dedicated its new First Presbyterian Church of Altadena at 2775 Lincoln Ave. The Rev. Dr. Donald Toriumi is pastor and the Rev. Masayoshi Kawashima is asst. pastor. Dedicated were three buildings: the hexagonal shaped sanctuary seating 200, a two-story education building and a social hall with kitchen.

Western Young Buddhist League will hold its 26th annual conference Mar. 22-24 at the Airport-Marina Hotel in Westchester Los Angeles. "Motivation through Nembutsu" is the meeting theme. Seven ministers of the Japanese Canadian United Church have resigned Mar. 4 in protest against staying in one place too long. Faster rotation would be desirable, the group pointed out at a recent Toronto meeting.

Newly ordained to the Episcopal priesthood Mar. 9 by Rt. Rev. Francis Eric Bloy, bishop of Los Angeles, was the Rev. Norman Y. Ishizaki, curate at St. Alban's . . . Retiring Bishop Shinzo Hanayama was appointed president of the Institute of Buddhist Studies at Berkeley. He assumes office in June.

Sister Cities

Charles Ueda is chairman of the Gardena Sister City steering committee, which is now studying applications of local high school students to select a boy and a girl for a three-week summer goodwill visit to Ichikawa, Gardena's affiliate in Japan.

Entertainment

Shochiku's film, "Portrait of Chieko" directed by Noboru Nakamura with actress Shima Iwashita in the starring role was one of five nominated for the Academy Awards foreign language films category.

Sunday mornings in Southern California, radio listeners have 90 minutes of Japanese music, news and comments on KTYM (1460) from 7:30-8:30 and on KALI (1430) from 8:30-10 with Matsuo Uwate, active Downtown L.A. JACLer, as emcee.

Vital Statistics

Rev. Arthur S. Yamabe, 69, died Mar. 11. He was minister for the past nine years at the Guadalupe Buddhist Temple.

Teruma "Turk" Ogimachi, 48, of Los Angeles died Mar. 17 after an illness. A WW2 vet, his prowess in high school sports is still remembered. Funeral services are scheduled Mar. 22, 7:30 p.m., at Higashi Hongwanji under direction of Fukui Mortuary.

Youth

Karen Yamashita, 17, of Gardena High School, assumed the duties of Supervisor Kenneth Hahn, representing the Second Supervisorial District for Girls' Day in Government last week. The annual program is sponsored by the Business and Professional Women's Clubs and the Los Angeles City Board of Education.

Salinas 'get together'

SALINAS—A pilot program to have speakers of different professions and churches was initiated this week for Salinas Valley JACLers. Walter Stephens, Salinas Union High School District psychologist, spoke at the initial meeting Mar. 20 at the Salinas Valley Savings & Loan Bldg.

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WRESTLING CHAMP—John Yasuda, Cal-Poly senior majoring in phys-ed, emerged as the 123 lb. division champ in the CCAA wrestling tournament. While in high school at Diablo Valley, he won a pair of 115-lb. titles and claimed the 123-lb. championship. After graduation, he plans to teach. He is the son of the John T. Yasudas, active Contra Costa JACLers, of Walnut Creek.

RACE DISCRIMINATION CHARGED AGAINST AUTO INSURANCE FIRM

Negro Insurance Agent Accuses Meritplan Office in San Diego of Bias in Hiring Practices

LOS ANGELES—An accusation that a Southern California automobile casualty insurance company illegally discriminated by refusing to hire a Negro insurance agent has been filed by a member of the State Fair Employment Practice Commission.

Officers of the Meritplan Insurance Company of Los Angeles are named in the accusation, issued by Commissioner Stella C. Sandoval, which charges that Curtis Moring was not hired as an agent for the company solely because he is Negro.

According to the accusation, which serves as notification of a formal public hearing to be held before a panel of FEPC commissioners, the grievance leading to the accusation originated in June 1965 when Moring first applied for employment Meritplan in San Diego.

Subsequent efforts by FEPC commissioners to conciliate the case were hindered because the respondent "refused to appear pursuant to . . . subpoenas."

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The accusation states that "preliminary investigation . . . indicated the following course of conduct" by the Meritplan Insurance Company "in its refusal to hire Negro agents: "Giving special instructions . . . on ways and means of avoiding Negro applicants whenever possible" and "taking . . . disciplinary action against violators" of these instructions; designating "black-out" areas on the basis of race, and accepting Negro risks "only where all ways and means of avoiding the same have failed."

Named as officers of the company are William H. Erwin, pres.; Robert K. Meyer, v.p.; and G. A. Jackson, v.p. The accusation asks that the commission find that Meritplan discriminated against Moring because of his race, and that they be ordered to "consider (him) for hire as a casualty insurance agent on the same terms and conditions applicable to its other casualty insurance agents." A date for the public hearing will be set later.

FEP Act

The FEP Act provides that when conciliation endeavors fail a panel of commissioners will hear the evidence, decide whether an act of discrimination occurred and, if so, issue orders for a remedy. Commissioner Sandoval will not participate as a member of the panel.

The Fair Employment Practice Commission administers California laws against discrimination in employment and housing for reason of race, color, religious creed, national origin, or ancestry.

Members of the Commission besides Mrs. Sandoval are Pier Gherini, chairman, George Bond, C. L. Dellums, Mark Guerra, Thomas A. Hom and Dwight R. Zook. Executive Officer Peter Johnson is also Chief of the Division of Fair Employment Practices in the Department of Industrial Relations of which Albert Beeson is director.

FEPC offices are located in San Francisco, Los Angeles, Fresno, San Diego and Sacramento. Services are also available in the State Service Centers in East Los Angeles, Watts, and Richmond.

Belgian explorer to speak at West L.A. dinner

LOS ANGELES—Jean-Pierre Hallet, author-explorer who lived and worked among the Congolese, will speak on "Life in Africa" at the joint West Los Angeles JACL and Auxiliary dinner May 5, 6:30 p.m., at the Ponderosa Restaurant.

Chapter president Shig Takashita and Auxiliary president Mrs. Amy Nakashima are co-chairing the arrangements. Tayeko Isono, program chairman, is urging early reservations.

CALENDAR OF JACL EVENTS

Mar. 22 (Friday)
Riverside—Gen. Mtg. Gakuen Hall, 7435 Lincoln Ave., 8 p.m. Dr. Edward Himeho, spkr. "Issei, Nisei, Sansei."
San Diego—Ed Mtg. JACL Office. Spokane—"Go for Broke" movie. Highland Park Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m. ing tournament.
Mar. 22-24
Berkeley—Invitational basketball tournament, Garfield and Willard Jr. High gym.
Mar. 23 (Saturday)
Progressive Westside—Installation dinner-dance, Proud Bird Restaurant, 7 p.m.; Dr. David Miura, spkr.
Sequoia—Potluck dinner, Palo Alto Buddhist Church, 6 p.m.
Contra Costa—Family bowling night, Albany Bowl, 4:30 p.m.
Mar. 24 (Sunday)
Long Beach—Youth Benefit Fashion Show, Veterans Park, 101 E. 28th St., 1:30 p.m.
Mar. 28 (Saturday)
Cincinnati—Potluck supper, St. John's Lutheran Church, 6 p.m.
Berkeley—Jr. JACL movie benefit, Garfield Jr. High.
Milwaukee—1000 Club whiling ding. San Diego—JACL foursome bowling tournament.
San Mateo—Ed Mtg. Sturge Church.
April 1 (Wednesday)
San Francisco—Aux Mtg. Pine Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m.; Greek-Russian choir.
April 3 (Friday)
West Los Angeles—Earth Sci Mtg. Stoner Ave. Playground, 7:30 p.m.
April 7 (Sunday)
Arizona—Chapter picnic, NC-WNDY—Exec Bd Mtg. Sequoia JACL hosts.
April 13 (Saturday)
San Jose—Bagtime Doubles, 4th St. Bowl.
April 14 (Easter Sunday)
East Los Angeles—Jr. JACL egg hunt.
Spokane—Egg hunt, Wandermere Park, 1 p.m.
Sequoia—Egg hunt.
April 19 (Friday)
Placer County—Issei Night, Placer Buddhist Church.
April 20 (Saturday)
San Jose—Potluck supper, oratorical contest, Buddhist Church Annex.
San Diego—Issei Night potluck dinner, Buddhist Church, 6:30 p.m.
Oakland—Charter flight to Hawthorne, Nev.
April 21 (Sunday)
Cincinnati—Issei recognition, YWCA, 1 p.m.
Contra Costa—New Member Welcome-Issei Appreciation potluck dinner, Kennedy High School.
Placer County—Community picnic, JACL Recreation Park.
Milwaukee—Spring Social.
April 26 (Friday)
San Diego—Ed Mtg. JACL office.
April 27 (Saturday)
Long Beach—Oriental Fantasy Dance.
April 27-28
IDC—5d Quarterly: Snake River JACL hosts.
NC-WNDY—Spring Activity: San Francisco Jr. JACL hosts. Sequoia—Benefit movie.

Detroit to host MDYC workshop

DETROIT—Midwest District Youth Council will select its national JACL oratorical candidate at the forthcoming MDYC Spring Workshop over the Memorial Day weekend at the new Ponchartrain Hotel here.

The package deal for youth delegates will range between \$11 and \$15. Room rate for youth at four per room will be \$5 per person. Details of the workshop are still in the discussion stages.

Portland prepares for graduate fete

PORTLAND—Because it is becoming more difficult each year to identify Sansei graduates from the metropolitan Portland area high schools and colleges, the Portland JACL is asking parents, relatives and friends of 1968 graduates to notify the graduation banquet co-chairmen:

Mrs. Tom Sono, 3935 N. Colonial Ave., Portland (284-1716); and Mrs. Matt Masuoka, 111 NE 58th Ave., Portland (234-9167).

The banquet is scheduled for Saturday, May 25, at the Benson Hotel Mayfair Room.

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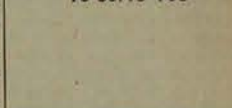
RICHMOND—A touch of the Orient with cherry blossoms, lanterns and happi-coat clad girls will come to John F. Kennedy High School cafeteria April 21 when Contra Costa JACL honors community Issei and welcomes new members at a potluck supper.

The Shinsai Band, a hit last year, will be the main attraction after the menu of Japanese, Chinese and American dishes being prepared by the food committee headed by Fuki Abe and Meriko Maida is served. Eddie Nomura and Grace Goto are event co-chairmen.

Basketball team

WASHINGTON—Under the eye of coach Roger Nikaido, the Washington, D.C., JACL has entered a team in the Prince Georges Corps of the Salvation Army basketball league meeting at Bladensburg, Md.

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By Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

Seattle, Wash.

EVERGREEN LAND — There is no part of this great nation more beautiful than the Pacific Northwest when the sun is shining. Seattle weather was on its best behavior the weekend of our visit; the heavens withheld the liquid sunshine that keeps the Evergreen land so luxuriously verdant. Normally, wrinkled coats and pants that bag at the knees are the uniform of the day in these parts simply because it is impossible to keep a press in suits that have been exposed to the rain. But on this occasion everyone looked quite natty.

It is a startling thing to leave wintry Denver and just more than two hours later arrive in Seattle where spring already has coaxed the forsythias, the crab-apples and cherry trees into full bloom. The early birds already were sailing their boats on Lake Washington. Back home the skaters are still hoping that another hard freeze will make the lakes fit for a few more sessions on the blades. The grass in Seattle is green with new growth. Denver lawns won't come alive for another month and a half at the earliest. This means, I guess, that Issei and Nisei gardeners in Denver have a long winter's rest while gardeners in Seattle have to (or get to) work just about the year around.

OLD FRIENDS—We were met at the airport by Sam and Aya Kozu who we've known almost as long as we can remember. Sam grew up on the street next to the one where my family lived. He was all of 12 years old and I was 14 the year we and a bunch of other neighborhood teenagers went to Alaska to work for the summer in a salmon cannery. I won't tell you when that was, because we're getting to the stage where we're a bit sensitive about age, but it was before the stock market crash.

We talked about this on the drive from the airport into Seattle and Sam's daughter, Kathy, who is also 12, found it hard to believe anyone could be mature enough at that age to leave home and go off to work for a couple of months. Matter of fact, it is hard for me to believe that we did things like that and survived to talk about it. Still, in those days almost everyone we knew did that sort of thing, and no one thought it strange or unusual.

Aya, whose maiden name was Somekawa, grew up in Portland, Ore., with my wife, Alice. It seemed natural that Aya should be Alice's maid of honor when we were married. After a couple of years, when they discovered nothing terrible had happened to us, Sam and Aya decided to get married, too. It must have worked out all right. They're still married, and to each other.

BOWLING BANQUET—The reason for our trip to Seattle was to speak at the awards banquet of the 22nd annual JACL bowling tournament. The bowling took place at Imperial Lanes operated by Fred Takagi and the banquet at the Olympic run by Western International Hotels. If anyone was surprised that the skinny kid who never said very much had come back to his home town to address a banquet, he didn't say it loud enough for me to hear.

The banquet, and the tournament as well, were staged smoothly in typically efficient Seattle style. The dance afterward gave us an opportunity to renew acquaintances with scores of friends we hadn't seen since before the evacuation, friends too numerous to name here. What impressed us, though, was the way the orchestra leader was able to pronounce Japanese names without a slip. Either he was very well briefed, or the Nisei around Seattle have been doing an awful lot of dancing recently.

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SAN FRANCISCO—The 1968 officers and board of governors of the San Francisco JACL installed during the chapter's 40th anniversary celebration are (from left): seated—Franklin Tokioka, June Uyeda (cor.

sec.), Mary China, Mrs. Yo Hironaka (pres.), Nancy Okada (Jr. JACL adv.), Roy Ormi, standing—Steve Doi (1000 Club), James Sasaki, Eddie Moriguchi (newsletter), Tomio Ozawa (2nd v.p.), Ron Nakayama, Phil Na-

kamura, Fred Abe (3rd v.p.), Mas Yanase, George Yamasaki, Mits Akashi, David Asano (treas.), Wesley Doi (1st v.p.). Missing were Kay Sera, Kahn Yamada, Ben Tsuchimoto and Louise Koike (rec. sec.)

—PC Photo by Steve Doi.

THE AGED, MENTALLY ILL CALLED 'REJECTS' BY GENERAL PUBLIC

(Special to Pacific Citizen) **CLEVELAND**—The old and the mentally ill are rejectees, in the opinion of Dr. Tooru Ishiyama, research associate at Cleveland State Hospital.

The onetime Cleveland JACL president was addressing the 14th annual meeting of the Golden Age Center recently.

He said society approaches older people from the standpoint of hygiene — keeping them alive as long as possible. But it neglects helping the 70 or 80-year-old grow psychologically and intellectually. Society emphasizes youth in countless ways.

As for mental hospitals, Ishiyama calls them "true psychological ghettos." The patients there are labeled "different, strange and dangerous," he said. "The notion

that only experts can deal with them exonerates the public, which then keeps hands off. Not enough money is spent on these hospitals."

About 25 pct. of the patients at Cleveland State are 65 or older and in one mental hospital in Wisconsin, the percentage is 60 pct. Some of the Cleveland State older-adult patients are being prepared for a return to the community through Golden Age Center activities two days a week.

Dr. Ishiyama believes that older people in general should be encouraged to gain more power through group action and "not wait for handouts." Dr. Ishiyama has been appointed to the National Institute of Mental Health, was an associate in psychology and a fellow at Case Western Reserve University.

PSWDC art show for Sansei high school students set; entries due April 20

LOS ANGELES—JACL chapters are contacting Sansei high school art students, urging them to enter the annual Pacific Southwest District art show to be held May 4-5 at the Hacienda Hotel, 525 N. Sepulveda, El Segundo.

Entry blanks are available from the chapters and must be returned to Akira Ohno, 2007 Barry Ave., Los Angeles 90025 by April 20. No fee is being asked; cash prizes, trophies and ribbons are being awarded. Students may submit three entries, but an entry blank is required for each item.

Cincinnati slates spring calendar

CINCINNATI—Many hours of planning and construction went into the JACL float entered in the St. Patrick's Day parade in downtown Cincinnati last Sunday.

Robert Sherry and Charles Longbottom, float co-chairmen, utilized a cherry blossom theme to decorate the entry.

The chapter has scheduled its Spring Pollack dinner at the attractive new St. John's Unitarian Church, on Saturday, Mar. 30, 6 p.m. Karate exhibition and movies for the children are being programmed.

With the Japanese Wives Assn. providing the program, the chapter Issei recognition will be held on Sunday, April 21, 1 p.m., at the Downtown YWCA.

Chapter is also active in the committee to celebrate the 50th year of the Citizenship Council, which is sponsoring an International Gala on May 11 at the Sheraton Gibson.

Ragtime doubles at San Jose slated

SAN JOSE—The local JACL and Nisei Bowling Association ragtime doubles bowling night will be held April 13 at 4th St. Bowl to be run in two divisions (320 up for Ayes, 319 down for Bees), according to chairman James Taketa. Current averages will prevail but those without will enter at 110 for women, 150 for men.

Mrs. Pat Tsuchiya at the alleys is accepting entries for squads starting at 7:30, 8:45, 10:00 and 11:15 p.m.

Competition will be in three categories:

1 — Charcoal, collage, oil, pastels, pen & ink, tempera, water color; 2 — Ceramics, fabric design, jewelry design, sculpture; 3 — Commercial and graphic arts, posters, advertising layouts, etc.

Ohno pointed out contestants must either be Jr. JACLers or children of JACL members. Paintings must be framed and ready to be hung. Size is immaterial. Students entering the exhibit are to be responsible for bringing their own work to Hacienda Hotel by noon, May 4, and to take it back by 2 p.m., May 5.

Contestants may specify a price if the work is for sale. The first annual PSWDC art show held last year proved to be a conversation piece, eliciting interest to continue the JACL-sponsored art show in May of each year.

L.A. nursing home construction looms

LOS ANGELES—The Bank of America is willing to loan \$400,000 to provide necessary funds to start construction of the Keiro Nursing and Convalescent Home, it was announced by James Mitsumori Mar. 7.

The loan is being made through BofA's Washington-Western branch manager Sam Fukushima.

Mitsumori, chairman of the City View Hospital board of trustees, pointed out the tight money situation for the past 1 1/2 year necessitated the hiatus of the project.

Donations and fund-raising activities have raised \$147,000 and the balance of \$68,500 required for the estimated \$612,500 project is being assumed by the hospital corporation, City View Hospital director Edwin Hiroto added.

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Mayor Alioto to head S.F. festival parade

SAN FRANCISCO — Mayor Joseph Alioto was named grand marshal of the San Francisco Nihonmachi Cherry Blossom Festival parade to be held Sunday, Mar. 31, 1 p.m.

The parade climaxes the three-day festival opening Mar. 31, 1 p.m.

The parade climaxes the three-day festival opening Mar. 29 at the new Japanese Cultural and Trade Center.

'Porpoises' subject of WLA JACL, Earth Sci meet

LOS ANGELES—Dr. Kenneth Norris, associate professor of Zoology at UCLA and noted research in the field of porpoises will speak on this subject to the West Los Angeles JACL Earth Science Section and Chapter on April 5, 7:30 p.m. at the Stoner Recreation Center, 1831 Stoner Ave.

Crenshaw festival

LOS ANGELES — The Nisei Memorial VFW Post 9938 Oriental Summer Festival at Crenshaw Square will be held July 18-21, according to Bill Fujimori, chairman.

JACL nationals ragtime doubles won by Ken Tome, Larry Kunishige

SEATTLE — Throughout the week of Mar. 4-9 at Imperial Lanes where the 22nd National JACL Bowling Tournament was held, bowlers relaxed by competing in the ragtime doubles — only event where one's handicap is considered in the final count.

There were numerous pairs and the scores ran from torrid to sad. The top men's ragtime

doubles score was turned in by a pair from Hawaii, Ken Tome and Larry Kunishige, who finished with 1349. In the mixed double and women's ragtime category, Fumi Yamasaki and Dick Yamasaki of Seattle paired to win with 1317.

Highest series in the ragtime was a 689 rolled by Bob Namba of Seattle who was teamed with Bill Ihashi, finishing seventh with 1281.

MEN'S RAGTIME DOUBLES

Ken Tome-Larry Kunishige, Hawaii, 1349; 354 660-136-1349
Aubrey Funai-George Funai, Seattle, 1281; 606 627-108-1333
Joe Ohashi-Don Ohashi, Seattle, 1279; 574 668-34-1298
Ken Arasato - Ed Hirohata, Hawaii, 1261; 502 623-90-1285
Gordy Hirai-Shig Watanabe, Seattle, 1208

Packing plant burns

FULLERTON — The biggest commercial building fire in this city's history leveled the Western Marketing Co. packing plant owned and operated by Genji Kawamura of Huntington Beach, at 133 E. Walnut St. this past week. Damage was estimated at \$350,000.

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TOKYO TOPICS: Tamotsu Murayama

Where is Ronald MacDonald's grave? letter from archives peaks interest

TOKYO—The archives of the Japanese Foreign Office contain many historical documents of interest to the Japanese American. Of course, some were destroyed during the war because of air raids and fire.

A most fascinating letter dated Nov. 13, 1934, from J. Milton Horn of Marcus, Wash., to Consul Kiyoshi Uchiyama in Seattle relates the story of Ronald MacDonald (see Mar. 17, 1967, PC, "Ye Editor's desk").

The letter was forwarded to the Foreign Minister Koki Hirota for investigation. (Hirota was later to be executed by the War Crimes Tribunal.) Horn wanted the people of Japan to honor more widely the name of MacDonald, who was the first American teacher of English in Japan before Com-

modore Perry's time.

Hirota responded March 28, 1935, and confirmed MacDonald's visit of Japan. The records of the Tokugawa government showed MacDonald came to Hokkaido on July 2, 1848, where he was detained to be sent to Nagasaki. He was turned over to the Dutch consul as a Canadian navigator in 1849 with other seamen for deportation.

What will add impetus to honoring MacDonald would be to restore his gravesite.

The Plea for MacDonald
The Horn letter follows:

Honorable Sir:
I beg of you to place before your Most Honorable Superiors in Japan the story of an American citizen, now long dead, but who during his life time was a martyr to the cause of uniting the isolated nation to rest of the civilized world. His name has been known since the time of his arrival in the present time. I feel if your country had knowledge of the location and condition of this man's grave, he would be more than pleased to erect an everlasting memorial as a tribute to this man's death.

His name is Ronald MacDonald, born of a Scotch father by the name of Archibald MacDonald, and mother by the name Princess Sunday, the only child of King Commonly, Chief of the Chinook Indian tribe, located near Astoria, Oregon. Princess Sunday died at the birth of Ronald. This legally left Ronald the sole heir to the estate of his grandfather, but his father remarried soon after and Ronald never knew of his true birth until he was an old man.

Incidentally, Ronald never tried to gain the fortune of his birthright, but he was a person of nature, never cared for wealth, and was content to live as his Indian ancestors. Consequently he died in poverty.

Shipwrecked Japanese
To begin the story and to be as brief as possible, during the early childhood of Ronald MacDonald, while he was yet living on the Pacific Coast near Astoria, it happened that a few shipwrecked Japanese were cast ashore by the waves. They were a people unknown to the Indians and native whites of the coast, and were received very hospitably.

Ronald MacDonald learned a little of the Japanese language and customs from these men, and because of this, he grew to manhood with the desire to go to the land across the Pacific and find out more about your race of people. You might be interested to know that from that day to this, the Government allowed no foreigners to enter your country, and forbid any ship to land on your shores.

Ronald left a banking position in Eastern Canada when he was about twenty years old, with his whereabouts unknown for four years. It later was found that he had been living on a whaling schooner from the east coast, with the understanding that his pay should be the right to leave the schooner at a point off the coast of Japan. This he did, with a small boat, and he landed on the island. Near the shore of one of your islands he captured the boat and floated ashore with his trunk.

Killed in action
A Honolulu family has lost two sons in the Vietnam war. Army 1st Sgt. Kenneth S. Andrade, 37, was killed Feb. 28 in combat. He was the 128th

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Judo instructor
POCATELLO—Maj. Bill Honjiyo, professor of military science and tactics at Idaho State University, is instructor of the local JACL-sponsored judo class meeting on Saturday mornings.

Bank robbery
Honolulu
Four men ambushed Welden McCullough, manager of the Waialae branch of the Bank of Hawaii, Mar. 5 and forced him to the bank vault, escaping with \$90,000. But the escape was short-lived as the men were arrested three days later, thanks to the effective work of the Honolulu Police Dept. and the FBI. The men, all Caucasians, were Larry Brown, Chadwick Hotalon, Anthony St. John and Barry Boylston. The robbery was the biggest in Hawaii history. Authorization for a new Post Office building for Paha, Hawaii, has been announced by Rep. Patsy T. Mink, who has been advised that it will be three times the size of the present building. Rep. Spark Matsunaga says the southernmost community in the U.S. is Naelehu, Hawaii, and not Key West, Fla., as Key West tour guides are saying. Matsunaga believes in keeping the records straight.

Accidental death
John E. Tengan, 17, son of the Harold Tengans of Kaela-keku on the Big Island, died of an apparent head injury after a fall at his home Feb. 20. He was a senior at Kona Waena High School. Mrs. You Goo Ho, 87, mother of financier Chinn Ho, died Mar. 5 at her home at 1050 12th Ave., Kaimuki. She was the widow of Ti Yuen Ho, a Honolulu merchant. Chinn Ho is chairman of the board of Honolulu Star-Bulletin. Mayor Neal S. Blaisdell and City Council Chairman Herman Lemke represented Honolulu at the Japan funeral Mar. 9, funeral of former Mayor Shinro Hamai of Hiroshima. Hamai helped establish the Honolulu-Hiroshima sister city relationship and visited Honolulu a number of times.

Pro Football
Honolulu has been tentatively awarded a franchise in the Continental Professional Football League, but to make it a firm commitment, local interests, headed by Bill Pacheco, will have to raise a performance bond of \$175,000. "There will be 20 teams in operation in 1968," Pacheco said, "and by 1969 we, along with Phoenix, hope to become the expansion teams." Pacific Division of the league includes San Jose, Eugene, Anaheim, Seattle, Vancouver and Tacoma.

U.H. med school
A federal grant of \$52,000 to the Univ. of Hawaii school of medicine for improvement of its educational program has been approved by the U.S. Public Health Service. Sen. Daniel K. Inouye has announced. Shirleyanne S. I. Hee, daughter of the Hau Hees, and Nan Togikawa, daughter of the Walter K. Togikawas, were among students included on the Dean's List for academic achievement at Connecticut College for Women.

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Aloha from Hawaii

By Richard Gims

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The Libue, Kaula, Hongwanji Mission dedicated its new \$150,000 multi-purpose building Feb. 24. . . Mayor Neal S. Blaisdell has appointed Ralph Yempuku as chairman of the City Pension Board. New appointees to the board are Francis Y. W. Kwok, George Rodriguez and Ainsley K. Mahikoa. . . Howard D. Hole has been named "Engineer of the Year" by the Hawaii Society of Professional Engineers. Recipients of one-year engineering scholarships at the Univ. of Hawaii, announced by the society, are Kenneth M. S. Mark, Kenneth T. Takemoto and David Harada.

Business personnel
Amfac Inc. announced that Hiro Idehara became assistant mechanical engineer in its plant division Mar. 1. . . Finance Factors has promoted Robert Yotanda to v.p. for Kaula. He manages the firm's branch there. . . Pesekeo Sugar Co. has named Jinsuke Miyashiro senior accountant. He has been cost accountant for Paeahau Sugar Co. . . Finance Factors has appointed Steven Kendo manager of its Wahiawa branch. He succeeds Edwin Tanaka, who has been transferred to the main office.

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THE SUNDAY PAPERS

It used to be that reading the Sunday papers was a relaxing pastime—flip through the grave supplement and comics, check out the sports scores, gaze at the huge ad layouts and read the front pages of the many sections that fatten a Sunday issue.

Like the "egg-head" type shows reserved for U.S. radio-television on Sundays, our Sunday papers now-days are catering to the more serious issues of the day—summarizing what happened during the week, calling upon special writers to comment on the issues of the day, and featuring significant topics in depth. One might conclude that Sunday papers, radio and television—the mass media of our times—are the cloisters of concepts for consideration . . . or the common man's classroom.

Take Sunday, March 10, for instance . . . Barbara Tuchman, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of "The Guns of August" on the beginnings of the first World War, offers a different view of the Vietnam war in a copyrighted Newsday feature.

"By now it seems an absolute that the President is unable to alter course; ergo, that the war will not terminate nor will we get out of it without a change of Administration . . . On Feb. 23, the Wall Street Journal, which is not committed to any position except one of hard-headed realism, acknowledged that 'the logic of the battlefield' could be 'forced out of an untenable position' and that this country should 'be prepared for the bitter taste of a defeat beyond America's power to prevent' . . . Now that someone has been bold enough to say it, the prospect need not be, outside the closed minds of the White House circle, unthinkable . . . It would mean humiliation (which might conceivably be good for us) but not disaster."

If negotiations fail or a UN cease-fire cannot be imposed in Vietnam, "another course is open"—that the U.S. could say our commitment to South Vietnam had been fulfilled "by giving all the support at our command in money, arms and the lives of our citizens, that we plan to withdraw at a given rate, say 50,000 a month, with the parting suggestion that their places be filled by those nations with more immediate interests in the area, for instance Japan, Australia, the Philippines, Indonesia, and whoever else is sufficiently concerned."

Sen. Henry Jackson (D-Wash.), member of the Senate Armed Forces Committee, writing for Newsday, presents another view in the debate over the Vietnam war. Asserting that "emotional outbursts are not policies . . . no substantial or respected body of American opinion advocates retreat from Vietnam or abandonment of Asia. The North Vietnamese—and the Chinese and Russians, too—should not misled by our free debate . . ."

Now a systems analyst in California, former deputy director of Canadian Navy intelligence William H. Willson argues the probability of resorting to nuclear weapons is now at its highest point: between 10 and 40%. He sees the "pressure of population" as the overriding factor that makes conflict a certainty in human events. In the current 20th century, population has increased by a greater amount than the total of the previous 19 centuries.

On the adjoining page was a chart on world population, noting that there were about billion people in 1900 and that the count would be over 6 billion in year 2000. (Guess the business to get into is farming or fertilizer to help to help meet the food problem.) This week also marked the fourth anniversary of the arrival of U.S. combat troops in South Vietnam and there appears a round-up of setbacks and casualties. It was also the week Sen. Fulbright had his hearings televised, demanding Mr. Johnson consult Congress before proceeding with any further escalation of the war.

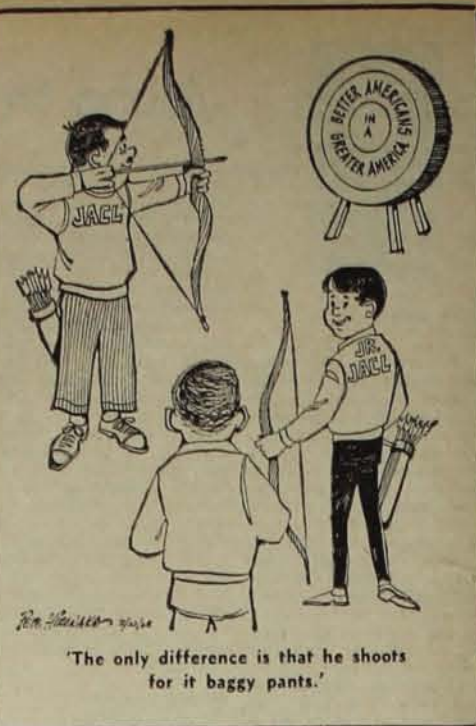
There were many observations in the wake of the report of the President's Commission on Civil Disorders. Commission member Rep. James Corman (D-Calif.) writing in the Los Angeles Times cites four factors ("ifs") that would insure a peaceful summer this year: 1—Immediate implementation of the majority of the proposals (the Senate breaking the filibuster against its open housing bill was a good start, he notes); 2—Creating meaningful dialogue between the black and white communities; 3—Encouraging greater participation of people in rebuilding and revitalizing the ghetto (Jerry Enomoto's "Perspective" this week treats on this matter with Green Power Foundation, and we're reprinting the coupon below); 4—The white American demonstrating understanding and concern and Negro American responding with cooperation and responsibility.

The Sunday paper also looked at the high cost of public welfare, the loneliness of the Presidency, the New Hampshire primaries, the gold crisis and disturbances in the Chicago and Los Angeles schools. The Sunday paper is no picnic of paradisiac platitudes. Sunday has been ordained as a day of prayer. Perhaps the tone of the Sunday papers today will bring man down to his knees.

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Acceptance

Mr. Matsui goes on to criticize us for feeling a certain pride over our acceptance by the "WASP community". He evidently doesn't know, or has forgotten, that this accomplishment—yes, Accomplishment—was won through a lot of sweat and tears and sacrifice on the part of our parents and grandparents. It takes guts for a man and wife to agree, after years of hardship, to continue to live in near-poverty so that their kids could get an education. This, so that we could take our place in the "WASP community" as he calls it, and do our bit for the country that he lives in and benefits from.

It is because our parents and grandparents were busy doing quiet, important, worthwhile things instead of screaming and burning and demonstrating that we are today accepted by American society, yet able to maintain our Japanese identity.

I disagree with Mr. Matsui. I think the Japanese American should continue to obey the law while withholding sympathy and support from those who don't. At no time yet has it become absolutely necessary for a person in America to engage in activities that would invite, "beatings, jail, ostracism and even death . . ."

I think the Japanese American should continue to recognize the importance of education, and continue to excel in their occupations and professions in the way that has become characteristic of them. Only in this way will others listen when the Japanese American has something to say, for this society respects intelligence, industriousness, and responsibility. This is the way it should be.

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things and—correctly or not—I do consider myself a "responsible" individual. My reasons can be the stock arguments including: if Ho does want to end the war, let him and his troops draw back to the 17th parallel, back to North Vietnam, the Viet Cong and the communists are guilty of the grossest atrocities, against their own people no less; also let the communists stop their invasions into neighboring Laos, Cambodia and Thailand if indeed they desire peace. And if Ho thinks he can wear the United States down, if he thinks we Americans are soft and lack determination, lack patience, lack guts—then he's going to find out different, here and now. Before it's too late.

A DOUBTING PAUSE

And yet I am troubled, deeply troubled, notwithstanding my "make-giral" instincts. I am troubled by the voices, the reasonings, the judgments of many of my closest associates as well as others whom I highly respect: Senators J. William Fulbright, Wayne Morse, Mike Mansfield, Sherman Cooper, Clifford Case, Eugene McCarthy. Moreover I am also troubled with the more-and-more evident resulting repercussions of moral decline of my country and society, within as well as without. If Ho and his group engage in atrocities and pursue reprehensible plots, I do not wish to see my proud country dragged down to their level. And to the extent that I dislike having such people, such ideology in effect "call the tune" for my country's activities, this too is part of this "make-giral" make-up.

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Also beyond the moral considerations of this conflagration, I am very troubled by the seeming lack of moral stamina and absence of any discernible determination on the part of the South Vietnamese to establish a reasonably uncorrupt, stable, united government—let alone a free society. And since we're already in Vietnam, we may have an obligation to provide full opportunity for peoples to establish their own free society unhampered by threats and violence, but we cannot—no one can—instill a sense of morality in leaders who are so debased and so bent on dastardly corruption at the expense, suffering and lives of their own people. And this really grates an aspect of this

And since the attitudes of most Americans toward Japan have been improving with each passing year since 1946, the article asked how can we be so sure that we've made it on our own? Have we in fact "made it"—or have we won only conditional acceptance depending on the continued good relationship between the U.S. and Japan? If we were wrong on this point, could we be wrong on others? Hopefully, the readers asked these same questions.

Unfortunately, this did not happen. Not in the least.

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Expensive Business—Politics

By Henry Kanegae, Nat'l 3rd Vice-President

Newport Beach
 Jeffrey Matsui's Sounding Board item (PC, Feb. 23), "Nisei Politicians", really hit the nail on the head. Now is the time for a real close look into this area. It is interesting to note our cousins in the South American countries are very much involved in all phases of their nation's mainstream. Naturally strong in agriculture, they are also participating actively in business, finance, laws, courts, government, military and politics. Overall, they are way ahead of us.

Politics is an expensive occupation, something we Nisei can not readily afford. Yet it could be different now. We should become more active politically not only locally but state and nation-wide.

CIVIL RIGHTS

Findings of the President's Commission on Civil Disorder that past riots in the United States were due basically to racism was no great surprise. Let us hope this report will awaken the people to cold reality that faces us. It is unfortunate this report's proposal got no further than to recommend a more extensive application of policies and program that have proven ineffective in the past.

It is evident appeals to compassion of man alone will not change this situation. New policies must be adopted that will eliminate or at least reduce the arbitrary power some have over others.

In other words, security is the basic thing. Security of economy, security of homes, and security in knowledge that education is readily available to those who desire it. It is in this area, the JACL and we individually could actively become involved.

It is heartening to see private business and other non-governmental organizations seriously endeavor to ease these critical pressures. The nation's business leaders are becoming more and more aware of the great potential resource within the ghettos.

Not only from manpower there untapped but also from business potentials to be generated. This is a start in the right direction. It is encouraging when even the building trade unions have promised to open their apprenticeship programs to the disadvantaged youths.

Even though the President's Commission prediction that our society is drifting apart to two separate and unequal societies is gloomy, there is hope in that the private sectors of our society are willing to invest time and money to stop this drift. In spite of the defeat of Charles Evers in the Mississippi congressional race, the fact more Negroes are voting is a very heartening sight.

If we do succumb to the philosophies of both the white and black racists, we surely shall have a separated society.

Enomoto--

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was a "grand stand play", so what, maybe JACL needs a needle once in a while to get its attention.

Anyway, you don't need a bundle to become a little more than a spectator. For example, \$10 to the Green Power Foundation Inc., will be a start. It will ultimately need several millions to fulfill its plans, but that's another page on the story.

BLUEPRINT

A very simple program proposal for the PSWDYC, authored by Jim Hamano, impressed me as indicative of something we badly need in JACL. It is in the March 15 PC "Youth Page." There is nothing magical or profound in the proposal, in fact there's probably nothing there that's original.

In the midst of the cries of "what are we supposed to be doing?" The important things is that somebody put down in big black letters some specific suggestions of what can be done. It's something that the adults can take a page from. If we don't have a blueprint, new programs will be tougher to develop, at a time when we can't afford not to develop them.

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"make-giral" concept of mine.

PERSPECTIVE

In an effort to seek to resolve this cross-current of confusion on my part, which no doubt not a few of you share, I've launched into a reading program on the entire Vietnam situation: the beginnings, how we got there, how it developed, and why we are where we are.

Perhaps, only perhaps, in some future "East Wind" column I may be able to share with you my findings, and conclusions if any.

We must not let this come about, it is my sincere belief, we JACLers, as an organization and individual can take a meaningful part in this effort to keep America united in spirit.

REORGANIZATION

Being the Third National Vice President has been somewhat of a frustrating experience. Under the proposed reorganization plans various functions of National Board Officers will be more clearly defined. This will remedy the situation as it stands now, so those who serve will know clearly their area of responsibility as vice president.

CONFAB CORRAL: Phil Matsumura



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25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, Mar. 25, 1943

Secretary of War Stimson reports "more than 1,000" Nisei volunteer from WRA centers for Army combat team . . . JACL files brief in Oshiro evacuee property test case in Los Angeles (judge had ruled lease of Li'l Tokio hotel enforceable to its term by owner against Oshiro despite the Evacuation) . . . Poston WRA Camp official reports 233 Nisei volunteer for combat duty.

Great opposition developing against Oregon senate move to deport Nisei . . . WRA launches drive for jobs outside center . . . Utah-Idaho sugar beet growers look to WRA centers for labor . . . WRA opens new Salt Lake employment office . . . Mine Okubo sketch of Topaz camp life accepted for San Francisco Art Museum exhibit . . . Jewish Peace Fellowship in Los Angeles opposes Sen. Chandler bill to return WRA centers to military.

WRA report discloses only 150 pieces of machinery unused on west coast farms; all others sold or leased for farm use . . . 2,199 alien Japanese interned among 4,163 arrested since Pearl Harbor, reports Attorney General Biddle . . . "Volunteer for Victory" group formed at Topaz WRA Center, nucleus for combat team enlistees . . . New meat rationing schedule effective Mar. 29, will allow 2 lbs. a week . . . Dorothea Kahn tells of problems faced by WRA in relocating evacuees in front-page Christian Science Monitor feature.

Paramount newsreel clips of "Nisei training for combat duty at Camp Shelby" applauded by theater audiences . . . Mutual network commentator Arthur Hale repeats misleading claims against Nisei holding back evacuee machinery.

Nisei U.S.A.: The un-American Legion.

Editorials: "Notes of Segregation" (asks Senate subcommittee investigating relocation centers to establish method of determining the

BY THE BOARD The Pressing JACL Issue

By Henry Tanaka, Midwest District Governor

(From the Midwest Memo)
 Cleveland
 The Midwest District Council held its second cabinet meeting on Feb. 4 at Detroit. Suffice to say, the meeting was well attended and convinced us of the need to meet as frequently as possible. It was particularly helpful to be able to meet with the Detroit group planning the MDC pre-convention rally May 31-June 1.

We will continue to work diligently to strengthen our youth programs and develop a leadership training program. But the current and pressing issue of human relations is of great concern to us, as well.

Questions Raised

Some of the questions I've heard are: "If we take the first official step into human relations, don't we have to go all the way?" "How can I be sure we don't become affiliated with demonstrations and other acts which the membership disapprove?" "Do we have the right to act on behalf of our chapter membership?"

Our chapters as an organization have moved cautiously in human rights endeavors. Yet, individual members continue to voice much concern. Perhaps the successful experience of Chicago JACL Human Relations Committee will serve as a prototype. It has effectively demonstrated the simple but little understood logic that meaningful action must be preceded by intimate knowledge of the problems. The committee's strong educational campaign led to its active membership in Chicago's Joint Action Board (JAB) where far more effective and meaningful communication is now possible with other interested organizations.

Milwaukee Chapter is contemplating the establishment of a human relations committee, patterned after the Chicago group. The chapter is also planning to request representation on Mayor Meier's Human Relations Committee. You may recall in November, 1967, the Milwaukee Chapter sent a resolution to its Mayor, "expressing strong support for the enactment of an ordinance by the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee guaranteeing the right of all citizens in our community to buy rent, or lease property without fear of discrimination because of their race, creed or national origin."

Local Support

Does your city have a fair housing ordinance? Did your chapter support the enactment of the ordinance? What about fair employment practices in your city? Finally, you will be interested in knowing that the Midwest District Council offered its assistance to John L. McKnight, Director, Midwest Field Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. We sent him a copy of the guidelines for chapter involvement prepared by our National JACL Civil Rights Committee. Miss Lillian Kimura continues as our district representative on the National Committee.

BOOK SHELF:

Recent Issue from Tuttle

This being the season to harness the winds with a kite, David F. Jue (who spent many years in Fresno) of Palo Alto not only relates the history but offers 10 designs of CHINESE KITES: How to Make and Fly Them (Tuttle: \$2.95). In old China, the first 10 days of September were ideal for the annual kite festival. The folk art of kite-making goes back to era of primitive religions before Christ. Interest in kites will certainly soar with a Chinese-style specimen.

disloyal); "Hawaii and Evacuation" (notes strong opposition to Balch Plan to evacuate Japanese from Hawaii raised by Chinese and Filipino Americans in the Islands); "Hawaii Uses the Nisei" (Star-Bulletin defends use of Nisei workers on vital projects in Hawaii).

1st U.S. street cars

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