

THE AGENDA

Spent a long few hours with our National Director, Treasurer, and Convention Chairman on July 27, going over National Board and Council agenda items. We decided to kick off the Board meeting on Monday evening, Aug. 19 instead of Aug. 20, as originally planned, in order to do justice to the business.

The NC-WNDC business session the following day (July 28) was marked by the submission of a resolution calling upon the National JACL to consider a campaign to repeal the "detention camps" section of Title II of the 1950 Internal Security Act.

The well-prepared resolution reflected the direct work of Berkeley JACler Ray Okamura, and was backed by the Oakland, Contra Costa, Berkeley and San Francisco Chapters. It was approved after some discussion.

Again, I saw the initiative and concern of these chapters in bringing this matter up, as being healthy. True, the resolution will need study and further action by the National Council, in order to be implemented. However, if issues are not introduced, ours will soon become a static, instead of dynamic, organization.

Another resolution authored by our National Cultural Heritage Chairman, Haruo Ishimaru, calls upon National JACL to be concerned with all facets of Japan-America relationships, in the light of what JACL might uniquely contribute, to help maintain the present era of good will between the land of our parents and the U.S. It is hoped that some of the specifics of this will be formulated for discussion at San Jose.

A very positive progress report on the District pilot tutorial program in San Jose was given by Chairman Jim Ono. Further, the balance of unspent funds, appropriated by the District, was approved for expenditure by the District, one of several co-sponsors of another tutorial project, emanating from the Buchanan St. YM-CA, which is run by Yori Wada. It seems that the S.F. JACL is participating in yet another project connected with the Columbus Park Boys Club.

These are bright signs, and we feel that the District, and Chapters like San Francisco, are to be congratulated. At the same time, it is well to listen to those who caution against putting all our eggs in one basket, and slowing down our overall "Human/Civil Rights" ball before it even gets rolling; i.e. let's not get hung up on tutorial programs alone.

TO CARE OR NOT TO CARE

A lot of Americans get killed by guns every day. Many are the victims of sudden rage, some of accidents, others of criminals. These deaths happen because some existing laws are not enforced. They also happen because laws are inadequate. They will also happen whether there are laws or no laws, they may however be lessened a little by stronger laws.

I am an American, and a JACler who believes that we do not have adequate safeguards against the indiscriminate sale and transfer of guns, particularly handguns. If we can license and register cars we can do the same with guns. Many Americans who loudly declare themselves in support of our police, curiously ignore the overwhelming police opinion in favor of stronger gun control.

I fail to see the merit of tiresome cliches like the "constitutional right to bear arms". We are not living in hostile Indian country in the early West, nor are we fighting a revolution. I hope we have not come to the point where we feel we need a gun to protect ourselves, because we have no faith in our law enforcement agencies.

I see no merit in the arguments that registration will make it easier for the government to confiscate guns, and render us powerless against a presumed Communist takeover. Neither licensing nor registration prevents me from enjoying hunting if I want to hunt.

While visiting the IDC recently, I got into a friendly argument with some JAClers on this issue. A practical objection was the possible high cost of registering or licensing, particularly if a man had many guns. At least this objection is realistic. There was a feeling expressed that the concern for control was understandable, but that people in the less populated areas of the Far West may perhaps have less appreciation of, or patience with, what they perceive as infringement upon individual rights.

In answer to a letter I received on this issue, let me conclude by saying this. The

UNIFORM MEMBERSHIP DUES TO BE PROPOSED BY TWO DISTRICTS

PSWDC Plan Allows Chapters to Keep One-Third, EDC Suggests Dues Not Be Part of Constitution

(Special to Pacific Citizen) SAN FRANCISCO — A few JACL chapters in the organization have \$5 membership dues, forwarding the entire amount which is National's portion, while the majority have dues pegged at \$7 single and \$12 couple to retain \$2 for local fees.

But in some cases, because of heavy district assessments and local program, chapters have membership dues scaled at \$10 single and \$15 couple.

A Pacific Southwest District proposal calls for the \$10 single - \$15 couple rate to be uniform throughout all 91 chapters. It also provides all chapters retain one-third of the amount collected for its own treasury and that this ratio be maintained if future increases are warranted.

The PSW proposal further asks for increasing 1000 Club dues from \$25 to \$30—the first increase since its inception, and that rebates be discontinued.

EDC Proposal

The Eastern District Council, first to call for uniform dues several bienniums ago, recommends, if feasible, National Headquarters then be responsible for securing and renewing all memberships except for such new members as obtained by the chapters.

EDC offers no specific uniform dues amount but suggests that the National Council determine the rate without the formality of amending the by-laws where assessments for active membership are stipulated. The National Council would also determine the fraction of membership dues being retained by the chapter.

While calling for elimination of the so-called quota and rebate system, the EDC allows that if quotas and rebate are retained that all district councils be required to meet in full their respective quota allocations before any chapter in a district council may be authorized a rebate.

Legislative Issues

(Because this report of the National Legislative Committee was first ready for distribution to JACL chapters and districts prior to July 1, it is being published in this week's Pacific Citizen by its chairman in his regular column space.)

By HAROLD GORDON

Chicago Press of vital office matters coinciding with the JACL Convention dates makes it impossible for the chairman of the National Legislative Committee to present this report in person. Accordingly, he has

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requested that it be presented by the chairman of the National Legal Committee.

Civil Rights

(a) Legislation Many worthy civil rights bills were introduced in this session of Congress and failed of passage, including the so-called Civil Rights Protection Bill, which would have protected persons exercising their constitutional civil rights against injuries or intimidation.

The only civil rights bill of any consequence to become law was the Civil Rights Act of 1968, which is considered a milestone, not only because it was one that was not impossible of enactment, but because of its extensive fair-housing provisions.

(b) Expansion of National Legislative and Grass-Roots Objectives

While JACL through the years has fought for civil rights legislation affecting persons of Japanese ancestry and (as an active member of the National Leadership Conference on Civil Rights) legislation affecting all minority groups, there is a growing consensus within the organization, particularly among its younger members, that the time has come to expand this role considerably, both at the grass-roots chapter level and nationally, to encompass legislative objectives involving the larger community, with particular attention to social

RESOLUTION

Because of the critical situation today in urban areas where many of the JACL chapters are located, and in view of the fact that we are, ourselves, a visible minority, it is imperative that the Midwest District Council actively reaffirm the National JACL Statement on Civil Rights.

WHEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT all JACL chapters in the MDC accept the challenge of human rights as their main objective for 1968, and forthwith establish human rights committees;

THAT budgetary support be allocated immediately to facilitate implementation of human rights activities on the chapter level;

THAT these committees be in constant communication with the MDC Program and Activities Chairman and submit formal progress reports annually;

THAT the National JACL also make Human Rights activities a requirement for all its chapters and insist on immediate implementation.

EDC also calls upon the National Council to define the amount to the following suggested classifications of memberships:

(1) Regular, (2) Junior, (3) Associate, (4) Thousand Club, (5) Corporate or Business, (6) Special.

PSWDC Reasons

The PSWDC, in substantiating its first proposal for uniform dues, reasoned that the strength of National JACL is directly proportional to the strength of its chapters; that chapter programs do cost money; that the chapter share of the membership is disproportionately low; and that operating costs are mounting both at National and at chapter levels.

PSWDC also found that chapters in metropolitan areas are reluctant to raise the chapter portion of the dues—since some members are willing to "shop" around for the best rate in order to qualify for JACL membership services.

Statistics in support of the PSWDC proposal are based upon memberships broken down as follows:

10,000 Singles; 5,000 Couples; 1,700 Thousand Club. Under the current rate structure, National would receive \$135,000 while chapters share a \$37,000 amount. Under the proposed rate, the National is entitled to \$145,000 and the Chapters \$72,500.

With PSWDC interest in uniform dues, the National Council when it convenes at San Jose Aug. 21-24 is expected to study this proposal with more than casual interest.

Membership Kit

To assist in the matter of membership renewals, the JACL this year provided special material free to the chapters for their use. James Kasahara, national membership chairman, will report that only 43 out of 90 chapters took advantage of the offer.

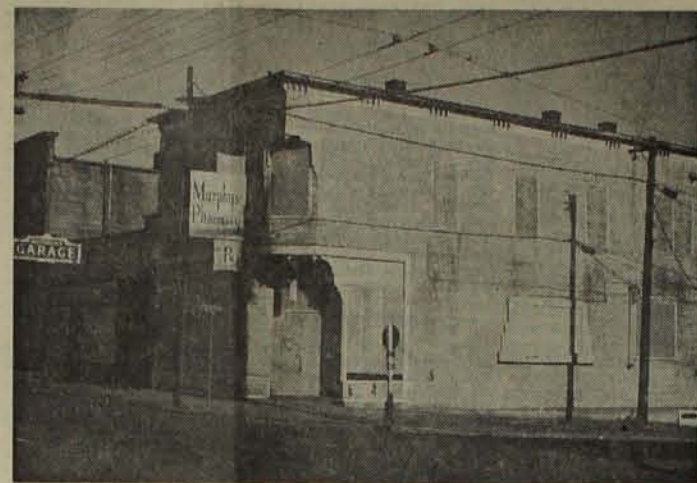
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SEATTLE SCENE—Murphy's Drug, owned by Murphy Yutaka Fujikado at 2601 S. Jackson St., was among some 15 Nisei businesses subjected to window-smashing, looting and fire-bombs on the night of July 18 in Seattle's racially explosive central area. The store was open this past week, "but for inventory". Some of the Nisei store owners have met at the JACL Office with Phil Hayasaka, director of Seattle Human Relations Commission. — Elmer Ogawa Photo.

Nisei civil rights commitment to be Convention opener topic

SAN JOSE—National JACL's effort to motivate and activate its chapters and members to meaningfully contribute to the possible resolution of the civil rights crisis is the main agenda of the opening session of the 20th Biennial JACL convention here at McCabe Hall on Wednesday, Aug. 21.

A panel of "working" experts representing most of the minority groups involved in the current struggle to help the disadvantaged will examine what may be done specifically on chapter and community levels in the panel discussion starting at 2:30 p.m.

In order to promote the fullest possible participation, the session will be divided into six "no-holds-barred" group buzz sessions, according to K. Patrick Okura of Omaha, national civil rights chairman, in charge of the program.

Meeting will be attended by both adult and junior delegates and will be concluded by 5:30.

Panelists Named

Named this week to the panel were Dr. Price Cobbs, black psychiatrist, of San Francisco as moderator; Joe Maldonado, executive director of the Los Angeles Economic Opportunity Agency; Phil Hayasaka, director, Seattle Human Relations Commission; and Fred Hoshiyama, associate executive, Pacific Southwest Area Council, YM-CA.

The tentative list of leaders, co-leaders, recorder and staff resource for the buzz sessions indicates persons in JACL and Jr. JACL already active in civil rights are being summoned.

Leaders—Frank Chuman, Henry Tanaka, James Ono, Grace Uehara, Roy Nishikawa, Lillian Kimura, Min Yasui, Bill Marutani.

Co-Leaders—Phil Nakamura, Ron Nakayama, Ross Harano, Russ Obana, Raymond Uno, Mike Su-

zuki, Yori Wada. Recorders—Chiz Iiyama, Ruth Kumata, Ben Takehita, Ellen Endo, Mas Uesugi, Terry Yamada. Resource—Masao W. Satow, Jerry Enomoto, Mike Masaoka, Alan Kumamoto, Jeffrey Matsui, Yon Hotta, Pat Okura.

JACL as a national organization has been far more active in the field of civil rights and human relations in terms of congressional and federal government activities than have the local chapters and members, it was pointed out by Mike Masaoka, who predicted whatever is discussed and proposed may well color the rest of the four-day convention.

Jerry Enomoto, national

president, has said that no time will be wasted on explaining why those of Japanese ancestry should be interested and involved in civil rights.

As a climax to the convention will be the principal address by Whitney Young, executive director of the National Urban League, on the final day, Aug. 24, at the same McCabe Hall during the Recognition Banquet.

Complete information on Convention activities may be secured by writing Registration, Mrs. Jane Asanuma, 867 N. 7th St., San Jose 95112.

NAT'L JACL ADMINISTERS NEW PROGRAM: SEVEN QUALIFY FOR SUMITOMO'S \$500 COLLEGIATE SCHOLARSHIPS

LOS ANGELES—Seven college students have fulfilled the requirements for the newly initiated Collegiate Scholarship Program being offered by JACL, it was announced by National Youth Director Alan Kumamoto, scholarship program administrator. This initial scholarship program for college students are two \$500 awards of the Sumitomo Bank of California.

The bank has donated these awards to commemorate the 15th anniversary of its charter as a California bank.

The recipient must have been nominated by a local JACL chapter and must have completed at least one year of college work. Preference is given to candidates who are studying in the fields of banking, finance, business administration, economics, accounting, or international trade.

Eight chapters have nominated candidates for this pro-

gram, and since there was no limit to the number of nominees a chapter may select, some JACLs took advantage of it.

The Berkeley and Clovis chapters each selected three candidates, and the San Francisco JACL nominated two. Single entries were made by the Cortez, Long Beach-Harbor, Puyallup Valley, San Jose, and West Los Angeles chapters.

Seven collegians of the 13 nominees have fulfilled the requirements of application, and they have been named candidates of the Collegiate Scholarship. They are:

San Francisco—RICHARD HIRAYAMA, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom M. Hirayama, UC Berkeley, economics; and BARBARA TAM, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert B. Tam, UC Berkeley, history. Cortez—BRUCE NODA, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Noda, UC Davis, mathematical-statistics. Puyallup Valley—JANICE OSAKA, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom S. Osaka, Whitman College, mathematics-economics. Long Beach-Harbor—STUART TAKEUCHI, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Takeuchi, Occidental College, political science. San Jose—KENNETH TANAKA, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hideo Tanaka, (Mountain View), Stanford, economics and Japanese. West Los Angeles—REED UEDA, son of Mr. and Mrs. Goro Ueda, UCLA, history.

MDC Civil Rights Stand

EDITORIAL

The MDC Human Relations report for May 1968 is a sad commentary on the MDC JACLers and their civil rights posture. In the MDC, Chicago is the only one of eight chapters that has taken any strides towards meaningful human relations activities.

Despite the inspiring leadership of our National and Midwest leaders, despite our personal experiences with second class citizenship, and despite our advantages of education, economic prosperity, and heritage, we act puzzled, helpless and fearful.

Although we repeatedly state that we are for full citizenship rights for all Americans, we resist positive action.

Can this be due to that fact that Americans of Japanese ancestry, including the recent Japanese immigrants, are guilty of racism? If we explore our heritage in an open manner, we must admit that racism was part of our upbringing.

If our problem is bigotry we must face up to it. The responsibility of the JACL is to get all of us to confront ourselves and each other with this fact.

Our glowing thoughts about our acting as a bridge between black and white because we are not white and yet not

"colored" so far has been fanciful and meaningless.

The black power advocates are painfully correct in sensing that even their liberal white colleagues are still guilty of white racism but concealed as a form of paternalism. We conceal ours only in excuse of identity that we too are a minority and therefore on their side, but are we?

Each chapter must insist that its membership participate in open, intelligent discussion, for only in airing our fears and prejudices can we overcome our bigotry and open our eyes as to what is right. This will restore to the JACL membership its much needed sense of direction and purpose.

We are too late perhaps, but we must try again to fulfill a role for which we are uniquely endowed by our heritage, our experience, and our talents.

Human rights as a mission is a noble dedication. The required courage, tenacity, faith, and intelligence were, not long ago, put to a rigid test and not found wanting in the Nisei. But then we were only defensively reacting to a situation which directly threatened us.

Have we not the perspective and wisdom to take action against those problems which threaten the very fibers of our American identity?

Textbook error veiwed deliberate

SAN FRANCISCO—"California Government and Politics", a college textbook published by Prentice-Hall, declares the Evacuation was ruled by the U.S. Supreme Court to be "illegal".

This unsubstantiated sentence was regarded by Edison Uno, active JACler and civic leader here, as a "deliberate and intentional scheme to absolve, vindicate and whitewash an ugly fact of history as ugly as the racism that was rampant in the spring of 1942 in California".

Thus it was on July 29 Uno fired off a harsh protest to the publishers with copies going to the co-authors, Winston W. Crouch and John C. Bolens, both at UCLA; Stanley Scott, UC Berkeley Institute of Governmental Studies; and Dean E. McHenry, chancellor, UC Santa Cruz.

Checking the 4th Edition, 1967, Uno noted Evacuation of all persons of Japanese ancestry from the West Coast was mentioned by the authors for the first time in the chapter on "Constitutional Government" under subtitle: "Keeping the Domestic Law and Order".

Big Error

The offending sentence appears on pages 45-46:

Although the national government stationed armed forces in the state as part of the national defense, it may use them against the people or government of this state only on very special occasions: in time of insurrection or threatened invasion, or at the request of state authorities, to help keep the peace. . . . The army was used in California in 1941, without local request, to prevent strikers from interfering with airplane production in time of war. In the same year, the army insisted that everyone of Japanese ancestry, whether American citizens or not, be moved from the Pacific Coast, because the United States was at war with Japan. The Supreme Court ruled later that this action was illegal, and many persons who were moved were paid for the wrongs done them.

Prentice-Hall was urged to remove all copies in stock from circulation. "It is incomprehensible that a reputable publishing firm such as Prentice-Hall would put in wide circulation a textbook for college students and future leaders in California containing such inaccurate and erroneous statements", Uno declared.

'Not Inadvertence'

"I cannot believe this was an inadvertence by such a distinguished and authoritative panel of authors who are all scholars and experts in the fields of government, politics and social sciences.

"My disbelief is compounded by the fact that all of the authors are affiliated with the Univ. of California, which has the most comprehensive library on this subject".

Uno was referring to the Bancroft Library at Berkeley, which has War Relocation Authority papers and related documents.

The U.S. Supreme Court in 1944 upheld the constitutionality of the Evacuation in the Korematsu vs. U.S. "Persons who were moved were paid for the wrongs done them" (citing the textbook), but of the 110,000 evacuees, some 26,000 claimed for losses and were paid some \$38 million through the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco conservatively estimated losses in the excess of \$400 millions.

"Comparing the facts with fiction", Uno charged, "I can only reasonably conclude that this distortion of the facts is a deliberate and intentional scheme to absolve, vindicate and whitewash an ugly fact of history. . . ."

Deserves Deeper Discussion Uno also felt the subject of Evacuation deserves more than five casual lines.

No mention of the denial of all constitutional rights of U.S. citizens is made, Uno pointed out. No mention of their loyalty, no mention of the contributions of persons of

Japanese ancestry to the economy of the state; no mention of the valor on the battlefields in the service of America.

Uno also contends California history without the story of Evacuation is "a lie, fraud and insult to the knowledgeable and educated".

Since the textbook is widely used throughout California, the perpetuation of the error is "but reviving the insidious poison of Yellow Peril that plagued this country at the turn of the century", Uno said.

Disclosing that the scars of Evacuation still remain with Japanese Americans, "the stigma of this tragic mistake is magnified when we see examples of educators, historians and political scientists excluding or misrepresenting this event from widely used textbooks", Uno continued.

"We hope . . . you will take the necessary steps to correct the horrendous error that borders on criminal libel and devote a more honest, accurate and factual presentation of a deserving minority so that all Americans can appreciate and understand why Americans of Japanese ancestry strive so hard to become better Americans".

15,000 witness Japanese festival at Seattle Center

SEATTLE — An estimated 15,000 toured the Seattle Center July 12-14 to witness the first Japanese Cultural Festival, according to Joe Hamanaka writing in the NVC Newsletter.

The festival was staged to cultivate the Sansei mind, to tell the Issei-Nisei story and to expose socio-cultural arts and forms to the general public.

Dr. Minoru Masuda, general chairman, gave the undertaking its impetus as JACL, Nihonmachi groups and clubs assisted.

Hamanaka, however, was a critical of the setting — the Flag Plaza Pavilion at the Seattle Center, which lacked the folksy and warm casual atmosphere of a truly Japanese festival. "It was more 'show' than 'festival'", he added. "Ask an Issei: the kimochi is different going to the Buddhist Church festival and to the Seattle Center".

He suggested the Japanese festival "belongs" in Nihonmachi, where the sights and sounds of the community become a backdrop for the festival. He cited Nisei Week is mainly held in Little Tokyo and San Francisco is staging theirs in the new Japanese Cultural and Trade Center complex.

Hamanaka also praised the effort as a "step in the right direction", recognizing the news media gave it considerable publicity and a deeper awareness of things Japanese was cultivated.

"Cultures must be learned", he concluded. "You don't get it because you are of Japanese descent. Effort must be made to acquire it. And with it, in time, we Americans of Japanese ancestry will enrich the American culture".

JACL Deadlines

Aug. 16—JACL Convention pre-registration: \$35; after Aug. 10, convention package registration will be \$40. Refunds allowed if requested by Aug. 14. Mrs. Jane Asanuma, regis. chmn., 867 N. 7th St., San Jose 95112.

Sept. 15—JACL Graduate Scholarship nominations from chapters: send to Alan Kumamoto, JACL Office, 125 Weller St., Los Angeles 90012.

"Heritage for the Future"

20th Biennial National JACL Convention

AUG. 21-24, 1968—SAN JOSE

2 Weeks Remain Until Convention Time





By Mike Masaoka

## Washington Newsletter



### CONGRESS RECESSES

Last Friday, Aug. 2, the Second Session of the 90th Congress recessed until early September in order that its members might attend the Republican and Democratic national nominating conventions in Miami and Chicago, respectively. The GOP conclave began this past Monday, Aug. 5, in the Florida metropolis. The Democratic convention is scheduled in the Windy City to begin Monday, Aug. 26, the week following the 20th Biennial National JACL Convention in San Jose.

The Congress was unable to complete its business and adjourn sine die by last weekend. Several appropriations bills for fiscal 1969, which began last July 1, will go over until the Congress reconvenes, as will several other major bills. But the issue that may prevent the post-convention session from an early adjournment is the confirmation of Abe Fortas as the Chief Justice.

As with the post-convention sessions of 1948 and 1960, this forthcoming session is expected to be strictly a political one, inasmuch as a President, 35 Senators, and 435 Representatives are among those to be elected at the general elections on Nov. 5.

No one questions the legal and judicial ability of the Jewish associate justice who has already spent three years on the nation's highest tribunal. What is being questioned by some is his activist interpretation of the Supreme Court's role in determining the constitutionality of laws and administrative actions, especially in the area of civil rights, children's rights, and criminal rights. Others are questioning the propriety of his acknowledged personal friendship with President Johnson and his continuing function as an unofficial presidential confidant and adviser. Still others are questioning whether a lame duck Chief Executive should nominate a Chief Justice whose administration of the Supreme Court may continue for more than a decade beyond the term of the President who nominated him, particularly when a new Chief Executive is to be elected within a few months and would take office in mid-January next year.

Though not mentioned publicly is also the question of whether a jurist of the Jewish faith should be the Chief Justice.

The Senate Judiciary Committee, after several meetings on this appointment following unprecedented appearances by the nominee at public hearings, has not yet reported the nomination for Senate consideration. This is now expected after the Congress returns for its post-convention session early next month.

What appeared to be an almost routine confirmation when the nomination was made has now developed into perhaps the most controversial issue of this session. And Michigan's Republican Senator Robert Griffin is leading an increasing number of lawmakers who are threatening a filibuster to prevent the confirmation.

According to the estimates of Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield, there are probably enough votes to secure a majority for confirmation, but probably not the necessary two-thirds of those present and voting to invoke cloture and frustrate a filibuster.

So, the Majority Leader foresees a bitter post-convention session that could last until the end of the year.

On the other hand, House Speaker John McCormack, noting that the House could have adjourned by last weekend had the Senate been prepared to do the same, hopefully predicts the September session to be completed within a few weeks at most.

At the time of the recess, it was quite evident that the 90th Congress' record of legislative accomplishment will be a relatively unspectacular one, especially when contrasted to the unprecedented achievements of its predecessor 89th Congress.

Members of Congress, particularly the Representatives, who were elected two years ago have demonstrated considerable conservatism in following the leadership of President Johnson. Compared to the 89th Congress whose new members were elected when President Johnson won election in his own right in November 1964, the 90th has been an uninspired, questioning, and slow-acting body.

Perhaps its shining hour, as far as JACL and others advocating meaningful civil rights are concerned, was this spring when a congressional miracle occurred and a fair housing civil rights bill was enacted into law.

Last August (1967), the House approved by a three to one majority a stripped-down version of the Administration's proposed civil rights package after some anti-race amendments had been added and sent it to the Senate.

After various parliamentary maneuvers in the Senate, prior to adjournment, this legislation was made the pending business of that body when it reconvened in its Second Session this past January.

Through almost three months of desultory debate, with even Administration spokesmen and most legislators agreeing with the general newspaper analysis that no worthwhile civil rights bill would be passed this 1968 session, civil rights advocates fought on. And, against the warning of the Administration and of many of its congressional adherents, under the insistence of the National Leadership Conference on Civil Rights of which JACL is a charter member, an open housing section was introduced as an amendment to the pending legislation. It was a historic gamble that ultimately paid off.

Late in February, Republican Minority Leader Everett Dirksen of Illinois, as he had done in connection with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, belatedly agreed to join with civil rights advocates in drafting a compromise fair housing amendment, while he had previously opposed. Then, following three unsuccessful attempts to stop the Dixiecrat filibuster, on March 4, 1968, by a 65 to 32 margin, with only a single vote determining victory, the talkathon was stopped.

Seven days later, by a final 70 to 13 vote, a fair housing provision that after three stages would ban racial and religious discrimination in the sale and rental of 80% of the nation's homes and apartments by 1970 was passed by the Senate.

Subsequently, by avoiding a referral to a House-Senate Conference to reconcile differences in the House and Senate bills, the House accepted the Senate amendments and sent the measure to the White House for the presidential signature in mid-April.

Thus, a Congress with a most lack-luster record on so-called Great Society legislation will go down in history as the one that established fair and open housing as a government principle and policy.

## NEWS CAPSULES

### Government

A five-acre plot at Longmont, Colo., is being developed as a city park in memory of **Goroku Kanemoto**, pioneer Issei farmer who was killed in auto accident in 1935. The land was donated to the city by his sons Jim and George, developers of the Southmoor Park subdivision. Last winter the Kanemoto brothers also donated 10 acres to the St. Vrain Valley School District for a new school and a 3-acre site in the subdivision to the Episcopal Church.

Social worker since 1958, **Eddy Tanaka**, 34, of Torrance was elevated a division chief in the Los Angeles County Department of Social Services. He is the son of the Yeichi Tanakas of Walnut Grove. **Gerald Kobayashi**, 57, of Gardena, was named by L.A. County Supervisor Kenneth Hahn to the Design Control Board of the Marina del Rey, replacing Taul Watanabe who resigned. The board screens construction projects at the marina to assure conformity. Kobayashi is a past VFW Post 1961 commander.

Architect **George Muraki** was appointed to the Sacramento City Planning Commission advisory committee on architecture.

### Book

**James Michener's "The Modern Japanese Print"**

### — CALENDAR OF JACL EVENTS —

**Aug. 10 (Saturday)**  
Orange County — JACL installation dinner-dance, Ch. 4-12 House, 7 p.m.; Alan Kikumoto, speaker.

**Aug. 11 (Sunday)**  
Cincinnati — Picnic, St. Edmund's, 900 Chester Rd., 12 noon.

**Aug. 12 (Tuesday)**  
Pasadena — Bd. Mtg., Bob Miyamoto pres.

**Aug. 16 (Friday)**  
Sequoia — Baseball Night (Oakland vs. New York).

**Aug. 17 (Saturday)**  
Monterey — Jr. JACL car rally, beach party, dance; 10 a.m.-midnight.

**Aug. 19 (Monday)**  
Natl. JACL — Bd. Mtg., Hyatt House, San Jose, 7 p.m. (First Session).

**Aug. 21-Sept. 2**  
Cincinnati — Zoo Food & Home Show booth.

which sold for \$150 when it was first published in 1962, has been reissued by Charles Tuttle in a more modest format and available at \$5.

The Buddhist Church Federation of Los Angeles contributed \$500 to the UCLA Library for purchase of books and material on Japanese Buddhism. It was the 10th annual gift from the group, librarian Robert Vosper noted.

### Fine Arts

Photographs by Ben and Maureen Terashima of Salt Lake City and Paulo Takahashi of Fresno were selected for the 77th annual Professional Photographers of America exhibition at Chicago Aug. 4-9. Over 4,000 prints were judged, 900 accepted.

### Sister Cities

Fifteen Hi-Y youth from Nagoya were welcomed July 30 at a Los Angeles Sister City luncheon hosted by Police Chief Tom Reddin and City Councilman Marvin Braude. Among the greeters were Mrs. Toy Kanegae of West Los Angeles; Ken Nakagawa, Japanese Chamber president; and Al Hatate, Downtown L.A. JACL president.

### Entertainment

The "Tokyo Playmates" have concluded their Sahara-Tahoe circuit and opened for the summer at Honolulu Ilika's Hong Kong Junk. **Teddy Tanaka** (real last name, Chinen), Honolulu singer, performs with his wife Nancy and sister Kimi.

**Fulima Kansuma** and a troupe of 10, accompanied by Japanese Vice Consul Miyoko Iida of the Los Angeles office, presented five performances at the San Antonio

HemisFair the last week of June to SRO audiences at the International Theater. Presentation was sponsored by the Japanese trade organization (JETRO), Ambassador Takeo Shimoda was among those present.

**Shigeo Maeda**, member of Japan's Wagner Society who has returned from concerts in Tokyo and Osaka, entertains Fridays and Saturdays at Grandview Gardens in L.A.'s new Chinatown with singing host Mas Hamasu and songstress Nami Donals.

**Murakami - Wolf Film Inc.**, headed by Jimmy T. Murakami, entered into a TV development pact with Bing Crosby Productions, the first venture being a Crosby Christmas special combining live action and animation.

### Vital Statistics

**Mrs. Yasu Irumida Yamakawa**, 59, of New York, pre-war Los Angeles resident, died July 6. She had been sick for a year. Surviving are Ike, son, Curtis at Ft. Ord, brothers Jun (Japan) and Paul, sisters Lois Kiuchi and Helen Sano.

### Gov. Reagan seeks curb on log export to Japan

**SACRAMENTO**—Restrictions on the export of logs from federal lands, primarily to Japan, should quickly be extended to California to help curb unrestricted timber exports, according to Gov. Reagan.

He also proposed an extensive study of domestic and export timber needs and markets. He joins the governors of Idaho, Oregon and Montana in the plea to restrict log exports, the volume of which has alarmed some timber industrialists.

Rep. John Moss (D-Calif.) of Sacramento opposed efforts of other Northern California congressmen to clamp restrictions on log exports to Japan. He said tighter export ban would make it possible for some special interests "to keep to themselves resources which are public property."

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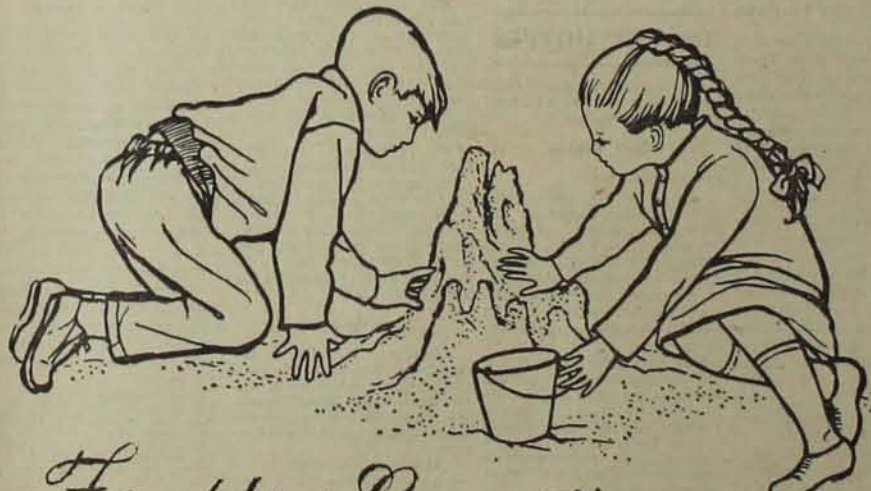


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By Bill Hosokawa

## From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

**HOW SWIFT THE TIMES**—Fellow I worked with in the newspaper business more than 20 years ago dropped in the other day to say howdy. He had been ambitious. And able. He left the newspaper game to go out and make a pile of money. So he went to New York and landed a big job in a high pressure business. He also got caught in the corporate scramble. He had to fight to keep on top. For six years he never had a weekend he could call his own. One day he figured a heart attack wasn't worth what he was getting out of the rat race. So before the coronary came, he quit. He found a quiet spot in a corner of the land he liked, went back to school and picked up another degree, and now he's teaching in a junior college.

He loves the life. He finds his students stimulating; they stimulate him more than he stimulates them, he says. Now he's looking forward to teaching until he's 70, which is five years beyond most compulsory retirement ages, because he's having so much fun. He asked if I'd ever considered teaching.

Well, yes, I had, but not very seriously. But what he said made the prospect inviting. I came home and there was a letter from our Mike, who has made teaching his career. He was telling about his new job in which he teaches one class on Mondays and Wednesdays, another class on Tuesdays and Thursdays starting at 11 a.m., and a third class for two hours on Thursday night. No classes on Friday, and all day off on Saturday and Sunday. And the pay isn't bad, either.

Retirement looms larger and larger on the horizons of an increasing number of Nisei these days. It's a depressing prospect, but there's nothing anyone can do to change the situation. But one can start preparing for that inevitable day, and the prospect of sharing through teaching the knowledge one has gained through years of experience begins to take on a larger appeal. Perhaps some day, when we get a little time, we'll try to do something about it.

**WHO'S WHO?**—Shoji Hattori, who runs things for the Toyota Motors people in the United States, sends me Toyota News, a lively house organ designed to keep dealers and others informed about how well their cars are selling. The latest issue carries a color photo, a pretty expensive item, of an all-Japanese girl bowling team sponsored by a Toyota dealer in Corpus Christi, Texas. The girls are wives of American military personnel stationed at Corpus Christi Naval Air Station. Their names are Chieko Boyer, Misao Wheeler, Peggy Anderson and Suzy Wendlandt, and you sure couldn't tell the national origin of the last two simply by looking at their names.

There was a time when Nisei editors could pick out Japanese war brides by their first names from a list of newly naturalized citizens, but that's becoming a less reliable business as increasing number of brides once named Yoshiko, Toshiko and Masako become just plain Marilyn, Carolyn and Gwendolyn.

**CHANGING THE LANDSCAPE**—Japan has been blamed for a lot of things in the Pacific Northwest, from catching illegal salmon to buying too many Douglas fir logs. Now they are in the center of what may develop into a major controversy. This has to do with a proposal to build a three-mile-long causeway out into a deep water channel near Vancouver, B.C., to expedite loading of giant Japanese freighters. They would carry, among other things, Canadian coal for Japanese industry contracted for recently in a \$650 million deal.

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**JR. JACL QUARTERS**—Relaxing in front of the San Jose State College dormitory, where Jr. JACL delegates will be housed during the National Convention Aug. 21-24, are (from left) Robin Eto, Convention Queen Carolyn Uchiyama and Alene Yamamoto. — Ernest Umemoto, Calado Photography Inc.



**CONVENTION HEADQUARTERS**—San Jose Hyatt House, as JACL Convention Headquarters, has reserved the Governor's House for National Council session Aug. 21-24. In front of the signpost are Alene Yamamoto, Convention Queen Carolyn Uchiyama and Robin Eto. — Ernest Umemoto

# Work & Play assured at San Jose JACL convention

## Hospitality galore for visiting Clerks at Hyatt House

By TOM TAKETA  
Convention Chairman

San Jose. As our eloquent Washington rep Mike Masaoka put it in his column (PC, July 19), this forthcoming 20th Biennial National JACL Convention in San Jose late August may well be one of the most critical and challenging of recent years. Are you, the delegates, ready to accept the issues and challenges facing the convention? The convention is ready for you to carry out your deliberations and hopefully come to meaningful conclusions to provide the basis for the "Heritage for the Future."

### Work

The possible "hot" issues with which the delegates must come to grips were covered by both President Jerry Enomoto (July 12 and Aug. 2 PC) and Washington Representative Mike Masaoka (above-mentioned PC column). I sincerely hope the delegates will read, study and come prepared to participate and contribute their thoughts and words of wisdom to these important deliberations.

### Play

The convention is being planned and programmed with the thought that "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy". In order to provide for the relaxation needs of the hard-working delegates, many social events are slated.

For starters, three hospitalities (free drinks) are programmed.

The first, sponsored by host 25-chapter NC-WN District Council, takes place Tuesday evening (Aug. 20)—the night before the convention. Since the first National Council Session will start at 8 a.m. Wednesday (Aug. 21), we encourage all delegates to check in at Hyatt House (Headquarters hotel), sometime Tuesday and enjoy the hospitality of the hosting district council. (Reminder: NC-WNDC Chapter delegates, don't forget to bring a bottle or two.)

The second, scheduled for Thursday night after the Outing, is being hosted by the gung-ho Chicago Chapter, promoting the 21st Biennial Confab in the Windy City in 1970. A large delegation headed by Chapter President Tak Tomiyama; Convention Chairman Hiro Mayeda; National 1000 Club Chairman Dr. Frank Sakamoto and wife Toei; past national presidents Shig Wakamatsu and Kumeo Yoshinari; "Chicago" JACL editor Karen Hanomoto; Chiye Tomihiro; Dave Yoshioka, Carl Higashigawa, "Miss Hawaii" Masako Inouye (youth advisor), Tak Ochiai and many others will invade San Jose. The Jr. JACL delegation will be led by the very talented orator, Karen Suzuki, who represents the MDC in the National Oratorical finals. Having had the privilege of experiencing the hospitality of these Chicagoans during my recent trip East, I can personally vouch for the promising evening of fun in store for delegates. (A belated, but nevertheless, a sincere thanks to the Chicagoans, especially to Dr. Frank and Toei Sakamoto, for the kind hospitality shown me during my recent sojourn.)

The third, on Friday evening (Aug. 23) is being sponsored by the Sacramento Chapter, boosting their bid for the 1976 convention. With "Wild" Bill Matsumoto engineering this social hour, you can be sure of a humdinger of a time. Speaking of a humdinger of a time, there's another one in store for the delegates attending the Whing Ding. Our National 1000 Club Chairman Dr. Frank promised he'll present the two legs at the Whing Ding if the 1000 Club membership reaches the 2000 mark on or before convention time. At last count, according to National Director Mas Sato we have over 1950 members now. There's only about 50 to go, so let's help Frank who has really been working hard to attain the 2,000 mark.

Every indication is that we'll make it, with one final push. (Convention spirit has

## DELEGATES OFFERED FREE TOUR OF SAN JOSE AREA

**SAN JOSE**—The two tours of San Jose and Santa Clara County being offered to JACL booster delegates and youth on Wednesday, Aug. 21, opening day of the convention, will be free, it was announced.

Morning tour starting at 9 will include historic Mission Santa Clara, beautiful Stanford University/Medical Center campus and return to Hotel Ste. Claire in time for the fashion show-luncheon. A two-hour afternoon tour from 2:30 will include visits of the Rosierian Egyptian Museum and the six-acre Japanese Friendship Garden.

Registration chairman Mrs. Jane Asanuma, 867 N. 7th St., San Jose 95112 should be notified as early as possible.

really been phenomenal here in San Jose. We've attained all time highs in both regular (171 as of August 1) and youth (17) club members (17 have signed up since May 1 thanks to Chairman Henry Yamate's efforts).

### Congressional Record

We are grateful to Mike Masaoka and Congressman Don Edwards for getting the write-up of the convention into the Congressional Record. Copies will be made available to convention delegates and to local members.

### Inagaki Testimonial

Another area in which we are grateful to Mike is his chairing of the National Testimonial for George J. Inagaki. He and members of the Venice-Culver Chapter (where George is a member), under the chairmanship of Frances Kitagawa, have programmed an outstanding testimonial fitting George, who has given so much to JACL and to the welfare of Nisei and Issei during the World War II years. Not only of the planning, but the carrying out of the testimonial at the convention (Friday noon, Aug. 23) will be in the hands of the Venice-Culver members. We are happy to have their participation.

### Regular Prices

The convention has been getting excellent coverage in the PC through the writings of convention publicity chairman Phil Matsumura and co-operation of our PC editor. In

## San Jose Convention Registration Fees

### BOOSTER EVENTS (Adult and Youth)

	Before Aug. 10	After Aug. 10
Fashion Show-Luncheon (Wed.)	\$ 5.00	\$ 6.50
City-County Tour (Wed.)	Free	Free
Fishing* (Thu. A.M.)	2.00	13.00
Bowling Tournament (Thu. A.M.)	11.00 (Youth)	3.00
Moonlite Bay Cruise (Thu. P.M.)	5.25 (Youth)	5.25
Golf Tournament (Fri. A.M.)	10.00 (+Lunch)	12.00
San Francisco Tour (Fri.)	3.00	4.00
1000 Club Whing Ding** (Fri. P.M.)	7.50 (+Dinner)	10.00
Bridge Tournament (Sat. A.M.)	2.50	3.50
Cinerama Theater (Sat. A.M.)	1.50 (Youth)	1.50
Winery Tour (Sat. P.M.)	1.50	2.00
Lawn Party Lunch (Sat.)	.50 (Youth)	1.00

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### REGISTRATION CHAIRMEN

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## REGULAR ADMISSION RATES FOR CONVENTION BOOSTER EVENTS SET

**SAN JOSE**—Anticipating sufficient pre-registrations to sponsor the 12 booster events scheduled for booster delegates (youth and adult) attending the National JACL Convention here Aug. 21-24, the Convention Board this past week announced regular admission rates for booster events.  
In the previous announcements about booster events, stress was placed on pre-registrations by Aug. 10 and no rates for those signing up after Aug. 10 were posted.  
"There is still time to make substantial savings by pre-registering," Dr. Tom Taketa, convention chairman, urged. Registrations must be sent to Mrs. Jane Asanuma, 867 N. 7th St., San Jose 95112.  
(The fee chart above includes the revision made on regular rates for booster events including the late addition of a youth booster event: the Moonlite Bay Cruise (\$5.25) after the Thursday outing.)

checking with Jane Asanuma, Registration Chairman, over 200 delegates and boosters have already signed up (as of July 30).

However, we found that while many had purchased Package Deals (Official Events), many had either forgotten or neglected to sign up for the Booster Events (such as Fashion Show Luncheon, Whing Ding, etc.), consequently, we have extended the deadline for pre-registration prices to Aug. 10.

After Aug. 10, the higher regular prices will prevail for all official as well as booster events, so please sign up now. If you don't have an ORDER FORM, just write to Jane Asanuma or to this writer, telling us what you wish re-

## LADIES WELCOME AT JACL CONFAB GOLF MEET

**SAN JOSE**—Lunch, green fees and prizes are included in the San Jose JACL Convention golf tournament fee schedule of \$10 (if pre-registered by Aug. 10; \$12 afterward), it was reminded, and ladies are welcome to participate.

There will be transportation available from the Hyatt House to the Silver Pines golf course at Newark from 6 a.m. Friday morning of convention week. First tee-off is 7 a.m. Registration must be sent to Mrs. Jane Asanuma, 867 N. 7th St., San Jose 95112.

## YOUTH TO CRUISE BAY BY MOONLIGHT (?)

**SAN JOSE**—Billed as Moonlite Bay Cruise, the Jr. JACLers at Convention here Aug. 21-24 will have no moon overhead while sailing from San Jose to San Francisco's Fisherman's Wharf Thursday night after the outing.

Youth will hold a hootenanny and dancing aboard, enjoy the sights and sounds of San Francisco Bay and be back by 1 a.m. Warm clothing has been advised.

## SEVEN ORATORS TO VIE IN FINALS AT WEDNESDAY NIGHT CEREMONIES

By SHIRLEY MATSUMURA

**SAN JOSE**—While my father is in Oregon on a buying trip for the nursery, I'll pitch in for him this week in his convention column.

Now that summer school is over, I can concentrate on the convention. I must admit, it's been quite hectic around our house, now only with the convention articles that have to get out, but also with Obon, part-time work, and getting ready to teach kindergarten in September. But somehow, I get the feeling it's going to get even more hectic around here before it calms down.

My main involvement with the convention is the National

## Late Changes

There has been a deluge of changes and additions to our convention schedule. The dance for the close of the Opening Mixer has been deleted from the program because of the time element. Wear rubber-soled shoes for the Mixer, since we will be utilizing the San Jose State Recreation Building.

Save your energy for the Youth Dance on Friday and the Sayonara Ball on Saturday. "Omiole" ("Memories"), a truly appropriate theme for our closing event, describes our Sayonara Ball.

Curfew for Saturday night only has been extended until 3 a.m. Dress for the dance will be Semi-Formal/Formal, with price being set at \$4 for pre-reg. and \$5.50 after pre-reg. The dance, open to the public, will feature two top bands, the Soundcasters and the Chicago Typewriter. Location of the hall has been changed from McCabe Hall to the Civic Auditorium; this will not pose a problem, for the Civic Auditorium and McCabe Hall are adjoining buildings.

The pre-registration August deadline has been extended to the 10th, giving you extra time to get your registration in. The booster events depend solely on the amount of people.

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Oratorical Contest. The contest will be held the first day of the convention, Aug. 21. As mentioned in other articles, it will be held in conjunction with the Opening Ceremonies which start at 7:00 at the Montgomery Theater (Civic Auditorium Complex).

This year there are seven contestants representing seven districts across the nation. The contestants are:  
Kathy Abe, Contra Costa Chapter, NC-WNDC; Richard Amano, Washington, D.C. Chapter, EDC; Sharon Fujiooka, Spokane Chapter, PNW-DC; Wayne Horiuchi, Salt Lake City Chapter, IDC; Gregory Iwataki, Progressive Westside, PSWDC; Karen Su-

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YOUTH SPEAKS:

NC-WN Hosting Committee

**BY BENNY MATSUURA**  
NC-WNDYC Chairman  
Santa Clara

Since Northern California Western Nevada JACL is the hosting district of our 2nd Biennial National Jr. JACL Convention, we felt it our responsibility to pitch in and lend a helping hand to San Jose in making it successful. Our contribution will be a very pleasant one because it contains some of the finer attractions of Northern California.

Our DYC has created a Hosting Committee which will assist San Jose convention committees in welcoming all our fellow Jr. JACLers to San Jose.

What a welcome it will be, for Hosting Committee Chairman will be the prettiest Japanese doll that ever stepped out of her glass doll case. Miss Linda Seki, our own NC-WN Queen, will be heading a committee which will include members of her court: Georgette Takeshita, Aeko Yoshikawa, Denise Amemiya, Lorraine Kitajima and Robin Eto. The committee members alone will provide a hearty welcome for you, however, there is much more planned.

"Tender loving care" will be the motto of this committee. We will try our best to promote an air of friendliness and closeness among all members of Jr. JACL at the convention.

One thing we will not tolerate is the separation of JACLers into cliques. We feel that the purpose of this convention is not a vacation which you are attending with your fellow DYCs, but a vacation which you are attending with your fellow Jr. JACLers to make new friends and better yourself by being able to exchange varied opinions with delegates from different areas.

Our Hosting Committee will be working in conjunction with San Jose. We do not plan to have any separate activity, but you can be assured that Linda and her "tender loving care" group will always be around to assist you.

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When making your journey to San Jose, remember that "tender loving care" will be awaiting you, so come prepared to utilize it, and most important of all, let's all have the best National Convention yet. I'll be looking forward to seeing all of you in just a few weeks.

Oratorical —

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zuki, Chicago Chapter, MDC; Charles Takahashi, Clovis Chapter, CCDC.

The contestants will be judged by a distinguished panel of five judges who will be announced the evening of the contest.

The winner of the contest will receive a \$300 U.S. Savings Bond and have his name and chapter engraved on the Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa Perpetual Trophy. The second place winner will be awarded a \$150 U.S. Savings Bond and a plaque by the National JACL. The third place winner will receive a \$75 U.S. Savings Bond and a plaque by the National JACL.

The Oratorical Contest is one of the highlights of the convention, for it gives the youth of our nation a chance to express how they feel JACL has or has not been effective. Their spirit and enthusiasm will reflect the general atmosphere of the youth today.

I encourage each one of you to make a special effort to attend the opening ceremonies and the Oratorical Contest on Aug. 21, 7:00 p.m. Montgomery Theatre.

Nisei Week coronation

LOS ANGELES — Over 50 tables have been reserved by civic, social and business firms for the 1968 Nisei Week coronation dinner-dance Aug. 17 at the Beverly Hilton Hotel, according to Seiichi Fukui, chairman for the co-sponsoring Perry Post and Munemori Post of the American Legion.

To assure continuous dancing, the Chosen Few—popular with the younger set—will play alternately with Manny Harmon's orchestra. Preliminary judging of nine queen candidates begins at 6:30 p.m. The coronation is scheduled for 10 p.m.

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**THE 'TREATMENT'**—A pie in the face—"Soupy Sales" style—will be the treatment for those not coming through for the Order of the Tie and Garter. For those chapter Presidents who did not have the opportunity to join the 1000 Club, won't you please join and support the financial arm of the JACL.

Food for thought: I guess trying to meet the budget is the biggest item for everyone. Reading one of the old Congressional Records, I see that even President Washington had difficulty getting Congress to pass enough funds to maintain an army. A Congressman stated that there was only enough money for 18,000 soldiers and the President said, "Do you think that we could suggest to the enemy that they only send 18,000 soldiers when they invade?"—Dr. Frank Sakamoto, National 1000 Club Chairman.

1000 Club Goal of 2,000 Cinched

SAN FRANCISCO—That long coveted goal of 2,000 current active members in the 1000 Club will likely be met this month.

National Headquarters, as of July 31, counted 1,953 current active members—the first time the total has soared past the 1,900 mark.

Dr. Frank Sakamoto, national 1000 Club chairman, who has cherished the prospect of greeting the 2,000th current active member at the San Jose Convention whining (Fri. Aug. 23) will probably have his wish and pie-in-the-face.

Thousand Clubbers, who contribute \$25 a year for support of JACL, make up about 10 percent of the membership providing about half of the annual JACL budget in recent years. It was organized in 1947 with the idea that if a 1,000 JACLers contribute \$25 a year, it would relieve the chapters of overextending themselves in regular membership campaigns.

**Whining Ding**

Convention whining ding committee met last week to line up the special attractions being planned for the evening entertainment. Henry T. Yamate, San Jose CPA and

Arkansas Valley JACL awards scholarship

ROCKY FORD, Colo.—Jodel Mamedas, daughter of the Seido Mamedas, was presented the Arkansas Valley JACL's second annual scholarship award at Rocky Ford High. Mrs. K. Takeda made the presentation. The honoree will enter Univ. of Colorado to major in medical technology.

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Central Cal DYC

elects new cabinet

FRESNO—The three Jr. JACL chapters comprising the Central California District Youth Council elected its 19-68-69 officers at a no-host breakfast July 7. They are:

Steve Uyeda (Heedley), chairman; Charles Takahashi (Fresno), v.p.; Betty Ishimoto (Ft. Seward), Kave Miyaki (Ft. Seward), and Crystal Hishida (Ft. Seward).

Gordon—

(Continued from Front Page)

"The undersigned organizations concerned with a fair United States immigration and citizenship policy gratefully note that the historic Immigration Act of 1965 abolished the discriminatory national origins quota system including the racial discrimination against people from the former Asia-Pacific Triangle countries.

"We urge that the concept of selecting immigrants regardless of their national origin be assiduously guarded.

"At the same time we note that the operation of the Immigration Act of 1965 has already indicated that certain statutory changes are required. All such changes must, we submit, be consistent with our law's humanitarian objectives:

1. Safeguarding the integrity of the family unit;
2. Enabling the entry of immigrants who will enrich our economic and cultural life;
3. Continuing undiminished our responsibility for refugees."

Japan-America Relations

The 1958 National Council created a "National Committee on International Relations" to deal with questions, as they arose, involving positions, if any, which JACL should take on questions of international relations, particularly those involving Japan-America relations. The mode of selection of this committee was a cumbersome one. Because of this factor, coupled with the fact that no serious questions arose, calling for taking of a policy stand by JACL, this committee was never activated.

The WASHINGTON POST and some West Coast newspapers have recently published news stories and editorials concerning a serious deterioration in United States-Japan relations brought on by such incidents as the radio-attack noted in Sasebo Harbor after the visit of the nuclear submarine, Swordfish; the crash of a U.S. F-4 fighter into a Kyushu University building; and the growing pressure for the return of Okinawa to full Japanese control.

Because of the changing times, since this controversial subject was raised in 1958 calling for an informed JACL position should any critical situation arise, this Committee recommends that a committee be appointed by the National President, possibly an expanded National Legislative Committee with the Chairman to be appointed by the National President, and the Legislative Chairman from each district making up the balance of the committee which will make a study of this question and make policy recommendations to the National Board should the occasion arise in the next biennium, and thereafter to the National Council in 1970.

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Henry Kanegae

why Henry Kanegae was unanimously nominated by the Orange County JACL chapter for the position of 2nd Vice President of the National Japanese American Citizens League.

Currently the National 3rd Vice President, Henry has diligently and capably served JACL on all levels... chapter, district and national for many, many years.

His first stint as president of the Orange County JACL chapter was back in 1941. Twenty years later, in 1961 he was named again to lead the chapter. In other years, he served the organization as a member of the board of directors. He was the Orange County chairman for the Francis E. Walter Memorial Fund. He was a public relations officer and chapter delegate to district and national meetings. He has headed many committees in chapter activities all throughout his tenure as an active JACLer.

His concern for the deep unrest among younger JACL members and potential members as related to JACL has resulted in several meetings at his home with these young adults.

On the Pacific Southwest District Council level, Henry Kanegae was the PSWDC officer on farm labor and he also served as this district's membership chairman.

His present position as National 3rd Vice President has taken him to various parts of the country where he has participated in their district council and chapter sessions. Kanegae, a pilot, incidentally, flies his own plane to these meetings.

The Orange County nominee for the third highest position in the National JACL cabinet is a long time 1000 Club member and a recipient of the JACL Sapphire Pin.

JACL-JAPAN TOUR REUNION AFTER CONFAB TO BE INVITATIONAL

SAN FRANCISCO — Because of space limitations, the JACL-Japan Tour Reunion committee decided the post-Convention event here will be restricted to Tour participants, their spouses and special guests only.

According to reunion chairman Tad Hirota, at least two thirds of the group will be on hand for the party here Aug. 25.

(This notice supercedes a previous announcement in the Pacific Citizen that the event is open.—Ed.)

If logic and good sense prevail at the National JACL meeting in San Jose, Henry Kanegae will move up one step into the office that he is so capable of filling... 2nd Vice President, National JACL.

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Communist, will have a voice  
in choosing their country's fu-  
ture. Neutral Asians should  
supervise the election with  
UN observers on hand, Inouye  
declared in his July 24 speech  
before the United Methodist  
Church leaders attending their  
western jurisdiction confer-  
ence. He also called for troops  
from neutral Asian nations to  
supervise any Vietnam cease-  
fire and urged greater coopera-  
tion with Communist govern-  
ments.

**Dr. George H. Mills, 47,** re-  
publican candidate for U.S.  
governor in 1966, has an-  
nounced his candidacy for the  
state senate from Windward  
Oahu. Reunions: Hilo  
High, class of 1948, in Hilo  
Aug. 9-12; Kailua High, class  
of 1958, July 27 at Ala Moana  
banquet hall; Kaimuki High,  
class of 1958, Aug. 3 at Hilton  
Hawaiian Village Long House

### Anti-war 'sitdown'

**James W. Douglass,** assist-  
ant professor of religion at the  
Univ. of Hawaii, was sentenc-  
ed July 10 to 15 days in jail  
for loitering, as a result of an  
antiwar "sitdown" May 18.  
Nine UH students were fined  
on the same charge.

**State Rep. George H. Toyo-**  
fuku has announced his bid  
for the Democratic nomina-  
tion for mayor of Kaula. To-  
yofuku, in the insurance busi-  
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by Richard Gima

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### Names in the news

**Robert Matsumoto** has been  
named acting vice principal of  
Lihual School and Alvin Suarez  
vice principal of Kaimali School,  
both schools in Maui County.  
Robert M. Yamada, Hilo con-  
tractor, announced on July 4 for  
an at-large seat on the first Ha-  
waii County Council. Yamada, a  
former supervisor, is a Democrat.  
Milton Choy has been installed  
as president of the Kaimali Busi-  
ness Assn. He has succeeded Clau-  
rence McIntosh. Aiko Titano  
is the newly-elected president of  
the Hawaii Chapter of the Nation-  
al Secretaries Assn.

**Ted (Pump) Seale** will be op-  
erating superintendent of the  
Dillingham Subsidary in Honolu-  
lu. He has been transferred from  
Hilo where he was Young Bros.  
manager. Gilbert E. Minn has  
been elected 1968-69 presi-  
dent of the Engineering Assn.  
of Hawaii, which is the oldest en-  
gineering organization in Hawaii.  
It has a membership of 300.  
Mrs. Evelyn Johnson was in-  
stalled president of the Aloha  
Toastmasters Club July 9 at Ma-  
hala. Diana R. Evans of Ka-  
hanehale Schools has been elect-  
ed pres. of the Pacific Speech  
Assn. Wilfred S. Pang has  
been re-elected agency in the HIC  
Nobu Theatre for Youth board of  
trustees.

Five island girls have become  
part-time stewardesses for Hawaii  
Airlines. The girls, all college stu-  
dents, are Sonia Mariko Anayana,  
Diana R. Evans, Kathleen Y. Ma-  
sumura, Jo-Ana Michie Umeda  
and Norma Faye Miruna. Ken-  
ichi Imai, a veteran travel agency  
manager, has joined Hawaiian  
Airlines as traffic manager and  
Japanese sales director. He has  
been associated during the past 17  
years with various travel agen-  
cies. Carl Katsawa has opened  
an advertising agency in the HIC  
building at 720 Kapiolani Blvd.  
Stanley Hirose, who joined  
Amfac as a management trainee,  
has been promoted to controller  
in Amfac's construction materials  
dept.

**Dr. Raymond De Hay** has been  
elected president of the Hawaii  
Society of Internal Medicine for  
1968-69. Masaru Shimada, v.p.  
and sec. of Territorial Savings &  
Loan Assn., has been installed as  
president of the American Savings  
and Loan Assn. of Honolulu.  
Chapter No. 177. James Hara,  
v.p. and controller of the Honolu-  
lu Japanese Junior Chamber of  
Commerce July 13. Wilfred  
Kanehiro has joined the whole-  
sale parts division of Re-  
frigeration Service & Supply Co.  
Maui's newest hotel, the Maui  
Beach on the Kahului waterfront,  
was officially opened July 12. The  
155-room hotel is owned largely  
by Maui stockholders. Melvin Ari-  
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Commission, Dr. John R. Ste-  
venson for a 2-year term on the  
Oahu Committee on Child-  
ren and Youth, and Thomas  
K. Sing for a 5-year term on  
the Civil Service Commission.  
**Hailemauau** took a break  
July 8. Scientists at the Ha-  
waii Volcano Observatory in-  
dicated that they believed that  
the half of the activity, which  
has been going on an on-and-  
off basis since Nov. 5, was not  
the end of the eruption.

### Gun collection

Guns of all calibers and  
conditions continue to collect  
at Honolulu Police headquar-  
ters as Oahuans turn in their  
unwanted firearms and am-  
munition. The count as of July  
9 was 432 of that total, 293  
were handguns. James H.  
Hara of Honolulu Savings and  
Loan was installed July 13 as  
the president of the Honolulu  
Japanese Jr. Chamber of  
Commerce. Installation cere-  
monies took place at a ban-  
quet at the Royal Hawaiian  
Hotel Regency Room. Hara  
succeeds Lionel Tokioka.

### Police promotions

The Kauai Police Commission  
approved a list of promotions.  
Heading the list is Joe S. Carval-  
ho, who's been named deputy  
chief of police replacing retiring  
Deputy George Cronin. Other  
promotions: Abraham H. Wai-  
man, captain of detectives, Ray-  
mond P. Duvachelle, captain of  
records; Sgt. Frank Cox, Jr., and  
Robert P. Victorino to lieutenants;  
Patrolman Calvin Fujita, Frank  
Hokoi and Leslie Kuba to ser-  
geants of patrol.

**Convention**  
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ple that sign up for them. In  
the event that the number of  
people is deficient, the event  
will probably be dropped from  
the calendar. If this should  
occur, you will be refunded  
for that particular activity.

**Preston Oka, Youth-Adult**  
Outing/Dinner chairman, has  
received no response at all in  
regard to the entertainment  
portion of the activity. He has  
sent out letters to all chapter  
presidents in hopes that he  
would have some type of re-  
sponse. The deadline was Aug.  
1 for the entertainment, but  
if your club still would like  
to participate, please don't  
hesitate to send in your names!

### New Jr. JACL cabinet

**FRESNO**—Bob Tsukida was  
elected president of the Fren-  
o Jr. JACL, succeeding Jon  
Hatakeyama. It was reported  
by Harry Kaku, CCDC youth  
commissioner. Others on the  
cabinet are:  
Bill Misaki, v.p.; Sally Tokubo,  
treas.; Jud Morishita, cor. sec.;  
Lynn Morita, rec. sec.; Marion  
Ikumi, pub.; Joanne Yamamoto,  
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## Shooting at 10-pin corner until spot hit 12 consecutive times will help

By GARY YAMAUCHI

Los Angeles  
It is really surprising how  
many single pin spares are  
missed.  
It is surprising because  
when you mathematically cal-  
culate the size of the target,  
you will find out that it is ac-  
tually quite large. Each pin is  
approximately 4.7 inches in  
diameter, while the ball meas-  
ures about 8.6 inches across.  
When you add two times the

### THE FOUL LINE

diameter of the ball plus the  
width of a pin, you have a  
target in the neighborhood of  
about 21.9 inches! When you  
consider that the lane is nor-  
mally forty inches wide, this  
means that you have more  
than half the alley for accu-  
racy allowance.

Naturally, the seven and ten  
pins are exceptions. Being on  
the corner of the lane reduces  
the size of the target to 13.6  
inches and conversely in-  
creases the degree of diffi-  
culty.

I think these figures show  
why so many bowlers have  
problems with the corner pins.  
Mathematically these shots  
are almost twice as hard, and  
the mere fact that they are  
on the edge of the lane adds  
a psychological barrier as  
well.

To combat these trouble-  
some shots, bowlers should  
channel a portion of their  
practice session directly to-  
wards these spares. I can re-  
call when I was learning to  
bowl, I would shoot at the ten  
pin corner until I was certain  
that I could convert that spare  
twelve consecutive times. This  
not only adds accuracy to  
your game but also confi-

dence. Confidence you need  
under the pressure of tourna-  
ment or match play.

I recommend that each  
bowler partake in some spe-  
cial training for the seven  
and ten pins. These are dif-  
ficult spares. Learn to convert  
them and I guarantee that  
you will become a better  
shooter.

On the local scene, the Pa-  
cific Coast Nisei Invitational  
Tournament will kickoff this  
weekend at Holiday Bowl.  
The tournament will continue  
through the 25th of August. In  
conjunction with the main  
events, Holiday Bowl will also  
stage a ragtime doubles tourna-  
ment for the participating  
bowlers. Bowlers can bowl  
anytime lanes are available  
and with as many partners as  
they wish.

In closing for this week,  
may I wish all the partici-  
pants in the Pacific Coast Nisei  
Invitational Tournament the  
best of luck in every event.

### Bowling Notes

My congratulations go to Fran  
Kuraoka and James Matsuno  
for their victory in Holiday Bowl's  
First Annual Mixed Doubles Min-  
i-tion Tournament. Their handi-  
cap total of 2229 for the ten games  
topped runner-ups Mary Kikuchi  
and Gump Shitara who turned  
in a very nice 2192 composite. Top  
scratch honors went to Judy Sa-  
kata and Harry Kikua with 1999.

There is some talk that the  
Nisei Invitational Scratch Singles  
Event will be re-instated. The  
event is an all-scratch tourna-  
ment with qualifying rounds and  
match play in the finals. It sounds  
like a real exciting event.  
Bowlers in Holiday Bowl's Nisei  
Classic League will really be ad-  
vertising for their sponsors this  
coming season. I understand that  
the newest additions to their rules  
will call for uniform fees for  
bowlers not wearing their team  
shorts. A real good idea.

Readers are again reminded that  
news items that they wish pub-  
lished should be sent to Gary Ya-  
mauchi, Holiday Bowl, 3730 S.  
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## Ye Editor's Desk

### A TEXTBOOK ERROR

Edison Uno, as we've known him through the years, is not as irascible in person as recent stories of his one-man crusade to have Supreme Court Chief Justice Warren apologize for his role instigating the Evacuation in 1942 might tend to picture him. And in this week's issue, he scores again on the PC front page with his peppy protest about an error in a college textbook.

Edison was a young tyke when Evacuation struck. Yet his temper when this subject is mentioned is as hot and angry as the Nisei whose names are in the law books contesting that military move—Yasui, Hirabayashi, Endo and Korematsu.

We were to raise Cain with Prentice-Hall, publishers of "California Government and Politics" (the textbook infuriating Uno), we would have said our piece within the first paragraph and finished off with the comment that their reputation was being undermined and in jeopardy, not three pages.

Browsing at a bookstore is a rare luxury from the standpoint of time, but whenever we walk by one (even the paperbacks stacked at a drugstore), we succumb to the urge to browse. After Edison's scolding of Prentice-Hall, we'll be browsing through history and political science books more closely on the subject of Evacuation.

The history textbooks which we used during our GI Bill of Rights days after 1945 barely touched the events of World War II. Our professors warned against history books if the events were less than 25 years old. So what there was available about Evacuation at that time were found in periodicals and eye-witness accounts.

When a prominent naval historian published his long-awaited history of the U.S. several years ago, there was not a line about the Evacuation. So, in our books, he wasn't that prominent in sizing up American history... Perhaps, this is an unfair way to judge U.S. history books—but to Japanese Americans who comprise the only group of citizens to be treated by their Government as prisoners and suspect because of the lone accident of birth there seems no other way. This attitude in Edison, judging by his letter to Prentice-Hall, is more intense than ours.

There seems to be an earnest effort on the part of publishers today to print textbooks on the history of minorities in America. We have been servicing inquiries about the Japanese in America (we can hardly wait for the JACL History Project and Bill Hosokawa to publish theirs) and selling PC subscriptions at the same time.

A Nisei who was asked to size up the Japanese contribution for his school system reads the PC with greater care today. A researcher has bought the few bound volumes of previous years we have on stock for his proposed book. We had to clamp down on loaning photos from our files—since some writers have neglected to return them. Our past Holiday Editions have helped others in their search for material on Japanese Americans.

Now comes a greater task to police the textbooks. It is more demanding than trying to eliminate the use of "Jap". Every parent in JACL should browse through history and social studies books their children bring home and judge how Evacuation is treated. If it appears questionable, let us know... We even solicit the teaching profession in our midst to uncover misrepresentation about the Japanese in America.

We can't let go this subject without closing with a quotation: "Time colors history as it does a meerschaum pipe."—Vincent Starrett.

### COO—II

If the turnout of well-wishers and burst of interest are any indication, the Council of Oriental Organizations (COO) has the potential of becoming an illustrious force in the Los Angeles community. Twice as many as were expected came to celebrate COO's first installation at Man Jen Low last week.

It made the news just days earlier when the Economic Youth Opportunity Agency funded their summer crash program to ascertain Oriental needs and opinions of community services. COO received \$10,318 (not \$13,000 as mentioned in the PC last week). As the service arm to COO and instrumental in preparing the proposal for federal funds was the International Institute (II) here, headed by Mel Sherman as executive director. International Institute is the operating base for the Japanese-speaking college students engaged in the Little Tokyo survey, expected to be completed by Aug. 31.

Co-director Mori Nishida and his team, thus far, have found many elderly Issei live in old hotel rooms without running hot and cold water (which means the bathroom is down the hall). "That's a rather discomforting way of living out their twilight years," Mel lamented. But many of them prefer their independent ways, despite these conditions. About a retirement home, preferably near Little Tokyo since this is where they want to be, they prefer housekeeping facilities rather than being fed in common. (A complete report of the COO—II findings will be published when available.)

COO and II are asking for additional funding to extend their fact-finding activities for the remainder of the year. There is a dearth of basic data in order to truly assess the needs of the community. COO and II are the best bets yet to dig out such essential facts.

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## S. F. Japanese cultural-trade center not typical

(Cheryl Yoshimura, student at Univ. of San Francisco, has been a steady contributor in the Hokuhei Mainichi, conducting the "Sansel Speaks" column for the past year.)

By CHERYL YOSHIMURA

San Francisco  
The Japanese Cultural and Trade Center has a new addition. The newest structural member of the complex is the Peace Pagoda that is currently being constructed.

As I have watched the Center grow day by day from the time when it was just a gigantic hole in the ground near Geary Street, I am glad that the final addition is now be-

### GUEST COLUMN

ing completed. But, wait! Something is wrong with the architecture of the Peace Pagoda in the Japanese Cultural Center.

After having discussed its design with an architectural graduate, Shizuo Hori, who was educated in Japan and is very close to the traditional Japanese architecture, I discovered that this particular round Peace Pagoda is not Japanese. Its design is Chinese.

At any rate, I believe that the Peace Pagoda will be pleasing to those who do not know the history of design in Japan. But, I hope that you will remember that the Peace Pagoda is typically Chinese instead of Japanese the next time you see it.

The Japanese did not have the materials or the know-how that the Chinese had to build round pagodas of many stories. Therefore, out of necessity, Japan developed square or hexagonal pagodas of many stories or round based ones of squared two stories...

### Not Typical

Mr. Hori has also pointed out to me that the entire Center is not "typically" Japanese.

According to the book on Japanese design and space the entire Center does not conform to Japanese standards. For example, the architecture that is to be found in Japan gives you a warm feeling because it is very close to nature. That is there is natural materials and ideas employed in homes and buildings. Rocks, natural wood and natural settings should be found dominating the entire structures. There should be a contrast between the delicate and the thick lines; there should be many dimensions utilized.

Now analyze the Japanese Cultural and Trade Center. If you notice the walls, there is no feeling. All that confronts you is vast, open space. There is no contrast of materials; there is no balance between the delicate lines and the heavy ones. Thus the overall feeling is emptiness, a feeling that people do not feel comfortable in the complex. This feeling is completely void in typical Japanese architecture.

If the Center were truly Japanese, you would feel a sense of calmness and warmth radiating from the structures. But, this is not so. Perhaps as the years pass and the tiny trees and "nature" are given a chance to grow and become more visible, the Center will take on a new dress. Until that time, the Center is just concrete.

### The Wall

Another criticism of the Center comes from a graduate student. He believes that the Center serves as a cold "wall of prejudice" that exists dividing San Francisco.

More specifically, it serves to divide the Negro community from the White. After examining the Center, I am inclined to lean toward his opinion.

Again, typical of Japanese architecture is open space, space that invites people from all sides. But, take a good look at the Center. You will probably notice that the Center is open just facing Post Street, the White community side of which the Japanese community is classified. It almost seems to shield the White side from the Black; it denies the existence of the Negro community.

If you look from the Fillmore side of the Center, you will notice that this wall is blank and high. It exists almost as a "wall of prejudice." The prejudice is not with the Japanese American community but by the City planners who chose this particular plan for the Center.

Once again, as the student explained to me, the Redevelopment Agency of San Francisco could have chosen a master plan, designed by an architect from Japan, that was open, open to all people from all races and parts of the country and world.

### What Complex Means

However, you must remember that the faults of the Center are minor compared to what the complex really stands for.

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## Letters from Our Readers

### Money Matters

Editor:

It seems that quite often we forget that we are Americans as well as Japanese Americans. We deplore the non-involvement of Japanese Americans as an ethnic group in active programs involving civil right and equal opportunities for the minorities, especially the Negro. We conclude, unfairly, that those who are not involved actively in public areas of involvement ipso facto oppose such programs, or condone such opposition.

We assume that all, or most, Japanese Americans have reached that stage of affluence where they can afford to spend time and money participating actively in such programs. Aside from the affluent few, the great majority of the Nisei and the Sanele are still very much occupied in trying to make a decent living for themselves and their children.

We tend to forget that as American citizens, we are already involved as taxpayers in the millions and billions of dollars that will be spent to correct and alleviate the conditions that make miserable the lives of our poor, not necessarily all black.

We proposed to appropriate \$20,000 in our new JACL budget for civil rights activities. Do those who propose this have any concrete plan as to how this money can be spent effectively? Practically speaking, if this small amount is to be spent to hire one man or woman to spread the gospel of active involvement in civil rights programs, as far as meaningful results are concerned, it will be money down the drain.

Helping the cause of ending the war in Vietnam, if successful, would release billions of dollars for the war on poverty in this country, but we are told that the JACL cannot get involved in this kind of politics.

(In areas of spending, we might consider starting a movement to establish a home for indigent, old Japanese who are now existing precariously on public welfare, largely ignored by their own ethnic group and waiting only for death to ease them out of their miserable existence.)

If we do not have the kind of money that would be necessary for Japanese Americans to make an effective impact as a group on this tremendous national problem, not civil rights so much as the alleviation of the kind of poverty that aggravates social conditions which make for riots, crime, sickness and starvation amid plenty, then the answer may be action as individual American citizens, in conjunction with other similarly-inclined American citizens, in a common battle against a common foe. As Americans, we can support all legislative measures in this direction. We can vote for these measures. For individuals so inclined there is no limit to the amount of involvement they can pursue.

### Knowing the Negroes

How many Japanese Americans, especially those who most vociferously proclaim their sympathy for the Negro cause, have actually tried to know Negroes as individuals and as equals; how many have actually had Negroes in their homes socially as a regular thing; how many have encouraged their children to make friends with Negro children; how many have invited Negro children to their children's parties; in short, how many have actually and sincerely tried to know Negroes intimately as close, personal friends—not just for public show and not just with the type of Negro who needs little help socially or economically? How many try directly to

ease the financial problems of individual Negroes by pointedly seeking Negro baby sitters, Negro household help, Negro gardeners, Negro plumbers, Negro carpenters, Negro masons, taxis driven by Negroes, Negro service stations, Negro garage, Negro real estate firms, Negro stores, Negro restaurants, etc.? This is the type of help that would best help the individual Negro attain financial dignity.

The JACL can get directly involved by setting aside some scholarships for Negroes and other disadvantaged minorities. It can get further involved by actively soliciting JACL members from these minorities. This would hold true for the Junior JACL. Equality should apply to civil rights, economic opportunity, education, housing and social acceptance.

### The Big Problem

There is no quarrel with the changes proposed in the wording of parts of the JACL Constitution to indicate that the organization is not devoted exclusively to the promotion of the welfare and the rights of Japanese Americans. We are unanimously against sin.

The big problem is, with the type of budget that we can afford, what practical, effective program can be formulated that would do more than just spin wheels.

There are times that we expect our GROUP, as an ethnic group, to be exemplary beyond reason simply because we happen to be of Japanese descent. But, we are not all honest. We are not all smart. Our children are not all salutatorians and valedictorians. We are not all college graduates. We do have delinquent children. We do have our criminally inclined.

Our big mistake may be that we forget that we are individuals, with many of the faults and some of the virtues that are common to all people.

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### Matter of Money

Editor:

Bill Hosokawa's observations on the cost of a college education and the translation of it into a left-handed comment on student demonstrators, and his evaluation that it is a "mighty expensive way to do it" (PC, July 26), reflect not only his ignorance of the issue involved in student demonstrations, such as civil rights or peace in Vietnam, which are acceptable positions today, but more importantly, the mentality of "good" people espousing the value of money over ideals.

It is indeed a paradox that at a time when the JACL is attempting to mount a meaningful civil rights program, that a highly esteemed P.C. columnist chooses to question the propriety on the basis of costs of demonstrations for ideals. If it weren't for these student activists, where would we be in the struggle for civil rights or in the Vietnam peace negotiations?

It is simply not true that student activists cost classes any more than other students. As a matter of fact, the activists tend to be the more able students, and their thirst for knowledge is as great as their commitment toward fighting for those ideals that we middle-aged people are somewhat late in embracing.

I invite Mr. Hosokawa to visit the Berkeley campus to meet with a group of student activists, and after his visit, he may want to encourage his daughter to leave the nearby ski slopes of the Univ. of Colorado for the "streets" of Berkeley.

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## Nisei Morality

By Roger Nikaide, Washington PC Bureau Chief

Washington  
While the Nisei definitely disapprove of immorality, they do not always recognize it when they see it; and if it is clearly pointed out to them, they are not quick to give up their time or complacency to eradicate it.

When you mention morals to the average Nisei, he almost automatically thinks of sex; and if he is illiterate, pornography and nudity are included. Improperly, to them, means patronizing a topless establishment or reading dirty books.

We are not far from the maddening crowd, as it were. We no longer hold the exclusive claim to the "Yellow Crusader" in shining armor who stamps out small flames of injustices and immorality. We have taken on some of the characteristics of the WASP (White Anglo Saxon Protestant) Society.

We have our own illegitimate birth rate, our own criminal rate, and our own pot-smoking, nude dancing younger generation.

In addition, we are beginning to contribute to the decline of the so-called American morality as entrepreneurs of once considered taboo establishments. This was humorously brought to light on a recent trip to the West Coast, where I came across an advertisement of a Japanese-owned supper club with a "No Cover" notice plainly visible to the naked eye. The subtle humor enters the story when it was later acknowledged that the "No Cover" notice had a double meaning—it was a topless nightclub.

Furthermore, we are beginning to have our own divorce rate, not to mention adultery. However, there are many more types of impropriety committed by the Nisei which are thinly disguised and have consequences much more damaging than those associated with topless nightclubs or adultery.

There are many of us who feel virtuous because we settle for negatives. We pride ourselves on the things we don't do—smoking, drinking, gambling, and committing adultery. But how much more honest would it be to admit that we are guilty of, say, violence, racism, anti-Semitism, of gossiping about our neighbors, of dishonest business dealings, and of a thousand and one other subtle, daily cruelties?

We pride ourselves of having a national organization for the expressed purpose of protecting Japanese Americans from racial bias. But how many of us are caught as victims of pointless pride, where we boast of having a righteous organization but have contributed very little to its development?

We also pride ourselves of having a Nihonmachi, or a Japanese cultural center. But how many of us lifted a finger during its construction? Taken a step further, we are sometimes seen applauding whenever someone mentions the name of our city or state during a television program. But are we really applauding the city or are we applauding ourselves?

We are faced daily with the moral question of whether we should continue to act our American goodness in other countries at the cost of destroying human lives and dignity.

We are also confronted with the question of whether we should continue to be hypocritical of priding this nation for allowing a once deprived people to attain social justice and at the same time continue to ignore another deprived race its right to fight injustice.

With respect to our participation in the Vietnam war, there is definitely a moral issue involved. It arises when the taking of lives and the destruction of the social fabric of South Vietnam is a daily happening in the name of American "security". There is definitely something wrong with our foreign policy in Vietnam which is explained over and over again, yet Americans are still hard put to say why we are there.

### Enomoto--

(Continued from Front Page)

JACL, as an organization, has taken no stand on stronger gun control. I had, in this column earlier, urged that JACLers and Chapters write to their representatives in favor of such legislation. I feel very strongly that this is a valid JACL concern, controversial or not.

Unfortunately, I have seen no chapter or district enact a resolution to bring this to the National JACL's attention, so we can determine if it is, or is not, appropriate. So those who were upset by my remarks can rest easy. It may well be that most JACLers don't care about it, one way or another.

On the question of whether the JACL should actively participate in issues of civil and human rights, let it not be misunderstood that the JACL has been absent from the field entirely, for the JACL has been in the forefront of the battle to eliminate racial discrimination whenever the rights of Americans of Japanese ancestry have been involved.

The question now is whether the JACL is prepared to take yet another step forward to assist other racial minorities in their efforts to secure justice under law.

We have come a long way from the days of encampment where we were confronted with the decision to either wave the American red, white, and blue and face the possible consequences of being beaten up and socially ostracized, or join those who remained idle and disgusted with the whole mess.

History speaks for itself, for most of us made the right decision. Let us hope that we can again rise to the occasion this August and be counted upon to make right decisions, instead of sitting idly by with complacency.

## ACT 1: Curtain Call

Announced as an unprecedented affair "Asians Coming Together", an all-day workshop designed in co-operation with the Council of Oriental Organizations (COO) and co-ordinated by the Univ. of California Extension Department of Urban Affairs provided the first opportunity for members of the Oriental communities to meet together to identify and examine community problems last Saturday (July 27). The UCLA facilities provided the atmosphere for the over 125 conferees from the Chinese, Japanese, Filipino and Korean American communities.

Instead of this being one of those "being lectured to" kinds of gatherings in "academia" the conference was truly a "workshop" from the level of participating and letting thoughts be known. It was designed as such and the ten discussion groups became the outlet for people to vent their expressions.

Actually from the standpoint of planning there were two separate sessions held prior for the benefit of the discussion leaders for orientation purposes. The only problem, which was a risk in the procedure that was followed, resulted in having required the leaders to attend only one of the two sessions. What resulted was on the first evening the group decided that one method should be pursued and the group that met the second night decided something different.

There was a strong pulling toward two poles. One thought expressed the aspect of having the sessions revolve about an open ended non-direct expression of honest feeling level participation (sensitivity) while the second felt that there should be more planning with directions as to disposal of designated surface issues. While both aspects were considered in the final analysis the attraction was admittedly in more open expression around topic areas developed by the individual group. Thus what resulted were ten separate units creating their own group consensus uniquely different from the others. This feedback from the leaders provided a basis for the mixing of resources and leaders for the respective ten groups and also a format of suggested questions was developed as a consequence.

Therefore all input that went into the groups was intended to stimulate reaction and response. Position papers were prepared ahead of time by community teams expressing a viewpoint regarding that particular ethnic community with the emphasis toward pointing out three or four of the major problem areas as that team saw it. Position paper presenters did not necessarily present the written text but expressed their own personal concerns and analysis. Discussion groups then took up the challenge.

The second input occurred immediately after lunch when State Senator Alfred Song (highest ranking Oriental politician in California) presented a comprehensive general survey of Orientals in politics and political involvement. This was followed by Alan Wong of San Francisco (employed by the YMCA) who presented reactions, facts and figures.

And as the final curtain drew to a close and the verbal summations were presented to the entire gathering a closeness among the participants could be felt, destroying former myths and stereotypes we shared about each other. Was it worth it? ACT 1 drew to a close and the people lingered on waiting for ACT 2.

## Sounding Board Jeffrey Matsui

## Politicians Lack Class

Many of the JACLers who attended the recent installation-banquet for the newly organized Council of Oriental Organizations were greatly annoyed by the open display of bad manners by most of the local politicians in attendance. While the program was going on, they found it necessary to participate in loud conversations at their tables, table-hopping, handshaking, picture-taking in friendly arm-over-shoulder poses with certain Orientals in the crowd. They also left before the program was completed.

There were, of course, exceptions to the rule. And two notable exceptions Councilman Thomas Bradley and State Assemblyman David Roberti. Both participated in meeting people during the cocktail hour but were quiet and attentive to the speakers when the program started. Neither Bradley nor Roberti are known to me personally. In fact, someone had to tell me Roberti's name and I had to introduce myself to Bradley after the program ended. But it seems appropriate to mention these two distinguished members of our L.A. community who acted with dignity befitting their high office.

There will be those who will find my criticism too harsh by pointing out the fact that the physical facilities for the banquet were grossly inadequate and the cocktail hour was overly extended. Yet in my opinion, it is still inexcusable that this very important event for Oriental Americans was treated with little respect and used as a political carnival by our so-called "state-men" who should know better.

And worst, it reflected a sad tribute to the Oriental Community of Southern California and to the Phoebe Ono and John Saitos who struggled and labored so well to bring to life for the first time ever—a council of Oriental organizations.

For whatever it's worth, my sincere congratulations and appreciation to all who worked to create COO.

