

By JERRY ENOMOTO
National JACL President

Sacramento
On the evening of Nov. 7 in Los Angeles, the members of the Executive Committee of the National Board and several representatives of the National Ethnic Concern Committee (ECC) spent several hours discussing certain issues of mutual interest. The next evening I spent some time in a lot more relaxed chat with the ECC Chairman.

"Quiet" Reflections

Dr. David Miura.
What follows are my personal reflections from the latter interlude, and should not be interpreted by anyone as the official views of JACL. An appropriate communication will soon be issued, related directly to the meeting referred to.

For whatever it may be worth to anyone—the controversy over the title of Bill Hosokawa's book "Nisei: The Quiet Americans, the Story of a People," has had a profound effect upon me. In successive stages, I have felt uneasiness, apprehension, anger, guilt, and regret, not necessarily in that order.

So there will be no misunderstanding, let me say first that I am one of the few people who have read part of Bill's book, about a third to a half to be exact. This happened because I was invited to review that part of the manuscript which was completed, at the time of the 1968 convention in San Jose. As I then reported, in this column, I felt it was interesting, educational, and well-written.

I have no doubt at all that the rest of it is equally good, and that the book deserves to be read widely. It will be an honest and credible account of our history and certainly, because I am Nisei, I will feel an extra sense of identification and pride in it and its author.

For some months now, some fellow JACLers have carried on an intense and determined campaign against the title of Bill's book. That fight is led mostly by JACLers who have consistently dedicated themselves to the effort to make JACL a factor in eliminating racism and promoting equality and justice. They tell us that the title "Quiet" and its negative impact (never mind the positive definitions) through support of the stereotype that the way to make it in America is to be "quiet," is so potentially destructive that it makes little difference whether the story the book tells is good, bad, or indifferent.

In a nutshell, the title is just not right for the time in which we live.

Have we been indeed insensitive to these implications? This is a question that must be answered individually. My answer is that perhaps we have not been sensitive enough. Any of my colleagues, who read my several memos on the subject, will rightly conclude that I do so because I was not convinced that the potential effect of the title was bad enough to justify the interpretations and predications being made.

Perhaps it may have been well for us to have paid more attention to the gut-level feeling of those JACLers who have been in the forefront of our limited efforts to improve inter-group relations, and break down negative stereotypes. Personally, I must cop out on the knowledge that I had no big investment in the title.

That it became an issue of "principle" and then precipitated shouts of "boycott and censorship," is even more unfortunate. It illustrates to me the fact that we don't talk to each other enough, but instead turn to exchanging written barbs, each succeeding one serving to help lock us into even more rigid positions, from which we find it tougher to back off.

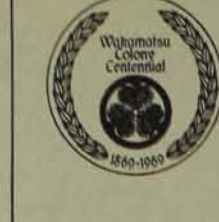
It seemed significant to me that David and I never personally talked about the issue until the other night. This, despite months of dispute, complete with reams of paper produced by all of us.

The spectre of boycott, although a legitimate tool of dissent, triggered an understandable and legally correct reaction of censorship. No matter how strongly one feels about the title, I cannot see the justification of a boycott. I know that David and ECC don't want a boycott and now that its threat has failed to accomplish a title change, I sincerely hope that no one will push a boycott. Dissatisfaction with a title is not cause to prevail upon people not to read a book.

1000 Club Honor Roll

Current 1000 Club members as of Nov. 30 will be listed in the annual Honor Roll to be published in the Pacific Citizen Holiday Issue.

To make sure, forward the 1000 Club contribution (\$25 or more) to National JACL Headquarters, 1634 Post St., San Francisco, Calif. 94115 today.



'TITLE II' CAMPAIGN

City of Honolulu

call Title II

'a serious threat'

West Seattle group

supports JACL campaign

SEATTLE—The West Seattle Human Relations Council, at its regular Oct. 21 meeting, went on record in support of the JACL campaign to repeal Title II by offering to circulate petitions to urge congressional representatives to work for repeal "of this outrageous legislation."

Mrs. Philip Cels, chairman, conveyed the endorsement in a letter to Donald Kazama, member of the Pacific Northwest District Council Title II repeal committee.

Among the co-authors listed were seven of the nine councilmen: Walter M. Heen, chairman; Brian Casey, Charles M. Campbell, Toraki Matsumoto, Ben F. Kaito, Cleason Y. Chikayasu and Herman J. Wedemeyer.

Interest in the bills now before the Congress to repeal Title II was heightened last summer by Dr. Robert Suzuki of Pasadena, while visiting the islands. Suzuki is chairman of the So. Calif. JACL Committee to Repeal Title II.

The text of the resolution: Whereas, the Congress of the United States has heretofore adopted subtitle II of the Internal Security Act of 1950, commonly known as the Emergency Detention Act; and

Whereas, the said Emergency Detention Act authorizes detention of any person on the mere probability that he will engage in, or conspire with others to engage in acts of espionage or sabotage during proclaimed periods of "Internal Security Emergency"; and

Whereas, the said Emergency Detention Act fails to provide for trial by jury, or even before a judge, substituting instead hearing before a departmental preliminary hearing officer and a detention review board; and

Whereas, the said Emergency Detention Act poses a serious threat to the Civil Rights of all Americans; now therefore:

Be it resolved that the Council of the City and County of Honolulu do hereby urge all members of the Congress of the United States to use their best efforts to have the said Emergency Detention Act repealed; and

Be it finally resolved that the Clerk be, and she is hereby directed, to transmit copies of this resolution to Governor John A. Burns; U. S. Senator Daniel K. Inouye; U. S. Senator Hiram Fong; U. S. Congressman Spark M. Matsunaga; U. S. Congressman Patsy M. Mink; Senator David McClure; Representative Tadako Reppu; Speaker State House of Representatives; Mr. Ray Okumura, JACL National Co-Chairman; Mr. Mike Masaka, JACL Washington Representative; Dr. Robert Suzuki, JACL Executive Liaison; Mr. Star Buehler; Mr. George Chaplin; Editor, Honolulu Advertiser; Mr. Takeshi Fujikawa; Editor, Hawaii Hochi; Mr. Ryokin Toyohira; Editor, Hawaii Times; and Mayor Frank F. Fasi, City and County of Honolulu.

Portland JACler speaks on Title II at campus

PORTLAND — Don Hayashi represented JACL on the panel discussion dealing with Title II repeal at Portland State University's regular Wednesday Forum last week.

Joining him were four other faculty members in the weekly program which discusses relevant social and political issues. The last meeting was co-sponsored by Portland JACL and Viking Knights, campus men service organization.

Up to 200 students, faculty and public attended.

1,880 in JACL-CBS plan in Northern California

SAN FRANCISCO — As of September, the JACL-Calif. Blue Shield plan for the No. Calif.-W. Nev. District Council had enrolled 1,880 members.

As of Nov. 1 this year, persons becoming 65 may continue in the plan for the same premium and have their benefits integrated with Medicare.

As of the next contract date, Mar. 1, 1970, the major medical coverage will be raised to \$25,000.

Voter registration

LOS ANGELES — California voters have until April 9, 1970 to register for the June 2 primaries.

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CONFAB BANQUET

Dr. S. I. Hayakawa

to Address Nov. 23

Affair in Fresno

By IZUMI TANIGUCHI

FRESNO — With a capacity crowd anticipated for the closing Sunday banquet to the annual convention of the Central California JACL District Council this weekend, advance ticket sales were to cease by Nov. 20.

Dr. S. I. Hayakawa, president of San Francisco State College, will be the keynote speaker at the banquet Nov. 23, 6 p.m., at the Las Vegas Room of Fresno Travel Host (formerly the Hacienda Inn). The banquet will also see the installation of new officers for the coming year.

Dr. Hayakawa is expected to speak for 30 or 40 minutes and then he will answer questions from the floor.

Fashion Show
Also open to the public will be the convention fashion show sponsored by Rhodes Department Store of Fresno.

Theme of this year's show is "Fashion Fantasies" with Mrs. Joyce Rosetta as commentator and Mrs. Betty Nelson, fashion coordinator. Co-chairmen Mrs. Ed Yano and Mrs. Charles Abe, both of Redding, said the show will be staged in the Las Vegas Room of the Fresno Travel Host between 3 and 4:30 p.m., on Sunday, Nov. 23. Tickets (\$1.50) will be available at the door.

Topics on the general business agenda for the meeting Saturday, Nov. 22, will center around the subject of the "Generational Gap." Panelists will be Dr. David Miura of Long Beach, chairman, Ethnic Council.

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JACL favors reversion of Okinawa to Japan by 1972

(Special to The Pacific Citizen)

WASHINGTON—Reversion of Okinawa to its Japanese homeland before the end of 1972, with remaining American troops based there subject to the same conditions as those governing other U.S. troops now in Japan, was recommended to the Nixon Administration by the Japanese American Citizens League last week (Nov. 14).

While urging the return of Okinawa, the JACL also recommended that Japan "should actively seek the early return from Soviet Russia of the northern islands of Habomai, Shikotan, Kunashiri, and Etorofu."

The JACL recommendations were part of a 6½ page statement prepared by Mary I. Watanabe, Ph.D., of Philadelphia, chairman of the International Affairs Committee, which explained the background and the reasons for JACL making the recommendations that it did.

The National JACL Board, at its interim meeting in Los Angeles last July, unanimously approved the recommendations regarding the early reversion of Okinawa but called for the addition of a declaration that Japan should seek the recovery of her so-called northern islands from the Soviet Union, which has never signed the Japanese Peace Treaty.

At the same time, the Board asked Dr. Watanabe to prepare an explanatory statement that would include the recommendations of the Committee and the Board.

In a covering letter forwarding the JACL statement to President Richard Nixon, Mike Masaka, Washington JACL Representative, noted that "On the eve of the arrival of the Prime Minister of

Japan to discuss with you the reversion of Okinawa, the Japanese American Citizens League believes that it is appropriate and proper that the recommendations of the only national organization of American citizens of Japanese ancestry in the United States on this important subject be transmitted to you."

The statement was also sent to:

Prime Minister Sato, Ambassador of Japan Takeshi Shimoda, Special Ambassador of Japan on Okinawa Problems Hiroto Tanaka, Secretary of State William Rogers, Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs U. Alexis Johnson;

Sens. J. W. Fulbright of Arkansas, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Mike Mansfield of Montana, Majority Leader and Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Subcommittee on Far Eastern Affairs, Hugh Scott of Pennsylvania, Republican Leader, Daniel Inouye and Hiram Fong of Hawaii, George Murphy and Alan Cranston of California,

Reps. Thomas E. Moran of Pennsylvania, chairman, House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on Asian and Pacific Affairs; Spark Matsunaga and Patsy Takemoto Mink of Hawaii.

Masaka praised the statement as an outstanding exposition of not only why the JACL made the recommendations that it did but also why the JACL was, for the first time in its almost 40 years history as a national organization,

advising the Administration and the Congress as to its concern with an international problem between the United States, the land of our citizenship, and Japan, the land of our ancestors.

He also declared that the statement showed much research and lauded Dr. Watanabe for having prepared an extraordinarily able presentation which, he hoped, would guide the President in his deliberations with the Prime Minister of Japan.

JACL Recommendations
Dr. Watanabe, in her introductory comments, noted, "In the earlier years of its history, JACL was operating in an America where the multicultural aspects of American life were less appreciated, and where the people were almost entirely Europe-oriented, and where Asian and the Asiatics were neglected, ignored, or tolerated as exotics."

She recalled that the loyalty of Japanese Americans was suspect in World War II and that any expressions concerning United States-Japan relations then would have been "probably misunderstood by the American public."

Reasons
After briefly reviewing the military considerations involved, the JACL statement concluded that "...there were other overriding nonmilitary considerations that could not be ignored and would not allow the continued unrestricted holding of Okinawa."

As Dr. Watanabe said it, "There is first the untenability of having the leader of the free world continuing the military occupation of a part of a foreign nation, almost a quarter of a century after the end of war."

She noted also that "The U.S. position is additionally weakened because charges of 'racism' can be and are being placed against us. In this time of rising awareness of non-European and non-white peoples, both in our country and throughout the world, the committee felt that it was especially important to insure the same treatment of both non-whites and whites. However, the committee found it difficult to believe that Americans or the United States government would condone similar control of a part of France or Germany, for example, 25 years after the end of war."

The committee was also influenced by the fact that the continued occupation of Okinawa makes our country vulnerable.

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ROHWER MEMORIAL

Go for Broke!



Close-Up of War Memorial (Before)

(As a fitting prelude to the Japanese American Memorial Day being held Nov. 30 at Rohwer Memorial Park, Ark., this story first appeared in the Sunday Magazine of the Arkansas Democrat this past summer recounting the exploits of the 442nd, including boys who once lived in the War Relocation Authority centers in Arkansas.)

They were American-born citizens. They were herded into special trains on the West Coast and, under guard, transported to ten relocation camps in what was then considered interior wastelands.

Although Hawaii was 3,000 miles closer to the enemy and an area actually under attack, no similar evacuation and detention took place. There did not appear to be the hate and hysteria in Hawaii that was directed against others of Japanese ancestry along the Pacific Coast of the continental mainland.

However, there too, persons of Japanese ancestry were viewed with suspicion and some hostility.

Nisei Petition for Service
Though the object of wartime prejudice, thousands of Nisei petitioned the President, War Department, and Congress for the opportunity to serve.

Despite the protest of many Arkansians, two of the camps were located in Arkansas: one at Rohwer, east of McGehee in Desha County and the other at Jerome, about 10 miles south and west in Drew County not far from Dermott.

Yet, in face of mass maltreatment, the patriotism of Japanese Americans demonstrated itself in many ways. They insisted that they be given the opportunity to serve their country; to fight and if necessary, to die for their native or adopted land.

On Jan. 28, 1943, the War Department announced its willingness to accept qualified Japanese Americans on a volunteer basis. The announcement said 3,500 would be accepted. More than 10,000, including nearly every able-bodied male from the Jerome and Rohwer Camps, volunteered.

President Franklin D. Roosevelt, in a letter to Secretary of War, Stimson, wrote that the formation of special Nisei units in the armed forces of the United States was a "natural and logical step toward reintegration of the selective service procedures which were temporarily suspended during the war."

In what a later President's Committee on Civil Rights called the "most striking mass interference since slavery with the right to physical freedom," the Army evacuated 110,000 persons of Japanese ancestry. More than two-thirds of

34 WEEKS 'TIL

the National JACL Convention
JULY 14-16, 1970
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

(Under this "logo" will appear promotional items for both the JACL and Jr. JACL national convention being held in Chicago next year.)

Looking Beyond Winter
By Chyo Uchida and JoAnn Kubo, Jr. PR Chmn.

Chicago
Though the MDYC Fall Workshop is due here next weekend, Nov. 28-29 at the Sheraton-Blackstone, the cold winds of autumn already predicting the arrival of winter, the thoughts of Chicago JACLers fly to spring and into summer, with prospects for the best of what the future will set the pace for a "hot" time in the Windy City. East and West will join forces to participate in one of the best conventions Chicago has hosted. Co-chairmen Steve Shikuma and Janet Nakai have polished a program that promises the best in experience and responsible participation.

Our universal five major points are highlighted throughout the convention with promotion of good citizenship, cultural heritage, community service, leadership and social recreational in each activity or event.

Scheduled for July 14-18, Juniors from chapters across the country will converge on Chicago's famed State Street as they register at the Palmer House Hotel. Centrally located in the heart of the Loop, eager explorers will have the opportunity to take in the sights and shop in any of the stores that line the Million Dollar Mile.

So brightly colored leaves scuttle past to herald the coming of snowflakes, remember the coming of spring... and summer.

PULSE ON THE CHAPTERS:

Twin Cities awards 7 scholarships amounting to over \$1,000 to Sansei

The JACL sponsored its fourth Jikko Old Log Benefit and parlayed it to a successful climax. Through the years, the Old Log Theatre, under the capable direction of its founder, Don Stols, has enabled the chapter to meet its scholarship goals by providing a popular live place in conjunction with an authentic Japanese teiryaki dinner prepared and served by JACL members.

Scholarship
This year, the outstanding Broadway play by Abe Burrows, "The Cactus Flower," was presented. Sponsors of the benefit hailed it as one of the most successful events in terms of attendance and profits for the chapter, as conservative estimates placed the number in the audience as around 600.

A large measure of its success was due to the capable chairmanship of Ken Tanaka and the skilled culinary talents of Scholarship Chairman Kimi Hara.

\$1,000 in Awards
Each year, the chapter awards approximately \$1,000 to Sansei graduating from Minnesota high schools. At the annual awards ceremony held in June, 1969, there were 28 graduates and chapter recognition was given to each candidate. Dr. Joseph Uemura, chairman of the Philosophy Department at Hamline University, St. Paul, was the keynote speaker.

Special awards were presented to the following: Linda Hashimoto, \$50 service award; Carol Takekawa and Carolyn Nishida, \$100 scholarship achievement award; Wayne Izumi, \$150 citizenship award; Bruce Takata and Jean Hirota, \$200 academic excellence award; and Anne Takekawa, top scholarship, citizenship and service award, \$250.

Now in its seventh year, the scholarship program in the

Longshoremen in Hawaii for repeal

HONOLULU—Repeal of the McCarran Act, which it branded as "malignant to American democracy and a permanent peril to trade unions," was urged this past week (Nov. 6) by the ILWU Local 142 executive committee.

The committee, meeting in Honolulu, welcomed the stand taken by the Honolulu Japanese Chamber of Commerce, which called for repeal of "concentration camp" provisions of the McCarran Act.

"Those Americans of Japanese ancestry relocated in World War II know the injustices which result when the government can jail anyone on suspicion alone," the ILWU said.

It said it supports bills sponsored by Sens. Daniel K. Inouye and Hiram L. Fong, and Reps. Patsy T. Mink and Spark Matsunaga. The bills would repeal the detention provisions of the McCarran Act.

The ILWU said the entire act should be wiped off the books.

Salinas JACL seeks city support on Title II repeal

SALINAS—City officials here were approached by Salinas JACL recently to support other local governmental bodies in endorsing the JACL campaign to have Title II repealed.

Their thoughts were that it was "a matter of the federal government."

5.8 million Jews
NEW YORK—The 1970 American Jewish Year Book estimates 5,896,000 Jews living in the United States with 20 pct. in New York City.

40 MEMBERS JOIN PNWDC JAPAN TOUR

TOKYO—A JACL tour group of 40 arrived Nov. 3 in Tokyo for a 10-day visit to Japan.

It is headed by Dr. James M. Watanabe, pathologist, Sacred Heart Hospital of Spokane, Wash.

On Wednesday the following morning, members of the group, many of whom are from Seattle and Spokane, visited the Tokyo head office of the Mainichi newspaper to see the editorial and printing facilities.

The tour group is scheduled to disband in Osaka.

Installation

Chicago all set for 25th inaugural

The curtain is about to lift on Chicago's JACL social event of 1969—the 25th anniversary dinner-dance—set for Saturday, Nov. 29, 5:30 p.m., at the Marriott Motor Hotel.

In the planning stages for nearly a year, the Silver Anniversary inaugural will feature Rep. Spark Matsunaga as keynote speaker. Also present will be three past National JACL presidents, past chapter presidents as well as past leaders of the Jr. JACL and Young Japanese Americans.

Masaru Furai will emcee the dinner starting at 6:30 p.m. Mrs. Tsune Nakagawa and Toshio Yamauchi are in charge of the program.

The popular Hawaiian congressman will speak on the future of Sansei in the political arena.

Listed as complete sell-out, over 100 youth who will be in Chicago for the Midwest District Youth Council workshop

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Washington Newsletter

by Mike Masaoka

Sato Visit and Okinawa



Washington

This is the week that Prime Minister Sato of Japan and his associates have been in Washington, meeting with President Nixon and officials of the State and Defense Departments, concerning the early reversion of administrative control of the Ryukus, the main island of which is Okinawa.

As this is being written (the weekend before the Prime Minister is scheduled to arrive in the nation's capital), there is considerable optimism among both the American and Japanese staff negotiators involved in the preliminary arrangements for the top level discussions this week that a mutually satisfactory and beneficial agreement will be reached.

The Japanese regard the Okinawa problem not only as their major irritant in their relations with the United States but also as the last remaining official reminder of World War II. They feel strongly that early reversion is a matter of national honor, suggesting that their sentiments are akin to what American feelings would probably be if Puerto Rico, Hawaii, or even Florida or California, were under the military occupation of a victorious conqueror 25 years after surrender in defeat.

The United States, on the other hand, is constantly reminded of the strategic military importance of Okinawa astride the Pacific approaches to the Asian mainland, as the frustrating war in Vietnam continues and North Korea remains a threat even though an armistice was arranged more than 15 years ago. Some Americans too remember the cost in blood and treasure that Okinawa represents as the last great battle of the late Pacific War and as the largest and most efficient military bastion in the Far East.

There seems to be much truth in the estimate that when and how Okinawa is returned to Japan may determine United States-Japan relations for many years, and perhaps decades, yet to come.

As of this date, it appears that a time for the reversion of Okinawa by the end of 1972 will be agreed to. It appears also that many other aspects of reversion have been agreed to, though in general terms, except possibly for the questions of nuclear weapons and of the need for the United States to engage in "prior consultations" before committing troops and equipment based on Okinawa to combat operations.

A collateral question has been raised, that Japan should be asked to compensate the United States for its costs of non-military installations.

It is being hoped that when the President and the Prime Minister met this past Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, these and the other remaining issues were resolved.

In any event, a joint communique is to be released Friday (Nov. 21) which will set forth the public understandings concerning the timing and the conditions of reversion. Thereafter, a joint task force will have to be created to implement the conditions of reversion and reach agreement for the expected transfer of administrative authority before the end of 1972.

Should the United States, as anticipated, provide for the early and generous reversion of Okinawa to Japan, it will establish another milestone in the treatment of a defeated country by the victors, the peaceful return of territory from the conquerors to the conquered.

Two weeks ago, the U.S. Senate by an overwhelming 63 to 14 vote approved an amendment proposed by Senator Harry Byrd of Virginia to the appropriations bill for the operations of the State Department that it was the "sense of the Senate" that any agreement for the reversion of Okinawa should not become effective until it has been, in effect, ratified by the Senate as a revision of the 1951 Treaty of Peace with Japan.

While the President will probably ask the Senate for its constitutional "advice and consent" on any final reversion pact, in order that the legislative branch will not become unduly agitated over this presumed slight and jeopardize the Chief Executive's general congressional program, legal minds are wondering whether the reversion arrangement constitutes a revision of the Treaty of Peace with Japan.

They note that the former Japanese islands of Amami and of the Bonin chain, also conquered by the United States and controlled under the terms of the Peace Treaty, were returned to Japanese administration under Executive Agreements, thereby establishing a precedent for such reversion.

Moreover, they recall that, unlike most war conquered territory, "residual sovereignty", as expressed by the late Secretary of State Dulles, remained in the hands of the defeated, so the sovereignty being reverted was never totally and completely in the United States. Okinawa, accordingly, is unique, for never before has a defeated country retained sovereignty over militarily occupied territory administered by the victors.

Another problem has arisen because efforts are being made to tie the reversion of Okinawa to Japan to trade and economic concessions that Japan should make to the United States.

Japan enjoys a trade balance of more than a billion dollars with the United States, exports many so-called import-sensitive products to the United States, and imposes limitations on many American imports and on foreign investments in Japan.

Though reversion is strictly a political matter, it is being used as a means and opportunity for certain elements in this country to force concessions from the Japanese in return for administrative control over Okinawa. Export controls on textiles and footwear, liberalization of import barriers, and relaxation of foreign investment limitations are among those urged most often. These elements hope for a package deal—Okinawa reverted to Japan, in return for trade and economic concessions from Japan.

Our personal reaction is that the friendly and co-operative relations between the United States and Japan are so crucial to the future peace and prosperity of the Pacific that the mutual interest of both nations requires that the principle of reversion be considered separately and distinctly on its own merits, rather than as a part of the price that a now proud Japan must now pay for a return of former territory to its homeland.

The American gesture of reverting Okinawa is a magnanimous one that is calculated to win much goodwill in Japan for the United States. Why should this goodwill be transformed into bitter, illwill caused by the introduction of what appears to be extraneous and irrelevant issues?

Pulse—

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are also expected to be present. Red Saunders and his 10-piece band will provide the dance music to follow. Japanese dancers of the Shizuko Inbe Troupe will entertain during the formal dinner. A unique photo display of the chapter's past 25 years will also be on exhibit.

Ross Harano was re-elected chapter chairman for 1970, which is also the year Chicago JACL hosts the national JACL convention in July.

Godfrey Isaac to address Gardena Valley installation

Gardena Valley JACL Attorney Godfrey Isaac was announced as guest speaker for the Gardena Valley JACL installation dinner-dance Nov. 29 at Mishima's Restaurant, 18515 S. Western Ave. Dinner will be served from 7:30 according to dinner chairman Roy Ral.

Isaac, who successfully represented Dr. Thomas Noguchi in his bid for reinstatement as county coroner before the county civil service commission, is making his third public speaking engagement at a JACL installation this month.

Asian Studies prof to address Oakland

Oakland JACL Clinical psychologist Dr. Dudley Yasuda of San Francisco State College's Asian Studies program will address the Oakland JACL installation dinner Dec. 7, p.m., at Francesco's Restaurant. Active with many Saneel programs in the Bay Area, Dr. Yasuda will speak "On Being Japanese American."

Reservations are being accepted for \$8.50 dinner by: Bob Oto (531-3508), Mary Anna Takagi (339-9587) and Paul Yamamoto (444-3911).

For the Elders

Gov. Evans to honor Seattle area Issei

Seattle JACL Seattle Japanese pioneers will be honored at the JACL sponsored Issei Centennial banquet on Monday, Nov. 24, 7:30 p.m., at the Washington Plaza Hotel. Among the speakers will be Gov. Dan Evans, Japanese Consul General Shigemitsu Hayashida, Rep. Brock Adams and other city and county officials, according to event chairman Dr. Minoru Masuda.

Issei 80 years of age and over will be presented the JACL Wakamatsu Colony Centennial commemorative medalion. Event is being co-sponsored by the Japan America Society and other Japanese community organizations.

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Sac'to seeking more Issei names

Sacramento JACL The local JACL has selected Tuesday Club at 2722 L St., as the site for its Pioneer Recognition and Centennial Year dinner to be held on Friday, Dec. 5.

Wakamatsu Colony Centennial medalions will be presented to Issei guests of the Sacramento area who have attained or will attain their 80th birthday before the year-end.

Additionally, an appropriate program is being planned in commemoration of the centennial year of 1969 for the Japanese people of America.

While the list of elderly Issei residing in the city has been effectively compiled, an effort is still being made to complete the listing from the outlying communities of Sacramento.

In order to assure the inclusion of all eligible Issei, chapter officials asked that names, dates of birth and addresses of those Issei 80 or over residing in Courtland, Walnut Grove, Clarksburg, Isleton, Fairfield, Suisun, Vacaville, Winters, Woodland, Dixon and Davis be forwarded to Henry Taketa, 400 "O" St.,

NEWS CAPSULES

Politics



George Ige

Hawaii - born educator George Ige, principal of Karl Holton School in San Fernando Valley, a L.A. county high school for disturbed children, declared Nov. 12 his candidacy for a seat on the Monterey Park city council. Three of the five seats are up for election in April, 1970. Graduate of USC and Cal State-L.A., he is also president-elect of the L.A. County Special Schools Administrators Assn. A nonpartisan committee supporting him includes: Takio Yamaguchi, Shosuke Nitta, Frank Yone-mura and Kazuo Watanabe, sponsors committee chairman.

Sen. Daniel Inouye (D-Hawaii) was named to the newly organized 20-member Democratic Policy Council executive committee with Hubert H. Humphrey as chairman "to maintain a constant vigil over the programs and proposals of the Republican administration, to inform the public of deficiencies and to inspire and put forth improved plans for action on the nation's needs".

Suite 201, Sacramento 95814 (telephone 444-5827).

West Los Angeles JACL Women Auxiliary members met Nov. 7 at the home of Mrs. Kiyoshi Sonoda to hand-craft items for the Issei elders.

Holiday Events

Prog. Westside JACL The long Thanksgiving holiday weekend will be busy for members and friends of Progressive Westside JACL, which is having a dinner meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 26, 7:30 p.m., at The Oriental in New Chinatown, and a young adults-collegian pre-holiday kickoff party Nov. 29, 9 p.m., at the SurfRider Inn in Santa Monica.

Tickets for the dinner meeting, which will conclude with dancing to the swinging combo

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School Front

Dr. Edwin F. Sasaki, son of the Joseph D. Sasaaki of Ann Arbor, was appointed coordinator of the Cooperative Education Program which permits the students to attend other Maryland state colleges to complete their work at Towson State College. He is also a member of the Pikeville-Randalls Human Relations Council.

Togo W. Tanaka of Los Angeles was named to the advisory committee of the Claremont Graduate School's Institute for Antiquity and Christianity Research Center, according to center director Dr. James M. Robinson. The institute will host the first world congress of learned societies in the area of religion in 1972. Currently president of Gramercy Enterprises, a real estate investment and management firm, Tanaka was publisher of the American Technical Society, Chicago, and edited the Rafu Shimpō English section from 1936-1942.

Cal State Hayward, founded in 1959, has an opening for a director of its Asian American Center, due to open in 1970 and which hopes to meet the educational needs of Asian American students and develop and coordinate services. Inquiries should be sent to Maurice Dance, v.p., academic affairs, Cal State Hayward, 25800 Hillary St., Hayward.

Music

Japanese violinist Masuko Ushioda will be presented in a Reedley College "Sunday at Three" concert Dec. 7, 2 p.m., at Reedley High School auditorium. There will be no admission charge. The young artist will play five pieces.

Beauties

Sue Shimoda, Diane Kirksy (a Negro), and Karen Parvin (a blonde) were finalists in the competition to become homecoming queen at Univ.

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of Alabama. It was the first time a Negro was among the slate of finalists with the student body voting in the winner. Only six years ago, then Gov. Wallace vowed that Negroes would never attend Alabama. Miss Shimoda, a sophomore, is from Dothan, Ala., where her parents raise poultry.

Yieki Lynn Tsujimoto, 17, Temple City High School senior, was named a princess in the Royal Court for the 1970 Tournament of Roses, first Japanese American to be so honored. Daughter of active Pasadena JACLers, the George Tsujimotos, she is 5 ft. 4½, 110 lb., varsity cheerleader and drill team member at school. She hopes to enter USC where her father heads the WESTRAC Information Bureau of the School of Business and Economics. Some 470 candidates from 17 schools in the Pasadena area competed this year.

Entertainment

Young Kabuki star Sogoro Ichikawa of Tokyo is now memorizing the lead role in "The Man from La Mancha" debut on Broadway next Mar. 9—part of the current Festival of International Don Quixotes featuring stars who have played the title role in many parts of the world. Ichikawa has taken leads in Japanese productions of American and other foreign plays.

Joyce Muraoka, 21-year-old music major at Cal State L.A., made her stage debut as Mei Li in the Long Beach Civic Light Opera production of "Flower Drum Song" Oct. 31 at Jordan High School auditorium. Nancy Ishino plays Mei-Li in the dream sequence ballet. Others in the cast include James (Butch) Kasahara, Gary Kitagawa, Ernie Miyashima, Dianne Shimizu, Jeffrey Quon Lee and Sam Lee.

Tatsuo Sakai, 33, of Tokyo who studied ballet at age 9 under Michio Ito and Masahide Komaki, has been in Paris the past eight years and with the Renee Jeannarie Co. the past three years. This month, he made his debut with the Scottish Theater Ballet at Sadler Wells in London in the lead role of "Beauty and the Beast" with prima donna Miss Day Washington, 25. The Scottish Theater Ballet ranks in Britain behind the Royal Ballet and the London Festival Ballet and comprised of 10 male and 10 female dancers. Sakai became the first Japanese ballet artist to play a principal role in Britain.

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ly disrupted by the evacuation from the West Coast.

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ICU clarifies dismissal

TOKYO — Dismissal of six Univ. of California student from UC Education Abroad Program based at International Christian University was not by ICU officials, it was explained Nov. 6, but an EAP function. The two Nisei coeds, Kathy Horikoshi and Phyllis Ogata, failed to register on their own accord, ICU said.

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THE PLEASURE OF HUMOR—A long time ago, when we were very young and didn't know we were poor, some of our friends were Negroes who also were young and poor. What endeared them to us most, I think, was their sense of humor. They were natural comedians, and there was no patronizing when we laughed at them, and with them. Shucks, we didn't even know what the word meant. We just laughed because they were funny in a wry, wholesome, enjoyable way. And although it is unpopular these days to say certain things seem to have a knack for certain things—that perpetuates an undesirable stereotype, we are warned—our Black friends did have a delightful flair for comedy. They made our lives more fun and it was a pleasure to know them.

That was a long time ago, as I've mentioned, and our paths have gone in diverse directions. Far as I know, none of my friends went on to commercialize their talent the way people like Bill Cosby have done, and it's a shame that their humor couldn't have been spread around. Perhaps they are simply making their own friends and families laugh these days to ease the pains and heartaches of these uptight times when nerve-ends are raw and smiles are likely to be bitter.

TWO THINGS—What brought this to mind is a couple of things that happened recently. First was a television show, appropriately titled, "Laughing to Keep from Crying", that was shown on the local educational channel. It was part of the "On Being Black" series and featured Dick Gregory, Moms Mabley, Stu Gilliam and Timmie Rogers, and much of their humor carried a bitter edge. They made cracks that White comedians wouldn't dare attempt in public, but still they made people laugh.

The other was a visit by Morrie Turner, the Negro cartoonist from Berkeley, Calif., whose "Wee Pals" comic strip is syndicated in some 40 newspapers. It ought to be in 400. The wee pals are youngsters, like we were, who cope with racial problems with rare understanding and good humor. The chief character is Randy, "Afro-American, Negro, Black, colored, soul brother." Some of the others are George, an Oriental; Peter, a Mexican American; Rocky, an American Indian; Jerry, who is Jewish, and Oliver, a Caucasian who is "very careful".

Turner's characters take the anger out of racial problems and put them a less tense perspective. For example, Oliver, the White boy says: "Let's go to my house—my mother has a treat for us."

Randy, the Negro asks: "What is it, Oliver?" When Oliver says it's watermelon, Randy spurns him. Later, when George, the Oriental, asks why, Randy admits he loves watermelon "but a fella has to protect his new image, doesn't he?"

In another strip Randy recalls the days when he had to walk five miles through the snow to a segregated school. Now, he says, he rides a bus three miles in the sunshine to an integrated school.

"It must have taken a lot of protest marches to achieve that," Oliver remarks, and Randy replies: "No, we moved to California."

On another occasion, George, the Oriental, is asked what he likes best to eat—chop suey? Pork chow mein? Sukiyaki?

"No," says George, "chitlins and giffite fish." "Son of a gun, a Jewish Oriental with soul."

They say laughter is the best medicine, but perhaps the time has come when some of the nation's social ills are beyond the healing power of humor. Still, if we can laugh about our troubles, there is hope that we can solve them.

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JACL Statement on Reversion of Okinawa

Introduction

The Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) is the only national organization representing Americans of Japanese ancestry. Founded in 1930, the JACL has as its primary and continuing concern the welfare of Japanese Americans, but, as stated in the preamble of its national constitution, the JACL strives also to "foster American democracy, promote active participation in civic and national life and secure justice and equal opportunities for all Americans regardless of race, creed, color, or national origin."

THE TEXT

Today, the JACL has 92 chapters and members in 32 states and the District of Columbia.

JACL's programs have sought not only to emphasize and protect the rights and privileges of American citizenship but also to note the responsibilities of citizenship. The particular areas of stress, the extent of involvement, and the techniques may change.

In the earlier years of its history, JACL was operating in an America where the multicultural aspects of American life were less appreciated, where the people were almost entirely European-oriented, and where Asia and the Asians were neglected, ignored, or tolerated as exotics. Race mongers were saying that the Japanese could not be assimilated into the American cultural pattern.

Japan's aggression in the Far East caused our fellow Americans to misdirect their wrath against Japanese Americans. When Japan attacked Pearl Harbor, unfair discrimination against Japanese Americans was questioned, and they were displaced to relocation camps.

In these times, to prove they were Americans, Japanese Americans felt it necessary to isolate themselves from Japan and all things Japanese. JACL restricted its attention to guarding the rights and welfare of Japanese Americans and promoting the acceptance of Japanese Americans in American life. Suggestions that JACL could or should play a special role in promoting good relations between the United States and Japan would, we believe, have been rebuffed by the membership and probably misunderstood by the American public.

Today, however, there is little question of the loyalty of Japanese Americans to the United States. In World War II, there was no act of espionage or sabotage by a Japanese American, and the Issei and Nisei had outstanding records in the civilian war effort, on the battlefield, and in specialized language areas.

Further, Americans now have a greater appreciation of diverse cultural backgrounds and a growing recognition of the need for, and importance of, understanding, accommodation, and profiting from this diversity.

In these changed circumstances, Japanese Americans value their Japanese ancestry and background, and JACL must help Japanese Americans to meet the special risks and responsibilities caused by that Japanese background.

The nature of United States-Japan relations is a prime concern to Japanese Americans. Our livelihood, our way of life, our standing in the community are all influenced by the fact that there is a Japan. Of all Americans, those of Japanese ancestry may well have the greatest stake in the existence of a peaceful, thriving, influential Japan, friendly to the United States.

In our democracy, where each person and each group must actively participate and work for desirable goals, it is fitting that JACL should try to develop or endorse policies that will enhance friendly cooperation between the country of our nationality and loyalty, and the land of our ancestry. Thus, at its 1968 national

convention, JACL formally resolved to reactivate and redirect its international affairs committee and aim to participate actively in the formulation of United States foreign policy, particularly in the area of United States-Japan relations.

The Okinawa Problem

At its first meeting early in 1969, the JACL's reorganized international affairs committee agreed that the reversion of Okinawa and the other Ryukyu Islands was the most pressing issue challenging United States-Japan relations. We recognized that there would undoubtedly be military and security aspects unavailable to the public or difficult for the public to evaluate, but we also knew that other organizations, publications, and individuals were taking positions and voicing their opinions.

JACL's Position

Our analysis of the various alternatives led us to conclude that the following measures were the best, overall, for the United States:

1—The United States and Japan should agree this year to a reversion of Okinawa to Japan by the end of 1972.

2—American military bases in Okinawa should be subject to the same restrictions that apply to the main islands of Japan; i.e., there should be prior consultation before introducing nuclear weapons or before using the bases for direct military combat elsewhere.

In July 1969, the National Board of the JACL endorsed the above recommendations of the international affairs committee. At that time, the Board added the further statement:

3—Japan should actively seek the early return from Soviet Russia of the northern islands of Habomai, Shikotan, Kunashiri, and Etorofu.

Reasons for the JACL's Position

In studying the Okinawa problem, the committee soon found that military purposes were the main reasons for continued unrestricted holding of Okinawa.

The United States has mutual defense treaties with Australia and New Zealand, the Philippines, Korea, Taiwan, and Japan, as well as a South East Asia collective defense treaty. The United States is at war with Vietnam.

To conduct that war and to back up treaty commitments, the Pentagon wishes unhampered use of the Ryukyus, where the United States has developed an awesome forward base of operations. If military considerations alone prevailed, it would seem that the United States should have the maximum number of options open to it and that it should retain Okinawa, free of any outside restrictions. However, the committee felt that there were other overriding non-military considerations that could not be ignored and would not allow the continued unrestricted holding of Okinawa.

There is first the untenability of having the leader of the free world continuing the military occupation of a part of a foreign nation, almost a quarter of a century after the end of a war.

The Ryukyus are inhabited by about a million people who use Japanese as their native language and consider themselves Japanese. That these people wish to return to Japanese rule was indicated by their choice of Chobyo Yara last year, in their first direct election of a Chief Executive. Yara ran on a platform of "out, unconditional, immediate reversion of Okinawa to Japan."

Actually, the United States concedes that Japan has residual sovereignty over the islands. Presidents Eisenhower, Kennedy, and Johnson have endorsed return of the Ryukyus to Japan. Thus, Americans, Japanese, and Okinawans are agreed that the islands should revert to Japan. The unanswered questions are

not whether there should be reversion, but when, and under what conditions.

We have recommended this year, 1969, as the time for a decision on reversion. We recognize that the 1951 Peace Treaty determined the status of Okinawa and that there is no legal obligation for the United States to discuss Okinawa reversion at this or any other time.

Further, we realize that the future status of Okinawa is not included in the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security between the United States and Japan, a treaty that becomes renegotiable in 1970.

Nonetheless, we urge action this year, for we fear the consequences to United States-Japan relations, if a volatile, unresolved, Okinawan problem remains in 1970. Our two most recent former ambassadors to Japan, Edwin O. Reischauer and U. Alexis Johnson, have noted that opposition groups have aimed at 1970 as the time to break the relationship between the United States and Japan. By tying the popular Okinawan issue to the more esoteric and less popular security treaty issue, these groups can mount a much more effective campaign to challenge the treaty and the relationship.

Although we believe there are compelling reasons for immediate reversion of political control of Okinawa to Japan, we have recommended 1972 as a practical and realistic date for the completion of an orderly transfer. Further, we expect that by that year, there will be a substantial disengagement of United States forces in Vietnam.

Our recommendations state that when reversion occurs, American military bases should be subject to the same restrictions that apply to the main islands of Japan.

Earlier in this report, we have noted that if military objectives alone held sway, we might be advised to keep Okinawa, free of restrictions. However, we have already indicated that there are ineluctable non-military aspects speaking for reversion.

Further, the committee found that apart from the questions of whether the United States should be a world policeman and whether the

United States has begun to reassess its overseas responsibilities, particularly in Asia. Japan's economic power has continued to increase its national confidence and made the country more aware of other roles it might play in Asia and the rest of the world.

Clearly, it would be mutually beneficial for both countries to work together in a friendly and equal relationship to cope with the changing political environment of Asia.

For the Japanese, as Hans J. Morganthau stated in a Los Angeles Times Service syndicated column appearing 11 May 1969 in The Philadelphia Inquirer: "The occupation of Okinawa, considered by all Japanese as an integral part of national discontent, a touchstone of the country's worth as a nation."

Okinawa reversion to Japan would remove a major irritant in United States-Japan relations and stimulate the development of greater mutual interests between the two countries and a greater sharing of responsibilities, and end the client-sponsor psychology that has characterized United States-Japan relations since World War II.

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use of Okinawa bases is really in our national interest, there are questions about the military need for unrestricted use of Okinawa.

The committee noted evidence that technological developments have greatly lessened the strategic importance of Okinawa for attack, deterrence, or defense. For example, in hearings last March before the Subcommittee on National Security Policy and Scientific Developments of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, George Kistiakowsky stated:

"We do not need Okinawa for our missiles, whether land launched or submarine launched. In case we need shorter range aircraft, we still have the aircraft carrier from which they can be launched. When it comes to aircraft like the B-29, we have other bases, like Guam, which are perfectly feasible points of departure for these bombers."

I have a strong feeling that while the Okinawa base complex was completely essential for our strategic planning when it was first organized and strengthened, the nuclear use of Okinawa has probably already become obsolescent.

Further, in a statement prepared for the same Committee, Albert Wohltetter wrote: "... changes in the technology of weapons delivery and in techniques of control and logistic support have diminished and will continue to diminish the value of potential nuclear operations from close-in, thin, and the availability of other alternatives, leave only marginal importance to possible nuclear operations on Okinawa, i.e., to the actual or potential presence of the 'major equipment' that is excluded from the main islands of Japan. Much the same can be said of the conventional combat operations permitted from Okinawa without prior consultation, that require such consultation if launched from elsewhere in Japan: their value is small compared to the worth of (permissible activities) ... and very small compared to their likely political costs."

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When the numbers had accumulated in a sufficient quantity, a swift, manicured rise in population occurred, voraciously eating away at the nutrient material. Crowding and pushing against the unyielding glass walls, this stage is known as the "log" (logarithmic) phase.

Slowly the supply of food is depleted. The increase of waste products prevents many cells from surviving. For every additional cell, another dies. This stage is static.

As the nutrient liquid becomes increasingly polluted with toxic waste, there is little left to feed on. Amidst the vast toxic waste and dead cells, the last surviving cells finally succumb. Life no longer exists.

The above description was not merely a step-by-step account of a scientist's experiment. Consider this earth as a flask of nutrients which its inhabitants are continuously depleting. Though still in the log phase, we have already begun to dig our own graves.

Even though the high population rate has forced us to acknowledge and display tolerance for each other, many of us selfishly cling to our own personal interests, thinking that if we ignore the problem, it will go away.

Mobile, capitalistic America has already created its own smog problem in most major cities. These death clouds have already affected plant, animal and human life. Chemical wastes from homes and factories have poured into rivers, lakes and streams killing much of the water life.

The smog and waste, in turn, have cut down the food supply, which has never been available to the population in equal amounts to begin with.

The technology which built the spaceship to the moon cannot make clean air or water. Time is running short. Soon we will approach the static and the death phase. Some scientist predict twenty more years. Just time enough for the fourth and fifth generation to catch the tail end of life on earth.

Senior Citizen housing

A senior citizen housing development in Little Tokyo is to be surveyed by a task force being chaired by Mori Nishida and comprised of church and civic leaders, it was announced by Akira Kawasaki, Little Tokyo Community Development advisory committee chairman.

CALENDAR

Nov. 22 (Saturday)
D.C.—Gen. Milg. Maryland Park and Planning Commission, Silver Spring, 1:30 p.m.; film: "Japanese People," narrated by Dr. Edwin Reichbauer.
San Fernando Valley—Installation dinner, Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge, Sherman Oaks, 7 p.m.
Nov. 23—24
PSWDC—4th Qtrly Session, Chapin Clinic, Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge, Sherman Oaks; Warren Furutani, Sunday luncheon speaker.
CCDC—District convention, Fresno Hacienda Inn; Dr. S. I. Hayakawa, Sunday banquet speaker.
Nov. 25 (Sunday)
NC-WNDYC—Qtrly session, San Jose Jrs. host, Fourth St. Bowl, 9:30 a.m. business, Buddhist Church, 1:30 p.m.
Nov. 26 (Monday)
West Los Angeles—Ed Mtg. Capitol Life Ins. Bldg, 11826 Wilshire Blvd., 7:30 p.m.
Seattle—Lunar appreciation dinner, Washington Plaza Hotel, 7 p.m.
Nov. 27 (Tuesday)
Salinas Valley—Ed Mtg.
Nov. 28 (Wednesday)
Prog. Westside—Dinner Mtg. The Oriental, New Chinatown, 7:30 p.m.
Nov. 29-30
IDC—Qtrly Session, Snake River Valley JACL Hosts; Treasure Valley Community College, Ontario, Ore., Fri. 2 p.m.—Civil rights workshop; Sat. 9 a.m.—Business session.
Chicago—Jr. JACL Workshop, "Cultural Awareness" Sheraton Blackstone Hotel.
Nov. 29 (Saturday)
Prog. Westside—Pre-Holiday Kick-off, SurfRider Inn, Santa Monica, 9 p.m.
Gardena Valley—Installation dinner-dance, Midway's Restaurant, 1618 S. Western, Godfrey Isaac, speaker.
Milwaukee—Gen Mtg. International Institute.
Chicago—25th Anniversary Inaugural, Marriott Motor Hotel, 5:30 p.m.; rpt. Snake Matsunaga, speaker.
Watsonville—Installation dinner-dance, Elks Club, 6 p.m.
Nov. 30 (Sunday)
Chicago—YJA Bd Mtg. JACL Office, 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 2 (Tuesday)
Oakland—Ed Mtg. Sumitomo Bank Bldg., 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 3 (Friday)
San Francisco—Planner Iseel recognition banquet, Tuesday Club, 2722 L St.
Dec. 6 (Saturday)
Contra Costa—Christmas party, Kennedy High School.
West Los Angeles—Installation dinner-dance, Surf Riders.
San Francisco—Annual bridge tournament.
Dec. 7 (Sunday)
Oakland—Installation dinner-dance, Francisco's Restaurant, 7:30 p.m.; Dr. Dudley Yasuda, speaker, "On Being Japanese American."
Progressive party for Mentally Retarded Children, Camarillo State Hospital.
Cincinnati—Christmas party, Clifton Nat'l Bank, 2 p.m.
Dec. 13 (Saturday)
Milwaukee—Christmas party, International Institute.

SEATTLE—Lawrence Y. Matsuda, 24, a Sansei, is teaching the city's first Asian-American history course in a public school at Sharples Jr. High, which has about a 12 per cent Oriental enrollment. A language arts teacher, Matsuda explained there was no one else around who knew anything about it so he was kind of elected by default. An elective course after most students had enrolled for fall courses, there are nine in the class, which is also publishing a student research publication and designing posters as a class project to encourage more interest in the second semester.

The dragon of Seattle's Asian Coalition for Equality is featured on the posters.

Can't Wait

Thomas Sheehan, principal, said, "I don't think we can wait long enough to train teachers and get materials for such a course. We should offer it now, because it's needed now."

Matsuda said, "It's very important for Orientals here to establish some kind of identity. They can't identify with the land of their Oriental heritage because that's foreign to them and they can't fully identify with white America because of their skin color. They have the problem of looking like a foreigner in their own land."

"It is important, too, for non-Orientals to be aware of the Oriental contribution and

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL POLL

Views on Asian Americans

SEATTLE—Students in the Asian American history class at Sharples Jr. High School recently sampled about 100 of their classmates on minority views, stressing opinions toward Orientals.

Keeping in mind that the views are from what educators and parents term "unpredictable" junior high youngsters, the results are interesting nevertheless. For example:

Most students, regardless of their own race, felt Orientals are "smarter than average and hardworking". The majority of those who said they disliked Orientals were Orientals with 10 out of 26 Orientals declaring they would mind "if an Oriental moved in next door". Some other results:

1. Would your parents allow you to marry outside your race or religion?
WHITES 25 yes—31 no
BLACKS 3 yes—6 no
ORIENTALS 12 yes—12 no

2. Do you think Orientals will ever become militant?
WHITES 7 yes—43 no
BLACKS 3 yes—4 no
ORIENTALS 7 yes—18 no

3. Would you like to live in Chinatown?
WHITES 1 yes—39 no
BLACKS 0 yes—8 no
ORIENTALS 1 yes—22 no

Bank contributes \$500 to CCDC Issei scholarship

FRESNO — Ben Matsui, vice president and manager of the Bank of Tokyo of California, Fresno branch, announced Nov. 12 the bank's contribution of \$500 to the Issei Living Memorial Scholarship Fund, established by the Central California JACL District Council.

It was announced at the CCDC dinner honoring pioneer Issei on the centennial of Japanese immigration to the United States. The dinner was attended by more than 500 guests, including Consul General Seiichi Shima of San Francisco and mayors of 14 communities from Madera to Bakersfield.

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history in America," Matsuda noted.

Most persons, for example, may not know that Chinese labor dug the Lake Washington Ship Canal, Matsuda said. Or that about 200 Chinese were driven out of Tacoma at the turn of the century in anti-Chinese riots, or that the Japanese pioneered the California grape-growing industry.

Twelve states still have laws against the marriage of whites and Orientals, Matsuda said.

Student Opinions

The students, six Oriental, two whites and one black, say the course is rewarding.

"I'm interested in my ancestors and what they had to suffer," Pat Ko, 14, a ninth grader of Chinese ancestry, said.

Caroline Hinton, 13, an eighth grader, and a Nisei, or second-generation of Japanese ancestry, agreed. Such courses help to build pride, she said.

"American history... doesn't really tell you all this," Pat said.

"I'd like to know more about all races, religions and all peoples," Howard Maxwell, 14, white ninth grader, said.

Derek Washington, the only black student in the class said:

"I think this class should be offered in all the schools. Orientals, like blacks, have been left out of American history."

4. If Japan turned Communist would you trust Japanese Americans?
WHITES 36 yes—13 no
BLACKS 2 yes—5 no
ORIENTALS 31 yes—3 no

5. Do you think Orientals have equal rights?
WHITES 43 yes—12 no
BLACKS 5 yes—4 no
ORIENTALS 15 yes—10 no

6. How would you feel if an Oriental moved in next door to you?
WHITES 12 not OK—41 OK
BLACKS 3 not OK—6 OK
ORIENTALS 10 not OK—16 OK

7. Would your parents mind if you dated Orientals?
WHITES 3 yes—44 no
BLACKS 4 yes—3 no
ORIENTALS 0 yes—22 no

8. Do you think Orientals are less emotional than whites?
WHITES 18 yes—26 no
BLACKS 4 yes—3 no
ORIENTALS 15 yes—10 no

9. Do you think Orientals have an equal chance to make it to the top position in society?
WHITES 33 yes—8 no
BLACKS 4 yes—2 no
ORIENTALS 18 yes—4 no

10. Do Orientals tend to be shy?
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Assembled, but nameless for this caption, are committee members of the 1969 CCDC convention fashion show, slated this Sunday afternoon at the Fresno Travel Host (formerly the Hacienda) Motel.

'FASHION FANTASY' IN FRESNO

Careers of Central Cal's Convention

FRESNO—A proved attraction to the annual Central California JACL district convention is its fashion show slated for this Sunday afternoon at the Fresno Travel Host (formerly the Hacienda) Motel.

Open to the public, the show starts at 3 p.m. with fashions

from Rhodes of Fresno, Betty Nelson is coordinator, Mrs. Joyce Rosetta, commentator.

Tickets are \$1.50 and may be obtained at the door, according to Mrs. Ed Yano and Mrs. Charles Abe of Reedley, co-chairmen.

Fashion models will be: Sandy Nagatani and Dr. James Nagatani of Delano; Jean Kawaguchi, Lynn Onaka of Fowler; Mrs. Ronald Mayebo, Carolyn Tsubota, Mel Harada of Fresno; Any Bundo, Genevieve Okada of Sanger; Debbie Nakamura, Sharon Togioka of Reedley; Mrs. Roy Sumida, Mrs. Kandy Mimura, Brian Mura of Tulare County; Phyllis Doi, Judy Kanemoto of Parlier; Jenny Lynn Yamamoto of Selma; Lorraine Takahashi and Dr. Mae Takahashi of Clovis.

On the committee are: Mrs. George Takasaki and Mrs. Kaz Kuniyoshi of Reedley; Mrs. Mrs. Yosh Shimamoto, Mrs. Shige Nagao of Selma, gen. arr.; Mrs. Roy Kato, Mrs. Joe Yoshimura of Fowler, hospital; Dr. Mae Takahashi, Mrs. Joyce Rosetta of Clovis, models; Mrs. Ben Kaga, Mrs. Robert Okamura of Parlier, pub.; Mrs. Ichio Okada, Mrs. Haruue Fukushima of Tulare County, entertainment; Mrs. Hiro Kusakura, Mrs. Robert Tsubota of Fresno, table decorations; Mrs. Toru Moriama and Mrs. Kilchi Tange of Sanger, stage decorations.

The Sunday morning session will include a progress report on the Repeal of Title II (Detention Camp Act) by Okamura, chairman, the Title II Repeal Committee; Earl Warren project by Uno, instructor at San Francisco State College and a report by Kanegae, national 1st v.p.

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at the Oriental, are \$3 per person. The Changes and Thee Chosen Few will play at the Saturday party.

Civic Affairs

Chicago JACL Two educators represented the JACL at the 22nd annual Citizens' School Committee civic assembly dinner Oct. 3 to hear Dr. James E. Allen, new U.S. commissioner of education, speak on the "State of the Union Address on Education." They were Sam Ozaki, principal at Harrison High, and Morris Inouye, South Shore High instructor.

Another JACL, Tom Teraji, director of area studies for the Chicago Board of Education, also attended the event which cited the outstanding teachers of Chicago.

Portland JACL

Copies of five popular books on Japanese Americans are to be donated by the Portland JACL to the eight local colleges and Multnomah Public Library. A set will also be placed at the Nikkei Kai office. The five titles are: "Wakamatsu Colony Centennial," "America's Concentration Camps," "Japanese American: Evolution of a Subculture," "Impounded People" and "Prejudice, War and the Constitution."

Sports

Alameda JACL

The winner of the chapter's annual fishing derby held Nov. 9 was Pino Kiyoi with a 36 lb. bass, Tates Hanamura, chairman for the event, announced. Other prize winners were:

Yosh Sugiyama 31 lb. 15 oz.; Ben Barr 31-14½; Tates Hanamura 22-15; Jim Ushijima 18-15; Jess Gould 18; Jim Ushijima 15-14; Roy Matsuda 15-1; Yosh Inouye 14-1; Iwakawa 14-1; Mike Ikeda 11-8 Shig Futagaki 10-14; Mits Ikeda 6-15.

Prize donors were: Shig Futagaki (Nisei Plastics), Haruo Imura Insurance, James Yumae (Yumae Nursery), Frank Ogawa (Ogawa Nursery), Coliseum Garden Supply, Island Market, Choice Market and HI.

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Queen's Surf

Circuit Judge Yasutaka Yasutaka Fukushima dismissed a taxpayer suit which had sought to halt demolition of Queen's Surf, now owned by the city and Mayor Fasi wants eliminated for expanding Kapiolani Park. Raised by councilmen Clessen Y. Chikayasu and Brian Casey and five others as individual taxpayers, the action did not have "sufficient standing," the judge said, "but this does not preclude other action in this matter. There can still be the approach by the City Council."

Congressional Score

Rep. Spark M. Matsunaga has introduced a bill to increase the social security and medicare benefits to the elderly. Among other improvements, it would increase minimum monthly social security benefits from \$44 to \$103, provide higher benefits for early retirees, increase the amount of income a beneficiary can earn, halve the six-month waiting period for disability benefits, extend health insurance to the disabled, and liberalize the benefits to widows.

Tournament of Roses

The eight Ka Palapala queens of the Univ. of Hawaii chosen last April will ride on Continental Airlines' float in the Tournament of Roses Parade on New Year's Day in Pasadena. It will be an all-Hawaiian float. The eight racial queens are Gwen Souza (Hawaiian), Janis Fontes (Caucasian), Cheryl Lau (Chinese), Earlyn Ebesu (Japanese), Cheyenne Raeli (Filipino), Marie Pakk (Korean), Gale Glass (Negro) and Jacqueline Levin (Cosmopolitan).

Business Ticker

Rel Yamato has become executive director of a new firm which will offer help, equipment and facilities to groups planning conferences in the Pacific. It has been announced. The firm is engaged in a variety of travel-related activities in the Pacific, including hotel construction and operation.

The Army was asked by Rep. Spark Matsunaga to allow the State of Hawaii use

Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

of Army Pier 40 in Honolulu for public bathing and cargo storage. If permission is granted, then the state's \$2.5 million wharf at Rainbow Island could be postponed "in line with the President's program which calls for austerity in public construction."

Neal S. Blaisdell, former mayor of Honolulu, has been named director of state and community affairs-Hawaii for Western Airlines. Blaisdell will serve the Los Angeles-based airline through offices in Honolulu.

Castle & Cook's first half earnings, announced Oct. 14, erased a 30 per cent decline in the first three months and came out more than 90 per cent ahead of the same six months last year. The company said net earnings from operations totaled \$8.4 million, or 82 cents per common share, for the six months ended Sept. 30.

Central Pacific Bank has promoted the following three branch managers to the office of vice president: Richard Murakami, Makiki branch; Kazuo Kozaki, Kaimuki branch; and Takahashi Tomoe, Kaimuki branch.

The Volkswagen "beetle" or "bug" has dropped to third place in sales behind Toyota and Datsun. The beetle's troubles are not only confined to Hawaii. Although Volkswagen is still the most popular imported car in the U.S., outselling Toyota, its nearest competitor, by four-to-one, its percentage of the national market is slipping.

War on Fruit Flies

U.S. Senator Hiram L. Fong has declared a war on fruit flies that cost Hawaii farmers \$1.5 million a year. Fong in a letter to Agriculture Secretary Clifford Hardin proposed eradication of the Mediterranean fruit fly and the melon fly. Eradication, Fong said, would allow island commercial fruit and vegetable production to grow from \$7 million to \$23 million a year, while protecting the Mainland.

Names in the News

Four charter members of the Honolulu Lions Club were honored recently. The club celebrated its 44th annual dinner. They were Dr. Dwight H. Uyeno, Noble R. Smith, Takaki Matsuno and Walter Fujikami. Another charter member is Robert N. Kurokawa, who now makes his home in Japan.

Attorney Stephen M. Okano has resigned from the prosecuting attorney's office to enter private practice of law with the law firm of Woodell, Mukai and Wirtz. Okano joined the prosecutor's staff in June, 1968.

Darrel W. Lau, son of Dr. and Mrs. Leonard K.H. Lau,

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Sports

Stanford third-string quarterback Ron Fujikawa was first string while at Long Beach Wilson High and Dennis Dummit second string, now the UCLA sensation. As Ron explained it to Chronicle sports columnist Art Rosenbaum, "A funny thing happened in the last five years... he grew and I didn't."

Jessie Takamiyama Kuanhua, first foreigner to make a name in sumo, was promoted to the Sanky ranks after a creditable 9-6 record in the recent fall tournament. Now 24, the ex-football player from Hawaii began five years ago and had a spotty career as a Maegashira.

Shigeo Kaida of Stockton with his 88-21-67 claimed the San Joaquin Valley Nisei golf tournament honors at Fresno Oct. 5. Jerry Miyamoto of Sacramento with 78 eked Ben Sunahara of Sacramento by one stroke for low gross trophy.

Thirty-five golfers from Eastbay and Sacramento Nisei clubs competed in a best ball tournament at Sunset Whittey Ranch with Steve Matsumoto and Gordy Kono teamed together to capture the tournament with a best ball score

Sister Cities

Ota City in western Japan and Lansing, Mich., established a sister city affiliation Oct. 7, following an international telephone call between Ota's Mayor Zenichi Nishida and Lansing's Mayor Gerald W. Graves. Last year, Michigan and Shiga-ken (of which Ota is a part) established sister-state relationship.

Deaths

Harry S. Kawabe, 79, Seattle exporter-importer and apartment house operator, died Nov. 7. A prewar resident of Alaska, he sponsored a series of test cases in 1930 to secure Issei there some privileges enjoyed by other residents. A member of many civic groups, he was a Seattle JACL adviser and was decorated by the Japanese government for promoting U.S.-Japan relations.

Contemporary prints

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Sports Scene

Walter Uyeda of Honolulu, a 169-average bowler, scored a 300 game Nov. 5 in the 940 Classic League at Windward Bowl, finishing with a 676 series.

Several former Hawaii Islanders of the Pacific Coast League did well in the majors during the 1969 season. They included Dick Bosman, Casey Cox, Hank Allen and Branch Arvey of the Washington Senators; Walter (No Neck) Williams, Bill Melton, Gail Hopkins, Danny Murphy, Brian Olinick, Danny Murphy, Billy Wynne and Jerry Nyman of the Chicago White Sox and the biggest surprise of them all — Ron Tatum — of the California Angels.

Political Scene

Ned Burgess has been elected pres. of the Young Democratic Club of Honolulu. Other officers are:

David Shiota, v.p.; Edward Hasegawa, v.p.; Corrine Sakaki, sec.; and Herman Leong, treas. Directors are Robert Kenny, Norrie Thompson, Susane Idenose, Lionel Tokioka, Joe Regala, William Hee, Hayden Burgess and Edward Nakano.



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Ye Editor's Desk

ROHWER MEMORIAL PARK

As a serviceman inducted before Pearl Harbor, we were among the few hundred West Coast Nisei who did not physically endure with the many thousands of our fellows and parents the scourge of Evacuation. Yet, emotionally, it robbed us what a furlough "home" meant for a man in uniform.

Our family was relocated to Rohwer WRA Center—about a 24-hour train and bus ride from the Texas midlands as we remember it. So the first furlough "home" from Texas swung us in the opposite direction. There was no difficulty reaching Little Rock by train. Then it was transferring to a bus which didn't roll faster than 35 miles per hour on the highway toward McGehee. (Because of gas rationing, public busses had "governors" which limited the flow of fuel into the engine. Even a little hill was hard to crest in those days.) A pickup truck from the WRA camp met us at McGehee for the 10-mile jaunt northeast along a pine-tree studded road for the final leg of the trek "home".

On the last visit, we remember had helping to construct the Nisei War Memorial just outside the confines of the camp. The chief designer happened to live in the same block and had commandeered him. So it was with more than passing and personal interest to learn sometime ago that perpetual care was finally being given to the deceased of Rohwer buried there and the Nisei war memorial.

When the WRA camps in Arkansas were shut down in 1944 and 1945, the land which had been cleared of trees for the barracks and fields was sold to local interests. But no provisions were made by the WRA to retain title to the little cemetery.

The story since that time was hazy till an Arkansas Democrat reporter this past summer related what has been transpiring as a prelude to the Japanese American Memorial Day being observed Nov. 29-30 at Rohwer.

When Hayes Stephens, a McGehee automobile dealer was elected commander of the American Legion in 1958, he suggested that the McGehee Post renovate the abandoned cemetery. With the help of Boy Scouts, the cemetery was cleaned up at once and 10-year-old saplings cut. The Chicago Nisei Post, American Legion, hearing of the effort contributed each month to its upkeep.

In 1961, the Nisei Post and a group of Chicagoans went to Rohwer to honor the war dead and the 24 still buried there. (The PC carried both pictures and stories. Our files are full on this particular dedication.) Desha County road department had cut a road about a half-mile from the highway to the burial grounds. Local Future Farmers of America also helped in cleaning the cemetery.

Joe Sagami, Nisei post commander, wrote the men were misty eyed as the dedication ended with the singing of Hymn No. 488: "In the sweet by and by/ We shall meet on that beautiful shore; In the sweet by and by/ We shall meet on that beautiful shore."

There were hopes then that the National Park Service would assume care of the hallowed grounds. But interest lagged; title to the land changed and the cemetery was forgotten again.

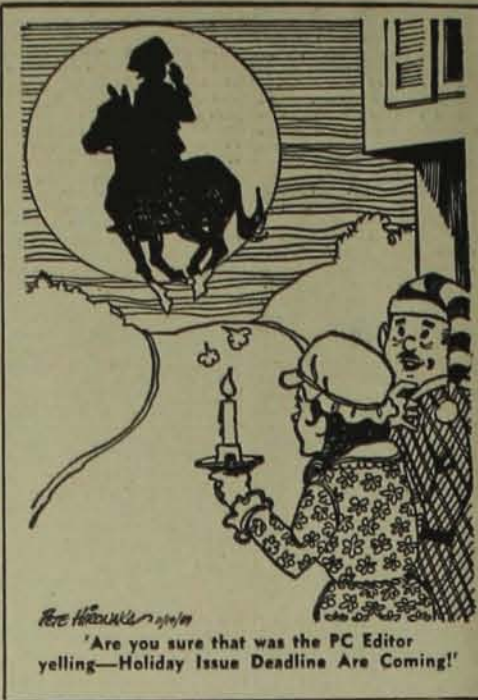
In 1967, the Arkansas Farmers Union began sponsoring the Green Thumb project for older workers with agricultural backgrounds in need of financial assistance. It took on restoration of the cemetery as its project with American Legion commanders at the local and state level serving on the Green Thumb advisory committee. The Green Thumb workers carefully restored the cemetery, rebuilt the fence and repaired much of the concrete work, which had been damaged by the elements and vandals.

Pictures of the cemetery in this week's issue were taken last year when the corn was still growing in the summer to show when the restoration work started and then after the surrounding corn and cotton fields were leveled in late November when the cemetery was back in ship-shape.

It had been planned to have the rededication last Sept. 17—the day the first trainload of evacuees arrived at Rohwer in 1942—a culmination of a year's correspondence between the Arkansas Green Thumb Project director Lewis Johnson Jr. and JACL Washington Representative Mike Masaoka. But the principals who would participate could not gather because of conflict in schedules.

We shall watch the late Sunday network news on television for possible coverage of this event. Aside from the historical fact that this part of Arkansas was the starting point of the original survey of the Louisiana Purchase, it is the only WRA camp cemetery with a Nisei war memorial still drawing tourists. While being reminded of the loyalty and sacrifices of the Japanese American during World War II, the name of Rohwer also recalls the years America detained some 100,000 Japanese Americans in concentration camps. That the rest of America is now willing to openly talk of Evacuation and the camps is a sign of strength and maturity.

To tourists visiting Rohwer Memorial Park next spring, some of the dogwood and flowering cherry trees the Green Thumb workers planted should be in bloom. It's never been said but National JACL contributed to the purchase of the trees. The Chicago Nisei Post has also given funds to the cemetery restoration project.



'Are you sure that was the PC Editor yelling—Holiday Issue Deadline Are Coming!'

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

'Low & order'

Editor: Regarding the Human Rights article in the Oct. 31 PC, I was at first put off by the title "Law and Order" and I expected to find either another voice supporting the present method of law administration or a criticism of the law pertaining only to the Japanese American or Oriental population.

I was amazed and pleased to find that Phil Hayasaka included the young, the poor, the dissident, and the black in his article questioning the actual justice of the law. I have noticed a tendency among Japanese Americans to speak of the injustices of law in the United States in a way that pertains only to the Oriental population—often times it seems that the Japanese American community ignores or loses sight of the problems of other minority groups in the country. They tend to think of injustice only in terms of the 1942 Evacuation and the yellow population.

I've also noticed that many Japanese Americans constantly dwell on the injustice of 1942 while they ignore or condone the injustices happening now, simply because they are not always injustices committed against Orientals. I realize this is not true of all Japanese Americans but I have noticed a large number who seem concerned with unjust laws only in relation to themselves and other Japanese Americans.

Mr. Hayasaka presents a much more reasonable and just attitude toward law and order. We must all be judged equal in the eyes of the law, regardless of color, age, or economic status, or the law means nothing. We must not become segregationists in our attitudes toward law and order and allow one thing to happen to one minority as long as it does not affect us.

For all in favor of ethnic identity as long as it does not allow us to become blind to all injustices except those committed against people of our own ethnic background.

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Reviewing JACL goals

Editor: Under "current JACL activities" you have ten items listed as those activities the JACL is now working on. However, in my opinion, many of these seem unimportant in reference to the way the PC reports them.

The celebration of the Japanese Immigration Centennial is, of course, important as is the campaign to repeal Title II. But looking at the other goals, what has been done to "promote inter-racial harmony and justice" and "to promote welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in America," such as the Japanese war brides who suffer from the prejudice and discrimination of their own people, and what of the Issei who do not belong to the JACL?

In the Oct. 17 issue is the story in which JACL presented the Wakamatsu Centennial medalion to 20 Issei who were all over 80 years of age. I saw the name of my grandmother's "best friend" and I thought for sure I'd see my grandmother's name, but I didn't. She is over 80 years old, a member of the Alameda church but not of the JACL. There are probably other Issei just as old, if not older, who can't afford to belong to the JACL, and who go unnoticed.

What has the JACL done to "encourage knowledge of Japanese culture," especially to the younger generation, the Sansei, who think for some reason many Nisei have turned "white inside"?

To "administer the National JACL scholarship program" is a good goal, but how does the JACL go about selecting the students? Does it go beyond the children of JACL families to the Japanese students who have moved away from home to go to college, or who have rebelled against their ideals and ways of their parents but nevertheless still need the money to go to school?

And lastly, to "expand services to JACL membership,"

does this mean that Japanese who do not belong to your organization cannot benefit from the "services" offered? If you are to "promote inter-racial harmony and justice," how can JACL possibly serve just the membership and exclude the rest of the Japanese American population?

Perhaps I'm just not up with all that the JACL is doing but if this is true, I certainly can't prove by the articles in the PC. If I am wrong, then I apologize for falsely accusing but suggest that articles be printed concerning other activities of the JACL. If however I am not wrong, then perhaps the JACL should review the goals it has set up for itself.

DONNA HATAYE
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(A discriminant reader of the PC over the past year will have noted reports and comments which answer the questions raised. About Miss Hataye's grandmother, she will not be alone for JACL could only rely on the public to respond to its general appeal made in August for names to be submitted by Sept. 1. The list is what the "public" provided through the chapters or had individually submitted.—Editor.)

Student Inquires

Editor: I am a student at UC Berkeley, writing for a criminology class a term paper which deals with the Japanese Evacuation of the Pacific Coast during World War II. The main topic which I am covering has to do with the crime that was involved in sending the Japanese to concentration camps.

If you could send any back issues or clippings which would give me any information, it would help tremendously.

R. Y.
Berkeley, Calif.

(Depending on how "crime" is to be defined, the only "wrong" the government noticed as injurious to the public at that time was that persons of Japanese ancestry appeared to be potentially dangerous to the internal security on the west coast only—but not in Hawaii or other inland states. For that the Japanese Americans were "punished" by detention in concentration camps. But the "greater crime" is that it was perpetrated without due process. . . . Some of the background you desire is contained in the 1967 Pacific Citizen Holiday issue, (Dec. 22-29) which is still available here at \$1 postpaid.—Editor.)

Copping Out

Editor: When the left-wing radicals of the JACL gives a pat on the back to the student rioters, when the title of a book becomes such an immense issue, it becomes unworthy of renewing my membership.

It is comical that the militants who are against the conservatives went ahead with the riots and caused the swing toward the conservatism. It will not be very funny if the militants keep on with the disorder and cause this nation to become a police state. With civil rights movements, there is a goal, there are methods to try to achieve the goal, and there are effects due to the goal and the methods used. Swing toward the conservatism was an effect. Polarization of Blacks and Whites was an effect. Police state may be an effect; it depends. Remember we are dealing with humans, not angels, unfortunately.

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(Hang loose, Roy. JACL has weathered storms much worse. Members with stronger views than yours are sticking it out in the belief that JACL is the best vehicle in which to promote and protect the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry.—Editor.)

WARN SHOPPERS

While shopping, hold your packages — do not lay them down for a sneak thief to steal.

GIs from Rohwer

Accent on Youth Alan Kumamoto

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our armed services, war production, agriculture, Government service or other work essential to the war effort."

The 442nd Regiment of the Hawaii National Guard formed the nucleus of a Nisei combat team. It also included the 100th Infantry Battalion of the Hawaii National Guard and a large group assigned to the Military Intelligence Service. They were assigned to Camp Shelby, Miss., for training.

Concrete Monument

The concrete monument at Rohwer bears the names of some of the men of the 442nd Regimental Combat team and the 100th Infantry Battalion, which was integrated into it later, although it retained its original designation.

The 100th left Camp Shelby, Aug. 11, 1943, with many from the Arkansas camps. It departed at Oran, North Africa Sept. 2, and was attached to the 34th Division.

The 100th saw action in Italy beginning Sept. 25, at Salerno, Volturno and Rapido River, Cassino, Anzio beach-head and on the breakthrough to Rome, prior to its integration into the 442nd.

In its rugged fighting through some of the more difficult battles of the early Italian campaign, the 100th earned its place in the military annals of our country, being given the identification of the "Purple Heart Battalion" because of its battle casualties.

It suffered so many casualties that most of the First Battalion were used as replacements, so that when the 442nd was sent overseas in May, 1944, it sailed minus its First Battalion.

The 442nd adopted the motto "Go for Broke," meaning "Shoot the works" or "Go all out." It became an accepted part of the English language before the end of the war.

Tribute to 442nd

The Combat Team is said to have been the only unit less than a division strength led by Winston Churchill for heroism on the floor of the House of Commons, and the only unit of regimental strength to be mentioned in General Marshall's war summation.

It was also honored with a special Presidential parade in Washington, D.C., where it received personally from President Truman, its seventh Presidential Distinguished Unit Citation, more than any other regiment in United States history.

It was featured in MGM's motion picture tribute, "Go For Broke," released in 1951. It has been described as "the most decorated unit in American military history for its size and length of service" on many occasions and by numerous military experts.

Men of Vision

It was a heart-warming sight to see the Japanese Americans volunteering from behind the barbed wire fences of the concentration camps, American-style. These volunteers had the courage and vision to see beyond the watch-towers of the camps into which the Army for which they were volunteering, had sent their fathers, mothers, and families, to the kind of country America had to be if it was to lead the world toward peace and freedom after the end of hostilities in World War II.

The 442nd Combat Team was composed of the 442nd Infantry Regiment, 522nd Field Artillery Battalion, the 232nd Combat Engineer Company, and the 206th Army Ground Force Band.

The enlisted volunteers had an average IQ of nine points higher than that required for Officer Candidate School. But these Nisei had volunteered to fight, not to go to Officer Candidate School. Many of them won battlefield promotions, including Daniel Inouye, the United States Senator from Hawaii.

Mike Masaoka was first to

volunteer for the new Nisei Unit. He and four brothers were in front line combat at the same time which is believed to be a record of any American family. One brother was killed and another totally disabled during the fighting.

Nine Sons Serve

Nine sons of Mr. and Mrs. Ginzo Nakada, served in the armed forces of the United States, five during World War II and four since. Two went through that war with the 442nd, two in Military Intelligence, and one with the Office of Strategic Services. The parents returned to Pasadena, Calif., following their tour in the Relocation Camp.

At dawn, June 26, 1943, near the town of Suvereto, north of Rome, the 442nd was first committed to attack. A few days later, it was involved in the fighting for Hill 140, the main German line of resistance before the Arno River. The 442nd participated in battles for Belvedere, Luciana, Leghorn, and the crossing of the Arno, the Southern France invasion and northward thrust, Bruyeres, the rescue of the "Lost Texas" Battalion, the holding action in the Maritime Alps and back to Italy, for the final drive to victory—La Spezia, Massa, Carrara and Genoa.

The final Fifth Army attack, started as a diversionary attack became a full-fledged breakthrough when the 442nd smashed the anchor of the Gothic Line that had held up the Allied advance for five months in less than five days, and hurried Victory Day in Italy considerably.

Battle Record

At one time or another, the 442nd was attached in Italy and France to the 34th Red Bull Division, the 36th Texas Division and the 92nd Buffalo Division. It fought with the Fifth Army in Italy and the Seventh Army in France.

The First Battalion of the 141st "Alamo" Infantry regiment on the 36th was in the forest of the Vosges Mountains in northeastern France, near Biffontaine and Bruyeres, Oct. 30, 1944.

According to its official division history, the Infantry regiment was surrounded and heavily bombarded by enemy artillery.

"Of a combat patrol of 40 men sent out to get through our lines, only five returned," the history said. "Lieutenant Blonder, to conserve his radio batteries, communicated with regiment only twice a day. For three more long days, the 100th and Third Battalions, 442nd struggling along the trail. The Germans had to be dug out by bayonet."

'Lost Battalion' Saved

"The crisis came on the 29th day when a furious counter-attack by the Germans was beaten off by the Third Battalion, 442nd. Early the next day, the Nisei broke through. The 211 surviving brave men, who had withstood the seven-day siege without food or water or little ammunition, had been rescued by their courageous comrades of the 442nd, whose companies in many cases, had shrunk to 40 or 50 men out of 200 that started the rescue. No greater example of fortitude and courage was shown in the war."

In gratitude, the men of the 36th Division began a drive to have all members of the 442nd made, "Honorary Texans."

The 211 survivors purchased a silver plaque out of their own funds, inscribed: "To the 442nd Infantry Regiment: With deep appreciation and utmost respect for the gallant fight we have been isolated for seven days: 1st Battalion, 141 Infantry Regiment: Biffontaine, France, from 24th to 30th October, 1944."

The 442nd was involved in seven major campaigns. It suffered 9,486 casualties, or more than 300 percent of its original military strength, including more than 600 killed in action.

It received about 9,500 Purple Hearts, including Oak Leaf Clusters. Many had three clusters.

Among the 18,143 Japanese Americans decorated for bravery in that war were one Congressional Medal of Honor, 52 Distinguished Service Medals, one Distinguished Service Cross, 28 Medals of Merit, 4,000 Bronze Star Medals with 1,200 Croix de Guerre with two palms to them, and two Italian Medals for Military Valor. Among its unit honors were seven Presidential Distinguished Unit Citations, two Meritorious Service Unit Plaques, 13 Army Commendations and 43 Division Commendations.

The late Ernie Pyle, famous war correspondent, wrote that though the men of the 442nd killed more than their share of the enemy, it was particularly noteworthy that most of their personal bravery decorations were awarded for saving the lives of their comrades.

While there were hundreds of individual heroes in the 442nd, their story is essential to the story of dramatizing the group loyalty of one nationality group in the United States—the Japanese Americans—who, because of their "racial affinity" as the United States Supreme Court described it, were subjected to the misjudgment and mistreatment such as has been visited on no other American minority in our history.

A Key Answer: the Aide

This then leads into the latest JACL National Executive Board session which melded together the proposals of the National Youth Commission and former National Youth Council "braintrust" into the Youth Program Field Aide concept. Originally introduced in August with the commission, the concept basically expands the successful youth intern program of the past two summers. How the Juniors modified this proposal was to specify and relate to the field aide responsibilities which are complimentary to their needs.

During the Exec meeting then, at a time when consensus to issues wasn't routine as voting splits appeared (which is surprising in Nisei organizations), the youth aide idea was "ayed" by unanimous vote for presentation with a recommendation for passage to the National Board.

The youth program field aide would work closely in association to the National Youth Director. This all relates to the new Junior "super" national council in that the youth program field aide would work specifically in the area of creating thrust and urgency in making Junior JACL chapters and their programs across the board more to par with a process-oriented high school approach. Then too with additional staff we can begin consolidating approaches and philosophies, while introducing the Asian American movement in discernable JACL terms.

And for the Junior chapters, yes there are still national Junior JACL dues. There will still be costs to operate a national superstructure—no matter how loose it can be perceived.

So, what about the changes, son?

Over the years, JACL has persistently supported youth in one manner or another in its own special ways. The JACL has seen fit in the past 10 years to sponsor a youth structure, which has been left to operate independently out of design and "happenstance". Thus, the range of support spans national funding of projects to chapter-level JACLers pitching in on some youth event.

Latest example of adult financial assistance came with the National Jr. JACL emergency meeting called last month. It enabled district youth "wheels" to meet and create a new formula previously uttered but never practiced in form.

The formula provides not

Statement on Okinawa Reversion

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tremely sensitive to the presence of nuclear weapons, and the Japanese government therefore wishes no nuclear weapons on their islands.

In JACL's view, there are risks in our government's insistence on the importance of nuclear weapons on Okinawa. As Tom Wicker stated in The New York Times on 1 June 1969, if the United States makes a strong enough case for the importance of nuclear weapons on Okinawa, "the Japanese will begin to wonder why, if having nuclear weapons on their islands is so important, they should not control them. The way to do that would be to build their own." That move would be a shattering blow to our goal of non-proliferation and disarmament.

Concerning prior consultations, the committee felt we should keep in mind that consultations would be between partners, that the results and consequences of any contemplated actions affect Japan perhaps even more directly than the United States, that without Japanese cooperation and support, free of violent riots and demonstrations, we could not operate bases in Japan, anyway.

The JACL has included a statement about the northern islands, now held by the Soviet Union. Our reasons parallel those contained in the following comment by Senator Daniel K. Inouye (The Japan Times, Inouye Airmail Edition, Nov. 18, 1969.)

(Statement prepared by Mary I. Watanabe, Ph.D., chairman, National JACL International Affairs Committee, at the request of the National JACL Board, Philadelphia, Nov. 12, 1969.)

25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, Nov. 18, 1944

Nisei casualty list for week of Oct. 15 in southern France notes 14 killed, 49 wounded, 2 missing — from West Coast. . . . Wounded Nisei war veteran on furlough ejected from barber shop at Parker, Ariz. . . . Nisei names of Yuba-Sutter American Legion Post honor roll provokes protest. . . . NBC News commentator Larry Smith tells Fresno born drive he hopes Nisei after war in U.S. get only "forced labor" jobs. . . . New York paper (PM) salutes Air Force Sgt. Kenji Ogata, B-24 bombardier crewman, of Illinois. Nation's newspapers laud Nisei heroism. . . . WRA Camp newspapers publish Nisei casualty lists—biggest thus far.

Sixteen JACL chapters to meet for 1944 national convention at Salt Lake City Dec. 1-2. . . . Davis County (Utah) PTA hires Nisei nurse. . . . WRA disputes figures given by anti-avacue California Citizens Committee that 2,500 West Coast.)

Japanese farmers controlled 12,000 acres of Santa Barbara county lands; WRA reports only 460 engaged in farming. . . . JACL Credit Union reports \$7,000 accumulated from 137 members, hopes for \$10,000 by end of 1944. . . . Over 500 evacuees employed at Seabrook (N.J.) Farm. . . . George Kelley of Pasadena reported back to his native place a cue back, first sought "Ban the Jap" plan against student Esther Takel and then repudiated it. . . . Canadians protest removal of names of Japanese Canadians listed on memorial dedicated to men of First World War. . . . Nisei USA: "33 Months since Evacuation" (on Japanese American scene).

Editorials: "Farewell to Isolationism" (on Nov. 7 national election results). "The Casualty Lists" (on noting casualties being particularly heavy among GIs from the West Coast.)

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