

EXEC. COMM. MEETS

Per spec tives

\$275,000 budget to be announced

By JERRY ENOMOTO
National JACL President

By HARRY HONDA

I was impressed recently by a statement, appearing in the Hokubei Mainichi of San Francisco, by 1970 San Francisco JACL Chapter President and attorney, Fred Abe. Fred's optimism, and frank assessment of where JACL should be, were what struck me. The statement first appeared in the chapter newsletter.

Fred Abe's Optimism

He points out the reality, which for forgivable human reasons we find it hard to accept fully, that the "demise of the JACL as a Nisei organization is chronologically and psychologically inevitable."

Fred goes on to say that, "The Saneel have arrived. Accordingly, unless our programs and activities reflect and recognize this transition of the Issei-Nisei-Sansei, the viability of this or any other group purportedly representing the Japanese community is wholly irrelevant."

Fred's philosophy as a Chapter President comes across loud and clear in this passage.

"I see the role and function of the JACL as the organization that represents the needs and aspirations of all the Japanese community to the greater community-at-large. I believe our organization is sensitively committed to the proposition that people of all races, creeds, and beliefs are entitled to develop their constructive talents to their optimum, and that we will extend our time, talents, and resources in confronting and removing any and all social attitudes and obstacles which arbitrarily impede such participation and development."

He points out that the Saneel need to be involved in decisions affecting the future quality of their living. They cannot be ignored.

Also commented upon is the need to go beyond making the Issei the passive recipients of our "testimonials and accolades" (There is a place for this certainly) but to try to involve them as active participants in a way that might give them added reason to live.

"The Nisei have the leading role in this Issei-Nisei-Sansei play. With all our hang-ups, we have the added opportunity to counsel and referee the quest now in vogue of emphasizing a little quality into our quantity of living."

Fred ends his message with these words "Each of you (S.F. Chapter members) have my support 'right or wrong' to play it 'like it is', as well as what you think 'it ought to be'."

"I only ask that each of you play."

Beautiful! I think that we can project the above sentiments across the board from chapter to district to national, and we would have a solid philosophical base for JACL. This is particularly true when we review the list of specific projects referred to by Fred, which I have not quoted.

Piggybacking on the above, I would like to add my own bit about the Nisei responsibility, as well as opportunity, to "counsel and referee," as it were, the transitions in life style, so often traumatic.

Also the Saneel responsibility to help us minimize the trauma. It must be tempting for activist and impatient Saneel to attack the monolithic and slow-moving JACL establishment, to engage in the very "rhetorical exercises" against us that they accuse the establishment of being limited to, and looking for the rejection and apathy that will justify counter-rejection and renunciation.

There will undoubtedly be disagreements and, since Nisei still control JACL, conservative stances may often prevail.

However, reasonable dialogue will assure increasing rapport and more productive future joint efforts toward community actions and projects that mean something. We Nisei must keep the JACL door open to the future, with the faith that Saneel will not use the tactics of rejection and confrontation to break down a door that is already open.

When this appears, the last Executive Committee meeting of this biennium and my term will have been concluded. Hopefully we have made some decisions, and help set the scene for truly eventful and productive Board and National Council deliberations in Chicago.

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Fowler '40 reunion

FOWLER — Whereabouts of at least six members of the 1940 graduating class of Fowler are needed by the class reunion committee here. If known, forward information to Thomas Toyama, 127 N. 9th St., Fowler, Calif. 93625.

SAN FRANCISCO—The Japanese American Citizens League aims to engage in the fast-changing pace of American life by expanding its professional staff in the 1970s. This is most evident in the JACL budget being proposed for the coming 1971-72 biennium.

The JACL national executive committee, in its final session before the 1970 National Convention in July, met at the Hyatt House in Burlingame over the April 3-5 weekend and recommended programs which will total \$275,000.

With JACL's civil rights policy zeroed into implementation of programs to assist elimination of poverty and racism in America, and realizing it requires professional staff, a full-time coordinator at National Headquarters with area responsibility in Northern California with field project directors in Southern California, Pacific Northwest, Midwest and Eastern regions have been recommended at \$54,000.

To step up its attention at the National's capital, a Washington Office assistant has been recommended also.

\$275,000 Budget

A detailed description of the proposed budget is now being prepared by National Treasurer Yone Satoda and will be announced shortly.

For JACL, a budget of \$275,000 is a substantial increase and unprecedented as the current program budget totaled \$177,000 when it was approved by the National JACL Council when it last met in summer 1968 at San Jose.

Satoda estimates an increase in national membership dues of at least \$1.50 can cover the costs. The final figure will be ascertained when the National Council meets this summer in Chicago.

JACL programs are basically subsidized by voluntary contributions, membership dues and interest from special funds.

Other Recommendations

Other recommendations to be presented to the National Board for consideration include:

- 1.—Utilization of the JACL Endowment Fund.
- 2.—Moving the So. Calif. JACL Office to the proposed \$3 million Japanese Cultural Community Center in Little Tokyo.
- 3.—Establishing National Headquarters, the JACL library and repository at the same cultural community center envisioned by the Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project.
- 4.—Publication of brochure on Japanese in America, currently being drafted by the JACL public relations committee.

Nat'l membership surpasses 18,000

SAN FRANCISCO—National April 1 were 18,336, slightly higher than at the same time the previous year, with 75 out of 9 chapters reporting.

Salinas Valley, Sanger and Twin Cities have, thus far, established new chapter high while nine chapters, Puyallup Valley, Cortez, Reno, Delano, Fowler, Parlier, Selma, Tulare County, and Santa Maria, have surpassed last year's enrollment.

The Central California district with 1,175 has surpassed its previous annual total. Other current district totals are:

Pacific Northwest 475; No. Calif.-W. Nevada 8,543; Pacific Southwest 5,360; Intermountain 1,978; Mountain Plains 604; Midwest 930; and Eastern 301.

Idaho Falls hosts

IDC quarterly meet

IDAHO FALLS — The Intermountain District Council's second quarterly session will be hosted by Idaho Falls JACL at the West Bank Motel-Resort on April 25-26. Meeting starts at 2 p.m. Saturday with Gov. Ron Yokota presiding. George Nukaya, chapter president, is handling the local arrangements.

The evening session will feature the IDC oratorical contest. Among the chief items on the business agenda will be matters before the National Convention, uniform membership dues and district committee reports.

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Elks membership storm smolders

SANTA MARIA—Four significant events have occurred in the Santa Maria Elks Lodge situation since the JACL publication, Pacific Citizen, featured the story in its Mar. 13 issue, according to Keido Shimizu, president of the Santa Maria JACL.

Because of the "white only" membership policy of the Elks, a 16-year-old Santa Maria High School student, Solon Rosenblatt, decided last year not to march in the Elks Parade as he felt it was wrong for a public school to abet discrimination.

His mother, Mrs. Millie Rosenblatt, then extended her son's efforts by asking the Penitagon to withdraw military support from groups practicing discrimination.

Appearing before the Santa Maria Elementary School District Board on Mar. 17, she declared a directive has been issued from the Defense Dept. to Vandenberg Air Force Base not to participate in the parade this year as it has in the past.

The school board also voted to remove the name Elks Youth Bank from the El Camino Junior High band.

Question Defeated

The local Elks Lodge met Mar. 24 to ask the Grand (national) Lodge to drop its whites-only membership clause. Shimizu learned last week that the resolution for a change was defeated, though no public announcement of that action has been made.

(In Honolulu, Elks member Roger Dinwiddle who failed a second straight year to open the lodge to non-Caucasians reported his resolution was defeated by a 104-27 vote, when it was presented Mar. 23. He now intends to resign.)

The fourth action was the public notice by the Santa Maria Rotary Club appearing in the Santa Maria Times commending the Elks for its

community service and youth program and urging the Elks continue their annual parade and rodeo.

Dr. Ned Johnson, who first introduced the resolution for the Santa Maria schools to withdraw support of organizations practicing racial discrimination last October, continued to press for adoption by the school board. He had hoped the attempt for a change by Elks would occur unhindered and during the past 2½ months sought to have the resolution for a change made an agenda matter, which did transpire the following week but in vain.

Understanding that it would be presented for consideration, Dr. Johnson openly commended at the Mar. 17 school board session those Elks who work for constructive change to remove racial discrimination from their national charter.

"In the Mar. 13 PC, it was reported Jerry Enomoto's letter to the Santa Maria Times commenting on the newspaper's editorial, 'Halt Minority Rule', was not printed. We apologize for this misinformation. It was carried Dec. 4—Ed.)

The newspaper held the campaign was carrying the civil rights fight "to the extreme" and that "good deeds and actions far outweigh any other criteria and (that) it is time that we quit trying to destroy what is doing good for people, just for the sake of following the crowd." Enomoto commented the conclusion was "a complete distortion" and reflected an unfortunate inability to understand what the fight against discrimination is all about. "I do not consider community reaction to refuse to support a club which practices discrimination as 'following the crowd'." Enomoto concluded, "If that is the case, there ought to be

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DESCENDANTS—Helen Starnes (left) and Mr. and Mrs. George Elebeck Jr. are looking at the portrait of Kunisuke Masumizu, a member of the Wakamatsu Tea and Silk Farm founded a 100 years ago. Mrs. Starnes and Elebeck are grandchildren of the Issei immigrant, only living descendants in the U.S. of the historic Japanese colony.

—Photo Courtesy: L.A. Times

WAKAMATSU COLONY

Descendants in U.S. Negro

By STANLEY WILLIFORD

The only known descendants of the original colony of Japanese to come to America in 1869 are black.

This came as a surprise to many Japanese last year when they celebrated the centennial of their existence in this country. It came as a surprise to the black families also.

An ensuing search of historical records show that not long after Kunisuke Masumizu arrived at Gold Hill in El Dorado County as a member of the Wakamatsu Tea and Silk Colony, he married the daughter of a Blackfoot Indian woman and her freedman (freed slave) husband.

A 20-year-old carpenter, he had come with either the first or second contingent of colonists seeking to escape the battles between the feudal lords and the emperor in Japan.

His marriage produced three children—two sons, Grant and Harry, and a daughter Clara. He died in 1915 at the age of 68. Today only the lines of Clara and Harry survive.

Harry had one daughter who wed a Chinese named Wong. Clara, however, married the son of a Welsh-German brewer named Elebeck and a woman with Choctaw and Negro blood. They had four children—George, Harry, Helen and Geraldine—all of whom are alive.

At Banquet

When a Japanese American Citizens League banquet was held at Sacramento's El Dorado Hotel, it was the black descendants of "Kuni" (as he was known) who represented that pioneer colony.

According to Akiji Yoshimura, one of the Wakamatsu Centennial Committee members and longtime historian of the colony, the relatives of Kuni were found quite by accident.

"The picture of Kuni (the only known picture of any of the colonists) was published in the Sacramento Union. We were publishing it to call attention to the centennial. Apparently one of his grandchildren happened to notice it and recalled it was his grandfather," said Yoshimura.

In fact, when Mrs. Geraldine McWilliams (Kuni's granddaughter) saw the photo she thought it was her great-grandfather. She was right. Kuni's son, She was born shortly before her grandfather's death and had no clear idea of what he looked like.

To make matters more difficult, the name Masumizu was spelled quite differently. The family had Africanized the spelling to "Massmedzu." But the caption revealed enough to make her know the picture was of someone in her family, and she sent her daughter, Mrs. Clara L. Heady, to find out how the paper got it.

Remembers 'Kuni'

Soon afterward, Henry Taketa, a Sacramento attorney and member of the centennial committee, got in touch with George Elebeck Jr., Mrs. McWilliams' brother.

Taketa told the history of the Wakamatsu Colony to Elebeck and requested that he and the family come to the banquet.

Elebeck, 66, is the oldest of Kuni's grandchildren and the one who remembers him best. He says his grandfather was a fisherman, a farmer and a quiet, reflective man who made a good living for his family.



Kunisuke Masumizu

interpreter in the Sacramento courtrooms and "was the first to own a fishmarket in the city."

Trilingual Talent

According to Mrs. Fern Sayre, Sacramento historian and originator of much of the research on the Wakamatsu Colony, Kuni "was a very brilliant man and very well thought of. He spoke Spanish, English and Japanese."

Historian Yoshimura, who lives in Colusa where Kuni is buried, recalls: "When my mother arrived, Kuni was still living. During that time Kuni served as interpreter for the Japanese. My mother said Kuni had taken her to the doctor and served as interpreter. I'm sure he did this for a lot of people."

The Masumizu descendants, who look and have always considered themselves Negro, say they have no identification with the Japanese community.

Elebeck, who knows a number of Japanese in the area from his school days, says he has more contact than anyone, but he indicated that this was casual. Still he is honored that his grandfather established the only known link with the Wakamatsu Colony.

Looked Like an Indian

"You couldn't very well tell my grandfather was Japanese until you looked close at him or talked to him. He looked more like an Indian," Elebeck said.

Elebeck also remembers some of the hard times the Japanese had later, although he denies his grandfather ever suffered any discrimination.

Elebeck believes that he personally and the Negro generally have always received fair treatment from the Japanese.

"Japanese have never been prejudiced against Negroes in California that I know of," he said.

Some historians of the American Japanese believe Kuni simply fished the Sacramento River to make a living, was not particularly close to his countrymen and, except for his efforts as interpreter, might not have had contact at all.

Taketa speculated that Kuni might have been out of touch with other Japanese because he had preceded them by so many years.

Japanese immigration was not heavy until near the turn of the century. By that time Kuni was more than 50 years old with a black wife and three grown children.

Wakamatsu Colony

But little is really known about Kuni. It is believed that he came to America with a contingent from the besieged Aizu Wakamatsu community in Japan

to build a refuge in the new land.

Led by a Dutch or German trader named Eduard Schnell, the first group arrived in the port of San Francisco on the ship "China" on May 27, 1869.

Schnell then arranged the purchase of 160 acres near Gold Hill in El Dorado County where the colony intended to grow tea and mulberry trees for silk.

But the new colony soon failed and its 30 or so members left, either to return to Japan or to find new homes throughout the country.

With the dissolution of the colony, three members were known to have remained in the area—a 17-year-old girl named Okei, a samurai named Sakurai Matsunosuke and Kuni.

Kuni outlived them both. However, Okei, who died at 19, became a legend which came to symbolize the short existence of the colony in the new land.

Kuni, until recently, had been nearly forgotten.

Kuni's Wife, Carrie

Carrie, Kuni's wife, made even less of an impact on history. One of the few historical accounts of her comes from a book written by German historian, Dr. Kuri Meissner.

"Kuni's Negro wife only knew to explain that when her first child was born, a young girl came out from the hills and gave the baby a piece of clothing as a present. 'This girl must have been Okei-san who wanted to make a present for her traveling companion and old friend Kuni. According to Japanese custom a congratulatory gift is given to the first born. Not much later Okei-san died.'"

According to Elebeck, who says he is about to start legal action to regain his grandfather's lost property in Colusa, he has possession of a map which Carrie told him marked a vein of gold.

Kuni, he said, because of laws prohibiting Orientals from having mining rights, finally blew up the mine.

However, the family moved and eventually lost control of the property, he said.

The Masumizu blood, of course, also flows through Elebeck's two sons and the children of his two sisters and brother.

And Harry Masumizu, Elebeck's uncle, has a daughter Juanita Wong, who has two sons.

But the youth, for the most part, know nothing of their great grandfather or his culture. And though their blood is a composite of many ethnic groups, their involvement is almost totally black.

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Hawaii judge overrules divorce law requiring one-year residency in state

HONOLULU — Circuit Court Judge Nelson K. Doi ruled in favor of Mrs. John Whitehead, a former resident of Bluebell, Utah, who filed for divorce here last Oct. 21, three months after arriving in Hawaii.

The landmark decision invalidated the one-year residency requirement of Hawaii's divorce law.

Attorney Steven Christensen of the Legal Aid Society contended the law violated the equal protection clause of the 14th amendment and Judge Doi agreed. State Attorney General Bert Kambara said the ruling would be appealed.

ISEI PROF CRITICIZES AMERICAN ATTITUDES ABOUT ENVIRONMENT

ONTARIO, Ore. — People of the United States are so preoccupied with consumption and production that they forget what the effect will be upon our environment, Fred Nishimura told the Ontario branch of the American Association of University Women recently.

Nishimura, an economics instructor at TVCC, spoke to the group during its Mar. 9 evening meeting.

He said the by-products of our economic system are altering our environment, and something must be done soon to reverse this trend.

Each year 142 million tons of smoke are dumped into the atmosphere, seven million junk car bodies are abandoned, 20 million tons of waste paper and 48 billion bottles must be dealt with, all by-products of our affluent way of life.

Costs of disposal of these waste materials have been a social cost primarily. He thinks these will soon become costs of production.

Year 2000

He told the women that scientists estimate the carbon dioxide given off during industrial production will make a 50 percent variation in the atmosphere by the year 2000.

Carbon dioxide prevents the

dissipation of heat from the earth's atmosphere in much the same manner that it helps to warm a greenhouse. It is expected that the temperature of the earth's atmosphere will rise four to six degrees centigrade, seriously affecting the climate of earth.

Nishimura told the women that nature does not provide for the destruction of matter. It can be changed from one form to another, but can never be destroyed. Currently much is being dissipated into the atmosphere in the form of smoke.

Solutions Necessary

He told the women that as the population grows, we must find ways to make useful by-products of our waste material. He said that Japan, short on building materials, has begun to use waste material in building blocks.

He said the world had two solutions to the increasing problem of pollution. The popular opinion is that of taxation, making those who cause

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DEADLINES

(Like the "Calendar," this space is reserved for JACL-JR JACL programs only.)

April 13—JACL-JR summer fellowship; Nat'l JACL Hq., 1934 Post St., San Francisco 94115.

April 15—Chapter nominations for 1970 JACL scholarships for high school graduates; Ron Wakabayashi, 125 Weller St., JACL Office, 125 Weller St., Los Angeles 90012.

April 30—Nat'l Essay contest; Nat'l JACL, 3537 N. Alta Vista Terrace, Chicago 60613.

May 1—Nisei of Biennium nominations; Tom Shimazaki, PO Box 876, Lindsay, Calif.

May 14—Nat'l JACL officers elections; Min Togasaki, 14645 Wintthrop, Detroit 48227.

May 15—District nominations for Inagaki Chapter; Citizenship Awards; Nat'l JACL Hq., 1934 Post St., San Francisco 94115.

May 15—Mike Masakawa testimonial letters (unfiled); Dr. T. Yabara, 17 N. State St., Suite 1122, Chicago 60602.

May 21—District finalists for JACL-JR aviator contest; Karen Suzuki, 3100 W. Carson, Chicago 60625.

June 1—Amendments to be proposed for JACL Constitution; Nat'l JACL Hq., 1934 Post St., San Francisco 94115.

June 14—JACL-JR of Biennium nominations; Tom Shimazaki, PO Box 876, Lindsay, Calif.

July 14—JACL-JR of Biennium

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Washington Newsletter

by Mike Masaoka

Title II Hearings

This week, as the Congress returned from its traditional Easter recess, and as the House Internal Security Committee (HISC) plans to resume its hearings on April 20 of legislation to repeal the Emergency Detention Act, Title II of the Internal Security Act of 1950, it might be well to review the congressional situation insofar as this particular issue is concerned.

Last December 22, 1969, the Senate passed without objection S. 1872 with certain amendments. S. 1872 was introduced by Senator Daniel Inouye of Hawaii and 26 co-sponsors. As amended, the so-called findings concerning the Communist Party and its conspiracy are retained in Title II, but the substantive or implementing sections were all repealed. In other words, though the reasons for having passed Title II in the first instance are left in the law, the provisions authorizing emergency detention and emergency detention camps are repealed.

The amended S. 1872 is presently pending in HISC. So too are H.R. 11825 and similar bills introduced by Congressmen Spark Matsunaga of Hawaii and Chet Holifield of California and some 125 of their colleagues in the House of Representatives. These bills are worded identically with the original S. 1872 bill before it was amended and passed by the Senate late last year.

There is hope that not too many more members of the Congress who co-sponsored H.R. 11825 and similar bills will insist upon their prerogative of being heard regarding their respective interest. There is also hope that not many more of the 500 or so organizations endorsing the repeal effort will request the opportunity to testify on this legislation.

While it is good to develop a strong record and persuasive case for repeal, it should also be kept in mind that if the hearings are continued until late in the session, HISC may not have the time to consider a bill and to report it prior to adjournment.

If the public hearings can be completed by the end of April at the latest, there is a relatively good chance that HISC will be able to consider and report out some bill relating to repeal, if it so desires. Unfortunately, HISC does not give this repeal campaign the priority it does to several other matters, including the Black Panthers, subversive influence on college and university demonstrations, Communist inspiration of violence, etc., so there is the possibility that regardless of when the public hearings are concluded no action may be taken on measures to abolish the concentration camp authorization proviso.

Following the completion of the public hearings, HISC may take any of the following actions on repeal legislation:

1. It may decide not to take any action on any of the repeal bills, thereby effectively killing the legislation for the year in the absence of congressional maneuvers to either force the Committee to report the bill or to arrange for its consideration on the floor under special parliamentary procedures.
2. It may decide to report the amended Senate bill, S. 1872.
3. It may decide to report H.R. 11825 as introduced.
4. It may decide to amend H.R. 11825 in a manner not comparable to Senate action on S. 1872.

Probably any bill reported by HISC to repeal Title II will have to be cleared for House debate and vote by the Rules Committee because of its controversial contents. Since Congressman Matsunaga is a ranking member of this powerful unit, depending upon the bill reported by HISC, the bill may be subject to an "open" rule, which would allow amendments from the floor. If a "closed" rule is granted, no floor amendments will be considered and the House will have to vote for, or against, the Committee proposed measure.

Ideally, HISC will report S. 1872 as amended and passed by the Senate. And the House Rules Committee will grant the legislation a "closed" rule that would prevent any amendments being offered on the floor during debate.

If, however, HISC reports out H.R. 11825 as it was introduced last summer, or H.R. 11825 with amendments of its own, it would be hoped that an "open" rule would be granted by the Rules Committee. It would also be hoped that an amendment substituting S. 1872 as amended would be offered and approved by the House during floor consideration.

If the House and the Senate pass identical bills, that legislation would then go to the White House where a presidential signature would cause it to become law.

If the House passed version is different from that passed in the Senate and the Senate is unwilling to accept the House version, however, the two different bills would then be referred to a Conference Committee, which would be composed of the senior members of the Senate Judiciary Committee and the House Internal Security Committee. The Conference Committee would then try to reconcile the differences in the bills and issue a Conference Report, which is in effect the compromise legislation agreed to by the majority of the conferees.

The Conference Report would be submitted to the Senate and the House, with each chamber able to vote for or against the compromise version. If both chambers vote for the Conference Report, it goes to the White House and is treated the same as any other bill that has been approved by the House and the Senate.

If the House passes a bill different from the one approved by the Senate last December, what is feared is that in Conference the Senate conferees may propose and the House conferees accept, or vice versa, amendments to the repeal of Title II that would make S. 12, the Internal Security Act of 1970, and/or H.R. 14864, the Defense Facilities and Industrial Security Act of 1970, part and parcel of the repeal legislation.

In such an eventuality, JACL would only have the alternatives to urge defeat (rejection) of the Conference Report, to return the Conference Report to the Conference Committee with instructions that the Conference Committee report the Senate amended S. 1872.

For JACL believes that the addition of either, or both, the Internal Security Act of 1970 or the Defense Facilities and Industrial Security Act of 1970 is "too high" a price to pay even for the much desired repeal of Title II of the 1950 Internal Security Act.

Lower interest rates

WASHINGTON—"It is encouraging to note that President Nixon has indicated he may be ready to reverse the high interest rate-tight money policy," Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) said last week in introducing a House concurrent resolution to have the Federal Reserve Board roll back prime interest rate gradually to 6 pct.

NEWS CAPSULES

Politics

Addressing the Americans of Japanese Ancestry Republican Club at its March meeting in Los Angeles, Mike Radcliffe, aide to Sen. George Murphy (R-Calif.) reminded the senator was among those who co-sponsored a bill in the Senate to repeal Title II with Sen. Daniel Inouye before this issue took on such wide public attention while Rep. John Tunney (D-Calif.) has only taken a public position recently against the Emergency Detention Act while having abstained for or against a resolution to repeal Title II.

W. G. Gordon, unsuccessful candidate for the Seattle City Council for four times (the last one against Chinese American Liem Eng Tui, who is also a Seattle JACL board member) applied for public assistance Mar. 24. His 1969 effort cost him about \$8,000, he said, which put him about \$5,000 in debt. The financial pinch got tight when he lost his most recent job as steamfitter at Port Angeles.

Stepping up his campaign for the April 14 elections is George Ige, active East Los Angeles JACLer, seeking one of three seats on the Monterey Park city council. Judge Wayne M. Kanemoto of San Jose-Milpitas Municipal District No. 1 will be unopposed in the June 2 primaries. Named to the bench in 1960 by Gov. Brown, he ran unopposed in 1964 for his first bid of a six-year term.

Sacramento Superior Court Judge Mamoru Sakuma has filed for re-election to his post in the coming June 2 primaries and will be unopposed for a new six-year term. In 1964, he waged a vigorous campaign in defeating three opponents by piling up a total of over 91,800 votes. He was a municipal judge at the time. Rep. Patsy T. Mink (D-Hawaii) was among 19 Democrats who threatened this past week to turn control of the House over to the Republicans next year unless something is done about the seniority system. They called upon other like-minded Democrats "to reserve their options" when the House organizes itself at the start of the 92nd Congress in January.

School Front

Groundbreaking ceremonies were held in Seattle Mar. 26 for the new Wing Luke Elementary School at 37th Avenue South and Kenyon St. The school is named for the Chinese community leader and city councilman who was killed in an airplane crash in May, 1965. Participating were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lung Sing Luke, his three sisters and brother, and members of the Chinese community. An assistant attorney general for the State of Washington Wing Luke was a key spokesman in the 1950s to have the Washington alien land law repealed. Luke was elected in 1962 to the city council, first person of Chinese ancestry to win public office in the state.

Eighteen Toyota Coronas were donated to the L.A. City School District for use in vocational and industrial arts program at high schools and job training centers. Shoji Hattori, president of the Toyota Motor Distributors, Torrance, said: "We are most honored to think we can play a constructive role in the area of vocational training by the city schools." The program to assist teachers will commence this summer.

Mrs. Ken Kozasa of Los Angeles, a board member of the California Congress of Parents and Teachers, was named by the State Board of Education to revise the California Administrative Code dealing with racial balance in the schools. The board repealed the regulation, by which the Los Angeles City School District was found guilty of de jure racial segregation in the Judge Gitelson decision. Findings of the new committee is expected to be presented in May.

A new San Francisco Bay Area Japanese Gakuen Assn. held its first organizational meeting Mar. 21 to exchange information on school operations. Hishashi Fukawa, who heads a school in Oakland, is chairman pro-tem. Principals and trustees from 16 schools were invited. Fresno State College has promoted Dr. Donald K. Kunimitsu to be associate professor of chemistry and Izumi Taniguchi, associate professor of economics. Kunimitsu was a roommate of Associate National JACL Director Jeffrey Matsui, while both were students at Univ. of Hawaii.

Beauties

Diane Yamaguchi of Bowles YBA was crowned 1970 Miss Bussell at the 28th annual Western Young Buddhist League conference held Mar. 27-29 at San Francisco. She is a junior at Fresno State College majoring in phys-ed.

Expo '70

A plastic capsule containing a few grains of moon dust, presented to Gov. Daniel Evans recently by President Nixon, is one of the most popular exhibits at the \$975,000 Washington State Pavilion near the center of the 815-acre Expo '70 grounds. An estimated 22,000 went through the opening day. According to Wayne B. Gentry, of the State Office of Foreign Trade, the state does more than \$586 million worth of business with Japan and he would like to improve the record of exports exceeding imports by 30 to 45 pct. through removal of Japanese import restrictions that limit the sale of some Washington products (like apples) in Japan. Works of state artists George Tsutakawa and Paul M. Horuchi are also on exhibit.

The \$2.8 million Ontario (Canada) pavilion is a "flop" so far as the Japanese visitors are concerned. Some of them have walked out in the middle of the pavilion's major exhibit, a \$625,000 film which took two years to make. By contrast, the Canadian Pavilion reported bustling attendance the opening week, despite the freezing weather.

Architect

An urban design and development study entered by Marvin Hatami & Associates, architects, and Floyd Tanaka & Associates, both of Denver, of the 33-block downtown Denver renewal project was among 19 chosen for the 17th annual design awards by the Progressive Architecture magazine. The award jury sifted through a mound of 1,870 entries. Landscape consultants for the Denver project was Sasaki, Dawson, DeMay Associates of Boston and San Francisco.

The library at the new Westborough Jr. High School, South San Francisco, was dedicated in memory of Roy Watanabe, who became ill in the summer of 1968 while working on the design phase of the school complex and who passed away during the early part of construction. The school is perhaps his most outstanding project of his 20-year career with the school district. It received a national award in school design.

Sports

Diminutive (5 ft. 4) Yoshi Hayasaka, who hails from Osaka, was the most spectacular competitor at the Pacific-8 gymnastic championships at Univ. of Washington's Edmundson Pavilion Mar. 26-27, garnering the conference all-around championship with 106.35 points. The Univ. of Washington athlete is also a National AAU and U.S. Gymnastics Federation finalist. His teammate from Kumamoto, Hilde Umeshita, was second with 100.40 points. Minoru Moriaki of Beppu, sporting UC Berkeley colors as a frosh, was fifth in the all-around with 91.40 points. Cal won the meet with 157.80. UW followed with 155.50. Danny Uyeda of UCLA was the only Japanese American to win an event—the side horse. All of them have qualified for the NCAA meet at Temple University the following week. With 10 points as a perfect score, Hayasaka was awarded 9 or better in three events—rings (9.05), horizontal bar (9.0), parallel bars (9.40).

Business

Junichi Hashimoto, manager of Bank of Tokyo of California's newest branch (No. 11) in Panorama City, announced the election of ten San Fernando Valley residents to its advisory board as follows: Gonzo Endo, Yoshimori Inouye, Bill Kondo, Minoru Murakami, Seigoro Murakami, Fred Muto, Dr. Sambo S. Sakaguchi, Akira Saka-

mote, Mitsuo Usui and Roku-ro Watanabe.

Active Florin JACler Bill S. Taketa was recently promoted to assistant bank manager of the Bank of America, North Highlands branch, at Sacramento. He joined the bank in 1953 as a teller, became an Operations Officer at the Elk Grove branch in 1960 and appointed as loan officer of the Sacramento Greater Broadway Branch in 1969.

Press Row

The recently issued fifth book of the Time-Life series, "This Fabulous Century," covering the decade 1940-1950, Continued on Page 6

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Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

Houston, Texas

GLUTTON'S TOUR—You oyster-lovers may find this difficult to believe, but there's a restaurant just outside of Houston where you can stuff yourself with oysters and shrimps—all you can eat—for six bucks. It's called the San Jacinto Inn and even on a Tuesday night Houstonians were lined up waiting for an opportunity to get a table in a dining room about the size of two basketball courts.

The restaurant has no menu. You sit down and a waiter begins to haul in the food. He starts with a big plate of celery stalks, but the experienced diner ignores them. Almost immediately the waiter returns with a huge platter of oysters on the half-shell and a heaping bowl of peeled boiled shrimp, and a pitcher of red sauce. This is the signal to go to work.

We calculated that each platter carried an average of 26 oysters, plump, firm, fresh and luscious. There were eight persons at our table, and we disposed of six platters—156 oysters—or an average of almost 20 apiece. (A few weeks ago in New York we had a plate of six oysters and the tariff for that alone was a buck seventy-five.) I lost track of how many shrimp we had, but every time we cleaned out a bowl, the waiter would be back with another one.

Those were only the preliminaries. When we indicated we could consume no more raw oysters and cold boiled shrimp, the waiter appeared with platters of fried oysters, deep-fried fish, fried chicken, and French-fried potatoes. We concentrated on the fried oysters, which were rolled in corn meal and deep-fried just right and not over-cooked the way Denver chefs prepare them. As soon as we finished a platter, the waiter was back with more. In fact, the host sent the waiter back for more fried oysters the amount he showed up with the first two platters, saying they wouldn't survive the first go-round. In between, there were fluffy hot biscuits with strawberry or black cherry preserves, and at the very end one could, if we were able, take on sherbet and coffee or hot tea.

The above is the winter menu. In summer, when oysters are not at their best, crab is substituted—iced crab and baked stuffed crab. Imagine all the crabmeat you can eat! It's worth going back to Houston for in spite of summer's heat and humidity. The manager assured us there's nothing like the San Jacinto Inn anywhere, and that's not hard to believe.

SIX POUNDS OF STEAK—Some 600 miles northwest of Houston, we happened to stop at a place called the Big Texan Steak House on the outskirts of Amarillo. This, we learned, is famous for a 72-ounce steak which the management challenges all comers to eat. Now, 72 ounces of steak adds up to six pounds of meat, which is the size of a pretty fair roast. A dinner consists of shrimp cocktail, tossed salad, baked potato, a roll and butter, plus the steak. If you can consume the whole works in an hour, without leaving the table, you get the dinner free and your name is added to the select list of people who have succeeded. If you don't finish your dinner, you are charged \$12.85 which just about covers the cost of the provisions.

The manager told us that a "pretty good percentage, about one in twenty" manages to down the whole dinner. It's not always the great big he-man types who succeed. The smallest person to "win" was a 105-

U.S. SUPREME COURT ACCEPTS PLEA OVER VOTER LITERACY REQUIREMENT

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Supreme Court agreed Mar. 30 to decide whether a non-English speaking citizen in 19 states is deprived of their voting rights if they must register in English.

The court accepted an appeal from a group of Mexi-

can American farm workers in Yakima County, Wash., who were not allowed to register to vote in the primary and general election, because they could not read or speak English.

A three-judge federal court in Spokane held July 30 that the question was not a "literacy test" but that the State of Washington could require a prospective voter to speak and read English as stipulated in its state law and constitution.

The Mexican American Federation of Washington State, which brought the case on behalf of four Spanish-speaking U.S. citizens, said this type of literacy requirement affected from 3 to 4 million persons of voting age in 19 states. The other states were: Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Hawaii, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New York, North Carolina, Oregon, South Carolina, Virginia and Wyoming.

Japanese farm trainees program in 19th year

SAN FRANCISCO—A group of 125 Japanese and 14 Korean farm trainees arrived Mar. 27 for a year's program in California, it being the 19th contingent to come since the project started by Gov. Earl Warren began in 1952.

In recent years, other groups of Japanese trainees have been spending a year on farms in other states, notably Oregon, Washington, Iowa and Wisconsin.

Volunteer counselors

LOS ANGELES—A volunteer counselor program staffed by experienced probation officers for young adults on probation has been organized in Los Angeles, according to the Japanese American Community Services. Persons over age 21 interested in serving in VIPS (Volunteers in Probation Service) may call Joseph Guerra, project director, 433 S. Vermont Ave. (381-6751, ext. 309 or 310).

pond woman, the manager said, but she weighed somewhat more than that by the time she rose from the table and staggered away. The restaurant is on a trans-continental highway and many vacationers who come that way each year stop by and tackle the 72-ounce.

We settled for the 18-ounce T-bone, and even then felt just a mite sinful about consuming all that meat (after consuming all those oysters and shrimps the night before) when there is still so much hunger in the world. But then Texas is a bountiful state, and not to be judged by ordinary standards. Incidentally, what they say about oysters and virility seems to be something of an exaggeration.

Nisei veterans reunion in L.A. packaged for \$40

LOS ANGELES — The Nisei Veterans Reunion planned for July 1-5 here has been packaged for \$40, covering a welcome banquet at the Century Plaza, men's social or ladies' fashion show, farewell banquet at the L.A. Hilton and registration. If purchased separately, the events cost \$48, according to Kokusai International, 321 E. 2nd St., which is handling registrations and tours.

Elks—

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many more Americans following the crowd to eliminate bias of any kind."

Shimizu's Letter

Shimizu's letter to the Santa Maria Times appeared within the week of the editorial's appearance Oct. 16. It took issue with the paper's view that a minority was trying to rule the majority. "Since when are the Elks the majority?" There are in Santa Maria many service clubs, social clubs, professional organizations, religious groups and the churches which do not practice racial discrimination.

Shimizu also held good deeds and actions are inadequate where bigotry and discrimination enter, otherwise it might be reasoned the Ku Klux Klan ought to be defended if they contribute their efforts to the community.

The Santa Maria Elks Lodge with some 1,700 members, is the largest and most influential in the valley. Its members serve on the school boards, city council and chamber of commerce. Some members have been deputized as crowd-control police officers. It has sponsored the annual parade and rodeo since 1946, giving the club its high status in the community and perhaps contributed to its large membership.

Elks Lodge spokesman, Atty. Ken Biely, has claimed the efforts to have public school support withdrawn from the parade "would destroy the very organization which has done so much for youth." The white-only clause, he said, was written 60 years ago and added that lodges in the South will not allow a change.

Held in June

The Elks Parade has been under sporadic attack in the past five years. Held each June of the year, protestors threatened to disrupt the parade two years ago but were headed off after allegedly being promised to have the Elks members vote on changing the membership rule if the picketing is called off.

Mrs. Rosenblatt, working for many years in Democratic politics, has been a strong campaigner as well for passage

Y.B. FUND DRIVE

3rd week total
nears \$10,000

LOS ANGELES — A pledge by Holiday Bowl to contribute \$100 a month for a year was made to the Yellow Brotherhood Community Fund Drive as it went into its third week.

Other donations brought the total to \$9,918.

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24 Individuals 5,718.00

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of local school bond and tax elections. But her son's refusal to march in the Elks parade last year sparked her interest to "putting our own house (in Santa Maria) in order" in lieu of state and national issues. She told the school board that it was time "adults in responsible positions take a stand (regarding race discrimination). The most tragic problem is silence."

Solon Rosenblatt's action, which galvanized Southern California interest in the restrictive Elks membership clause when the Los Angeles Times featured the story on Mar. 1 (and which was the seed for the Mar. 13 PC story of the week), was commended by Rabbi Erwin Herman, director of the Pacific Southwest Council Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

Letter from a Rabbi

In a 1969 letter to Solon's father, Paul Rosenblatt, Mr. Herman said the issue was not an evaluation of the Elks but rather of principle. "Solon understands his Judaism as Judaism is meant to be understood."

Mr. Herman noted: "What strikes me as unbelievable is that in this day and age, when our teenagers are damning the society of man through acts of violence against others and against themselves, your son has had the courage to apply his religious teachings to an experience in his young life, and educators have responded to him with punishment instead of applause."

(Solon's band teacher had threatened to flunk him for not marching but later re-enters, prefer the subtle, but lent under pressure from direct manner—only explain-

TOPAZ '45 ALUMNI PLAN AUGUST REUNION

SAN FRANCISCO—Nisei students who spent their entire school life in a camp behind barbed wire during World War II will hold a 25th anniversary reunion this summer. The 1945 graduating classes at Topaz WRA Center in the desert regions of central Utah will meet in August here, according to Junji Doami, who was senior class president. As reunion chairman, he is seeking the addresses of Topaz '45 alumni, which may be sent to Sadame (Hara) Kojimoto 1816 - 9th Ave., San Francisco 4122. On the reunion committee are:

San Francisco — Clem Nakai, Jimmy Nakamura, Daisy Uyeda Satoda, Oakland—Seiko Akahoshi Baba, Mary Tsuchiya Hanamura; Berkeley—Wacky Sumimoto, Ray Sonoda, Richard Yamashiro; San Mateo—Kumi Ishida, Sachu Kawahara Masakazu; San Jose—Hiko and Sam Nakaso; Sacramento—Bubbles Keikuan, Betty Hayashi Sakamoto; Los Angeles—Donald Yoshida, Encinitas — Joe Kimura.

Expo '70 stamps

OTTAWA—The Canada Post Office issued four distinctive 25-cent stamps Mar. 18 commemorating Expo '70. They were issued singly as well as a souvenir sheet containing all four stamps.

The plans are complete. The land has been purchased. Now we must accomplish the final goal of raising the \$250,000 needed to build our new all-purpose center.

"The new center will include a multi-purpose meeting room and stage, additional classrooms, a new kitchen and adequate locker and storage facilities," Dr. Inouye continued.

"We are giving every individual and every business the opportunity to join with us in this most important task of continuing to serve our youth and to meet our community responsibilities," Inouye said.

Organizations which are served by the center include the Japanese language school, Venice Judo Club, Venice Youth Council, Boy Scout Troop 764, and the Venice-Culver JACL.

Oriental ethnic studies

at community college set

SEATTLE — With help from the Asian Coalition for Equality, a credit course on the Orientals in America was under preparation by the Seattle Central Community College for the spring semester.

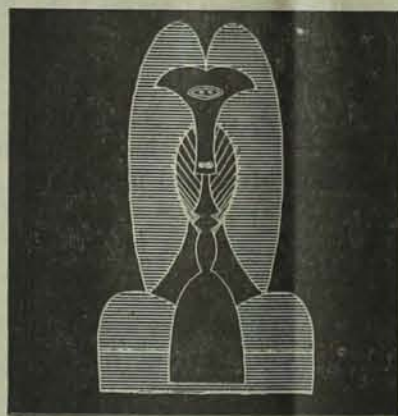
Alan Sugiyama, college student, amassed some 2,300 student signatures petitioning the course. Dan Peterson, social science division chairman, is planning the course.

Only other Asian American study in Seattle is being taught by Larry Matsuda at Sharples Jr. High.

ing that "it means we will expose ourselves and allow ourselves to be accepted for

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what's going on?



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Wed. July 15 9:00 AM The Palmer House
Formal Opening Ceremony. We officially inaugurate the convention with a renowned speaker, and gain some insight into the thinking of the "old" generation as National Convention officials speak on "Understanding the Basis of the Changing JACL."

Wed. July 15 6:00 PM The Club 48
"It's a Gas!" The 1969 Club's biennial fun-in becomes New Year's Eve in July with the Gaylight Girls Band Show after a shopping spree. A full evening of merry-making that will turn you out!

Thurs. July 16 6:00 PM The Conrad Hilton Hotel
The Mike M. Masakazu Testimonial Banquet. An exceptional and nostalgic evening honoring a great man—our man—with distinguished personalities throughout the country joining our salute to Mike.

Fri. July 17 12:00 PM The Palmer House
"Thoughts and Thanks by Jerry" Traditional luncheon with a day devoted to National President Jerry Iwamoto and the "JACL of the Future."

Fri. July 17 3:00 PM and on... Chicago
"It's Your Evening" You can play in the bridge or bowling tournaments, look up old friends, see the American Tribal Love Rock musical, or see the many sights. All of Chicago will be at your feet.

Sat. July 17 6:00 PM The Palmer House
Gala send-off banquet for our wonderful guests climaxes the convention with a Chicago '70 starting with a President's Reception. Next, for the first time, your newly elected National President, and see the unique unveiling of the Jewel of the Biennium. Big-name entertainment highlights the festive ball that will finally adjourn the convention activities, as we thank you all for being with us in Chicago.

Thursday, July 14
9:00 am-12:00 Noon
12:30 pm-3:00 pm
3:15 pm-6:30 pm
6:45 pm-9:30 pm
10:00 pm-2:00 am
2:00 am-3:00 am

Friday, July 15
9:00 am-12:00 Noon
12:00 am-11:00 am
11:00 am-12:00 Noon
12:00 am-3:00 pm
3:00 pm-5:30 pm
6:30 pm-9:30 pm
9:30 pm-1:00 am
1:00 am-2:00 am

Saturday, July 16
9:00 am-11:00 am
11:00 am-12:00 Noon
12:00 am-1:00 pm
1:15 pm-3:15 pm
4:00 pm-5:15 pm
5:30 pm-7:15 pm
7:30 pm-9:30 pm
9:30 pm-11:00 pm

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Opening Ceremonies
"Guess Who's Coming to Lunch?"
"Don't You Care?"
"Everything that Touches You"
Dinner on your own
7:15 PM
"Both Sides Now"

"Don't You Care?"
"We Can Work It Out"
"Both Sides Now"
"Who Will Buy?" (Trade Mart)
"The Time They Are A Changing"
Mike M. Masakazu Testimonial
Send-off Banquet
"Both Sides Now"

"To Give" (Service Project)
"Don't You Care?"
Revinia Park (Theatre Outing)
"Tricks!"

"We Can Work It Out"
"The End" (Closing Session)
Lunch on Your Own
"The Rain, the Park & Other Things"
"Goodnight Banquet"
"Fancy Colours"

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PSW NISEI RELAYS SET FOR JUNE 7 AT GARDENA

GARDENA—The 19th annual PSWDC Nisei Relays will be hosted by Gardena Valley and San Gabriel Valley JACL chapters on Sunday, June 7, at Gardena High.

Competition will continue in four divisions: Cubs (ages 11 and 12), Midget (ages 13 and 14), Junior and Open. Entry forms will be made available soon.

Gardena Valley JACL is defending champion, seeking a second leg on the Capitol Life Nisei Relays perpetual trophy.

1000 Club Notes

Mar. 31 Report

For the second half of March, 123 new and renewing 1000 Club memberships were acknowledged by National Headquarters, for a month-end current total of 1,973, as follows:

Life: San Francisco—Paul On-taki.
1st year: Hollywood—Frank Y. Chuman.
20th year: San Francisco—Dr. Tokuji Hatanaka; Twin Cities—Dr. T. Koushikawa; San Jose—Dave Tatsuno.
15th year: San Luis Valley—Sumio Miyamoto; Chicago—Arrie Oda.
14th year: Seattle—Dr. Susumu Fukuda; San Francisco—Yukio Kumamoto; Parlier—Dick Y. Maki; Robert L. Okamura; Pocatello—Y. William Yamauchi.
13th year: San Francisco—Mrs. Mary D. Kimura; Sacramento—Sumio Miyamoto; Chicago—Arrie Oda.
12th year: D.C.—Harold S. Horiuchi; San Benito—Frank Nishitani; Snake River—Paul Y. Saito; San Francisco—Takao B. Utsumi.
11th year: San Jose—Frank A. Endo; Sacramento—R. Kitano; Charley Yamamoto; Marysville—Thomas Teasdale; Sonoma County—Y. Yokoyama.
10th year: Sacramento—David Noguchi; Gresham—Troutdale—Dr. Joe M. Uchida; Downtown L.A.—Mrs. Saku Shitaka; New York—Alice Suzuki; Chicago—Yoshi-taka Tanaka.
9th year: San Francisco—Steven Dol; San Jose—Dr. Thomas A. Hura.
8th year: Arizona—Mrs. Merry Masunaga; San Jose—Norman Mineta; S. Stephen Nakashima; Fresno—George G. Miyamoto; Puyallup Valley—Thomas T. Sakahara; Portland—Hiroshi Sumida; Orange County—John M. Tadokoro; Mid-Columbia—George Tamura.
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Sansei Slant

By PATTI DOHZEN

I received a letter from active Jr. JACLer, Bob Imazu-mi of the Nouvel's chapter. The first thing he says is, "I finally got around enough about something to write you a letter." That statement is significant to me because it indicates that an individual is concerned enough about an issue to want to say something about it. I must give him credit for doing so. Because I

Bob's Letter

know that if it weren't for this column, I probably would not bother to write even if I wanted to let other people know how I feel. Still, it seems as though very few Sansei, including Jr. JACLers, expressed their views in this newspaper.

It seems as though the Sansei are the "Quiet Americans" of the Pacific Citizen.

Dear Patti:
Well, I finally got aroused enough about something to write you a letter. I wrote a letter to the PC March 3, stating my views about having the National Convention in Chicago. In fact they were very similar to the views expressed by Rev. Jim Hutton in the March 6 PC. After reading the comments by the editor, I really became angry at the Nisei, Nisei nature of the reply. The editor replies, "(The) importance of keeping the JACL convention in Chicago is meeting that opportunity to show the forces of good can operate no matter where. How naive can he be to think that the forces of good can operate no matter where." He talks like a third grader, who thinks the good guys always win, and conquers those evil doers. Just what does he think are the forces of good? He is obviously being ambiguous; one can't tell whether he is implying, on one hand, that the "forces of good" are the Japanese, or the Chicago power structure. Any way one looks at it, the whole ambiguity implies absolute obedience to an arbitrary power. The editor speaks like a Nisei going to camp—in the end, it will work out. Just because obedience worked just doesn't mean it will work now. I think it was either Ichikawa or Enomoto, who said you can't use old methods to solve new problems.

The editor goes on to say that "the promoters of the convention are very much aware of the issues" and have been addressing them hard through more enlightened human relations activities since. It won't matter what activities are planned, whether they do promote human relations, because the issue is not whether the JACL can have a successful convention, but whether the convention should be held in Chicago.

I raise two arguments against having the convention in Chicago. When the editor says "more enlightened human relation activities" does it mean we're going to meet in Chicago police department, so they won't club us to death? In any case the editor is suggesting that the Japanese will get along with the Chicago power structure, and will in the end get a pat on the back for being well-behaved, obedient citizens. What will we have really accomplished? Will we have really enlightened human relations? When Mayor Daley authorizes police brutality at another 1968 Democratic Convention?

Secondly, we will be hypocrites if we have the convention in Chicago, because as Americans who believe in "the dignity of the individual" and the right to protest, we will be having a convention in a city where these two things were viciously violated. Will we protest in any way the use of arbitrary power, or will we as "Americans" say nothing, and thereby condone the formation of a police state?

BOB IMAZUMI

Taisho' name of new Gardena Valley Juniors

GARDENA — The Gardena Valley Jr. JACL voted "Taisho" as its new club name. This past week, they joined the JACL outing at the San Diego Zoo, acting as hosts to 15 underprivileged children from Hawaiian Gardens.

CALENDAR

- April 10 (Friday)
Fresno—New Memb Welcome potluck supper, Buddhist Church Annex.
- April 11 (Saturday)
Salt Lake—Membership dance, dinner at 8, Buddhist Church. San Jose—Scholarship potluck, dinner and oratorical contest, Buddhist Church Annex.
- April 12 (Sunday)
Contra Costa—Welcome potluck, Kennedy High School, 3 p.m.
- April 13 (Monday)
Wilshire—Community Mtg. Merit 8:45 Bldg., 4th fl., 8 p.m.
Kango Kunitatsu, spkr., "Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project".
West Los Angeles—Buddhist Mtg. Capitol Life Ins Bldg., 7:30 p.m.
- April 14 (Tuesday)
Contra Costa—Panel discussion, "Japanese in America".
Albany High School, 7:30 p.m.
- April 16 (Thursday)
Salt Lake—Workshop, Buddhist Church, 7:30 p.m. "Mixed Marriage".
East Los Angeles—Gen Mtg. Montebello YMCA, 7:30 p.m. "Involvement Opportunities" spkr.
- April 17 (Friday)
Orange County—Qtrly dinner mtg. Water Wheel Restaurant, Anaheim; Warren Furutani, spkr.
- April 17-19
San Francisco—Cherry Blossom Festival.
- April 18 (Saturday)
Riverside—Ondo practice, Japanese Gakuen, 7:30 p.m. Prof. Westside—Ernie Ose.
- April 19 (Sunday)
Dayton—Japanese cooking demo, YWCA, 1:30 p.m.
San Jose—Jr JACL "Shibui" cultural show, Kibei Park. Placer County—Community picnic, JACL Recreation Park, Penryn.
- April 20—Election potluck dinner, Portland—Spring rally.
- April 23 (Thursday)
Sonoma County—Jaan Culture-Trade Show, Sonoma County Fairgrounds.
- May 1 (Friday)
West Los Angeles—Earth Sci mtg. Stoner Rec Ctr., 7:30 p.m.; Tak Suzuki, spkr., "Topanga Fossils".
May 2 (Saturday)
West Los Angeles—Japanese film, "NHK Songfest", Sawtelle Cakuen.
West Los Angeles—Bld Mtg. Capitol Life Ins Bldg., 7:30 p.m.

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Population Problem

According to Nishimura, much of the pollution problem of this country is due to the rapidly increasing population.

The population of the U.S. has risen from 70 million in 1920 to 205 million in 1970, with an anticipated population of 250-300 million by 2000.

Underdeveloped or emerging nations have lower rates of population growth and less industrialization and little or no pollution problems, he said. Many European countries, though older, are just now coming into the light as industrial countries, and they, too, are facing serious pollution problems.

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Environment—

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'Nisei' for libraries

Sacramento JACL
The Sacramento JACL has purchased 25 copies of Bill Hosokawa's "Nisei: The Quiet Americans" to be donated to local school libraries. The chapter is now in the process of selecting the appropriate schools.

Progre Westside JACL
Applications for Nisei Week queen candidates are due May 31 (not Mar. 31). The Progressive Westside JACL stated, in beckoning potential Nisei Week queens. The chapter is seeking a successor to Toni Sakamoto, whom the chapter sponsored last year and became queen. Those interested should call Earl Terakawa, 347-5446 or 820-1064.

Blood bank organized for Utah Japanese

Mt. Olympus JACL
Arrangements have been completed to have both Salt Lake JACL and Mt. Olympus JACL participate as active members of the American Red Cross blood bank, thus paving the way for any person of Japanese ancestry or whom ever the JACL designates at any time to receive blood in any amount.

If two or three members from each chapter contributes a pint per month, enough will be accumulated for emergencies, according to Segi Matsumiya (277-9494), who is seeking volunteer donors.

Any person, between the ages of 18 and 66, weighing more than 110 lb., can contribute. Persons who have had malaria or jaundice are excluded.

Cultural

Joint St. Louis effort seen in Sakura festival

St. Louis JACL
Final preparations are being made by the St. Louis JACL and Jr. JACL for the promotion of Japanese culture, the "Sakura Festival," at North Kirkwood Jr. High School on Saturday, April 18, 4-11 p.m. It was announced by co-chairmen Sandy Eto, Rod Hemmi and Otto Furuta.

A capacity crowd of up to 500 is expected to enjoy a program of classical Japanese dance, brush painting, sushi demonstration and a cuisine of Japanese food. On the committees are:

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Fr. Daisuke Kitagawa of WCC staff dies

GENEVA—The Rev. Dr. Daisuke Kitagawa 59, an American Episcopal clergyman serving on the staff of the World Council of Churches, died March 27 in Verbier, Switzerland, following a heart attack. A memorial service was held at the Ecumenical Center, Geneva, on April 2. Dr. Eugene Carson Blake, general secretary, and other World Council colleagues participated.

Dr. Kitagawa had served the World Council of Churches in several capacities. From 1956 to 1959 he played a leading role in studies on rapid social change in Asia, Africa and Latin America, made by the Department on Church and Society. In 1960 he headed a new secretariat on racial and ethnic relations and in May of 1964 chaired an important consultation in Kitwe, Zambia, which brought together 80 black and white church leaders from southern Africa in an attempt at reconciliation.

Following six years in the United States serving the Protestant Episcopal Church, first as head of domestic mission and then of the college and university work, he returned to Geneva in October 1968 to administer a program of urban and industrial mission which touched 48 countries. Two recent initiatives of Dr. Kitagawa were an ecumenical consultation bringing together representatives of Protestant and Roman Catholic agencies ministering to seafarers, and a new effort at rural mission.

Born in Taihoku, Dr. Kitagawa attended Rikkyo University and Central Theological College in Tokyo, then continued his studies at General Seminary in New York and

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the University of Chicago Divinity School. He became a U.S. citizen and wrote three books on racial issues.

Surviving are his widow, Fujiko, a daughter, Mrs. Geoffrey Berlin of Wichita Falls, Texas; a son, John, attending Hobart College, Geneva, New York; two brothers and two sisters. One of the brothers, Joseph M., is a professor at the University of Chicago Divinity School.

Youth conservation corps OK'd by House committee

WASHINGTON — Rep. Patsy T. Mink said Mar. 16 that her bill to create a Youth Conservation Corps has been approved by the House Committee on Education and Labor, of which she is a member.

"This bill would establish a three-year pilot program for young people age 14 to 18 to work in the summer in conservation on Federal lands," Mrs. Mink said. "I think its adoption by the House would bring great benefit not only to young people from all segments of society, but also to our nation's natural resources which would be conserved and protected by these young people."

Under the Mink bill, young Americans would work in the national park system national forests, national wildlife refuges, and other public land and water areas.

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Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

The Pot Poll

A student leader at Kailua High School, testifying before a State House committee Mar. 18, estimated that 70 per cent of the student body has experimented with drugs. A leader from Kalani High said a poll there showed 30 per cent of the junior class has smoked marijuana at least once. A University research office reported on a survey showing that 30 per cent of the students have used marijuana.

Many persons consider smoking marijuana with drinking of bootleg alcohol during Prohibition, saying that use of pot has grown so widespread — particularly among young people — that harsh penalties for its possession no longer are realistic. State Rep. George W. T. Loo has introduced legislation which would make possession of marijuana for personal use, rather than for sale, a misdemeanor carrying a penalty of no more than a year. The present law makes it a felony, punishable by up to five years in prison, but judges rarely impose that penalty.

Presence of pan-handlers, drug users and petty criminals who flock to Waikiki is making it a tropical Haight-Ashbury, some folks think. Another major problem is the

Abortion Law

The Hawaii Catholic Herald has sharply criticized Gov. John A. Burns for allowing the abortion reform bill to become law. A front-page open letter signed by Msgr. Francis A. Marzen, editor of the paper, condemned Burns for following "expediency instead of principle." The Herald is the official publication of the Catholic diocese of Honolulu. The letter said a large portion of Hawaii's citizens belonging to "no particular ethnic group, economic class or religious persuasion" is "gravely sad and disappointed" at the governor's action.

Hawaii should make sure its new abortion law does not discriminate in favor of the wealthy, a population control expert has warned. Dr. Alan Guttmacher, president of the World Planned Parenthood Assn., made the point in a lecture in Kennedy Hall on the Univ. of Hawaii campus.

"Hawaii has achieved a remarkable breakthrough, but problems still face you," Guttmacher said. Even with legalized abortions, there is still the problem of the "poor person who may need it most," he said. At almost any hospital in the nation, Guttmacher

said, it costs \$250 in hospital fees for abortion. Add a physician's fees and the cost is out of range for many women.

Political Scene

In more than 200 Democratic precinct club elections recently, in which 1,000 delegates were elected to the party's state convention, forces loyal to Gov. Burns appeared to retain firm control in spite of insurgency by those favoring Lt. Gov. Thomas P. Gill. In Gill's own Upper Manoa precinct, Burns supporters elected a full slate of convention delegates. Gill himself did not seek a seat on the convention.

Herman Wedemeyer, the one-time All American from St. Mary's College, has switched from the Republican to the Democratic party. During the 14 months in which he has held office, Wedemeyer has been "the quiet man" on the city council, attending meetings regularly but saying little and introducing almost no legislation. His defection has left Mrs. Mary George the only Republican on the nine-member council. Wedemeyer's action came about a year after State Sen. James K. Clark of Waimanalo ousted and became a Democrat. Both men face reelection this fall.

City Councilman Charles M. Campbell, an American of black ancestry, is considering running for Lt. governor in the Democratic primary election as a candidate who might be acceptable to both Gov. John A. Burns and Lt. Gov. Thomas P. Gill supporters. Campbell is chairman of the Democratic party on Oahu.

Attorney Richard I. Miyamoto, a former Big Island district magistrate, has announced he will be a Republican candidate for one of the two state House seats in the Big Island's second representative district. Miyamoto, who said he would campaign on "quality in our lives," said he favored a second public high school for the Hilo area, more professional counseling in the intermediate and elementary schools, and graduate studies at the Univ. of Hawaii Hilo campus.

George Teramoto, 40, lifelong resident of Waianae, has announced his candidacy for the state House from the 21st representative district (Nanaku to Kaena Point). Teramoto, a Democrat, has been on the city health dept. staff for the past 20 years and at present is attached to the Waianae emergency unit as an ambulance driver.

Names in the News
David Bray, 20-year-old granddaughter of the late Kahuna David (Daddy) Bray, became the first island girl scheduled to appear as a Playboy Magazine Playmate of the Month. Her Hawaiian-English-Hindu charms will grace the magazine's centerfold in the July issue. Miss Bray picks up a healthy \$5,000 for her nude appearance.

Burnetta Lee, 19-year-old Roosevelt High School graduate, returned to her Pakalakea home after two months of cutting sugar cane in Cuba, with praise for the Castro government and the sense of freedom she found there. She was one of some 900 American youths who volunteered to help with Cuba's cane harvest.

Andrew T. Matsunaga, 46, Congressman Matsunaga's brother, has succeeded Robert Sato as president of the Citizens Study Club of Oahu. Andrew is a former insurance man who since 1967 has served as local aide to his brother, Spark Kenji Goto, the club's new adviser, has succeeded.

Soccer and Hockey
In amateur soccer, the Yanmar Diesel Co. team of the Japan Soccer League has two Brazilians, Nelson Yoshimura, who is of Japanese parentage, and Carlos Esteves.

Yoshimura, 22, however, won't be a foreigner very long. He has taken steps to take out Japanese citizenship and will be playing on Japan's national team in official matches. He has already been playing on one of Japan's all-star squads in an unofficial meet here with teams from Brazil and Sweden participating.

In ice hockey, the Wakabayashi brothers from Canada, Mel, 26, and Herb, 24, have lifted the Seibu Railway Co. team of Tokyo into one of Japan's top sextets. Mel, who has been with Seibu for three seasons, was joined by Herb last year. Both were All-America picks in U.S. collegiate hockey.

Seibu finished second in the Japan Ice Hockey League in the past season and was the only team to hand the championship club, Oji Paper, a defeat. The two Wakabayashis were among the top five point-makers in the loop.

Seibu won the Kanto championship for the third time this year and in March whipped Oji Paper 10-4 to win the All-Japan championship meet for the first time. The Wakabayashi boys scored four goals between them in the final game with Oji Paper and made four assists.

Japanese hockey officials are itching to have the Wakabayashis become Japanese citizens so they can play for Japan's national team in the Sapporo Olympics in 1972.

KITANO REPORTS ON MINORITY AID PROGRAM IN HIGHER EDUCATION

SACRAMENTO — In the first statewide survey of the special college program for low-income and minority students, the Educational Opportunity Programs are effective but may be "too little, too late," according to Dr. Harry Kitano, associate professor of social welfare at UCLA, who submitted his report Mar. 9 to the joint legislative committee on higher education and to the Coordinating Council for Higher Education.

Students in the EOP programs at the University of California, California state colleges and junior colleges are as successful as non-EOP programs as measured by both grade-point levels and rates of retention in their respective schools, Kitano said.

Kitano was assisted in the study by Dorothy Miller, director of Scientific Analysis Corp., San Francisco, and former professor of social welfare at UC Berkeley.

Key Findings
Among the most important findings in the Kitano-Miller

study were:
1—Despite EOP and other minority recruiting efforts, black and Chicano students remain "grossly under-represented" in higher education. They make up 12.5% of the California population, only 3.5% in the university, 5.8% in state colleges and 11% in junior colleges.

2—Relatively few EOP students have been involved in campus unrest.
3—About 25% of the minority students eligible for state college actually enroll; less than 30% of the eligible enroll in the state university.

4—Since most EOP students are academically screened for academic ability, they do not constitute bad academic risks nor do they lower academic standards.

5—EOP programs in four-year institutions are more successful than similar efforts in two-year colleges.

6—EOP students need more financial support. EOP students in university required \$2,500 to meet costs but only get about \$1,500 in aid in state colleges, costs are \$1,500 but the aid averages \$610; and in junior colleges, costs are about \$600, but aid amounts to \$20.

15,000 EOP Students
Only about 15,000 EOP students were among the nearly 800,000 students enrolled in the 1968-69 academic year in California public higher education institutions. Univ. of California spent \$10 million of its funds to finance EOP for about 5,300 students. No state funds has been appropriated to the university for this purpose in the current Reagan budget. But \$4.5 million for EOP-type programs for community colleges is budgeted and about \$2.8 million for state colleges.

The Kitano-Miller report stated, "Restricting EOP programs to junior colleges (as the Reagan Administration has urged) would effectively exclude minority and low-income students from state colleges and universities as in the past."

The state would run the risk of turning the urban community college as well as the suburban state campus into de facto segregated institutions," the report said.

"College attendance becomes the norm for all youth in our society, it will also become the demand of minority youth," the report concluded. "Thus, the EOP programs, coming as they are at a time of great strain both from within and without, may be too little, too late but at least they have opened a wedge for some students who would probably have never been able to enter a state college or a university."

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FINANCIAL SUMMARY AND PROJECTIONS

To prepare for the 1970 JACL Convention, it is customary that we provide a financial statement and a budget. This being the end of a decade, our 10-year summary with additional projections looks like this:

	Income	Expense	Circ.	Pages	Cost p/yr
1960	\$3,166.87	\$3,655.51	5,500	244	n/a
1961	48,277.83	47,941.60	12,908	242	n/a
1962	49,319.34	47,724.42	13,675	240	1.81
1963	54,472.22	53,210.97	13,850	256	2.18
1964	62,195.47	57,587.48	14,120	262	2.28
1965	66,158.56	65,792.32	15,293	300	2.11
1966	70,358.12	68,206.10	15,647	332	2.04
1967	77,091.38	77,881.94	16,810	364	2.24
1968	82,485.61	84,335.70	17,209	374	2.39
1969	88,629.54	90,783.92	17,409	390	2.79
e 1970	92,375.00	93,016.00	18,000	378	2.84
b 1971	115,275.00	97,021.00	18,300	378	2.83
b 1972	117,445.00	99,077.00	18,600	378	2.85
b 1973	119,514.00	101,302.00	18,900	378	2.87

For the 1968 Convention proposal, we had a budget of \$89,000 in expenses and the same amount in anticipated income for 1970. Because of the increases in mailing, presswork costs and staff salaries during 1969, adjustments have been made for the 1970 estimate. The amount of increase between 1968 and 1969 can be assessed by referring to the column at the extreme right (Cost per Year to have the PC printed, subscriptions processed and papers mailed). There was a 40 cents jump. This has been projected with the anticipated increases in 2d class postage for the subsequent biennium (1971-73).

The PC Board is on record to recommend an increase in the subscription rates. The non-member rate is being raised from \$5 to \$6 a year effective June 1, 1970. The single copy price will be increased from 10 to 15 cents on regular issues, from 40 to 50 cents for the Holiday Issue. Non-members wishing to take advantage of the present \$5 a year rate may do so by remitting that amount immediately.

The PC Board regrets having to raise the subscription rates but with the costs of paper, processing subscriptions and mailing having gone up this past year, there was no other alternative.

The other avenue of meeting increased costs would have been to disturb the present ratio of advertising and reading matter, which is one-inch of advertising for every two-inch of reading matter.

On the occasions when advertising is heavier than usual, as readers are already aware, the number of pages is increased to maintain the advertising-news copy ratio. The projections on the number of pages, fixed at 378 (12 weeks at 8 pages, 37 weeks at 6 pages, and 60-page Holiday Issue), of course, is subject to change if advertising for a given week is heavier than usual. "Heavier than usual" means at least 400 inches of advertising per issue. In a 6-page issue, 400 inches means 40% advertising; in an 8-pager, it's about 30%, which conforms to the desirable ratio. If ever 550 inches come, it could mean PC's first 10-pager.

By this report, we also put the chapters on notice that JACL subscribers ought to expect an increase in their rate from \$2.50 to \$3—equivalent to a 10 cent increase per year since the \$2.50 was established in 1966, which seems nominal enough.

A detailed budget proposal will be issued to the chapters in the near future so that full discussion at upcoming district meetings may be possible.

STRANGER THAN FICTION

"Mission Impossible" would have rejected the incredible circumstances dramatized this past week by 15 students who hijacked a Japan Air Lines plane to North Korea. Heretofore, hijacking was a solo venture—but the self-styled "Red Army" of nine young men managed to escape detection of the Japan police, who have foiled the plans of radicals in the past. A stunned Japan sat glued to its TV sets watching live the dramatic five hours while that plane was on the ground at Itazuke Air Base near Fukuoka.

The other amazing chapter transpired when the plane touched down at Seoul's Kimpoo airport, made to look like the North Korean airstrip—only it lacked North Korean flags and a huge picture of its premier Kim Il-Sung. Finally, the plane took off with two Japanese officials as hostages in exchange for 100 passengers and their weary crew.

While the hijacking happened at a bad time when Expo '70 is attracting hordes of visitors, we wonder now if an equally fantastic finale is forthcoming with Japanese electronic experts devising a system to screen passengers more effectively. The hijackers were armed with pistols, swords, knives and what looked like iron-pipe homemade explosives.

For JAL, it's one historic episode that its chroniclers would prefer to forget unless it spawns a guaranteed detection system.

25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, April 14, 1945

442nd Infantry spearheads new Italian campaign in Fifth Army's spring offensive, capture towns of Carrara, Mount Belvedere, Massa, enroute to Leghorn and La Spezia naval base. . . . Nisei troops use grenades and bazookas to blast Germans from rock hideouts along Ligurian coast. . . . Nation mourns death of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, the champion of "the forgotten man" . . . Univ. of Washington students rout Seattle racists, distribute pro-Nisei literature at Remembrance Pearl Harbor League meeting April 5.

Nisei combat intelligence men take part in Okinawa invasion April 3. . . . Hood River American Legion Post restores Nisei names to county honor roll. Joe Rosenthal, AP photographer who took picture of marines raising

flag atop Mt. Suribachi, cites heroism of Nisei G-2 men in the Pacific. . . . Nisei veterans recuperating in California hospitals want to stay in California. . . . Secretary Ickes denies Nisei home as "outcast." California legislator (Sen. Hatfield of Merced) expects 50,000 evacuees to return to state after camps close; feels 40,000 will be indigent. . . . WRA reports only 167 evacuees return out of 4,000 to Portland, Ore., area. . . . Fresno County Agricultural Adjustment Agency plans to withhold soil conservation assistance to evacuee farmers, until affidavits repudiating dual citizenship is filed; WRA wraps Fresno board policy Monterey Bay Council on Japanese Relations opposes return of evacuees. . . . UC Davis College of Agriculture

How far should JACL go? topic on Nat'l Planning

By KEN NODZU
President, Mt. Olympus JACL

As we approach the time for the 21st National JACL Convention in Chicago July 14 through the 18, the main topics of discussion I see through the Pacific Citizen, the IDC and Board meetings and individual conversations, centers on how far JACL should become involved with current national trends of civil strife (racial and disadvantaged in-

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equality in all areas), youth unrest, foreign relations and environmental pollution. These are the topics which will be emphasized at the convention and will set the tone for the biennium following.

JACL can serve a most useful function for all persons of Japanese extraction where no other organization can by itself, because it makes no distinction regarding political, religious, occupational, cultural or any other affiliation. It serves them all. It offers dignity and equality through legislative appeals, cultural and recreational pursuits, group health and accident insurance, scholarships, local chapter functions and many other bonuses too numerous to mention here.

Should we as an organization just be concerned with subjects pertaining to Japanese, content to sit back and not rock the boat, feel that what concerns areas outside this region does not affect us, that we are so assimilated on the mainstream of society that we have no problems of any kind, or should we function just as a social group?

All chapters have been requested to fill in detailed questionnaires compiled by the National Planning Commission covering community services, youth, civil and human rights, political activities, education, economics, local chapter services, memberships, finances, personnel and Jr. JACL.

Under each topic are listed questions that cover needs, involvement, contributions, promotions, opportunities, communications, participation and myriads of other questions. If anyone has any ideas or suggestions regarding how to better our JACL, in what direction it should go, or have any comment on any of the foregoing topics, I would appreciate them.

These comments will be forwarded to Kumeo Yoshinari, Planning Commission Chairman.

Mr. Yoshinari will need the time from now till convention time to sift through the expected deluge of suggestions to come up with meaningful dialogue to present to the delegates at the convention.

—Mt. Olympus Newsletter

News Capsules

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carries an eight page account of the evacuation of the Nikkei from the Pacific Coast in 1942. The article reports the incident sympathetically, attributing it to panic caused by early Japanese successes in the war and to prejudice against the Nikkei preceding Pearl Harbor.

The bibliography at the end of the book mentions Carey McWilliams' "Prejudice, Japanese-Americans: Symbol of Racial Intolerance" and Bradford Smith's "Americans from Japan," presumably the chief source of material for the article.

Picture credits go to Mine Okubo for drawings used from her "Citizen 13660" and to Carl Iwasaki of Denver.

Entertainment

Songstress Eileen Suyama of Seattle, having completed three weeks at the Sahara Hotel on the Las Vegas strip in February, began her engagement at San Francisco's La Barona Hotel near the airport, singing with the New Trend quintet.

Mitsuko Funakoshi, daughter of the Willie Funakoshi of Hollywood, will appear in the May 1-17 engagement of the Ice Capades at the L.A. Sports Arena. A veteran skater of several seasons with the show, the 30th edition is billed as "The Show for All Seasons."

Fine Arts

Roy Kiyooka, noted Canadian Nisei sculptor, poet and painter, designed the 16-foot high pyramids for the Canadian Pavilion at Expo '70. He had been teaching at Sir George Williams University in Montreal when he was commissioned "to do something for the Pavilion."

director (Dr. Knowles Ryserson) condemns boycott against Nisei. . . . average IQ of 442nd BCT said to be highest in Army. . . . Four to face trial for Doi Farm Violence in Auburn. . . . Anti-evacuee league sought to fight return of Nisei to Northern California.

Nisei USA: 'Racists gird for long fight'. . . . Editorials: The 442nd Regiment (on new spring offensive); Secretary Ickes (on support of Nisei).



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LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

On drug abuse

Editor:

The following is being written in order to clarify an article (PC, Mar. 13) which has appeared in several Japanese newspapers recently in reference to talk which I gave to the Women's Auxiliary of the San Francisco JACL on Feb. 20. Basically, I feel that I was misquoted out of context and as such, the report of my speech is almost totally distorted, and I offer the following in clarification of statements attributed to me.

First of all, I did not say that "Politics is the cause for the use of drugs for Asian American kids." In fact, I don't even know where that particular statement came from unless it was an attempt at paraphrasing some general comments relative to the present social atmosphere in which Asian children are a part.

What I tried to indicate was that Asian children are caught in a social atmosphere of student revolution in which every facet of society is being examined, questioned, and challenged. Traditionally, Asian parents have attempted to keep their children screened off from this type of exploration in order to maintain the status quo. Asians have been placed around them. In the process have allowed their Asian identity to slip away, hoping to totally assimilate into the American way of life.

What it means for Asian children is that they should not question or probe into areas of life which might label them dissidents.

Search for Identity

In present day society, Asian children cannot help but be affected by what is taking place around them. In the process they become ambivalent about their identity, but in their prohibitive child rearing cannot get answers from their parents who find it difficult to discuss, more or less understand, what is taking place among other minorities in society.

Asian children are no exception in wanting to find a meaningful existence for all people, thus assuming a humanistic attitude toward society. In the process they want to know all there is about life, drugs being only one aspect of what is taking place today. If Asian children cannot turn to their parents openly for discussion, they will find answers elsewhere, experiment with life, again of which drugs is only a part. I do know of some Asian children who have experimented with various drugs, especially with marijuana, but fortunately there is no real problem with Asian children relative to drugs as yet.

In the future, however, if the use of drugs is to be minimized among Asian children, I suggest that parents take an open approach to this problem with their children, without moralizing, but with a sincere concern for the harm that can be caused by the use of drugs.

Role of Physician

In reference to another statement attributed to me in which it indicates that I felt the family doctor is the best source of help when a child has begun to use drugs is somewhat misleading. I do not feel that the family doctor can treat the dynamics underlying drug use, but from the physical standpoint, a doctor would be consulted.

On the other hand, many parents overreact in my opinion and want their child to see a psychiatrist right away. Although this may be advisable in some instances, I feel that many other approaches can be attempted initially, if for no other purpose than to evaluate the relative commitment on the individual's part to the use of drugs.

Finally, I did not single out any one probation department or juvenile justice institution in San Francisco relative to its adequacy in handling the drug problem with juveniles. What I indicated was that the existing juvenile justice systems generally are not equipped presently to deal with the drug problem. Unless the attitudes of correctional systems undergo a massive re-evaluation of their philosophy toward juveniles, they will

never able to cope with the problems of juvenile delinquency, be it drugs or anything else. GENE ROH, 1411 Ada St., Berkeley, Calif.

Staff behavior

Editor:

I had no intention of getting caught up in an endless diatribe of who said what and where (re: the frequent attacks upon both myself and my remarks at Manzanar and the subsequent attacks upon Warren Furutani) with someone who did not attend the event and therefore could not judge what was said in context. Although Mr. Hirasaka disclaims any connection with flag-waving "right or wrong patriots" that we have come to associate with the far right, he quickly launches into the tactics that have made them so repulsive to thinking Americans.

I am not bothered by the attacks upon myself (I find the sage from Fresno hilarious) but I object to and deplore the vicious smear tactics used upon Warren Furutani. To cast aspersions upon a person on the strength of a calendar or poster is to my way of thinking, ridiculous.

Surely Mr. Hirasaka could not be serious when he infers and prejudices a person based upon the factor of a wall poster.

Next he will be attacking Mr. Furutani upon the color of his automobile and heaven help the poor JACLer who happens to catch Mr. Hirasaka's eye if he happens to have a centerfold of Playboy Magazine hanging off of his wall.

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Noguchi Case

Editor:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter I am sending today to the Board of Supervisors. Probably they will never see it as if Mr. Hollinger's department opens the mail it will get lost; and Mr. Dorn of this district is easy going and I feel takes the path of not hurting anyone's feelings.

If no action is taken, perhaps the PC can nudge them for it certainly was due to powerful JACL (and the Japanese-Americans United in Search of the Truth Committee) that Dr. Noguchi finally got justice.

Here's the copy of the letter, dated Mar. 14: The Board of Supervisors Los Angeles County

For months I have been waiting for you to take punitive action against Mr. Hollinger. At the time of Dr. Noguchi's deserved reinstatement you said after the turmoil quieted down you would. When a county official can make accusing statements and get a reputable doctor fired, no one is safe from such personal vindictiveness.

Some one told me that as Mr. Hollinger will retire next year it is easier to let this tragedy slide by without action. This is not the responsible action citizens of the county expect from our fine Board of Supervisors.

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National JACL, in a resolution dated Jan. 28, 1970 (see Feb. 6 PC), had urged the Board to undertake "an immediate and thorough investigation of all those involved in the case." The Board at its Feb. 10 meeting set aside the JACL resolution without inquiring to look into the matter.—Ed.

Elk's policy

Editor:

My daughter, Donna, is a senior at East Union High School in Manteca. She was fortunate to be considered a candidate for the Elk's Club award for the graduating seniors. She then received second place for the Tracy-Manteca area. However, after reading the article on the school board incident in Santa Maria, (Mar. 13 PC) she felt in all true conscience she cannot accept the award. I was proud she stood for the principle she believed.

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And where are the Sansei in prep sportsdom?

By JOE HAMANAKA

Seattle. One of the differences between the Nisei and Sansei in this Northwest Corner is the fact that Sansei these days are not going out for or making good marks in the world of "major" sports at the high school level.

Examining the prep box scores, one does not find a single Japanese name basketballing in the city's 14 high schools.

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Let's say that the Sansei are now at the Nisei's 1937-38 years. Going back to those years, Garfield had George Okamura, Tosh Nishimura, Joe Fujii, And Broadway high had Ray Obazawa, Stan Karikomi, with Pete Yoshitomi and Bob Nakasone on the "B" squad.

And in the community hoop leagues, about 850 Nisei were playing in Jimmy Sakamoto's Courier Leagues—8 teams in AA, Class A had 13 clubs, B had 11 teams, 12 in the C loop and 6 girl teams. Yes, even the girls played organized ball.

Those were the days . . . teams in Bellevue, Fife, Alderton, White River, Summer, Puyallup, Auburn, Thomas, Orting, Eatonville, Bainbridge, Tacoma, Kent, Milton, Orillia, etc.

George Ishihara was the czar of the leagues and Bill Hosokawa, a Sakamoto employee then, was head of the referee corps.

Since WW 2, the Nisei Veterans Committee (really not a "committee," but the biggest Nisei group in the Northwest, with a large two-story clubhouse, etc.) has sponsored the community basketball leagues for years and years.

This year there's an 'Open' division with six teams, an 'A' division with six and a 'B' division with five teams. So about 200 Sansei participated. Compared to 850 in 1937-38.

Seems Sansei interests in sports are far more "sophisticated" than were the Nisei's in 1937-38. The third generation go for skiing, tennis, golf, auto racing, skin diving, bowling—include their vigorous dance forms as sport. Nisei parents provide the money and time.

In 1937-38, the Issei parents were just recovering from the depression and could not afford the luxuries of skis, golf clubs and cars with which to drive to the slopes. Bowling was not yet. Tennis was, but not too popular. Down in Nihonmachi, tennis somehow looked "sissy" to a bunch accustomed to baseball, basketball and football.

And as we write this on a quiet Saturday night, we are reminded how we packed Collins Fieldhouse on Saturday nights for the Courier hoop games—four games, one for each league. Four games, starting at 6 p.m. And in Tacoma and in Fife and Kent and Auburn, Saturday night saw our Courier League doyenbrooks.

Yes, gotta hand it to Jimmy Sakamoto and the Courier. They kept the Nisei kids off the streets. And perhaps, so doing, helped to mold the Nisei into quiet "otonaishi/majime" American adults, good springboards for the Sansei.

While on the subject of high school basketball, we have here in Seattle, a Frank S. Fujii who is the first and only Nisei hoop coach in the Northwest.

He is the youngest of the Fujii boys, starting with Raisu (the father)—Seisaku (Seibo), Mansaku (Joe), Oaisaku (Daibo) and Shosaku (Frank). Interesting names.

And the Fujii girls—Rinko, Junko, Fujiko, Renko and Kinko.

But this is about the youngest, the only college man of the family. Frank Fujii went to the Univ. of Washington, majoring in art. He started teaching at Cleveland high school, then moved to Franklin, where he is now in his second year as head basketball coach.

And quite successful. His team this year is second to a West Seattle squad which could finish the season undefeated, 16 and oh. The "oh" is for the West Seattle team which won its first title in 45 years! Imagine, 45 years of drought.

Shobo, as Frank is known to most Japanese, began his basketball as a "knee-high" at Collins Fieldhouse, where many of the Nisei received their early instructions. He has come a long way.

He was so tiny, we recall, he shot baskets with a small rubber ball. He was about ten then, playing with boys much older in the Fieldhouse league. So many, many years he "warmed" the bench. Kept trying, practicing. Playing in the shadows of his talented brothers.

Here is a man, an art teacher, who has succeeded in his first love, basketball. Frank Shobo Fujii, first Nisei hoop coach, first and only one in this Northwest Corner.

Continued good records as a prep coach, and who knows, Fujii could move up to the college level. He's dedicated, personable, knows the game. We hope he can.

Join the JACL

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what we are by our actions and mannerisms. The text of the "Commander's Column" from the NVC Newsletter follows:

The 23th Installation Banquet is now history. I am sure the entire membership joins me in thanking Kiyoshi Hashimoto and his staff for a job well done in the past year. The new cabinet and committee chairmen are looking forward with some reservations, to the many tasks that are upcoming. I know that the ever present cooperation from members and friends will encourage our cabinet and committee chairmen to expand existing programs or start new programs to make this another good year for our organization.

In recent weeks there has been considerable verbiage both written and vocal, concerning the location chosen by the NVC for the installation event mentioned above. Armed only with the meager printed facts appearing in our local papers, some of our members have been subjected to severe criticism and embarrassment by members of the Oriental community.

Since this newsletter is the only official organ available to the NVC to communicate to our members, I will use this column to relay the facts and concerns regarding the selection of the installation site. I am sure that once this issue of the Newsletter "hits" the street, many letters will be coming to me concerning this column. Comments about NVC activities are always welcome but I must stress that this column to become a "whipping boy" for this or any other issue.

First, the NVC is gravely concerned about our Japanese community. Any action taken to reflect negatively towards the Japanese community is not advocated. Attempts to polarize our community is deeply frowned upon for its very result is the dissolution of the community. The NVC recognizes and appreciates the many individuals who give unselfishly to preserve the identity of the community.

Second, the NVC of all organizations is unequivocally against racist policies and resents any implications to the contrary. One of several methods may be employed in attempting to eliminate this racist stigma. The majority of the NVC is related directly to the Issei parents, therefore are influenced somewhat by their attitudes and actions.

Of the several means available, we choose to fight racism in a subtle, but direct manner. To eliminate any misinterpretations of the term "direct manner," it means we will exert pressure upon those who refuse to be accepted for what we are by our actions and mannerisms.

The task of making investigations into sites for the installation function belongs to the social chairman and committee. Final arrangements after approval of the site by the membership is also among his duties. The job of installing facilities is not an easy one and requires months of work. Candidate facilities were presented in October 1969 for our 1970 function. The Elks Hall was presented officially at that time as a candidate facility. A member of the Elks and a good friend of the NVC offered the use of the facility. There were utterances of "whites only" and "they are not Japanese." The general feeling was that the way we conduct ourselves under circumstances imposed by the Elks charter was challenge enough. The chairman was told to go ahead with the arrangements and that all candidate facilities were acceptable to the executive council. The unanimous approval of the membership in attendance followed.

Official notification of the selection of the Elks Hall was made in the December Newsletter. It was therefore generally known in early December that the Elks Hall was going to be the installation function site. Arrangements with the Elks Lodge and preparations for speakers, guests, etc., were underway. An agreed agreement with the Elks was dated January 27, 1970.

Approximately three months after the site decision and just two weeks before the installation event, the then commander Kiyoshi Hashimoto received a group of thirteen named individuals requesting the NVC to seek other facilities because they objected to the racist policies of the Elks. This date was also the night of our regular meeting and the installation was fully discussed. It was decided to take no action resulting from the letter because:

(1) The timing of the letter was such that it precluded any action even if the NVC so desired. (2) The NVC was aware of the non-white policy and chose not to bow to a means to fight the policy.

(3) It did not come from any identified and established group. No official letter or notification was received that there was to be an organized picket at our installation banquet. Rumors, however, prevailed for days before. Only after the news of event was issued to the press did a coalition group generated the impetus for the picket movement. The NVC sympathizes with the group, but does not agree with the method used here to combat it.

The Installation Banquet is a serious business function of the NVC. This year especially being our 23th anniversary, that which the Gold Star Parents want to be our honored guests. The event as stated in the local daily papers classified it as a dance-dance which is a social event. The difference in these two functions is significant enough that we should emphasize it here. Also, for those members who did not attend, the installation banquet was chosen to pay tribute to our fallen comrades and their parents. The presence of the Gold Star Parents would have been a fitting tribute to the memory of the fallen sons by having the function at the Elks Hall. For their sacrifice and intentions, we are deeply grateful.

BOOK REVIEW: by Allan Beekman

Dictionary for Japan History Buffs

A DICTIONARY OF JAPANESE HISTORY by Joseph J. Goederter, Walker-Weatherhill, distributed by Walker and Company, 415 pages, \$12.50.

In the preface to "A Dictionary of Japanese History," the author indicates the book is to serve as a concise dictionary containing basic information such as an educated Japanese might be expected to know about politics, law, religion, commerce and industry. Literature and art from a historical viewpoint.