

Washington Newsletter
by Mike Masaoka

Title II Hearings



Washington

Next Monday, May 11, the Department of Justice is scheduled to testify on the Nixon Administration's official position on pending legislation to repeal Title II of the Internal Security Act of 1950, the so-called emergency detention and concentration camp authorizations.

Members of the Committee are expected to ask questions regarding the stand of the Administration, since it is well remembered that several officers of the then incoming Administration early expressed opposition to the repeal of this emergency detention proviso and since last December Richard Kleindienst, the Deputy Attorney General, had sent identical letters urging repeal to the Chairmen of both the House Internal Security Committee (Richard Ichord of Missouri) and the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Internal Security (James Eastland of Mississippi). According to the departmental letter, the "benefit (of repeal) outweighs any potential advantage which the Act may provide in time of internal security emergency" by allaying "the fears and suspicions (of apprehension and detention), unfounded as they may be—of many of our citizens".

What changed the minds of the Administration, and especially of the Department of Justice, between January and December 1969, will be the question asked by Committee members.

Moreover, recent events and questions asked of the various witnesses during the public hearings which have been held since this past March suggest some of the other questions that may be asked of the departmental witness, whomever he may be.

The war powers of the President have often been referred to by both Committee members and witnesses, including in connection with the 1942 evacuation of all persons of Japanese ancestry from the West Coast. Whether Title II is a limitation on those war powers is another often-asked question, as was whether Title II, if it had been law at that time, would have provided some safeguards to the individual freedoms and liberties of the suspected Japanese Americans.

Would Title II be subject to use in case of undeclared wars, as in the present situation in Southeast Asia? And, would Title II or some other similarly intended statute, restrict the powers of the President to do as President Nixon did, on April 30, in ordering American combat troops into Cambodia as the Commander-in-Chief, thereby escalating the war in Indochina regardless of his excuse or explanation?

We do not have the answers. And we do not think that the repeal of Title II should be discussed in the context of the war powers of the Chief Executive. JACL holds that Title II should be repealed forthwith. And, if there needs to be legislation in the field of presidential war and emerging powers, we believe that such legislation should be discussed by the appropriate congressional committees not in terms of an unconstitutional authorization to detain certain individuals but freely and frankly in terms of national survival, etc.

In other words, JACL does not believe that such an important and critical issue as presidential war powers should be confused with arbitrary and capricious authority to detain individual citizens in times of an internal security emergency.

If nothing else, the public hearings brought to the attention of another generation of Congressmen and Senators, as well as the general public, some facts concerning the wartime evacuation and internment of all persons of Japanese ancestry on the West Coast solely because of their race and ancestry—and for no other reason.

And, from all soundings, every member of the House Internal Security Committee is convinced that that evacuation and internment was not justified and represents an ugly chapter in American history.

Nevertheless, there are still some Americans who ought to know better (such as Witness Frederick B. Wiener, a graduate of Brown and Harvard Universities, a Doctor of Laws, an Assistant to the Solicitor General of the United States who argued 37 cases before the Supreme Court and a Special Assistant to the Attorney General in 1941, an author of several books and numerous articles on military law and justice), who continue to resort to the racism, disguised as patriotism, that was used by General DeWitt and others to justify and to explain the alleged need to mass evacuate the Japanese American population of the Pacific Coast.

These apologists do not refer to the fact that all of the intelligence agencies of the government, including Army Intelligence, agree that there was no act of espionage or sabotage committed by a resident Japanese—alien or citizen—before, during, and after December 7, 1941. Neither do they explain why the same military necessity that required the evacuation of those of Japanese ancestry on the Pacific Coast did not require similar treatment for the Japanese in Hawaii—3,000 miles closer to the enemy and more likely to be invaded than was the continental mainland, and actually attacked by the Japanese military. Nor do they mention that the evacuation itself was ordered after the military no longer feared an invasion of the West Coast.

They continue to insist that, while it was possible to distinguish between loyal and disloyal Germans and Italians, it was not possible to determine the individual loyalty of those of Japanese ancestry. They seem to claim that there is something inherently different about the Japanese that puts them into a different class of human beings from most others. They seem to allege that, while others can become assimilated Americans, there is something in the nature and character of the Japanese that causes them to be incapable of becoming as American as others.

No wonder certain Japanese Americans, and Asian Americans, not to mention blacks, browns, and reds think of American society even today as racist. No wonder too that many, including whites, question established institutions and values. And no wonder that to so many the repeal of Title II will be an indication of Democracy's good faith in trying to eradicate blatant racism from our statute books.

INOUE REGRETS U.S. TROOP MOVES INTO CAMBODIA

'Rationale Appears
No Different' than
Previous Announcements

WASHINGTON — President Nixon ordered several thousand American troops into Cambodia last week (April 30) to wipe out the "headquarters for the entire Communist military operation in South Vietnam."

Senator Daniel K. Inouye regretted the announcement "of an expansion of American military operations into Cambodia." It is a "sad day" for all who have hoped for an end to the Vietnam war and U.S. involvement in that conflict, he said.

"The announcement should bring about a reevaluation on our part to alter our policy that we can no longer be made the pawns of would-be rulers of South Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia. It should remind us also of the increasing need to take early and effective steps to bring about a conference of these Asian nations to resolve their problems—a resolution which can neither be imposed by us and other European powers, nor one to which our men and our treasury should be made hostage," the Hawaiian Democrat declared.

He regarded the expansion move as a "sham" in view of the announced de-escalation in South Vietnam. "The rationale appears no different than that which was employed at the earlier time to support our bombing of North Vietnam, or the buildup of American combat troops in South Vietnam and in Laos," he reminded.

Reviewing the political situation in Cambodia, the senator noted the current premier, Lon Nol, seized control during Prince Sihanouk's absence. In an apparent effort to gain U.S. support, Lon Nol then launched attacks against some 40,000 Communist troops which had been in Cambodia, despite the obvious inability of his Cambodian army to be successful, Inouye continued.

The predictable happened. The Cambodian Army demonstrated its impotence. The Communists took the offensive. "By this maneuver, Lon Nol has now accomplished his objective and guaranteed his political survival by bringing about the introduction of increased American involvement and support in the face of every lesson we should have learned in Vietnam," Inouye explained.

Twenty-four Congressmen have sent telegram to President Richard Nixon strongly protesting extension of U.S. involvement to Cambodia, Rep. Phillip Burton (D-Calif.) announced.

"Such involvement runs counter to your expressed purpose of reducing our commitments in Southeast Asia. After five years of futility in Vietnam, what policy lures us to intervene in Cambodia? ... It is clear that the end solution in Southeast Asia can only be worked out by the Asians themselves, not by an American settlement," the telegram concluded. Those signing the letter were:

Congressmen Burton; Robert W. Kastenmeier (D-Wis.); Benjamin S. Rosenthal (D-N.Y.); William F. Ryan (D-N.Y.); Abner J. Mikva (D-Ill.); Donald M. Fraser (D-Minn.); George E. Brown Jr. (D-Calif.); John Conyers, Jr. (D-Mich.); Don Edwards (D-Calif.); Bob Eckhardt (D-Ill.); Allan K. Lowenstein (D-N.Y.); Brock Adams (D-Wash.); Edward R. Roybal (D-Calif.); Patrick J. Mink (D-Hawaii); William "Bill" Clay (D-Mo.); Louis Stokes (D-Ohio); Michael Harrington (D-Mass.); Jonathan B. Bingham (D-N.Y.); Edward I. Koch (D-N.Y.); Jerome R. Waldie (D-Calif.); Augustus F. Hawkins (D-Calif.); Ken Hechler (D-W.Va.); Thomas R. Hoenes (D-Calif.); Charles A. Vanik (D-Ohio).

Sato, Aichi Reactions
Prime Minister Eisaku Sato and Foreign Minister Ki-

NEWS CAPSULES

Government

Democratic-backed candidates won an overwhelming majority of the elective Chicago Model Cities council seats in four neighborhoods April 14. In Uptown where 45 candidates were on the ballot for 20 seats, Joan F. Aral, Roy T. Honbo and Kay K. Omori, backed by State Sen. Robert Cherry (D), were winners. Each will serve a two-year term and have a voice in the spending of millions of federal dollars in their neighborhoods. Although only 25 pct. of registered voters in the community voted, it was regarded as the best turnout of all Model Cities elections across the country. Nineteen and 20-year olds who registered were allowed to vote for the first time in the city's history. Other neighborhoods holding elections were Grand Blvd., Lawndale and Woodlawn. Mayor Daley will appoint 20 more persons to each council later, assuring City Hall's virtual control of Chicago's federal Model Cities program.

The Little Tokyo Community Redevelopment Agency project office announced the appointment of two staff members: Jim H. Matsuoaka, community information specialist; and Karen L. Hoke, intermediate clerk stenographer, active with the Pioneer Center, was formerly employed with North American Rockwell, a graduate in social science from Cal State L.A. and a candidate for a master's degree in government and history at the same college.

Hawaii Attorney General Bertram T. Kanbara attended the 1970 annual conference of Western Attorneys General May 3-5 at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Conference theme was "Student Unrest and Campus Disorders."

The Los Angeles County Dept. of Public Social Services named Mrs. Lily Chen, former director of medical social services at El Cerritos Hospital, Long Beach, to the new position of Asian Community Relations coordinator in the liaison services section. The China-born social worker is a graduate of Univ. of Washington and will work with two other coordinators to identify the needs, to improve the level of service and to develop better methods of meeting the needs of the Oriental ethnic community.

L.A. Harbor Commissioner Fred Ward represented the Harbor Dept. at the city's Economic Development Board reception in New York April 29, flew to London and Amsterdam to visit major steamship lines serving the Port of Los Angeles and then attended the International Olympic Committee meeting in Amsterdam to vote on the 1976 summer games site. Los Angeles is in contention to have the Games held during U.S.'s bicentennial year.

Awards

The Carroll Club, a Catholic Youth Organization in Seattle, presented its Civic Youth Service award April 10 to the Seattle Atlantic St. Center, sponsored by the Methodist Church to aid disadvantaged youth, and it was accepted by Tsuzuo Ikeda, director. The plaque presented by the Most Rev. Thomas A. Connolly, archbishop of Seattle, read: "For being dissatisfied with doing nothing less than ex-

ichi Aichi agreed U.S. combat operations into Cambodia was an inevitable step to eliminate acts of infringement on the neutrality of Cambodia, the Jiji Press reported.

The Japanese government also confirmed no changes in its decision to join the proposed Asian conference aimed at finding a solution to the Cambodian issue.

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Four Southern California Issei were among those decorated by the Japanese government on April 29: Dr. Ryojin Kinoshita, 76, cancer research specialist with City of Hope, Order of Sacred Treasure, 2nd Class; Shoji Nagumo, 80, general of the So. Calif. gardeners, Order of Sacred Treasure, 5th Class; Yemon Minami, 90, of Guadalupe, among the foremost Issei successes in California agriculture, Order of the Sacred Treasure, 3rd Class; and Shiroichi Koyama, 79, Santa Maria pioneer farmer, Order of the Sacred Treasure, 5th Class.

School Front

Henry Isumizaki, currently treasurer of the San Francisco State College associated students, lost by a mere 14 votes to John Twiehell (686-672 votes) for the post of student body president in a student election that only drew 2,000 out of some 18,000 students eligible to vote. The validity of the election is being challenged in federal court by three candidates who were ousted, claiming the college administration is trying "to suppress dissenting political parties," while the college avers the three were barred because of failure to meet grade and course requirements.

The California State Scholarship and Loan Commission, in announcing its 1970 winners of 6,023 tuition scholarships, included the names of 297 Japanese American high school graduates. In 1968, there were 198 Japanese Americans named; 217 in 1969. Over 33,000 applicants applied this year.

Military

The MIS Assn. of No. California was formally organized April 26 at San Francisco with Tom Sakamoto, pro-tem chairman, presiding. . . . Maj. Moss Ikeda, principal of Kai-lua High School, Honolulu, was named commander of the 100th Infantry Bn., 442nd Infantry, an Army reserve unit at Ft. DeRussy.

Rep. Patsy T. Mink (D-Hawaii) joined with 11 other congressmen headed by Rep. John Conyers (D-Mich.) protesting racial discrimination at home and abroad in the armed forces at a meeting April 23 with Defense Secretary Melvin R. Laird at the Pentagon. They intend to make on-site investigations, in view of the rising number of complaints from Negro servicemen.

Fine Arts

Latest works of Southern California artists in weavings, macramé, tie-dye, batik and starch resists will be exhibited daily except Tuesday at Carol

Funai's Workshop-Gallery, 353 E. 2nd St., in Little Tokyo from May 2 through June 27. The Textile Show exhibitors include Kei Kamitani, Momo Nagano, Hideko Nishimura and Carol Funai.

Politics

Though he is not running, Dr. S. I. Hayakawa polled 20% to lead among the Democrats now running for U.S. Senate according to tally made in the Monterey Park area by State Sen. Alfred H. Song (D) Rep. George E. Brown Jr. was a close second with 17%. Incumbent Sen. George Murphy

led the poll with 30%. More than 10,000 returned the questionnaire.

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From the Frying Pan

Bill Hosokawa

TOMORROW'S MAGAZINES—With the demise of many general interest magazines such as *Saturday Evening Post* and *Colliers*, followed by the death last winter of *This Week*, once the premiere syndicated Sunday newspaper supplement, a great deal of attention is being focused on what is known as the locally-edited Sunday magazines. These are the colorful supplements, written, designed and printed in magazine fashion, that appear in many of the larger Sunday newspapers. There are somewhere between 55 and 60 of these magazines in the United States, and the experts say they may become the tail that wags the Sunday newspaper dog.

The editors of about half of these magazines have been meeting each April in Louisville to discuss mutual problems and explore new ideas, all under the sponsorship of the Standard Gravure Co., printer of a large number of these publications. If it isn't significant, perhaps it is interesting that Nisei are editors of two of these magazines. One of them, Dick Takeuchi of the Chicago Sun-Times, gained a large measure of recognition at the editorial meeting a week ago when a story he published was honored as the best of the year.

It may also be interesting that within the past year new Sunday magazines have been launched by newspapers in San Jose and Long Beach, Calif., both of which are now under contract to be printed by a subsidiary of The Denver Post. Not long ago two Nisei members of the San Jose *Mercury* and *News* visited Denver for a quick indoctrination course in rotogravure production. One was Howard K. Shintaku, art director of *California Today*, the *Mercury* and *News* Sunday magazine. The other, Ray Tsutsumi, assistant manager of advertising art.

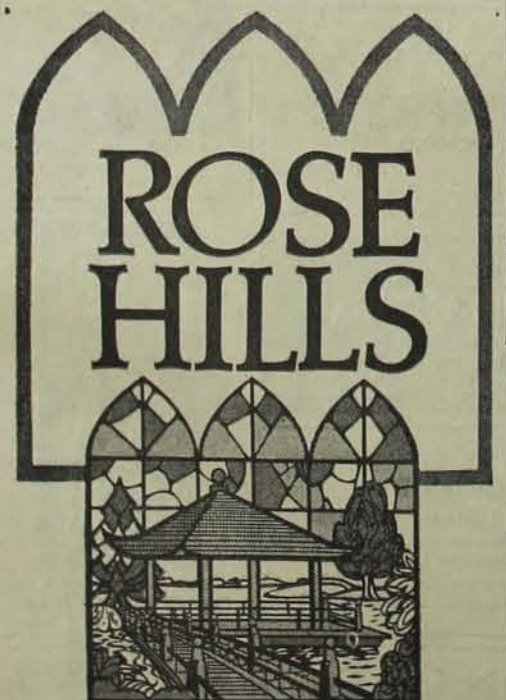
NISEI ANGLE—In a number of visits to Louisville over the past decade we haven't been able to come up with a Nisei angle. This is the home of the Kentucky Derby and the place where they make the Louisville Sluggers and no one has hinted Nisei weren't interested in either horse racing or baseball. Still, they're conspicuous by their absence.

This trip, at the Louisville airport, there were at least three Japanese women, presumably the brides of servicemen stationed at nearby Fort Knox which is an armored warfare training center as well as a depository for gold.

THE HAWAIIANS—Hollywood publicists have started the buildup for the movie, *The Hawaiians*, based on the second half of James A. Michener's monumental novel, *Hawaii*. The motion picture version of the first half was something less than a rousing success and all hands are hoping for something better this time around. A large part of Michener's story has to do with the Chinese and Japanese who migrated to Hawaii. The Japanese are represented by Sakagawa Kamejiro, an immigrant from Hiroshima who in time has sons who volunteer for the "Two-two-two" in World War II. For the Nisei, this should be a very interesting movie.

One of those criss-crossing the country these days to publicize the movie is a shapely China-born photographer named Doris Nieh. She and her family fled the mainland when the Communists took over, settled in New Jersey and studied journalism at the university of Iowa. When Miss Nieh realized she couldn't write English well enough to get a job on an American newspaper, she bought a camera and became a photographer. Since she was young, attractive and spoke seven Chinese dialects, she was a natural for a role in movie *The Sand Pebbles*. Hollywood cast her as a Chinese prostitute speaking pidgin English.

There's supposed to be a Japanese bath scene in *The Hawaiians* and Doris Nieh, to do justice to photo coverage of this sequence, stripped to the buff and jump into the tub herself. She was a bit indefinite about whether this scene was photographed by the cameramen for the movie, but we'll be watching for it.



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Black-dominated city council backs Title II repeal

COMPTON—The local City Council became the first black-dominated governmental body in the United States to voice its opposition to Title II, the emergency detention camp law under the Internal Security Act of 1950.

Action took place April 21 after request for support to eliminate the law came from Gardena Valley JACL's Committee to Repeal Title II, headed by George Aoyagi, realtor, and Thomas N. Shigekuni, attorney.

Before a packed Council chamber, the support for repeal was unanimous. The 100 or more aroused black militants joined with a rousing, standing ovation following the action.

"The Council's response, undoubtedly the most enthusiastic in America, may have indicated the black's concern about Title II's threat to their own civil rights," commented Shigekuni, director for the Gardena committee.

Negro Mayor

Mayor Douglas Dollarhide, the first black mayor of a major western city, expressed his delight that JACL is again in the fight to protect civil rights for all, the report said.

The response was no less enthusiastic from the black militants who cheered speakers Aoyagi and Shigekuni.

"If any conclusion can be drawn from the reception we received in Compton, it would appear that black militants are only 'hostile' to those groups that pose a threat to their civil rights, that they can be and indeed are very hospitable and gracious to members of other racial groups who demonstrate a real concern for ethnic equality," the JACL officials noted.

Jewish Weekly

CHICAGO—The Jewish weekly, *The Sentinel*, editorially supported the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council resolution urging the Congress to repeal the so-called Emergency Detention Act.

Editor, Jack I. Fishbein, in his Mar. 12 column, urged his readers to let their congressmen know of their support of having the concentration camp law eradicated.

ROYBAL ASKS STATE SUPREME COURT TO REMOVE JUDGE FOR LATIN SLUR

WASHINGTON—Rep. Edward R. Roybal (D-Calif.) has urged the California Supreme Court to order the immediate removal from office of State Superior Court Judge Gerald S. Chargin for what he has disfigured himself from sitting in judgment on his fellow men, and, in the best interest of all concerned, he should have the good sense to resign from the bench.

"For, how can the law and the courts command respect, when those who would assume the role of judge in our society and mete out punishment to violators of the law, have themselves, no respect for the people they serve?" "If he should fail to resign voluntarily, however," the Congressman continued, "the Congressmen committee strongly urge the California Supreme Court, which has au-

the kind of behavior shown by Judge Chargin will not be tolerated in our courts.

"In my opinion, Judge Chargin has disfigured himself from sitting in judgment on his fellow men, and, in the best interest of all concerned, he should have the good sense to resign from the bench."

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L. Yoshida named Lions governor

MERCED—Charter member of Merced Breakfast Lions Club, Lester Koe Yoshida, 49, was elected governor of the Lions International District 4-A1, which consists of 62 clubs from Lodi to Madera, from Los Banos to Yosemite.

A member of the Merced city council, Yoshida is also active with the JACL (past president of the Livingston-Merced chapter), County Fair, Calif. Assn. of Nurserymen, United Fund, Salvation Army board, Deuel Vocational Institute advisory council, and the Committee of 100 to draft the 20-year Merced General Plan.

He was born in Sacramento, graduated from Livingston High, attended Modesto Jr. College and Fresno State. Since 1959, he owned and operated Les' Garden Center here.

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GARDENA COMMITTEE—Members of the Gardena Valley JACL's Committee to Repeal Title II pictured in front of the Redondo Beach City Council Chambers after their victorious fight for support of the repeal effort are (from left) Tak Kawagoe, Thomas N. Shigekuni, George Mizoguchi, Dr. Robert Yamazaki, and Gerald Tarlow.

Hearings resume May 11 with Nixon man

Continued from Front Page looking after the rights of individuals, were among Senators who sponsored Title II. Congressman Button declared that they could have been mistaken, but that—in any event—Title II provides a "reverse English argument" for the revolutionaries and serves to foment dissension among Americans.

Work of Quakers

Ross Wilbur, for 23 years director of child welfare for the State of Iowa and who served as a co-director of the Quaker Hostel in Des Moines that welcomed Japanese American evacuees during World War II, testified for the American Friends Service Committee and the Friends Committee on National Legislation.

He summarized the work of the Quakers with Japanese Americans in World War II, and then noted that "The relevance of the story of Japanese American relocation to the issue which we are considering today is that in both cases the target group is unpopular with the dominant

elements of society, is differentiated by appearance (skin color, hair, clothing), and is suspected of being prepared to resort to violence."

Chairman Ichord questioned the racial motivations behind Evacuation, but agreed that the Evacuation was an unhappy incident in American history. He also added that Title II at least provides some procedures for safeguarding individual rights, though the witness insisted that there were other laws on the books that could do the necessary "jobs."

Negro Attorney

Attorney James R. Willis of the Ohio bar, invited by Congressman and committee member Louis Stokes, was the next witness. A leader of the black community, he recalled the racist past of America, in its dealings with the American Indians, with black Americans, with Oriental Americans, and especially the Japanese Americans, and the Mexican Americans.

He feared that Title II could be used against militant leaders who challenge certain established institutions, just as Evacuation was used against Japanese Americans in World War II. He said that repeal of Title II would help assure that a recurrence of that wartime detention would not take place.

Questions asked by the Committee related to the feeling of certain people in the ghettos and black communities about the probability of the use of Title II to suppress and detain their leadership.

The final witness that morning was Herbert Philbrick, an admitted former member of the Communist Party and a paid informer, who discussed the international Communist movement and the threat of Communism in the United States. He argued that by repealing Title II, one of the great propaganda arguments of the Communist Party in the United States would be taken away.

Wednesday, April 22

Democratic Congressman Sidney R. Yates of Illinois was the lead-off witness. He argued that because a legal challenge to Title II could not be made at this time, congressional repeal was the only solution. He asked that the Committee and the Congress act at this time when the atmosphere is relatively free from the type of hysteria that caused the enactment of the 1950 Internal Security Act.

Recalling that he was then in the Congress, and that he voted against the whole legislation, he noted that there was actually little said about Title II, that practically all of the debate in both the House and the Senate was on Title I, which related to subversive activities and established the Subversive Activities Control Board, most of whose actions and functions have been nullified by the Supreme Court.

He declared that there was no need for Title II, and that its repeal had social considerations. He cited the wartime Evacuation of Japanese Americans as an example of what might happen, and suggested that some of the language used in Title II had a melancholy resemblance to some of what was said about Japanese Americans in World War II.

GARDENA COMMITTEE—Members of the Gardena Valley JACL's Committee to Repeal Title II pictured in front of the Redondo Beach City Council Chambers after their victorious fight for support of the repeal effort are (from left) Tak Kawagoe, Thomas N. Shigekuni, George Mizoguchi, Dr. Robert Yamazaki, and Gerald Tarlow.

He quoted from General DeWitt's Final Report to justify Evacuation and from congressional testimony on the then proposed Japanese Evacuation Claims Act of 1948 by former Yale Law School Dean Eugene Rostow as example of the similarity in language of Title II and the excuses to evacuate the Japanese 28 years ago.

Negative Votes

When reminded by the Chairman that liberal Senators like Douglas, Humphrey, and Lehman all co-sponsored Title II in 1950, Congressman Yates retorted that they were not the liberals in Congress at the time and that such liberals as Chairman Emanuel Celler of the Judiciary Committee voted against Title II and the Internal Security Act. He repeated his own voting record on the legislation, a negative vote against Title II at every opportunity, from the initial House passage to the final vote on the presidential veto.

After the Chairman said that nothing that he had heard during the hearings had changed his mind concerning Title II repeal, and that an amended Title II might be helpful in an internal security emergency, Congressman Yates invited the Committee to quickly repeal the Emergency Detention Act and then examine the after-effects of that repeal.

Chairman Ichord referred to the fact that President Roosevelt had considered the Evacuation of Oahu. He also cited several of the testifying Congressmen as commenting on the great executive powers of the President in wartime. Congressman Yates concluded by urging that Title II be repealed, and then, if necessary, an examination be made of the presidential war powers, which he considered to be quite different from the Title II authority.

Constitutional Expert

Professor Sanford Rosen, a constitutional specialist from the Univ. of Maryland, summarized declared that Title II was unconstitutional on its face and should be immediately repealed, since court action was not possible in the foreseeable future. He said that it should never have been passed, and that it was like a loaded gun.

He recalled the history of the Alien and Sedition Acts, and the evacuation and detention of Japanese Americans in World War II. He also discussed the Hirasabayashi, Korematsu, and Endo cases in reference to Title II authority.

In commenting on the emergency and war powers of the President he noted that President Truman seized the steel mills and that was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court. He also thought that Title II might have been invoked, if the President had so desired, during the April 1968 riots in Washington, D.C.

In answering questions, the witness declared that Title II was a symbol of the "legitimation" of a statute in advance, such as the congressional act that, by setting forth

penalties for violating the military orders, "legitimized" the mass Evacuation orders against the Japanese in 1942. "It becomes a focal point for fear, and foreboding. On balance, it becomes a tool for presidential executive power." He also added that repeal would deprive the Communists and others of a propaganda argument.

In answer to a direct question, Rosen disagreed with the testimony of an earlier witness, Weiner, and said that if Title II had been on the books in the spring of 1942, Evacuation could still have happened in the way it did, because Title II would have been used as a dragnet operation.

Sign of Redirection

Congressman Stokes added that the Evacuation was a lesson in history of the indiscriminate power of the executive. He said that repeal of Title II would be a deterrent to future Presidents to avoid such action as mass racial evacuation or incarceration.

The last witness was Carl Johnson, the highest lay officer of the Church of the Covenant, a predominantly white church in a suburb of Cleveland, the assistant to the Superintendent of Schools for Cleveland, and an officer in the Urban League.

A black man, he recited some facts concerning the poverty, hunger, disease, inadequate housing, and other problems of the Cleveland ghettos. He called for a redirection of national priorities to the needs of the inner cities. He asked for the repeal of Title II as one indication of the white establishment's good faith in its pronouncements of trying to help the deprived and disadvantaged blacks.

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Ushijima films TV documentary for police dept.

CHICAGO—A half-hour TV film documentary on the community service division of the Chicago Police Dept., "Let's Work Together," produced by Henry Ushijima Films, Inc., was aired on WGN on Sunday evening, April 19.

As the human relations arm of the police department, its job is to repair the damage wrought by decades of bigotry, hate and fear that have divided the police and many of the citizens they are assigned to protect.

While decidedly pro-police, it gave little comfort to those who think the police can do no wrong nor to those who think the police can do right, according to TV commentator Clarence Petersen in the Tribune.

Police Supt. James Conlisk described it as a "realistic account of the fine job being done." Ushijima, who had the \$34,000 film financed by 16 Chicago businesses, had a free hand in the filming.

Solid Documentary

Norman Mark, TV commentator for the Daily News, called it a "solid documentary," though sometimes it seems posed and self-conscious. "What is surprising about the film is that it has the imprint of the police and the Mayor... Films should be done by independent film makers rather than by the police themselves."

Ushijima, a veteran Nisei movie producer, also made "What Trees Do They Plant?" Mayor Daley's filmed answer to the media coverage of the 1968 Democratic convention. Ushijima in 1968 was bestowed the Nisei of the Biennial silver medal for distinguished achievement.

Ushijima also directed a 15-minute film, "Con-Con: A Dialogue," on how the Illinois constitutional convention works, what it is doing and why a new state constitution is needed. It will be shown almost continuously near the Old State Capitol in Springfield, where the convention meets.

Okinawa representation in Japan Diet approved

TOKYO—Residents of U.S.-administered Okinawa will pick seven delegates to the Japanese Diet, five in the lower House, two to the upper house in time for the next ordinary session starting in December. Elections are expected in October-November. The bill providing Okinawa representation cleared the House of Councillors April 24 and in the House of Representatives the previous day. It took effect immediately.

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Potshots Don Hayashi

Looking toward Chicago



JACLers, young and old alike, are beginning to think ahead to the National Convention in Chicago this July. Certainly the Convention will be a significant one, and we need to seriously consider some of the crucial issues.

On a recent visit to California, this writer found older JACLers deeply troubled about the future of the adult organization — a group which they wished to join, but feel somewhat out of place in the same group as their parents.

1000 Club Notes

April 30 Report

National JACL Headquarters acknowledged 67 new and renewing memberships in the 1000 Club during the second half of April, with the month-end current total standing at 1,980. Acknowledged were:

17th Year: Portland — James Kida; Twin Cities — Takuzo Tsuchida.
16th Year: St. Louis — Harry H. Hayashi; San Diego — Paul Hoshi; Chicago — George M. Ikegami; Ben Lomond — Minoru Moya; Salt Lake — Mas Yano.

15th Year: Santa Barbara — Harold Lee; Cleveland — Frank Y. Shibata; Chicago — Lincoln Shimidzu; Portland — Dr. Roy Yamada.
14th Year: New York — Richard T. Hirai; San Jose — Judge Wayne M. Kanemoto; Portland — Dr. Robert H. Shiomi.

13th Year: Ben Lomond — Toyee Kato; Berkeley — Dr. Henry M. Takahashi; Chicago — Satoru Takamoto.
12th Year: Wilshire — Mikie J. Hamada; Sacramento — Richard T. Matsumoto; Selma — Alan A. Matsumoto; Chicago — Joe M. Nakanishi; Mt. Olympus — Shigeo Ushio; Venice — Culver — Betty S. Yumori.

11th Year: Oakland — Arata Akahoshi; Gresham — Troutdale — Ed Honma; Chicago — Kay Yamashita.
10th Year: Downtown L.A. — Chosin Higa; Snake River — Yosh Sakahara; Mid-Columbia — Setsu Shitara.

9th Year: Delano — Jeff Fukawa; Chicago — Bob M. Matsumoto; Mid-Columbia — Masahito Migaki; Salt Lake — Ken Morishita.
8th Year: San Luis Obispo — Kazuo Ikeda; D.C. — Dr. Raymond Murakami; San Francisco — Masami Sugaya; Boise Valley — Kay Yamamoto.

7th Year: San Francisco — Wesley T. Doi; Seattle — Toshiyuki Horike; Oakland — Ted T. Mayeda; Chicago — Jim S. Smith.
6th Year: Chicago — Allan I. Hagio; Omaha — Earl Harlow; D.C. — Dr. Hito Suyehiro; West Los Angeles — Ronald Y. Yoshida.

5th Year: Milwaukee — Jim Miyazaki; San Diego — Yoshiaki Tamura; Mt. Olympus — Frank Y. Yoshimura.
4th Year: San Francisco — Koichi Ishizaki; Glenn — Glenn K. Matsumoto; Hollywood — Mrs. Muriel Merrill; San Jose — Tad Tomita; Portland — Dr. Mathias Uchiyama; Oakland — Paul Yamamoto.

3rd Year: Cincinnati — Charles Longbottom; Sacramento — Yasuji Uejima; San Gabriel Valley — Deni Y. Uejima.
2nd Year: Gardena Valley — Vincent A. Ball; Cincinnati — Mrs. Gloria Farison; St. Louis — Dr. Otto Furuta; Hollywood — R. Hopson; D.C. — Emi Kamachi.

Hula Girls

Neglected in the May 1 PC were the names of the girls doing a Hawaiian dance at the recent MDC whing ding at Milwaukee. We readily record them here: Lucille Miyazaki and Mickey Mukai are the two dancers, while in the background are Ken Shimabukuro, Dr. Wilbur Nakamoto and Karen Shimabukuro.

CALENDAR

May 8 (Friday)
Philadelphia — Gen Mtg. Nationalities Service Center, 7:30 p.m.; Mrs. Dianne Ooka, spkr.
Downtown L.A. — Mother of the Year dinner, Man Jon Low, 7 p.m.
West Los Angeles — Earth Sci Mtg. Stoner Rec Ctr, 7:30 p.m.; Tak Susuki, spkr., "Opanga Fossils."
May 9 (Saturday)
Sacramento — Jr. JACL cake sale, Gemco (Riverdale & Bdwy).
Bel-Air Mtg. (Flower Rd & Landpark), 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
San Francisco — 1000 Club Night at the Races, Bay Meadows Turf Club.
May 11 (Monday)
Wilshire — Open Mtg. Centenary Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m.; Warren Furutani, moderator of panel disc. "Sansei Speaks."
West Los Angeles — Bd Mtg. Capitol Life Ins Bldg, 7:30 p.m.
May 15 (Friday)
Salinas — Movie night.
Riverside — Ondo practice, Gakuen, 7:30 p.m.
May 16-17
PSWDC — Pre-convention rally, West Los Angeles hosts; Airport Marina Hotel.
May 17 (Sunday)
Stockton — Community picnic, Meigs Grove.
San Gabriel Valley — Issei potluck dinner, ESGV Community Center, West Covina.
Salinas — Cemetery clean-up.
May 20 (Wednesday)
CCDC — District Mtg. Selma.
May 22 (Friday)
San Francisco — 1000 Club party, May 23 (Saturday).
East Los Angeles — Emerald Ball.
May 24 (Sunday)
Detroit — Issei appreciation.
May 28 (Saturday)
San Francisco — Memorial service, June 7 (Sunday).
PSWDC — Nisei Relay, Gardena High; Garden of Eatin'; San Gabriel Valley chapters co-hosts.
San Francisco — JACL Olympics, Cox Stadium, San Francisco State College.
June 13 (Saturday)
Puvalup Valley — Graduates banquet.
Milwaukee — Graduates banquet, Limestone.
June 14 (Sunday)
Detroit — Mystery Tour.
Salinas Valley — Barbecue, Bolado Park, 11 a.m.
Sacramento — Community picnic, Cleveland Community picnic, Weigand's Lake.
June 15 (Monday)
West Los Angeles — Bd Mtg.

Neighborhood School Policy vs. Bussing

(John M. Ito of San Fernando Valley, advisory specialist in civil rights with the Federal Projects Task Force in the offices of the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools Richard M. Clowers, writes on the "hypocrisy built into the Neighborhood School Policy." The following was published April 27 in the Kashi Mainichi.)

By JOHN M. ITO

Los Angeles
All things being equal the "neighborhood school policy" might well be defensible. But let's face it! Conditions are not equal where race or color are concerned.

How is it possible for people to reconcile the conflict of school integration and the neighborhood school policy while signing petitions to keep Negroes from moving into the neighborhood?

The other day as I sat visiting with a friend of mine who lives in Gardena, we were interrupted by a knock at the door. It turned out to be someone collecting signatures on a petition to keep Negroes from being bussed into Gardena schools. My friend refused to sign the petition and told me later that the same person had gone through the neighborhood 15 years ago with a petition to keep him from purchasing his present home. My friend and I are Americans of Japanese ancestry and, in this instance, I suppose, we represented the lesser of two evils. There was,

of course, that time when we were the evil.

Now, the question is how do we achieve the integrated schools that all moral, God-loving Americans appear to favor in concept? Some say, like Governor Reagan and Mayor Yorty, through a change in residential patterns. I say highly unlikely.

Improbable Way

People who rely on fair housing and fair hiring practices as a means for achieving integrated schools have a better shot at owning Greek islands. Possible but improbable.

Most attempts to establish low cost housing complexes in all-white neighborhoods fail. Low cost apartments are not all Housing Authority projects.

HUD Projects, city-managed housing and fair hiring practices are being turned down in those parts of Los Angeles where they might do the most good in correcting school segregation without bussing. So where does that leave poor people? Where do we begin changing residential patterns? And why is it that poor people in Southern California are, for the most part, either Mexican-American or Negro?

I have raised these questions before, and self-righteous Americans have answered that the "basic morality of Americans" will save us. Like the kids, I rather doubt that.

However, unlike the kids, I not see God as dead. I see religion as dying. But there is an incongruity in the death throes. The Church of the Latter Day Saints believes the trend. The dying of religion and the concomitant growth of the Church of the Latter Day Saints, a sect which puts a premium on being something other than Negro, is a social phenomenon that has need of being examined.

Double Standards

What is it about the "basic morality of Americans" that allows the contradiction of double standards? Why do miles or time on a bus suddenly become an issue when the objective of travel becomes the integration of schools?

Why were 13 tracks of the main line of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway Co., over which more than 100 trains passed daily, not ruled dangerous by the court for Negro children who had need of crossing them to attend a "Negro School?" And would the ruling have been otherwise had it been white children or a white school?

Why do schools in marginal areas end up becoming all Negro? Why has the segregation of schools increased since the 1954 Brown vs. Arkansas decision which ruled against the "separate but equal" concept?

Why is "white flight" given assistance by corporate industries that create thousands of

new jobs each year in the hinterlands. Why don't school systems which are, in effect, labor-producing industries, reflect the racial distribution of the immediate population they serve? School systems which, incidentally, are supposedly dedicated to perpetuating the highest American ideals and should, more than any public institution, be spreading the gospel of inter-racial understanding as an indispensable component of quality education.

Quality Education

The proponents of the neighborhood school policy would like to have us believe that quality education is the real issue, not the mixing with Negroes. However, within the context of America and the democratic ideals we espouse, I rather think that an apartheid system of education to be a contradiction and of questionable quality.

Quality education has become the psychological scapegoat for a number of racist fears. Many Nisei appear to be resisting desegregation in spite of convincing themselves soon after World War II that evacuation inland and off the Pacific Coast was the best thing that could have happened to them since it "hastened our assimilation."

These same Nisei returned to Southern California in droves only to re-establish racial and tribal identifications within a few narrow geographical confines. These residential areas were in many instances born of the anxiety created by housing restrictions directed toward minority group people in general. This experience might have served the Nisei to generate some amount of kinship and empathy for the Negroes who faced even greater housing re-

strictions, but such feelings never really caught on among the Nisei. In fact, the Nisei of Southern California put on a road show of their own — a yellow version of "white flight."

The Nisei's resistance to bussing children from neighborhood schools where they are firmly entrenched and their flight from areas where Negroes become neighbors are both done for the sake of quality education. The Nisei would like everyone to believe that, but like any other bigot, he only feels himself.

Not a Cure-All

Quality education is not the cure all for minority ills. The Negro scholar who loses his frame of reference or his professional identity must return to being an ordinary nigger. A Mexican-American teacher in a T-shirt has got to be a wetback. Because I am Japanese, I am supposed to know every "little Japanese garden" in Southern California.

Many Mexican-Americans are also caught up in sanctifying the neighborhood school hypocrisy. Mexican-Americans for the most part resent the minority label although they suffer majority abuses. They, like their oriental counterparts, oppose the bussing of school children from areas where they are ensconced. Bilingual education is what his children need and they will not receive it in an integrated school. Mexican-Americans have fought so long and hard for bi-lingual education it has become too dear to give up. Quality education is the thing. But quality education without integration is an anachronism. Mexican-Americans who cling to the barrio while decriing the limited opportunities that the larger society provides appear to be caught in

a trap of their own making. There is a new movement afoot in the barrio to get young people educated and back into the barrio to uplift and serve their poor brothers and sisters. This is a noble cause but self defeating since the educational system is not their own. I have traced the careers of many successful Mexican-Americans and have found that they have, more often than not, married "Anglos" they met in the course of a wider exposure. What about the neighborhood school concept and the desegregation of Mexican-American schools in this light?

What are the psychological hangups of Mexican-Americans who defend the neighborhood school policy when their salvation appears to be clear? A good portion of the Mexican-American problems began with segregated schools and now they have come full circle to the point of having to defend them — all in the name of quality education and neighborhood schools.

Italian ethnic press

NEW YORK—The Americans of Italian Descent, Inc. (AID), of 400 Madison Ave., organized to refute all persons of Italian descent are connected with the "Mafia" or "Costa Nostra" and defend the good name, character and image of Italian Americans, has initiated a monthly publication, "The Challenge," on a 10 issue per year basis. Joseph Jordan is executive editor.

Pulse on Chapters



S.F. JACL Olympics scheduled June 7

SAN FRANCISCO—The San Francisco JACL board of governors set Sunday, June 7, for the 18th annual Nisei Olympics at Cox Stadium of San Francisco State College, locale of the event in 1968 and 1969.

Entry forms were distributed to chapter delegates who attended the Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council meeting last Sunday at Los Altos, it was reported by Russ Obana, track meet chairman.

Meetings

Philadelphia JACL to hear Mrs. Dianne Ooka

Winner of a 1968 JACL-JAL fellowship, Mrs. Dianne Ooka, will tell of Museum of Art, will tell of her summer in Japan at the May 8 general meeting of the Philadelphia JACL at Nationalities Service Center. Her husband, Masaaki Ooka, was a former president of Seabrook JACL.

Auxiliary meets

The Stockton JACL Women's Auxiliary met at the Buddhist Church May 7 for a demonstration of how to prepare Chirashi-sushi and Sunomono.

Carswell nomination

CHICAGO—The Chicago JACL board, at its March meeting, opposed the nomination of Judge G. Harold Carswell as associate justice of the U.S. Supreme Court, and informed their two Illinois senators, Charles Percy and Ralph Smith, of their stand.

The nomination was viewed as an "unconscionable endorsement of white supremacy and judicial mediocrity in the name of political expediency."

chairman, will talk on "To-panga Fossils" at the May 7 meeting at Stoner Recreation Center.

Community picnic

Stockton JACL will host its annual community picnic at Mieke Grove on Sunday, May 17.

Films on Japan

SAN FRANCISCO—Films on Japan are being shown May 8 and 22, 8 p.m., at the Bank of Tokyo of California branch in the Japanese Cultural and Trade Center. Nonprofit organizations may borrow them free.

ISSEI HONORED—Dayton recently honored its only 3 Issei members with honorary life memberships. Pictured accepting plaques from Pete Hironaka, PC Cartoonist (right) and Chapter Issei Story Project Chairman, are Saburo Watanabe, Mrs. Chiyo Yamasaki, and Mrs. William Yukawa accepting for Mrs. Teruko Yukawa. The plaques were especially designed and made for the occasion by Pete Hironaka.

Riverside JACL asks city council act on funding local fair housing bureau

The Riverside JACL last week (April 29) commended the forthright request of the Riverside City Council for a detailed report on racial discrimination in housing but was disappointed when it tabled a recommendation of its Community Relations Commission to fund \$20,000 of independent Fair Housing Bureau's proposed budget of \$36,000.

Civic Affairs

The city's contribution plus what the bureau could raise privately would allow the group to carry on more effectively a positive program of coping with and preventing problems of racial discrimination in housing. It was pointed out.

The plea for funds was jointly made by the Policy Commission of the Economic Opportunity Board, NAACP, American Assn. of University Professors, Urban League, ACLU, Community Planning Council and the social action committee of the First Congregational Church.

The bureau at present operates on a shoe-string budget with all professional and clerical services donated to it.

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Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

Inside the Capitol

A majority of the state senate is expected to move to cut Mayor Frank F. Fasi's four-year term in half and force him to run for reelection in November. Some sources in the senate say the move is expected to win up to 20 votes in the senate or seven more than are needed. The success in the House is uncertain, but sources indicated also that bipartisan blocs there are prepared to endorse the senate move if the measure reaches a vote on the House floor. Fasi was elected in 1968 to a four-year term scheduled to expire in 1972.

Two bills designed to preserve aspects of Old Hawaii have been killed in the state legislature. One was Gov. John A. Burns' proposal to buy the privately owned island off Kauai. The other was Rep. Toshio Serizawa's plan to enable the state to buy the village of Kailua-Kona in order to prevent highrise and other unpopular development there.

"Bikeways" connecting residential areas with schools, playgrounds and shopping centers have been called in a resolution introduced by State Rep. Charles T. Uehling. Uehling, a Manoa-Waikiki Democrat, said in his resolution, "Bikeways will encourage the use of bicycles and thus curb the rising increase of traffic congestion... Hawaii should lead the nation in the building and use of bikeways because of its year-round tropical climate."

Mrs. Irma K. Joy will be awarded \$12,496 by the state for the shooting death of her husband and an attack on her and her son under a bill pending in the House of Representatives. H.B. 1602-70 provides for payment of more than \$100,000 to victims of criminals under the Criminal Injuries Compensation Act. Mrs. Joy's husband was shot to death by a family friend during a quarrel. The bill calls for her to receive \$10,000 as compensation for his death, with the money to be paid over a period of time by the state Dept. of Social Services.

Names in the News

Comedian Dick Gregory made some awkward remarks in a Univ. of Hawaii appearance recently, although his quips drew a standing ovation from his audience of about 6,500 persons. Gregory characterized Pres. Nixon, V.P. Agnew and the nation's mailmen as "dumb." Of Nixon he said, "After he got on TV and was dumb enough to say he was gonna slow up integration, we got so uptight we integrated more in two months than in 15 years."

Sentence of the Court

Daniel Cuevas, 21, who when he was 17 and killed service station owner Sueso Yoshikawa during a robbery, has been sentenced by Judge Herman Lum to 40 years in state prison for that crime.

Real Estate Recovery

Circuit Judge Yasutaka Fukushima has awarded Sara M. Albritton \$7,000, court costs and interest from the Hawaii Real Estate Recovery Fund. This is the first payment to be made out of the fund established by the 1967 legislature. Recovery from the fund can be made only after reasonable efforts to satisfy a court judgment against the real estate broker of firm involved.

Appointments

The state senate has approved 57 appointments made by Gov. John A. Burns to state boards and commissions. Only one of the governor's nominations drew disapproval.

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Female Killer More Ruthless

Getting away from things Japanese for a change, it was with considerable interest that I noted the findings of criminologist Gerald Sparrow, that women plan and commit murder more ruthlessly than men.

Oddly enough Sparrow believes in capital punishment for men but not for women.

In his book, "Women Who Murder," published earlier this year by Arthur Barker Ltd., of London, Mr. Sparrow details case histories of female murderers from the 12th century to the present. He examines chilling cases "in which the whole affair was conceived and executed by a woman."

In almost every case, the woman's sexual life is linked to the murders and most of the ladies who kill are young, beautiful and from wealthy families.

Sparrow personally handled many of the cases he describes. He was formerly in the legal service in Thailand and was arrested by the Japanese in World War II while sitting on the beach. For the past 16 years he has spent most of his time as a writer.

It is odd, he says, that although men consider women as the more deadly of the species, the difference as murderers has never been admitted.

Women's main murder weapon is poison—and they are capable of inventing their own morality to cover the particular case.

"When it comes to preparation for the crime, the natural aptitude of the women for subterfuge and concealment stands her in good stead," the author says. "The exception of murder is likewise carried out with typical stealth and consummate care."

Sparrow, former vice presi-

dent of the Cambridge University Law Society, sat as one of three judges in Bangkok on the most horrible murder cases he ever encountered.

It involved a beautiful 17-year-old Malayan girl and a wealthy merchant accused of murdering his aging wife. He and the girl, his mistress, were beheaded for the crime and Sparrow witnessed the grisly execution.

The girl admitted to beating the wife and forcing her to serve dinner on her knees. After an hour's weeping and dining while the wife cowered in the corner, the girl would fling off her clothes for a love session.

"As she took off her last garment she threw her shoes at the old lady as a sign she was to go—the most insulting gesture she could make."

Sparrow, who took full notes of the case says, "She had plotted and contrived the whole affair." Yes, he adds, "Women murderers are monsters of egocentric selfishness."

Textbooks—

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that two of the three texts covered in this report, "California: Our Home," and "California: A History," be replaced and that "Land of the Free" be re-edited and corrected to remove the derogatory or inaccurate sections.

Recommendations

The commissioners voted unanimously to send the critiques and the panel recommendations to the State Curriculum Commission, to local book selection committees, to the publishers and authors of the texts and to all HRC's in the State.

The panel currently is considering four other textbooks, and a report on their findings will be made in the near future.

The guidelines which they follow, the commission was told, are to identify text failures to indicate the extent of historical disadvantage suffered by ethnic and racial minorities in America, and to pinpoint explicit and implicit references to the inferiority of certain groups.

The members of the panel, in addition to Commissioners Livermore, Raab and Chin and Mmes. Johnson and Uno, all of whom were chosen for expertise on ethnic groups, are: Miss Marie Bonfant, American Indian; Philip P. Choy, Chinese; Mrs. Lois Jackson, American Indian; Mrs. Miyo Kirita, Japanese; H. Mark Lal, Chinese; Arthur Lathan, black; Mrs. Julietta McLeod, Filipino; Mrs. Joyce Plummer, American Indian; Miss Dolores Smith, American Indian; Arturo Bonanova, Filipino; Jose L. Bonpus, Jr., Latino.

Kimura Photomart starts

on new 3-story building

LOS ANGELES — Ground-breaking at the site of the projected new Kimura Photomart Building on the south side of E. Second St. next to the new Honda Building now under construction was held April 26.

The Rev. Shoko Masunaga of Nishi Hongwanji presided at the Buddhist rites. The traditional spade of earth was turned by Hisao Kimura, longtime businessman in Little Tokyo and by his sons Sadao and Toshio.

A three-story building, designed by architect Tosh Terasawa, will occupy the 25' x 100' lot.

Seek funds to complete

school text on Japanese

SAN FRANCISCO—The San Francisco Board of Education has been asked for additional funds to complete a curriculum development project undertaken last summer to develop material on Asian Americans.

Time and money ran out after completing its project on the Chinese in America. Mrs. Miyo Kirita, workshop chairman, hopes to produce material on the Japanese in America for the 4th, 11th and 12th grade levels.

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A MAN WHO WENT TO BAT FOR US

A man who might have been a statistic in major league baseball became a personage among the Japanese in America. He was Father Hugh T. Lavery, M.M., who died quietly this past week in a hospital at his hometown, Fairfield, about 20 interchanges up the Connecticut Toll Turnpike from New York City.

A pitcher during his college days at Holy Cross, he coached the Maryknoll baseball teams competing in the prewar Little Tokyo Japanese Athletic Union leagues in the 1930s, taking special delight stealing the signs of the opposition. Another pastime of his was golf, while most of his parishioners on Hewitt St. were not aware of it. But they were aware of his fluent and precise manner in which he spoke the Japanese language, though he never visited Japan—an assignment he longed for more than 30 years of his active ministry.

Fr. Lavery spent most of his 30 years with the Japanese communities in Los Angeles and a short while in Seattle. His unwavering service during the Evacuation days of 1942, when he opened up his church to aid all distressed Japanese families affected by the war, visiting and comforting Japanese at both relocation centers and internment camps, and later helping to resettle them with jobs or housing in the Midwest and East endeared the name of Maryknoll among the Issei-Nisei.

National JACL recognized his wartime service to the Japanese in America with a scroll of appreciation in 1954. Unable to be present to accept the honor, he dispatched Fr. Clement—who has been attending JACL national conventions ever since, and who was subsequently cited as a JACLer of the Biennium and recognized as National JACL's chaplain. This past week, his Downtown L.A. JACL colleagues honored Fr. Clement by converting his 1000 Club membership to life.

The passing of Fr. Lavery rekindles the warmth and intimacy Japanese Americans who endured the Evacuation 25 years ago have of the very few Americans on the outside who went to bat for a group who were declared "out" by the umpire Uncle Sam.

'THE NEW ESTABLISHMENT'

Expressions among JACLers to identify the 18-30 age group within the organization range from "ex-Junior JACLers" to "young adults"—and somehow they haven't caught on. How about what the Associated Press is calling their new department which will cater to readers in the 18-34 age group—The New Establishment—estimated at 50 million and the "fastest growing of all age groups in size... and expected more than 40 per cent in 1980 while other age groups are fairly stationary."

The New Establishment beat is consumers, students, young marrieds, fashion conscious, noisy minorities, silent majorities, fads and trends. It is a slice of contemporary America, a bridge between the two sides of the generation gap.

With this 17-year spread, it might be said the current Establishment people would range in age from 35 to 51, and those above 52 might be relegated to the Old Establishment rank.

PC's "Pepper Pot" column, we are glad to note, is reserved for our readers in the New Establishment range up to age 35—thanks to an appeal several years ago from the Chicago Young Japanese Americans, the New Establishment group there.

MATTER OF POLLUTION

While the pundits prefer to view the aftermath of April 22's "Earth Day" as a "pollution of palaver," it's an issue that comes closest to each individual and which can become both a personal and political thing.

The environment issue is very personal for it can be influenced by anybody who can see, hear or smell. And it can be political for now any citizen or group of citizens can go to court and demand an injunction against any government project—be it a road, dam, etc.—if environmental qualities are affected.

It is to the credit of JACLers for bolstering the efforts of the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission two years ago to fight indiscriminate filling of the bay for commercial purpose—when industry and growth greed might be a better term here—were still clipping along at its merry pace. So far as we know, San Jose JACL was the only chapter in the area which took an official stand before that commission.

The sense of living with Nature, not against it, as many Japanese have shown through their philosophy, arts and style, should evoke more than passing interest in pollution among Japanese Americans.

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Doesn't pay to win on a night-out with the boys

By STIRLING SAKAMOTO

We're in our final game of the three-game set at our usual Friday night bowling league session at our favorite bowling house and there is the usual chatting, shouting, kibbitzing and the tinkling of glasses. Bang, one glass filled with rich scotch drops to the floor and immediately some one shouts toward the control desk, "Hey, spillage!"

GUEST COLUMN

Cracks L.I., "Hey, better not get a haircut tomorrow," S.S. replies, "Why not?" Returns L.O., "Heck, our barber is half-Japanese and by the way he looks tonight, what a hang-over he's going to have tomorrow and if he still can see, he'll butcher you!" Laughs S.S., "Yeah, guess you're right. I'll wait till next week but he'll be that way again next week so we've got no choice, huh?" and they both chuckle.

N.M. moves into our bench and asks, "Hey, you gonna buy the next round?" G.N. interrupts and says, "Yeah, we got you in the beer frame so turn the light on, huh?" "Okay, okay, crabbies, I'll buy!" grinning and moves toward the light booth.

Young M.I. who kept score and even bothered to look up asks, "And I'll have a root beer." "Okay, okay," snaps S.S., "So pick on me, huh, and I'll get you guys next time." And everybody laughs over and G.N. says, "Heck, over and G.N. says, 'Heck, I'll buy the bowl of chili tonight, fellas.' At this point, N.M. cracks, "Hey, no need to, our teammate G.M. won the high game pot and he says he'll buy the chili so let's go into the restaurant." Everybody agrees and they trot into the booth.

Wearily everyone drops in to his seat and one shouts to the cook, "Hey there, young man, a round of chili and don't spare the beans!" A voice behind the counter shouts back, "Coming up and how many coffees with it?" Some wise guy coming in shouts out the reply, "Make it a whole pot. Our barber needs it!" and everybody roars.

The barber snaps, "Aw right, darn you guys, pick on me. Tomorrow the price is doubled!" S.S. nudges N.M. next to him and asks, "Say, where did you say that barber's college was?" The barber answers, "Ha, ha, ha. You're a funny guy!"

One by one, each member of the league comes into the cafe and each one asks who won the pot and a dozen fingers go up and point out the lucky one. Another bowl of chili falls to the wayside. M.S. strolls in and seeing all the chili being consumed remarks, "I'm going to be different. I'm not going to order chili. And everyone in the cafe shouts back, "Scab, scab!" He did order breakfast, sausage and eggs, and made sure the item was included in the chili bill.

By this time every seat in the cafe was filled and everyone was eating or had eaten chili. One fellow complains about lack of crackers and before he knew it, a dozen packaged crackers came flying into his direction. One fell into his bowl and he says, "Gee, thanks fellas, but I like to eat my crackers without the cellophane wrappings." Somebody shouts back, "Oh, shut up, and eat your chili." Everybody laughs again.

Gradually one by one everybody begins to leave and on the way out nods to G.M. and tells him, "Hey, thanks for the food, huh?" and "Gee, sure was nice of you to treat us like this." G.M. replies, "Yeah, yeah, I'll bet." He concludes, "I just saw the bill. I'm in the hole three bucks!" "Hm. It doesn't pay to win," Hokubei Mainichi.

Roybal

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thority to act in such cases, to reject the wholly inadequate recommendation of the Judicial Qualifications Commission, and order the immediate removal of Judge Chargin from office, as being demonstrably unfit to continue to serve in that capacity."

The controversy arose from serious allegations of improper conduct on the bench, resulting from statements made by Judge Chargin at a juvenile court hearing held in San Jose, on Sept. 2, 1969.

"The inexcusable and offensive language used by Judge Chargin, which I will not dignify by repeating, is simply unacceptable to the people of our country, and has no place whatsoever in a civilized court of law," Roybal said.

"The judge's remarks attempt to perpetuate a profound misunderstanding about the Mexican American community, its rich cultural heritage, its highest aspirations, and its many significant contributions to American life."

"Judge Chargin stands convicted by his own words, as clearly unfit to serve in any judicial capacity, and he should be removed from the bench forthwith," the Congressman concluded.



LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

Ethnic studies

Editor: Usually I am a quiet American but the recent inundating of the Pacific Citizen with Asian American matters has had an impact compelling me to write. I am a Sansei, and as the contents of this letter become known all will consider me an aberrant Sansei.

For one thing I am grateful for what the Nisei have done for us. Can we forget so easily the large number of Nisei giving their lives so that we who remain can be more readily accepted into the mainstream of American life? The ability of the Nisei to bounce back and their achievements after Evacuation have been a source of inspiration and are examples what a minority group can accomplish in this country. The Nisei set the stage for complete acceptance and eventual assimilation of the Japanese Americans.

It is up to the Sansei now to seize this opportunity and move ahead. The many wrongs in this country can best be corrected by action from within, instead of by carping and complaining from the outside. We have the opportunity to join the power structure and exert our influence.

Unique Position

Unlike the other minorities the J.A.'s are in a unique position. We can begin the trend toward assimilation. As far as the J.A.'s are concerned this is occurring regardless of the pluralistic advocates. Once we start the snow ball, the effect will touch other minorities as well.

This is why the emphasis on Asian American concept disturbs me. I agree that in lower grades history of all ethnic groups in the U.S. should be covered. However the J.A. program at the college level which mimics the black studies program is retrogressive. The main reason is that this philosophy has inherent in it the germ of separatism and racism. What we need today is harmony and not further fragmentation.

I read with great interest Edison Uno's glowing reports about the J.A. program at S.F. State. Uno may be a highly esteemed professor with a profound and scholarly background but the substantive and in-depth material of scholarly work in this subject is still meager. Consequently his course lacks the ingredients to challenge intelligence. Until it does it serves merely as an information dissemination channel. Can you imagine getting credit for reading a newspaper, even the P.C.? Is this any way to run a college?

Identity Crisis

Uno's description of the J.A. program is deceptively incomplete when he fails to mention that one of the main problems is that no effective leadership comes from the Sansei male students. They apparently feel no stress because of lack of ethnic identity. I feel that many people will be disillusioned when they really learn their ethnic identity.

Who needs it as long as we have personal identity? The real activists in the J.A. program are the female Sansei. It is actually held together by the Nisei pros who sacrifice a lot because the program is not productive from the professional point of view. I guess they are compensated by the fact that they are idolized by the starry-eyed Sansei girls.

Interpretation of Uno's composition of his class also raises questions in that only about a half dozen out of 18,000 white students take his course. If the Asian American studies are to be successful the program has to be accepted by the whites. They are the ones who really should be exposed to these courses.

Other Challenges

Today there are so many opportunities and interesting problems to solve that a fruitful and productive life can be had for those properly prepared. Is it possible that in concentrating on ethnic differences that some Sansei can develop minority group complexes and ethnic identity psychosis which prevent them from accepting the challenges?

es? It is puzzling why the Sansei are taking the A.A. trip when it isn't necessary. The door is opened and waiting for them now.

From the few issues of the P.C. I have read I get the impression that the Sansei students are a bit overwhelming. I think there are a number of Sansei with views like mine who have not been vocal. It is an attempt, in my ineffective way, to present their views that I submit this.

JOHN ONO
New Haven, Conn.

In Defense of Sansei

Editor: I had to do a lot of soul searching before I made up my mind to write this letter in defense of our Sansei which Joe Hamanaka in his column Code 206 has been needling in his backhanded slapping type of journalism. I've done some research of my own to make doubly sure of what I'm about to say.

Hamanaka calls Dr. Joe Okimoto, publicity oriented leader of the ACE but does he realize what this man has sacrificed to do what he believes in? Dr. Okimoto is an M.D. who, if he stays a part of the establishment can be leading a very secure life economically and be a respected figure professionally. He gave all that up to go after his Ph.D. in Public Health so that he can serve the public in a much better way. Do you realize that he is taking a 60% reduction in his life time earnings? How many Nisei like this do you find? I have six children between twenty years and eleven years of age and I'd trust all of them in the hands of Joe Okimoto. He is a dedicated, concerned, honest man.

ACE Pickets Only

Speaking of the ACE confrontation of the Nisei Vets for renting the Elks Hall, the ACE planned a peaceful confrontation and though other groups volunteered their help they turned them all down. From what I gather, the only mention of violence was made by a prominent Vet.

Hamanaka, in writing, always quotes other people as saying this and that. Doesn't he write that because he himself believes the same thing? He writes about shame (haji) of the ACE group. I personally think the "haji" part of it should be the vets honoring the Gold Star parents in a hall of bigotry.

How about the "otonashi majime na Nisei"? Remember in our teenage years, the Issei were saying "Nisei wa tsuramashi," I'm very proud of the Nisei and their accomplishments as mature adults, but while most of us were teenagers our interests in life and its problems were far less mature than the Sansei teenagers and young adults of today. Whereas we were interested in that guy being on a varsity letterman or an all-star in our own basketball league, these kids at the same age are interested in civil rights, ecology and government. They're concerned about the war in Vietnam, peace and equality and justice for all instead of worrying about a two bit bet to put the eightball in the side pocket.

Sansei on Varsity

Where are the Sansei in sports? If Hamanaka attends some of our prep school games he'll find a half dozen Sansei on the varsity squad—terrific players but handicapped because of their small physique.

I attended an ACE meeting with my wife and listened to what they had to say. They are going to do things that concern the orientals in civil rights, employment, education, etc. I went in with doubt in my mind and came out a proud man knowing that these kids have a deep social conscience. Sure, they'll make mistakes but who doesn't? I say, Sansei are terrific, long hair and all.

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was a constant idea of not knowing what was wrong. Their emphasis was mainly intellectual so they wanted to become involved in more concrete activities and they didn't know how to go about becoming involved. They didn't know how to look for problems and how to go about doing it.

This reinforces the idea that we need staff who are educated in this field, have ideas of what is going on in the community, what things to look for, who can communicate with both young and older people. This reinforces also the need for more field directors in the geographical areas.

The Bay Area getting that package of five workers is really good to be helping them to get community activities started. Chicago, East Coast, Seattle, Denver, Utah—all need field directors to develop communications, programs, etc. JACL can work in these areas.

Here in the PSW, with Hard Core, Legal Services, scholarship (student aid), child care, etc., funding is done by individual chapters rather than going to district or national, though some have come from them. If there is some way more assistance can come from the chapters, this will be a great concerted effort for the organization.

You talk to a lot of JACLers and one thing is interesting: there was sort of division. One group was worried about the organization continuing, the other group worrying about the organization and the community. Really, we should be worrying about the organization and the community for both are the same thing.

In the matter of JACL and the community services, discussion pursued the question of whether JACL's image can be enhanced by being direct support of such programs as Child Care Center, or being supportive with other groups.

Nishikawa said JACL should be supporting and encouraging programs of this kind. Kumamoto passed along the observation that some establishment people will wonder why these people are not JACL members doing this kind of work and thereby enhance the JACL image. Honda felt this era is passing.

Matsui regarded the role of JACL in the community as being "used," whichever way it can be used for their particular advantage.

Role of JACL

MATSUI: (In regarding the role of JACL in the community, the thing is not to get JACL to look for its own image. We should not support but to be "used." When we didn't have a year ago, support means help can be offered.

MATSUI: Even old people feel for their own image and think well of JACL and the support JACL had shown in the Pioneer Center.

WASABAYASHI: When old people don't find answers in Pioneer Center, etc., they are sent up to the ACE.

KUMAMOTO: And that's the uniqueness of L.A. today because of the cluster of service organizations. Building the JACS office, JACL Pioneer Center, etc.

Spread the Word

SHIBATA: Reason why it's like that today—when it wasn't over a year ago when they were saying there weren't any problems in the community and no organizations like them around—saying that was the problem. Because we (the youth) saw them and wanted to do something about it. Then we approach JACL first, they didn't open up and say yes and start spreading the word. This is what's happening around the community back then. I called me a liar when I told her we have a drug problem. Now this is where JACL can pass this kind of information around, by saying this is what's happening in L.A. and it's not that bad.

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Planning Commission

Field Directors

Discussion on field directors, proposed by Ray Uno at Executive committee meeting, followed.

FURUTANI: About the co-ordinator (\$10-\$15,000) that's enough to hire three more field directors. The most effective way is that the person is right in the community. The co-ordinator in San Francisco covering Central Cal and Intermountain will involve travel, etc. But if we had field directors right there in each district, and we develop a real good communication with the district and with national with each other, maybe don't need a co-ordinator. The extra \$15,000 would mean three more people.

ENOMOTO: Perhaps Warren has a better view on how to slice the \$50,000 by getting more field directors. So this program can be changed. And Matsui's concern about difference in pay between field directors and co-ordinators is worth considering.

KUMAMOTO: Reorganizing community service. If apparent and very large, perhaps national can persuade the local chapters to support the program. We have a tradition in the valley to chip in when local problems and needs are to be resolved. When a person chips in to help, he has a participation interest in the program and community-service type of work. They are willing to help. Community needs must be a primary concern of JACL. If it means involvement with ethnic groups, in CCDC it will be a harder package to sell.

If everyone chips everyone will be involved. If everyone in L.A. area chips in \$1, you'd have enough funds to function and support community services.

NISHIKAWA: Aren't you saying that, therefore, CCDC has no problems? The national experience has been that we raise funds nationally and use it where the need is the greatest. We had at one time asked districts to maintain their own regional office but it didn't pan out and national had to take over.

Chapter Make-up

KUBOTA: What we have to deal with is the people we have in the chapter. We have another problem we have is the fact that younger people are leaving the chapter and older people come back from the coast to open an office, etc. The 20-30 group Sansei is not there. And if the older people are not interested in JACL.

SHIMIZU: In the periphery of the NC district, the same problem in makeup of community exists in the rural sections.

MATSUI: JACL is getting new kinds of leadership. Besides Title II repeal, programs like Dr. Noguchi and other kinds of programs are being more and more leaders. After Title II is over, these people will get into other areas and work on needs. So this is how JACL can grow.

If CCDC has used up its membership potential, I don't know but in L.A. it was less than 1%.

(To Be Continued)

25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, May 12, 1945

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BOOK REVIEW: by Allan Beekman

Evacuation History Misses Main Point

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must have marched to Hitler's gas chambers railing against the fate the Nazi dictator had decreed for them but never questioning his charge that they were Jews, so the Nikkei evacuees accepted the designation Japanese. Far from denying the classification, the most embittered of the evacuees militantly insisted upon it.

The authors have accepted at face value the charge that the Nikkei, even though American citizens, are still Japanese; their favorite appellation for the Nikkei is "Japanese."

Sometimes, seemingly more for euphony than accuracy, they vary the designation. A favored secondary choice is "American Japanese," terms that are antithetical, cancel each other out, and thus in combination become meaningless. Occasionally they use the word "Nisei," never defining what they mean by it.

They refer to Hawaii's Nikkei representatives in Congress as Nisei, though if the term mean "second generation" it can be applied correctly only by Sparky Matsunaga. The title of the book gives "Japanese-American" in hyphenated form, but the term is rarely used in the text.

Because of this lack of precision in terms, the text is vague; the message debilitated.

It may have been reasonable for the American authorities to conclude, in 1942, that years of official offensive behavior towards the Japanese on the Pacific Coast had estranged them. Had the government simply taken prudent action to neutralize these alien inclinations for American citizenship there might have been few latter crises and outrage. But the government behaved irrationally.

The authorities uprooted thousands of Americans whose offense, according to some of their most hostile accusers, was that they had committed no offense. The government then incarcerated these guiltless Americans in prisons called relocation centers.

The authors miss this point; they appear to believe the Nikkei are congenitally Japanese.