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by Raymond Uno

Thoughts as 1971 Approaches

Men will lie on their backs, talking about the fall of man, and never make an effort to get up
—Henry David Thoreau

Salt Lake City

An organization, like man, must move in stages. JACL, likewise, has moved in stages. The transition from one generation to the next has its painful as well as beautiful moments. These past few years our organization has witnessed many painful as well as beautiful moments.

From my personal observations, JACL did not lie on its back, talking about the fall of man, never making an effort to get up. It has had its setbacks, but it has recoiled and marched forward in a manner and style which reflects the resilience of our organization.

Each administration has built on the previous administration. The historical twists and turns set down the foundation on which we must continue the forward motion.

The year 1971 will usher in new challenges, new hopes, new ideas, and many new people. I have absolutely no reservation about the direction of JACL and its commitment to make life on this earth better for each and every JACL member as well as those people, organizations and institutions with whom and which we will come into contact either directly or indirectly.

It has been said that a pessimist is a person who finds difficulty in every opportunity, and an optimist is a person who finds opportunity in every difficulty. Because JACL has weathered every adversity, to my knowledge, with a rather high degree of success, I venture to guess our membership consists of optimists who find opportunity in every difficulty.

During my travels for JACL, I have met and talked with many, many dedicated and concerned JACLers. I have met many old-timers and many new members. They all had one thing in common: a sincere concern about the future of JACL, which really means they had a sincere concern about the future of the people of Japanese ancestry.

It has been often mentioned, for good or bad, when JACL speaks, it frequently represents the entire Japanese community in the United States on some very important issues. Thus, it has further been said, it is better to be in it to try to influence its policies than be out of it and be influenced by its policies, like it or not.

Membership in our organization is extremely important. It is the primary source of financing our multitude of activities. Many members join to make at least their financial contribution to assist our programming. Others provide their time and talent. To both we are grateful; without them we could not possibly render whatever service we do.

However, we wish to do more for our membership. Many serious problems confront our youth, our aged and members in every walk of life. We have been very successful in our many activities, but we have not been sufficiently financed nor staffed to meet many new problems and some old problems which need our attention, some immediately. Thus, it is apparent we need everyone's continued support to meet the many demands made on our organization.

Hopefully, my articles hereafter will focus on problems, programs and activities of our organization. The primary objective will be to inform the membership of what we are doing and how.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the many, many JACL people who have been so kind, considerate and hospitable in the variety of ways which never receives the publicity it so justly deserves. Being picked up at the airport, chauffeured here and there, fed and lodged, entertained and so forth takes the time and effort of many people. I certainly cannot repay the thoughtfulness of the multitude of people I have met during the last several months.

Needless to say, I am deeply indebted to these people, chapters, district councils and the respective officers as well as JACL staff members. I can honestly say, the generosity of JACL people is unlimited and extremely warm.

To Jerry Enomoto, my predecessor, I am obliged for a job well done. I can only ask one favor. Would you mind taking care of about three of my boys so I can try to measure up to one half of your fantastic performance!

Mas Satow, Jeff Matsui, Harry Honda and the rest of the staff, your wise counsel, assistance and encouragement has helped me get over the humps to now. I still see the mountains straight ahead. I am going to ask for help in advance.

Mike Masaoka and Bill Marutani have continued to share their experience and wisdom with me for which I am extremely grateful. All of the current national officers and board, including the many youth members and Junior JACLers have given me the support and inspiration a leader needs to push an organization such as JACL.

On the local level, Tats Misaka, George and Harriet Kimura and many others have not deserted me; at least, they better not have. They always seem to be around when I need them the most.


To my critics, I extend my appreciation but for whom I would not see the other side of JACL. I know I cannot please everyone and I will not try, but I will try to bring unity to the organization in a way that we can all have a common ground to work together to achieve common objectives. It takes time to understand all of the interstices of JACL, but the nature of the animal makes it all worth while. Most of the JACL people I have met feel this way too.

To make the organization responsive to the leadership requires some abrasive measures, but, sometimes, necessarily so. If an administration is to be responsible to the membership, the organization must be responsible to the leadership. At this point, I cannot see any exception. If there are, the membership should know of it in plain and simple terms, starting from the president. In the coming months, my articles will include areas of concern and promise.

In closing, I want to thank my friends, supporters and critics. I hope you will continue your helping JACL in your favorite, if not peculiar, way. Peace be with you and your families for the Holiday Season and the New Year.

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East Coast history of Japanese to be distinctive contribution

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National JACL recognized the oldest Mainland Nisei this year as President Ray Uno confers Issei Centennial silver medal to Yoneo Arai, 80, (center) of Greenwich, Conn., as Murray Sprung, toastmaster at New York JACL recognition fete looks on.

Washington

Relatively well known is the history of the Japanese on the West Coast, where the early immigrants of a century ago faced racial persecution and sanctioned discrimination in almost every facet of their existence. Yet, because of perseverance, sacrifice, industry, an vision, they helped subjugate a wilderness frontier and reared a posterity which is continuing the upward climb toward full equality of treatment and of opportunities.

Not so well known, if recognized at all, is the epic of the Japanese on the East Coast, where though fewer in numbers than their compatriots on the Pacific Slope, they also made their many and significant contributions to the development of the nation of their deliberate choice, even though that nation caused them to suffer as few other immigrant groups to its shores have experienced.

Today's living memorial to the Issei pioneer of the Atlantic Coast is the tremendous annual mutually advantageous trade that is carried on between the United States and Japan. This bilateral trade, which may well total over ten billion dollars this year, is the greatest ever between two noncontiguous, overseas trading partners.

And when one considers the industrial miracle of Japan, the third largest production complex on earth just a quarter of a century after the devastation and defeat of World War II, one can ponder on the ironies of fate. For all this might not have been possible were it not for the pioneering efforts of the early Japanese immigrants to the mid-Atlantic area, stretching from New England in the north to the nation's capital at Washington in the south.

'Distinctive Story'

Harvard University Professor Edwin O. Reischauer, popular former American Ambassador to Japan and one of the outstanding Far East scholars in the country, summed up this saga well, when he wrote accepting the invitation to be an Honorary Co-Chairman of the JACL East Coast Japanese History Project, along with Honorary Co-Chairman Japanese Ambassador Nobuhiko Ushiba and United States Senator Daniel Inouye of Hawaii.

"I have had a long and deep interest in the history of the Issei, Nisei and other resident Japanese in the United States, because I feel that they not only have constituted an important element in American national life but have helped forge one of the most important links in the relationship between the United States and Japan. While the story of persons of Japanese ancestry on the West Coast and in Japan has been told often and well, the record of those who lived and were active on the East Coast has not been explored or recounted to the same extent.

"It is, however, a very distinctive story, in no way less important than that of per-

sons of Japanese ancestry in other parts of the United States. Though far fewer in number, their impact both on the United States and on Japanese-American relations was in many fields greater.

"The early Japanese businessmen of New York were the spiritual ancestors of the now extremely large and successful Japanese business community of that and other American cities. Through their keen entrepreneurial spirit and high standards of business ethics, they helped lay the foundation for the economic partnership between the United States and Japan that is, in a sense, the international wonder of the modern world. Being in contact with the cultural communities of such cities as Boston, New York, and Philadelphia, they played a significant role in the development of higher cultural contacts between Japan and the United States, and individually they found it easier than did Japanese on the West Coast and in Hawaii to enter into the cultural and intellectual mainstream of American life."

Pioneer Tradesmen

As Project Director T. Scott Miyakawa has found in his preliminary research, which has since been confirmed by Prof. Reischauer, it was on the East Coast of the United States, and not in Japan, that the seeds for this unprecedented bilateral trade were first planted.

Inasmuch as western traders residing in Japan completely monopolized the foreign trade of early Meiji Japan, the Japanese in Japan were virtually excluded from participating in international trade and commerce.

As late as 1877, these western businessmen in Japan

conducted 97 percent of its export trade and 95 percent of its import trade, with the balance of the control mainly of resident Chinese in Japan who were engaged in the then lucrative and fabled China trade.

About a decade after the ill-fated Wakamatsu Tea and Silk Colony was established in mid-summer 1889 in the gold hill country near Sacramento, California, a few Japanese settled in New York and began to try to break this western monopoly of Japan trade, particularly with the United States.

Among this intrepid little band were such as Ryoichiro Arai, Oriye Kai, Toyo Morimura, Yasukata Murai, and Momotaro Sato.

Like their West Coast fellows, these Issei neither spoke or read or wrote English; they knew practically nothing of European and American culture and folkways; they had no knowledge of western business methods and practices.

Moreover, they had to overcome the then widely held stereotypes of Japanese commercial irresponsibility and dishonesty, even though few—if any—American businessmen had met a Japanese trader or had business contacts with a Japanese.

Through direct contacts, tact, patience, and integrity, these few Issei won the confidence and respect of American industrialists, businessmen, and bankers. Since no transient representatives could have developed this understanding in a few temporary years, it was the Issei pioneers and long-time residents that carried on the vital work that today represents the basis for the ten billion dollar annual two-way trade that is carried on between the

United States and Japan.

Early History

A little earlier, in the 1860's, Japanese students began to attend Eastern schools and colleges. They were well received and often befriended by their classmates, teachers, and other Americans.

By the time that the first Issei began to settle in New York about 1870, however, there was considerable prejudice and hostility against these early immigrants, though Japanese students continued to be well-received on the campuses.

It is suggested that the organized anti-Chinese movements on the West Coast had begun to influence the so-called working men and European immigrants along the Atlantic Seaboard. As a consequence, at first the Issei had difficulty in finding housing and employment. Gradually they became more or less accepted and their status as a group rose, probably because there was no organized anti-Japanese campaigns on the East Coast, such as there were on the Pacific Coast, to foment and perpetuate racial animosities.

Like their West Coast counterparts, most of the Issei had to work at menial jobs long hours to save the minimum capital to start independent businesses or to attend school.

Distinguished Issei

In many ways, the East Coast Issei had more and better opportunities to promote Japanese-American understanding than their western fellow immigrants, possibly because there were fewer Japanese and, again, there were no organized anti-Japanese movements.

Issei like Dr. Jokichi Takamine, the internationally famous chemist, were able to bring many distinguished Japanese and Americans together, to promote an appreciation of Japanese culture, and to encourage the development of profitable trade relationships.

In the absence of specific regulations to the contrary at the time, several Issei pioneers, like Dr. Toyohiko Takami of Brooklyn, became naturalized citizens of the United States in the years following World War I and before the United States Supreme Court ruled in 1924 that those of Japanese race were not eligible for naturalization because they were not of the "free, white race".

Incidentally, as an index to the kind of society in which they moved, the late historian Bradford Smith observed that about 51 percent of all the Japanese in the New York of the early years of this century were married to non-Japanese.

There were no alien laws as in the western states prohibiting the purchase and the ownership of real property; there were no racial ghettos like the Little Tokyo of Los Angeles and the Little Osaka of San Francisco for city-dwelling Japanese; there were no multitude of local ordinances and state statutes barring participation in many jobs and professions on the basis of being "racially ineligible for naturalization." And, because few Japanese were congregated in any single area, Japanese professionals tended to cater more to non-Japanese than to those of similar ancestry.

Urban Life

Unlike most of the West Coast Issei who moved into agricultural work, or into railroading, mining, or forestry when they first landed in this country, most East Coast Japanese moved into the cities, where they competed in a very modest way with European immigrants for the more menial and humble employment. Subsequently, with the developing trade between the United States and Japan, Japanese companies established offices in New York.

In any event, with the advent of Issei professionals, scholars, scientists, artists, and businessmen on the one hand and the influx of Japanese firms with their executives and employees and families on the other hand, the New York and East Coast Japanese communities, so-called, apparently developed somewhat different structures than did the West Coast Japanese congregations. They were, of course, smaller in numbers, more widely scattered, and less dependent on other Japanese.

Nevertheless, in many ways, they made their contributions to the progress of the nation, with their greatest joint contribution without doubt in the area of developing United States-Japan trade into the highly successful and profitable relationship that it is today.

Yoneo Arai Dinner

This past Oct. 24, in New York City, JACL held a dinner to honor Yoneo Arai, 80, of Greenwich, Conn., the oldest Mainland Nisei in the United States.

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It's all in the way you look at life around you!

By BILL HOSOKAWA

STORY FOR THE NEW YEAR—For this delightful and timely story, I am indebted to James Kubota of Fresno, attorney at law and Buddhist lay leader, who has used it on occasion during church devotionals.

The story has to do with a Nisei matron who was driving down a busy freeway with her elderly Issei mother. Suddenly a red light winked on her instrument panel, indicating that something was amiss. She tore her eyes away from the road ahead and discovered that the light was warning of an overheated engine. She glanced about in near-panic. She couldn't stop the car in the middle of the freeway. She inched over to the right, half expecting to be rammed from the rear, fighting to get to the edge of the road out of the main crush of traffic.

Just as she reached the outside lane she sighted an off-ramp ahead. She coasted all the way to the top of the ramp before the car shuddered to a stop. This woman knew nothing about the inner workings of an automobile, but she managed to get the hood open. The motor was over-heated, all right. There was a billowing cloud of steam. She could smell hot metal and hear the grease sputtering like it does in a skillet on the kitchen range. She knew she had to get help.

On a street on the other side of the off-ramp was a service station but a steady flow of traffic blocked her path. Several times she darted out, trying to make her way across, but there was no cross-walk and the motorists were not about to stop for her. But finally she managed to reach the service station without being run down.

"I have car trouble," she told the attendant. "Can you go across the street with me to see what's wrong?"

"Lady," the man replied, "I'd like to help you, but I'm alone here and I can't get away. Can't you drive your car in here?"

Near tears, she pleaded, but the attendant couldn't be budged. Just then several teenagers came by, saw her plight and offered to push the car into the station, which they did after no little effort.

The attendant looked under the hood and found the trouble immediately. "Your radiator hose is busted," he said. "You lost all your water. And the motor got so hot, I'm afraid you've burned it out. Looks like a major repair job."

"Look," the Nisei woman said. "I've got to be somewhere. Can't you do something? Can't you put in a new hose and try the motor?"

The attendant looked over his rack of radiator hoses, but he couldn't find one to fit. "This is an odd size," he said. "Sorry I don't have one. And all the supply houses are closed this time of day. Lady, looks like you're out of luck."

"Please," the woman cried. Search some more. Maybe you just overlooked it the first time."

The attendant went into a rear storeroom and poked around. "Hey," he cried in triumph. "I found one that should fit. Sonovagun."

He fitted the hose to the engine block and connected it to the radiator and filled it with water. "I would be very surprised if the motor runs after the beating it took," he warned.

But the motor did start, and it ran without a hitch. That evening, when the Nisei woman's husband got home, she hit him immediately with a loud detailed, anguished report of her dreadful experience. The way she told it, one gained the impression that it was all his fault that the radiator hose burst in the middle of a busy freeway, that she was nearly killed while seeking assistance, that the stupid service station attendant not only wouldn't come to her assistance but couldn't find the proper hose, and because of all this she was late to her appointment.

That's when the Issei lady broke in. "We were so lucky today," she told her son-in-law. His eyebrows rose questioningly as she told her version of the afternoon's events.

"Something happened to the car but it was our good fortune to be near an off-ramp so that we could get out of the line of traffic. And when it seemed we couldn't get help, some boys came along and pushed us into the service station which just happened to be close by. Well, the man said the radiator hose was broken, and it wasn't a common kind so that not everybody keeps one in stock. But this man just fortunately had one stored away in his back room, and what's more important, he was able to find it in the midst of all that clutter. The service station attendant said he figured the engine was burned out, and if it had been, it would have been too bad. But when he tried it, the engine started right away and there was nothing else wrong with it so we were only just a little bit late to our appointment. And that's why I say we were so lucky today."

James Kubota didn't tell me whether the story is true, or whether it is one of those allegories the Japanese like so well, but I would guess there is a strong element of fact to it because I've known Issei who regarded life's frustrations with the same disarming optimism. I once knew an Issei who was deeply, genuinely grateful for everything—the humble fare that appeared on his table, the air he breathed, the rain that watered his crops and the sun that warmed them, the shelter over his head and the rough clothing on his back. I used to wonder whether he wasn't just a bit bawdy, forever being grateful for things that everyone else took for granted. But now I can see that his life was the richer for all the gratitude that he felt.

Kubota didn't tell me either where he first heard his story because we happened to be sitting at the head table and there was a lot of activity going on which left very little time to talk. But it struck me as a particularly appropriate story in these times of complaint and dissent and protest when it is fashionable to sit around and gripe about what's wrong with our society. I think we all agree that there are a lot of things wrong that need to be repaired as quickly as possible. But there are also a lot of things that are fine and good, and if we could see circumstances as the Issei lady did — not through phoney rose-tinted glasses but with genuine optimism—we would know that we are lucky indeed.

National Constitution Japanese American Citizens League

(The amendments ratified by the National Council in 1970 appear in italics.—Ed.)

Preamble

We, American citizens, in order to foster American Democracy, promote active participation in civic and national life, and secure justice and equal opportunities for Americans of Japanese ancestry permanently residing in the United States, as well as for all Americans regardless of their race, creed, color or national origin, do establish this Constitution for the Japanese American Citizens League of the United States of America.

Article I Name and Headquarters

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the Japanese American Citizens League of the United States of America. The official abbreviation of the name of this League shall be J.A.C.L.

Section 2. The National Headquarters of this organization shall be in the city designated by the National Council.

Article II Policy

Section 1. This organization shall promote, sponsor and encourage programs, projects, and activities which shall be designed to further and encourage every member to perform faithfully his duties and obligations to the United States of America. The organization and its members shall uphold the Constitution of the United States and the laws of the land and of the several states.

Section 2. This organization shall be non-partisan and non-sectarian and shall not be used for purposes of endorsing candidates for public offices.

Section 3. The primary and continuing concern of this organization shall be the welfare of Americans of Japanese ancestry. In its programs and activities, however, it shall strive to secure and uphold full civil rights and equal justice under the law for all Americans, regardless of race, creed, color and national origin.

Article III Incorporation and Seal

Section 1. The incorporation of this organization shall be under the laws of the State of California.

Section 2. The official seal of this organization shall bear the words: "Japanese American Citizens League, Incorporated Under the Laws of the State of California, June 21, 1937". This seal shall be affixed to all instruments and documents issued by or under the authority of this league.

Article IV Membership

The membership of this organization shall be composed of American Citizens who are eighteen (18) years of age or over who agree to abide by the Constitution and By-Laws of this organization.

Article V Chapters

Section 1. The National Organization shall be composed of regularly chartered Chapters, District Councils and Members, including Junior JACL Chapters and Districts as may be duly organized and chartered hereby.

Section 2. The chapters of this organization are encouraged to sponsor and promote programs of their own which are calculated to serve their local communities in the spirit prescribed in the Preamble, and to participate in the various projects recommended by the National Organization.

Section 3. The chartered chapters shall be as autonomous as is consistent with this Constitution and By-Laws with the National Program.

Article VI District Councils

Section 1. The regularly chartered chapters shall be grouped together for administrative and program purposes into District Councils.

Section 2. The District Councils shall have jurisdiction over their member chapters, shall participate in and direct the National program within their respective Councils as well as sponsor such activities of their own which shall serve the best interests of their area; shall act upon all business matters referred to them by the National Board, National Council, and their authorized officers; and shall coordinate the activities of the chapters and the District with the National organization.

Section 3. The District Councils shall enjoy such autonomy as is consistent with the Constitution and the By-Laws. The presiding officer of each District Council shall be the Governor.

Article VII Legislative Body

Section 1. The legislative powers of this organization shall be vested in a National Council which shall be composed of two official delegates from each of the chartered chapters.

Section 2. The National Council shall meet in general session biennially during the National Convention.

Section 3. The National Council shall meet in special session upon the call of the President or the National Board whenever it shall be deemed necessary.

Section 4. The quorum necessary to conduct business shall be the presence of a majority of the chartered chapters in good standing.

Section 5. The National Director shall mail copies of the proposed agenda for the National Council meeting at least 30 days preceding the meeting to chapter presidents.

Article VIII Voting of National Council

Section 1. The casting of ballots in the National Council sessions shall be upon the basis of chapters in good standing, other chapters duly recognized by the National Council. Each chapter shall be entitled to one vote which shall be cast in alphabetical order.

Section 2. The majority vote of all chapters in good standing or chapters duly recognized by the National Council present at all meetings of the elections, unless otherwise provided.

Section 3. The results of telegraphic, telephonic, or mail voting shall be binding on all chapters in emergencies when the National Director shall have conducted a special poll at the direction of the President who shall announce the results of such special polls, or refer an official request from a District Council to the National Director for a special poll. A majority of the votes returned shall decide the outcome of the proposed issues.

Section 4. Voting by proxy shall be permitted when it shall be impossible for Official Delegates to attend meetings of the National Council. Such proxies may be given to any Active Member, excluding members of the national professional staff, provided that such delegation of powers shall be in writing and dated, and shall include whatever restrictions and instructions the chapter deems necessary and proper under the circumstances, and provided that the chapters represented by proxy shall have paid the minimum National Convention registration fee.

Article IX National Board

Section 1. The executive powers of this organization shall be vested in the National Board which shall be composed of the elected national officers, the District Governors, the chairmen of District Youth Councils, the immediate past National President, the National Legal Counsel, the Chairman of the Pacific Citizen Board, plus two additional appointees. The latter four members of the Board shall be appointed by the President, subject to the approval of the National Board.

Section 2. All elected National officers shall act in their respective capacities on the National Board.

Section 3. The executive officers of this organization shall be subject to removal or impeachment for misfeasance, malfeasance, or non-feasance in office, provided that the National Board, after investigation, presents the case in question to the National Council. A three-fourths majority vote of the chartered chapters in good standing shall be required to adjudge the officer on trial as being guilty of the charges preferred against him.

Section 4. The National Board shall meet at least annually; that is during the National Convention, and in the non-National Convention year at a time and place to be designated by the National President, and upon the call of the President whenever he may be requested to do so in writing by three or more members of the National Board.

Section 5. The National Board shall implement the resolutions and decisions of the National Council.

Section 6. The quorum necessary to conduct the business of the National Board shall be a majority of the members thereof. The elected National Officers, the District Council Governors, and the immediate past National President shall have the right to vote on all matters; a simple majority vote of the quorum present shall govern. In the event a District Council Governor is unable to attend a meeting of the National Board, an alternate may be selected by the officers of the District Council and such alternate shall be allowed to vote on all matters.

Section 7. Any District council, at its own expense may send one representative in addition to its Governor to any National Board meeting. Said representative shall be permitted to sit in at all meetings and participate in the

discussion but shall have no vote.

Article X National Officers

Section 1. The elective officers shall be the President, the President-Elect, three Vice Presidents respectively designated as the "Vice President for General Operations", "Vice President for Public Affairs", and "Vice President for Research and Services"; the National Treasurer; and the National 1000 Club Chairman. The elective officers shall be Active Members of this organization and shall be at least twenty one (21) years of age, except that the President shall be at least thirty (30) years of age.

Section 2. The National Board shall appoint Active Members of the organization to all vacancies which shall occur among the elective officers of the Board; however, only the President elect or a Vice President may be appointed to the office of President. Such appointees shall serve until the next election.

If the President-Elect or any Vice President does not qualify to succeed to the vacancy by the age requirement of 30 years, such vacancy shall be referred by the National Board to the National Nominating Committee which shall, no later than 60 days after referral, submit to the National Board names of candidates for National President. The National Board shall thereupon select from such list and appoint a successor to the vacancy of National President. In submitting the names of such candidates, the National Nominating Committee shall be guided by the principles set forth in Article XI hereinbelow.

Section 3. The appointive officers shall be the National Legal Counsel, the Chairman of the Pacific Citizen Board, plus two additional appointees to the National Board. These shall be appointed by the President subject to the approval of the National Board and shall have no vote. All appointive officers shall be elected by the National Board and shall serve at the discretion of the National President and may be dismissed or removed by the National President.

Article XI Nomination and Election of National Officers

Section 1. The nominations for National officers shall be conducted in the following manner:

a) A Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the National President one year prior to the convening of the next National Convention. The Nominating Committee shall consist of the Chairman of the National Board, the National President and one representative from each of the District Councils to be appointed by the National President upon recommendation by the respective District Councils. Each such representative shall be one who intends to be present at the National Convention and who will not be a candidate for a National office. The chairman shall be the committee officer of the committee with no voting power.

b) Not later than ninety (90) days before the next National Council meeting each District Council through its representative shall submit to the National Nominating Committee the names of qualified candidates for National offices from its area. The National Nominating Committee shall publish the names of all such candidates and furnish to each District Council the complete list of all the candidates, including their names, addresses, and the offices for which they are candidates. No National office shall have more than one nominee from the same District Council.

c) After the expiration of the above ninety-day deadline, no candidates will be considered by the National Nominating Committee until such time the National Council is duly convened when additional nominations may be made from the floor. Such nominations from the floor shall include the background information on the nominees as required on the official nomination form, and shall be subject to the requirement of endorsement of the majority of the particular District Council.

d) The names of all candidates must be submitted on official nomination forms provided by the National Nominating Committee, asking for pertinent background information, together with the candidate's signature that he intends to be present at the National Convention and is willing to serve if elected.

e) The Nominating Committee will meet prior to the first business session of the National Council and submit the state of candidates to the National Council. In the event a member of the Nominating Committee is unable to be present at the meeting of the Nominating Committee, the Chairman of the particular District Council may designate a substitute. In making up this slate for presentation, the Nominating Committee may name a candidate for an office other than for which his name

was submitted provided his consent for such change is obtained.

Section 2. The National Officers shall be elected by ballot at the final business session of the National Convention.

Article XII Amendments

Section 1. The Constitution and the By-Laws of this organization shall be subject to amendment at the National Council meeting and then only upon the motion of a District Council or the National Board.

Section 2. Notification of proposed amendments must be filed with the National Director at least six weeks before the next National Council meeting, and the National Director shall send a copy of the proposed amendment to every chapter at least thirty (30) days preceding the National Council meeting at which a decision is requested.

Section 3. A three-fourths majority of the chartered chapters present shall be necessary to amend any section of this Constitution.

Section 4. The majority vote of two-thirds of the chartered chapters present shall be necessary to amend the By-Laws.

Section 5. An Amendment to the National Constitution and/or By-Laws proposed at the National Council meeting without prior notice, notwithstanding Section 2, above, upon endorsement by at least five chapters in good standing shall be duly considered by the National Council in the same manner as any other amendment.

BY-LAWS

Article I Active Members

Section 1. Active Members.

a) Active Members shall be members in good standing of a chartered chapter in good standing, or a chapter duly recognized by the National Council.

b) The Active Members shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of this organization, including the right to hold elective offices unless otherwise provided.

c) The Active Members shall pay annual dues in an amount set by the local chapter \$8.50 of which shall be remitted by the chapter to National Headquarters as the member's national dues. Active Membership shall be upon the calendar year basis. The Pacific Citizen shall be included within the national dues upon the basis of one subscription to each household.

d) Active Members who move from one locality to another may have their membership transferred without further payment of any fees upon written request to the National Director by the Member and/or Chapter involved.

Section 2. National Associated Members

a) National Associated Members shall be persons eligible for membership in this organization residing in areas where there are no chartered chapters and who desire to become associated with this organization.

b) The National Associated Members shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of this organization, except those expressed reserved for Active Members or prohibited to National Associated Members.

c) The National Associated members shall pay annual membership dues of \$15 per year to National Headquarters. The payment of this amount will entitle the Associated Member to one year's subscription to the Pacific Citizen, a National Associated Membership card, and special organizational services. Additional members of the same family, residing at the same address, shall pay annual dues of \$5.00, but these additional members shall not receive the Pacific Citizen.

d) The dues for National Associated Members shall be payable upon the calendar year basis.

e) National Associated members who move to areas where a regular chapter is in existence may have their membership transferred to the chapter on an Active Member status without the further payment of dues.

Section 3. Special Members

a) The Special Members shall be non-citizen permanent residents of the United States who desire to become associated with this organization.

b) The Special Members shall pay annual dues in the amount set by the local chapter. Individual special membership cards shall be issued to the Special Member upon the payment of \$8.50 per member for National Headquarters by the chapter. Special Membership shall be upon the calendar year basis.

c) The Special Members shall be entitled to all rights and privileges of this organization except that of voting and holding local or national office.

d) Special Members who move from one locality to another may have their membership transferred without further payment of any fees upon written request to the National Director by the Special Member and/or chapter involved.

Section 4. Students may join at the special rate of \$5.00.

Article II National Supporting Members

Section 1. Individuals who contribute \$10.00 or more to the organization shall be known as National JACL Supporting Members.

Section 2. Chapters will retain from each National Supporting Membership the amount of local chapter dues and remit the balance of such National Supporting membership to National Headquarters.

Section 3. Where the net amount remitted to National Headquarters is \$25 or more, the Supporting Member will be enrolled in the JACL One Thousand Club.

Article III Charters

Section 1. The official charter of the organization shall be granted by the National Council when any group of citizens has met the following requirements:

a) Have twenty-five (25) or more American citizens eighteen years of age or over who shall have signed the petition for a charter indicating that they subscribe to the purpose of the organization.

b) Have a currently elected set of officers including a President who is at least twenty-one (21) years of age.

c) Have a Constitution and By-Laws which are consistent with the Constitution and By-Laws of the National organization and also acceptable to the National Board.

d) Whose application for membership in the organization is accompanied by the payment of a \$10.00 Chapter initiation fee, the annual Chapter dues of \$10.00, and National Membership fee for their members.

e) Recommended by the District Council after serving a probationary period of six months.

Section 2. The regularly chartered chapters to be in good standing shall have the following qualifications:

a) A minimum of twenty-five (25) members of the age of eighteen (18) years or more, unless the chapter is operating under a special charter grant from the National Board.

b) All National and District dues, fees and assessments paid by the thirtieth day of June, or sixty (60) days prior to the National Convention, whichever date applies, of the calendar year for which such dues, fees and assessments were levied.

c) Have currently elected set of officers, including a President who is at least twenty-one (21) years of age.

d) Have reasonably cooperated in projects, programs and services carried on by the National organization.

Section 3. Two official delegates and two alternate delegates shall be designated by the regularly chartered chapters to represent them at the National Council meetings of this organization.

Section 4. A Chapter which has been inactive for two years, i.e., elected no officers, or had no members, or carried on no activities, or paid no national dues, or has failed to respond to correspondence from its District Council and National Headquarters, will be notified of its delinquency and will be placed on a six-month probationary period, and such notification may be publicized.

Section 5. The National Board shall have the power to suspend or revoke the charter of any chapter which shall have violated the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of this organization, or which has refused to cooperate in the national program, provided that three-fourths of the members of the National Board concur in this action.

Article IV JACL Committees

Section 1. JACL Committees may be organized upon the approval of the National Board in areas where the minimum member requirement cannot be met.

Section 2. Members of such JACL Committees shall be National Associated Members.

Section 3. The Chairman of such JACL Committees shall receive all bulletins and materials issued by the National organization in the same manner as Presidents of regular chapters.

Article V District Councils

Section 1. The National Organization shall be divided into the following Districts with the following area jurisdictions:

a) Pacific Northwest District Council: Washington, Oregon and Idaho Panhandle.
b) Northern California-Western Nevada District Council: Merced County, Monterey County, and all other counties in California north of the aforementioned counties, and adjoining sections of Nevada.
c) Central California District Council: Kern County, Tulare, Kings, Fresno and Madera Counties.
d) Pacific Southwest District Council: All counties in California south of Kern and Monterey Counties and Arizona.
e) Intermountain District Council: Utah, Idaho, Southeast Oregon, adjoining sections of Nevada, and adjoining sections of Wyoming.
f) Mountain Plains District Council: Texas, New Mexico, Nebraska, Colorado, adjoining sections of Wyoming and Montana.
g) Midwest District Council: Illinois, Ohio, Missouri, Minnesota, Michigan, Indiana, Wisconsin, Iowa and other midwestern states.
h) Eastern District Council: Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Delaware, Maryland, Rhode Island, Virginia, and the District of Columbia, and other Eastern States.
i) The District Council shall be sufficient to establish a new District Council when approved by the National Council.

Section 2. The Chairman of the Pacific Citizen Board shall be appointed by the National President subject to the approval of the National Board.

Section 3. The Chairman of the Pacific Citizen Board shall call meetings of the Pacific Citizen Board, preside at such meetings, shall be responsible that the Pacific Citizen Board carry out such duties as are enumerated in these By-Laws, Article IX—The Pacific Citizen.

Article VII National Convention

Section 1. The National Convention of this organization shall be convened every two years, on a "designated" year, at the place to be decided by a majority vote of the National Council at the preceding National Convention.

Section 2. The chapter awarded the National Convention shall be in charge of making all necessary arrangements for the biennial event under the supervision of the National Board and with the cooperation and assistance of the District Council to which it belongs.

Section 3. A sum of one dollar (\$1) person shall be taken out of the National Convention registration and paid to the National Treasurer within 60 days, and fifty cents (50c) per registered youth delegate.

Article VIII National Committees

Section 1. National Standing Committees for permanent ongoing projects of the organization not requiring program and policy review at the National Council meeting shall be established by the National Council.

The specific duties of these committees will be prescribed by the National President and National Director with the approval of the National Board, and appointments to these committees will be prescribed by the National President and National Director with the approval of the National Board, and appointments to these committees shall be made by the National President.

Section 2. Convention Committees for various phases of the National program of the organization shall be formed whenever and wherever the National Convention of the organization shall convene.

These Committees shall be composed of delegates and members in attendance at the National Convention. The Convention Committee shall consider their respective problems and matters and make recommendations for same to the National Council.

Section 3. Interim Committees shall function between National Conventions on the various phases of the national program. The National Council shall prescribe the committees to be formed, and the members of such committees shall be appointed by the National President with the approval of the National Board. The National Vice Presidents will be assigned by the National Board to supervise the work of these Interim Committees.

Section 4. Special Committees may be appointed by the National Council and/or the National President. The tenure and scope of activities for the special committee shall be prescribed by the National Council and/or the National Director.

Section 5. The President, the National Director and the National Legal Counsel shall be ex-officio members of all committees, boards, or commissions. The National organization may from time to time establish. They shall not have right to vote unless otherwise provided.

Article IX The Pacific Citizen

Section 1. The official publication of this organization shall be called the Pacific Citizen and shall be conducted as an educational and public relations project.

Section 2. The Board of Directors, appointed by the President, with the advice and consent of the National Board, shall be entrusted with the business and editorial details of this publication.

Article X Budget and Finance

Section 1. Current Operations

a) The National Treasurer, together with the President and National Director, shall prepare and present a budget to the National Council of approval which shall contain all items of general or special expense for the term of their administration not otherwise provided for by special appropriation.

1—Said budget must be presented to all District Councils and Chapters not less than sixty (60) days prior to the date it is to be voted upon by the National Council.

2—An appropriation of \$2,500 or more, not so submitted, shall require the approval of three-fourths of the member chapters voting at the National session.

b) The National Board with the approval of three-fourths of the chapters in good standing shall have the power to levy and to appropriate special assessments in a just and equitable manner to further the work of this organization.

c) Members of the National Board or a special representative thereof, and the National Director and members of his staff shall be entitled to reasonable travel and other expenses when attending to the officially sanctioned business of this organization.

d) The funds which are derived from membership and annual dues, National Convention registrations and

other current activities of this organization shall be deposited with the current fund.

Section 2. National JACL Reserve Fund

a) A National JACL reserve fund shall be established, such fund to be used for special contingencies as they arise.

b) Surplus monies for portions thereof in the JACL national treasury at the termination of the fiscal year shall be placed in this reserve fund.

c) The reserve fund shall be administered by a Board of Directors consisting of the JACL National President, the immediate past National President, the National President Elect, the Treasurer, and the National Director.

d) Withdrawals from this reserve fund shall be only on the unanimous approval of members of the Board of Directors of the fund, and an accounting of all monies deposited therein or withdrawals therefrom shall be included in the annual financial report of the National JACL.

Article XI Administration of Special Projects

Section 1. The projects of this organization shall be administered by a Board of Directors appointed by the National Board with the approval of the National Council, except as otherwise provided and for a period designated by the National Board.

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall select its own officers, make rules and regulations on financing specific projects and employ qualified individuals to further the projects undertaken.

Section 3. The Board of Directors shall report the progress made and account to the National Board from month to month, and at all other times whenever called upon to do so.

Section 4. The National President shall have the power to cast his vote to break deadlocks on issues in meetings of the Board of Directors, if he is not an official member of the Board in question; if he is a member, he shall be privileged to cast an extra vote.

Article XII National Endowment Fund

Section 1. The "National Endowment Fund" shall be created and the income therefrom shall be used for the purpose of financing or assisting projects and programs of this organization. This income shall be administered by the National Board with the approval of the National Council.

Section 2. The funds received from all "Endowment Fund" pledges, donations and gifts, shall be deposited with the Endowment Fund account. The National President, the National Treasurer, the National Legal Counsel, the National Endowment Fund Committee Chairman, and the National Director, shall represent the National organization with any financial institution with which Endowment Fund monies are placed.

Section 3. The principal of the Endowment Fund or any portion thereof may be prudently invested, but may not be utilized except upon the written approval of three-fourths of the chartered chapters in good standing.

Section 4. There shall be an Endowment Fund Committee composed of five members, two of which shall be permanent members, and three shall be elected by the National Board and serve for a six-year term. To initiate this Committee, of the three elected members, one shall be elected for the full six-year term, one for a four-year term, and one for two years. Thereafter, one member shall be elected each year.

Section 5. The purpose of this Committee shall be to supervise and administer the Endowment Fund program with the approval of the National Board, and to advise and make recommendations to the National Board and National Council pertaining thereto. This Committee shall also advise the National Board and National Council of any emergency which the Committee deems requires consideration by the chapters to make use of the principal of the Endowment Fund.

Section 6. The National Board may authorize members of the Endowment Fund Committee to serve as liaison where any financial institution where Endowment Fund monies are placed.

Article XIII Past National Presidents

The past National Presidents of this organization, constitutionally elected, except those specifically named as regular members of the National Board, shall be considered honorary members of the National Board. They shall be kept posted on the activities of the organization, including all regular informational material sent to the regular National Board members. In addition, they shall receive the Pacific Citizen.

Article XIV Rules of Order

The parliamentary authority which shall govern in all cases not covered by the Constitution and By-Laws shall be "Robert's Rules of Order, Revised".

Article XV Limitations

Section 1. The National Organization shall not be responsible for the commitments or obligations of local chapters or District Councils and their officers unless National Headquarters assumes such liability in advance in writing.

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Who's Who

National JACL, since 1946 has conferred Scrolls and Certificates of Appreciation or Recognition and personally delivered copies of the Japanese American Creed to individuals and organizations for meritorious and outstanding leadership or contribution to the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in America.

The Pacific Citizen compilation, therefore, may be regarded as a "Who's Who" of those who have been most helpful to the cause which JACL has long espoused — "For Better Americans in a Greater America".

Scroll of Recognition

Presented by the National Council

Dean G. Acheson, Secretary of State, 1949-52, for introducing principle of conciliation in the Japanese peace treaty, and as JACL counsel in 1947-48 in the Oyama and Takahashi cases before the U.S. Supreme Court; at San Francisco 1952 Convention.

AMF Pinnotters, Inc., for its encouragement of the National JACL bowling tournament and annual presentation of two gold watches for all-event winners; at Sacramento 1964 Bowling Tournament.

Clarence T. Arai, attorney, for his pioneering efforts in organizing the National JACL in 1928-30; at Seattle 1962 Convention.

Holmes Baldridge, asst. U.S. attorney general, 1948-52, for humanitarian insight in administering the Evacuation Claims program for the Justice Dept.; at San Francisco 1952 Convention.

Roger C. Baldwin, founder-director of American Civil Liberties Union, for being among first to challenge constitutionality of Evacuation and fighting to retain civilian control of War Relocation Authority; wartime JACL National Sponsor; at San Francisco 1952 Convention.

Roger C. Baldwin, ACLU founder and executive director, for life-long devotion to human freedom and civil liberties; at Detroit 1964 Convention.

Capt. Allan R. Bosworth, USN (ret.), of Roanoke, Va., for research and writing a documentary on the Evacuation, "America's Concentration Camps"; at the Chicago 1967 Joint District Convention.

Pearl Buck, Nobel Prize novelist, JACL wartime National Sponsor, for calling attention of the public to international repercussions of Evacuation; at San Francisco 1952 Convention.

Carnegie Corp. of New York, for encouragement and financial support of the JACL Japanese History Project; at New York 1967 special luncheon.

Oscar L. Chapman, Secretary of the Interior (1950-52), for his distinguished leadership in securing minority rights; at the Chicago 1950 Convention.

George C. Doub, asst. U.S. attorney general (1956-60), for the successful termination of the administrative phases of the Japanese American evacuation claims program; at the

on the state supreme court; at San Francisco 1966 District Session.

Harold R. Gordon, Chicago attorney, for a decade of JACL leadership and inspiration to promote the welfare of Japanese Americans; at Salt Lake 1958 Convention.

Robert K. Gray, secretary to President Eisenhower's Cabinet, for being most helpful and cooperative with the Organization to promote the welfare of Japanese Americans; at the White House, Sept. 24, 1960.

George J. Inagaki of Los Angeles, for 30 years of continuous leadership and service to fellow Nisei, two-term national JACL president (1952-56), businessman; at San Jose 1968 Convention Testimonial.

Rep. Walter H. Judd (R-Minn.), for leading the successful drive to breach the archaic anti-Oriental exclusion laws; at the Chicago 1950 Convention.

Rep. Walter H. Judd (R-Minn.), for authoring his Equality in Immigration and Naturalization bills for all peoples, which became the Asian provisions in the 1952 Act; at the Los Angeles 1952 Testimonial.

Saburo Kido of Los Angeles, for 40 years of continuous leadership and service to fellow Nisei, co-founder of National JACL, three-term national president (1940-1946), attorney and newspaper publisher; at San Diego 1966 Convention Testimonial.

Rep. Cecil R. King (D-Calif.), for effecting passage of 1962 legislation declaring evacuation claim awards as non-taxable; at West Los Angeles 1963 District Convention.

Mrs. Ruth Kingman, Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play, San Francisco, for her leadership efforts to sustain the spirit of Japanese Americans during their darkest days of 1942-45 and arousing the conscience of America to welcome home evacuees to the West Coast; at Detroit 1964 Convention.

Sen. Thomas H. Kuechel (R-Calif.), for effecting passage of 1962 legislation declaring evacuation claim awards as non-taxable; at San Francisco 1964 Testimonial.

Ben Kuroki, Nisei WW2 aerial gunner, for inspiring demonstration of 58 bombing missions over Europe and the Pacific and his 59th Mission at home—a personal crusade against racial bigotedness; at Detroit 1964 Convention.

Read Lewis, director of Common Council for American Union, JACL wartime National Sponsor, for enlisting aid of national organizations in the wartime plight of Japanese in America; at San Francisco 1952 Convention.

Sen. Scott Lucas (D-Ill.), Senate Majority Leader, for giving vitality to the word, Democracy, in seeking passage of Issei naturalization laws; at the Chicago 1950 Convention.

Mrs. Haruye Masaoka of Los Angeles, for initiating JACL's national scholarship program in 1946; at San Diego 1966 Convention.

Mike M. Masaoka of Washington, D.C., for 30 years of leadership and service to JACL and Japanese American community as JACL secretary, JACL-ADC legislative director and Washington representative (1940-70); at Chicago 1950 Convention Testimonial.

Mike M. Masaoka, Washington JACL representative, for his leadership which culminated in congressional enactment of Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 over a presidential veto; at Los Angeles 1952 Testimonial.

Sen. Pat McCarran (D-Nev.), for co-authoring the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, repealing the Oriental Exclusion Act of 1924 and permitting Issei to become naturalized; at Los Angeles 1952 Testimonial.

John J. McCloy, asst. secretary of war, 1941-45, for organizing the 442nd RCT and use of Nisei troops in all theaters of operation, for preventing the military from assuming control of War Relocation Authority, and testifying after the war in support of evacuation claims; at San Francisco 1952 Convention.

Sen. Ernest W. McFarland (D-Ariz.), Senate Majority Leader, for leading fight and standing firm to act on Immigration and Naturalization Act in 1952; at Los Angeles 1952 Testimonial.

Rep. George P. Miller (D-Calif.), for arranging the congressional tribute to the Nisei of the Armed Forces; at Oakland 1963 District Session.

Moses Lake (Wash.) High School, for being the first to institute a Japanese language class under JACL program; at Moses Lake, 1964.

Dillon S. Myer, director, War Relocation Authority (1942-46), for ably administering the WRA under the most difficult of circumstances and against the most vicious opposition; at the New York 1946 Testimonial.

Vice President Richard M. Nixon, 1952-60, for leadership as chairman of President's Committee on Government Contracts, and contributions to Japanese Americans while in public service as congressman and senator; at Sacramento 1960 Convention.

Hito Okada of Salt Lake City, for organizing in 1943 and continuing to administer National JACL Credit Union; at 1964 Detroit Convention.

Clarence E. Pickett, executive director, American Friends Service Committee, for making the difficult Japanese American Evacuation experience a lesson in democracy in action; at Detroit 1964 Convention.

Rep. Frank Costello, S.J., executive vice president, Seattle University, for substantial efforts as a member of the Washington Statewide Committee for SJR 20; at Seattle 1967 Installation.

Cecil L. Craft, state senator of North Platte, Neb., for co-authoring and securing passage of bill to repeal the Nebraska anti-miscegenation law; at Omaha 1964 Installation.

Homer D. Crotty, Los Angeles, former president of California Bar Assn., for wartime and postwar services to Japanese Americans; at Los Angeles 1954 Convention.

Edward Danner, state senator of Omaha, for co-authoring and securing passage of bill to repeal the Nebraska anti-miscegenation law; at Omaha 1964 Installation.

Joe Davis, president, Washington State Labor Council, AFL-CIO, of Seattle, for substantial efforts as a member



Tokutaro Slocum

Commissioner of Immigration for obtaining citizenship and Naturalization, 1952-60, for leadership in expediting Issei naturalization opportunities; at Sacramento 1960 Convention.

Mrs. Marion T. Tajiri, Salt Lake City, for her lyrics of the "JACL Hymn"; at the Salt Lake 1958 Convention.

The Rev. John W. Thomas, as American Baptist Home Mission Society official, for arousing churches to social and economic needs of evacuees, and as director of National Japanese American Students Relocation JACL Council and wartime National Sponsor; at San Francisco 1952 Convention.

The Rev. John Thomas, secretary of the Dept. of Cities of American Home Baptist Mission Society, whose Christian devotion gave meaning to America's democratic ideals; at Detroit 1964 Convention.

Norman Thomas, Socialist Party leader, for being first prominent American of national importance to publicly question the legality of the Evacuation and being the first in 1942 to call for government compensation for evacuation losses; JACL wartime National Sponsor; at San Francisco 1952 Convention.

Norman Thomas, Socialist Party leader, for dedication and leadership in the cause of human dignity for over 50 years; at Detroit 1964 Convention.

Marcell Tyrell, Salt Lake City, for composing the music

Lake 1958 Convention.

to the "JACL Hymn"; at the Salt Lake 1958 Convention.

Rep. Francis E. Walter (D-Pa.), for co-authoring the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, repealing the Oriental Exclusion Act of 1924 and permitting Issei to become naturalized; at Los Angeles 1952 Testimonial.

Roy Wilkins, executive director, NAACP, for leadership in the civil rights struggle for more than 30 years; at Detroit 1964 Convention.

Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe of Chicago, for 40 years of continuous leadership and service to fellow Nisei, organizer of Fresno American Loyalty League in 1949, co-founder of National JACL national president (1934-36); dentist; at Sacramento 1960 Convention Testimonial.

Suma Suzi Yokotake, first JACL lobbyist for Cable Act amendment in 1931, for restoring citizenship to Nisei women married to Issei men; at Seattle 1962 Convention.

cisco in 1946 to assist returning evacuees; at San Francisco 1956 Convention.

Toru Sakahara of Seattle, for substantial efforts in the successful campaign to have the Washington alien land law repealed; at Gresham-Troutdale 1967 District Convention.

Samuel Shulman of White River Valley, for substantial efforts in the 1966 campaign to have the Washington alien land law repealed; at Gresham-Troutdale 1967 District Convention.

Robert F. Smith, Oregon state representative, for leadership in passage of Oregon's no tax on evacuation claim awards; at Boise 1963 Convention.

Charles A. Sprague, former governor of Oregon, editor of The Statesman, Salem, for faith in Americans of Japanese ancestry and courage in upholding the principles of democracy as JACL wartime National Sponsor; at Portland 1957 District Session.

Dr. Robert L. Stearns, president of Univ. of Colorado, for faith in Americans of Japanese ancestry and courage in upholding the principles of democracy as JACL wartime National Sponsor; at Omaha 1957 District Convention.

George Sugai of Snake River Valley, co-chairman of successful Idaho SJR 1 campaign, to give Oriental citizens the right to vote; at Salt Lake 1963 District Session.

Mrs. Sarah Sugimoto of Puyallup Valley, for substantial efforts in the 1966 campaign to have the Washington alien land law repealed; at Gresham-Troutdale 1967 District Convention.

Monroe Sweetland, state senator and publisher of Milwaukie (Ore.) Review, for faith in Americans of Japanese ancestry and courage in upholding the principles of democracy as JACL wartime National Sponsor; at Portland 1957 District Session.

Charles F. Taft, mayor of Cincinnati, for faith in Americans of Japanese ancestry and courage in upholding the principles of democracy as JACL wartime National Sponsor; at Cincinnati 1956 District Convention.

Tom Takemura of Puyallup Valley, for substantial efforts in the successful 1966 campaign to have the Washington alien land law repealed; at Gresham-Troutdale 1967 District Convention.

George D. Thomas, executive director, Los Angeles County Conference on Community Relations, for wartime and postwar services to Japanese Americans; at Los Angeles 1954 Convention.

Carroll Thompson, Omaha JACLer, for his "behind the scenes" activities to have the bill repealing the Nebraska anti-miscegenation law sponsored; at Omaha 1954 Installation.

Dr. Terrance Toda of Seattle, for substantial efforts in the successful 1966 campaign to have the Washington alien land law repealed; at Gresham-Troutdale 1967 District Convention.

Edward Tsutakawa of Spokane, for substantial efforts in the 1966 campaign to have the Washington alien land law repealed; at Gresham-Troutdale 1967 District Convention.

Turtle Wax, Inc., of Chicago, for encouragement of and consideration to JACL National President Kumeo Yoshinari (1964-68); at Chicago 1967 Joint District Convention.

Dr. Sam Uchiyama of Puyallup Valley, for substantial efforts in the successful 1966 campaign to have the Washington alien land law repealed; at Gresham-Troutdale 1967 District Convention.

Mamoru Wakasugi of Snake River Valley, for leadership in passage of Oregon's no tax on evacuation claim awards; at Boise 1963 District Convention.

Annie Clo Watson, executive director, San Francisco International Institute, for her warm friendship and her courage in making meaningful the principles of democracy as a wartime JACL National Sponsor; at San Francisco 1956 Convention.

Mrs. Nicholas H. Wegner, director, Boys Town, for faith in Americans of Japanese ancestry and courage in upholding the principles of democracy as JACL wartime National Sponsor; at Omaha 1957 District Convention.

West Los Angeles JACL Women's Auxiliary, in recognition of special support to the JACL History Project, National Youth Council, Civil Rights Fund; at San Jose 1968 Convention.

A. L. Wirin, Los Angeles, legal counsel for the So. Calif. branch, American Civil Liberties Union, for wartime and postwar services to Japanese Americans; at Los Angeles 1954 Convention.

Kaz Yamane of Puyallup Valley, for substantial efforts in the successful 1966 campaign to have the Washington alien land law repealed; at Gresham-Troutdale 1967 District Convention.

Arthur Yturri, Oregon state representative from Malheur County, for leadership in passage of Oregon's no tax on evacuation claim awards; at Boise 1963 District Convention.

Certificate of Appreciation-Recognition

Presented by National JACL Board

of the Washington Statewide Committee for SJR 20; at Seattle 1967 Installation.

William F. Devin, former Seattle mayor, for substantial efforts as a member of the Washington Statewide Committee for SJR 20; at Seattle 1967 Installation.

Verne Dusenberry, Portland attorney, for initially challenging in 1945 the constitutionality of the Oregon alien land law, which the state supreme court concurred in 1949—first time an alien land law was invalidated; at Portland 1963 District Convention.

Edward E. Elliott, state assemblyman from Los Angeles, for securing passage of the old age assistance to Issei bill; at Los Angeles 1955 District Council session.

Arthur Gaeth, Salt Lake radio newscaster, for faith in Americans of Japanese ancestry and courage in upholding the principles of democracy as JACL wartime National Sponsor; at Salt Lake 1958 Convention.

Grant Gardner, Idaho state representative of Payette County, for sponsoring and curing repeal of alien land law, anti-miscegenation law and bill to give Oriental citizens the right to vote; at Snake River Valley 1963 District Session (posthumously).

Alan Hart, Portland attorney, for outstanding services in having the Oregon alien land law invalidated by the state supreme court; at Portland 1963 District Convention.

Philip Hayasaka, of Seattle, for substantial efforts in the successful 1966 campaign to have the Washington alien land law repealed; at Gresham-Troutdale 1967 District Convention.

The Rev. Aaron A. Heist, Huntington Park minister and chairman of the ACLU branch in southeast Los Angeles, for wartime and postwar services to Japanese Americans; at Los Angeles 1954 Convention.

Heitaro Hikida of Seattle, for substantial efforts in the successful 1966 campaign to

have the Washington alien land law repealed; at Gresham-Troutdale 1967 District Convention.

Frank Hayasaka of Spokane, for substantial efforts in the 1966 campaign to have the Washington alien land law repealed; at Gresham-Troutdale 1967 District Convention.

Dr. John Kanda of Puyallup Valley, for substantial efforts in the successful 1966 campaign to have the Washington alien land law repealed; at Gresham-Troutdale 1967 District Convention.

George Kawasaki of White River Valley, for substantial efforts in the 1966 campaign to have the Washington alien land law repealed; at Gresham-Troutdale 1967 District Convention.

William Kent, Hollywood, for fighting anti-Nisei discrimination within the American Legion; at Los Angeles 1954 Convention.

Takeishi Kubota of Seattle, for leadership in two campaigns on Washington alien land law repeal; at Portland 1962 District Convention.

Fr. Hugh T. Lavery, M.M., superior of Maryknoll Mission at Los Angeles, for wartime and postwar services to Japanese Americans; at Los Angeles 1954 Convention.

Lever Bros. of Chicago, for encouragement of and consideration to JACL National President Shigeo Wakamatsu (1958-60); at Seattle 1962 Convention.

E. B. MacNaughton, president of First National Bank of Portland, for faith in Americans of Japanese ancestry and courage in upholding the principles of democracy as JACL wartime National Sponsor; at Portland 1957 District National Sponsor; at Portland 1957 District Session.

Thomas A. Maloney (R-San Francisco), state assemblyman, for his leadership in placing Prop. 13 (to repeal the alien land law) on the ballot; at San Francisco 1956 Convention.

S. C. Masterson, state as-

semblyman from Salinas, for securing passage of the old age assistance to Issei bill; at Salinas 1955 District Council session.

James Matsuoaka of Seattle, for substantial efforts in the successful 1966 campaign to have the Washington alien land law repealed; at Gresham-Troutdale 1967 District Convention.

Loren Miller, NAACP legal counsel, for wartime services to Japanese Americans; at Los Angeles 1954 Convention.

Robert Mizukami of Puyallup Valley, for substantial efforts in the successful 1966 campaign to have the Washington alien land law repealed; at Gresham-Troutdale 1967 District Convention.

George Murakami of Puyallup Valley, for substantial efforts in the successful 1966 campaign to have the Washington alien land law repealed; at Gresham-Troutdale 1967 District Convention.

Mrs. Burton W. Musser of Salt Lake, volunteer social worker, for faith in Americans of Japanese ancestry and courage in upholding the principles of democracy as JACL wartime National Sponsor; at Salt Lake 1958 Convention.

Mrs. Kimi Nakanishi of Seattle, for substantial efforts in the successful 1966 campaign to have the Washington alien land law repealed; at Gresham-Troutdale 1967 District Convention.

Nebraska Psychiatric Institute of Omaha, for encouragement of and consideration to JACL National President K. Patrick Okura (1962-64); at Omaha 1967 Twentieth Anniversary.

Joe Nishioka of Idaho Falls, co-chairman of successful Idaho SJR 1 campaign, to give Oriental citizens the right to vote; at Salt Lake 1963 District Session.

W. W. Norton & Co., of New York, in appreciation for publishing Capt. Bosworth's "America's Concentration Camps"; at Chicago 1967 Joint District Convention.

Fern Orme, state senator of Lincoln, for co-authoring and securing passage of bill to repeal the Nebraska anti-miscegenation law; at Omaha 1964 Installation.

Henry B. Owen, Seattle civic leader, for leadership and dedication as chairman of the Washington Statewide Citizens Committee for SJR 20 to have alien land law repealed; at SJR 20 Victory Banquet, Seattle, 1966.

James G. Patton of Denver, president, National Farmers Union, for faith in Americans of Japanese ancestry and courage in upholding the principles of democracy as JACL wartime National Sponsor; at Omaha 1957 District Convention.

Clarence E. Pickett, Nobel Peace Prize winner and executive director of American Friends Service Committee, Philadelphia, for faith in Americans of Japanese ancestry and courage in upholding the principles of democracy as JACL wartime National Sponsor; at the Chicago 1957 Joint District Convention.

Merrill Pollack, managing editor, W. W. Norton & Co., of New York, for seeking out and commissioning Capt. Bosworth in writing the Evacuation documentary, "America's Concentration Camps"; at Chicago 1967 Joint District Convention.

Prudential Insurance Co. of America, for its sponsorship of "The Twentieth Century" documentary on "The Nisei—the Pride and the Shame" narrated by Walter Cronkite on CBS-TV; at the Chicago 1967 Joint District Convention.

Bishop C. S. Relfsnyder, retired Episcopal bishop at Pasadena, and a National JACL Sponsor, for wartime and postwar services to Japanese Americans; at Los Angeles 1954 Convention.

Joseph I. Rikimaru, pioneer Issei, for promoting the welfare of the Japanese American community and leadership in postwar JACL legislative program; at San Francisco 1968 Fortieth Anniversary Installation.

Owens Robertson, lobbyist for the Washington State Asst. of Realtors, of Seattle, for substantial efforts as a member of the Washington Statewide Committee for SJR 20; at Seattle 1967 Installation.

Rosenberg Foundation, San Francisco, for its invaluable assistance in re-establishment of JACL Office in San Francisco.

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Section 2. The actions of the National Council, convened in a National Convention, shall be binding and effective thereafter as the policy of the National organization, unless otherwise provided.

Section 3. The National Organization shall not advertise or purchase complimentary space in any magazine, newspaper, booklet, souvenir program, or other publication for any purpose whatsoever.

Section 4. The National Organization shall not contribute to any organization, group or individuals for membership dues or projects, except upon the unanimous approval of the National Board.

ADDENDUM

Creed, Slogan, Hymn

Section 1. "The Japanese American Creed" as read in the United States Senate Chamber by Senator Elbert D. Thomas of Utah, and printed in the Congressional Record, May 9, 1941, shall be the official Creed of the members of this Organization.

JAPANESE AMERICAN CREED

I am proud that I am an American citizen of Japanese ancestry, for my very background makes me appreciate more fully the wonderful advantage of this nation. I believe in her institutions, ideals, and traditions; I glory in her heritage; I boast of her history; I trust in her future. She has granted me liberties and opportunities such as no individual enjoys in this world today. She has given me an education befitting kings. She has entrusted me with the responsibilities of the franchise. She has permitted me to build a home, to earn a livelihood, to worship, think, speak, and act as I please—as a free man equal to every other man.

Although some individuals may discriminate against me, I shall never become bitter or lose faith, for I know that such persons are not representative of the majority of the American people. True, I shall do all in my power to discourage such practices, but

I shall do it in the American way; above board, in the open, through courts of law, by education, by proving myself to be worthy of equal treatment and consideration. I am firm in my belief that American sportsmanship and attitude of fair play will judge citizenship on the basis of action and achievement, and not on the basis of physical characteristics.

Because I believe in America, and I trust she believes in me, and because I have received innumerable benefits from her, I pledge myself to do honor to her at all times and in all places, to support her Constitution; to obey her laws; to respect her flag; to defend her against all enemies, foreign or domestic; to actively assume my duties and obligations as a citizen; cheerfully and without any reservations whatsoever. In the hope that I may become a better American in a greater America.

—Mike M. Masaoka

Section 2. The slogans of this Organization shall be "Security Through Unity" and "For Better Americans in a Greater America," suggested by Sumio Miyamoto and Mike Masaoka, respectively.

Section 3. The "JACL Hymn" with words by Marion Tajiri and music by Marcel J. Tyrell has been officially adopted by the National Council.

JACL HYMN

There was a dream my father dreamed for me
A land in which all men are free
Then the desert camp with watch-towers high
Where life stood still, 'mid sand and brooding sky
Out of the war in which my brothers died—
Their muted voices with mine cried
This is our dream that all men shall be free—
This is our creed we'll live in loyalty
God help us rid the land of bigotry—
That we may walk in peace and dignity.

San Francisco Council for Civic Unity for upholding American principles of fair play during World War II; at San Francisco 1952 Convention.

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Edward Howden, director,

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Rep. Daniel K. Inouye (D-Hawaii), on being elected the first Nisei congressman; at San Francisco 1965 Reception (Original Copy)

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The ruby-studded pin symbolizes considerable personal sacrifice while giving outstanding leadership and service to our organization and in behalf of persons of Japanese ancestry.

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East Coast History

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York City, Yoneo Arai was honored by JACL as the oldest living Nisei born on the continental mainland of the United States. A feature of the National JACL-sponsored centennial of Japanese immigration, this recognition of Yoneo Arai was deserved not only because of the 80 years he has lived but more because his life is a testament to the so-called success story of the East Coast Japanese and an inspiration to all of Japanese ancestry who seek an example of what may be attained in this country.

His father, Ryoichiro Arai, was among the gallant few, Issei who had the courage and the vision to settle in what was then unknown-to-them New York several decades before the turn of the century. Since he had been engaged in the silk business in Japan with his own family, it was natural that he would seek to introduce silk to this country.

Prior to this time, practically all silk imported into the United States was by way of Europe, after it had been woven in fabric in Italy and France particularly. Chinese silk was popular and well accepted, but Japanese silk was an unknown quantity.

Ryoichiro Arai formed a partnership with Toyo Morimura in a silk importing company. This may well have been the beginning of the trade between the two countries.

Price Agreed Upon
In the early years of their business, they happened to agree to accept orders for silk at a certain low price. That year, the price of raw silk in Japan skyrocketed, and Yoneo Arai returned to Japan and insisted that the orders be filled at the agreed-upon price, regardless of the losses sustained by the Japanese producers and merchants.

As a matter of personal pride and honor, this was done, even though his family in Japan had to go bankrupt, his relatives had to seek loans in order to live, their homes and estates in Japan and their modest dwelling in New York were sold, etc.

The Arai's both in Japan and in the United States suffered and sacrificed, but they

proved that the word of a "Japanese businessman" was a sacred trust.

Such stories as those of the Arai's are now legend in the New York trading circles, and they add up to the development of the current trading relations between Japan and this country.

In later years, Ryoichiro Arai began to buy American cotton and to ship such fibers to Japan, where a flourishing textile industry was built as the foundation for the industrialization of modern Japan.

Born in New York

But, in returning to the story of Yoneo Arai himself, let it be noted that he was born in 1890, in New York City. Like West Coast Issei, and in the tradition of the Japanese, Yoneo's father believed in the best possible education for his son, so by natural to St. George's School in Newport, R.I., and then on to Harvard College, from which Yoneo graduated cum laude in 1912.

He went to work for his father's import-export company, the Morimura Arai & Company, in New York. He was associated with his father until tuberculosis confined him to bed from 1921 to 1929.

Once his disease was arrested, Yoneo returned to Harvard, this time to enter its Business School, where he was honored by election to its review board in 1929. He then joined the investment banking firm of Harris, Fortes & Company for several years, before being appointed to be the New York Representative for the Tokio Marine and Fire Insurance Company. He was with this world-famed insurance agency for 18 years, until 1950, except for the World War II years when he and his sister naturalized wife Matsuo returned to Japan to serve in the Army Specialized Training Program at Yale University.

For nine years, until his retirement in 1959 at the age of 68, he served as the New York Representative for the Yamachi Securities Company of Tokyo. He was its President from 1952 to 1957 and its Chairman of the Board for two years.

Aside from his professional career, Yoneo Arai devoted much of his time to promoting

United States-Japan relations, as well as an appreciation for Japan's great cultural heritage. He was one of the early members of the Japan-American Society of New York and after World War II was among those who brought about its reactivation as the Japan Society. For more than ten years, he served as one of its principal vice presidents.

Married in 1917 to Mitsu Okabe, daughter of Viscount Nagamoto Okabe, the couple celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in Tokyo. Mrs. Arai is a distinguished personality in her own right, having lectured widely before and after World War II on Japanese flower arrangements, She led several trips of the American Gardening Society to Japan in order that its members might at first hand study the traditional arrangements of the Japanese in the 1930's.

The Arais have one son, Ryoichi Arai, who was born in Greenwich, Connecticut, their present home.

On October 21, 1969, he was decorated by the Japanese Government with the Order of the Sacred Treasure, Third Class, in recognition of his years in developing better understanding and friendly relations between the United States and Japan.

By coincidence, Yoneo Arai's lifetime spans most of the history of trade and commerce between the United States and Japan. He, and his father, have contributed much to that phenomenal development.

In and by their lives, they epitomize the history of the Japanese on the East Coast and symbolize the great trade relations that have been developed by and between the United States and Japan.

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68—David Hirai
69—Kathleen Okamoto
65—Elaine Uchiyama
66—Pat Henmi
67—Linda Uchiyama
68—Darlene Johnson
69—Don Henmi
70—Kim Nance
St. Louis
50—Roger Miyasaka
51—Arlene Sakahara
52—Lois Sakahara
53—Barbara Shingu
54—Shirley Shingu
55—Katherine Nishimoto
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61—62—Dennis Hayashi
63—Lois Shimamoto
64—Kathleen Okamoto
65—Elaine Uchiyama
66—Pat Henmi
67—Linda Uchiyama
68—Darlene Johnson
69—Don Henmi
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Twin Cities
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63—Dennis Iwago
66—Barb Hirota
67—Denny Iwago
68—Alaine Matsui
70—Elaine Hirota
Seabrook
65—Scott Nagao
66—Steven Mukai
68—70—Russell Ono
Philadelphia
67—Laurel Marutani
68—Alan Okazaki
70—Debra Kamihira
Washington, D.C.
65—Jane Yoshinashi
Wayne Yoshino, Chmn.
66—Bruce Yamasaki
67—Anne Fukutome
68—Richard Amano
69—Robin Omatu
70—Marina Endo

JACL Chapter Presidents

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11TH BIENNIAL — Omaha JACL, which elects officers for two years, held its 1970-71 installation dinner at Boys Town. Occasion also honored Issei pioneers. Bill Hosokawa, author of "Nisei: The Quiet Americans" and Denver Post associate editor, delivered the main address. In the photo (from left) are: seated—Pat Okura, Lily A. Okura, Hosokawa, Gladys Hirabayashi (2nd v.p.), Mrs. Mary Smith (cor. sec.), Mrs. Em Nakadoi, (lady at right is not an officer); standing—Manuel Matsunami, Edward Ishii, Yukio Ando (treas.), Noriaki Okada (past pres.), Mitsuo Kawamoto (1st v.p.), Bob Nakadoi and J. Walter Allen (pres.). Ando was presented the JACL Silver Pin.

GREATER PASADENA AREA

Organized 1969

70-Harry Kawahara

GRESHAM-TROUTDALE

Organized Mar. 11, 1950

50-51-Shio Uyetaka

52-Jack Ouchida

53-Mas Fujimoto

54-Toshiko Okino

55-Kazuo Kinoshita

56-Henry T. Kato

57-Dr. Joe Onchi

58-Jack Ouchida

59-Kaz Tamura

60-Ed Honda

61-Kaz Kinoshita

62-Dr. Joe Onchi

63-Tosh Okino

64-Henry T. Kato

65-Shigenari Nagae

66-Kazuo Tamura

67-Mas Fujimoto

68-Ed Fujii

69-Dr. Henry Mishima

70-Richard Nishimura

GILROY

Organization Date Unknown

42-Jack Izu

43-Hiroshi Kunimura

44-Joe Obata

45-Jack Nakano

46-Tom Obata

47-Shig Yamane

48-Tak Shiba

49-Moose Kunimura

50-Manabe Hirasaki

51-Shurei Matsumoto

52-Terry Manji

53-Roger Tokunaga

54-Robert Kodama

55-Arthur Oji

56-George Yoshimoto

57-Clark Tokunaga

58-Fred Matsui

59-Ray Fukui

60-Tosh Sano

71-Harry Fukumitsu

MID-COLUMBIA

Organized 1931

Hood River JACL 1931-35

31-George Kinoshita

32-Kumeo Yoshinari

33-Kazuo Kanemasa

34-Min Yasui

35-Kumeo Yoshinari

36-37-Kazuo Kanemasa

38-George Kinoshita

39-40-Mits Takasumi

41-Mark Sato

42-Kumeo Yoshinari

46-47-Mamoru Noji

48-Masami Asai

49-Ray T. Yasui

50-Sho Endow, Jr.

51-Taro Asai

52-Setsu Shitara

53-Koe Nishimoto

54-Ray Sato

55-Bob Kageyama

56-Mamoru Kiyokawa

57-George Nakamura

58-Noboru Hamada

59-Clifford Nakamura

60-Sho Endow, Jr.

61-Mits Takasumi

62-Taro Asai

63-Ray Sato

64-Min Asai

65-George Tamura

66-George Nakamura

67-Homer Akiyama

68-Dr. Saburo Akiyama

69-Koe Nishimoto

70-Tom Sumage

MILE-HI

Organized 1938

*Organized on an independent basis, the Denver JACL became part of the National JACL in 1944.

39-Shimpei Sakaguchi

40-Charles Suyeishi

41-George S. Kashiwagi

42-Taki Domoto, Jr.

43-Takashi Mayeda

44-George Masunaga

45-George Ohashi, Bess (Matsuda) Shiyomura

46-Toshio Ando

47-Y. Tak Terasaki

48-Roy H. Mayeda

49-John T. Noguchi

50-Sam Y. Matsumoto

51-Harry H. Sakata

52-John Sakayama

53-Leonard Uchida

54-John Masunaga

55-Robert Y. Uyeda

56-Oski Taniwaki

57-Yutaka Terasaki

58-Mike Tashiro

59-Bill Kuroki

60-Dave Furukawa

61-Don Tanabe

62-Robert Horuchi, Henry Tobo

63-Sam Owada

64-Harry Hada

65-Dr. Koji Kanai

MILWAUKEE

Organized May 11, 1945

Henry Sakemi (org.)

46-Mac Kaneko, Lynn Wells

47-Julius Fujihira

48-Frank C. Okada

49-Kazumi Oura

50-Charles Matsumoto

51-Nami Shio

52-Harry Shinzaki

53-Takio Katsaka

54-Helen Inai

55-Jim Momo

56-Walter Wong

57-Satoshi Nakahira

58-Albert Popp

59-Roy Mukai

60-Pennie Miyai

61-Ronald Minami

62-Roy Mukai

63-Douglas Day

64-Sat Nakahira

LONG BEACH HARBOR DISTRICT

Organized Oct. 12, 1938

38-41-Frank T. Ishii

42-James Hashimoto

43-Reactivated Aug. 12, 1947

44-Dr. Masao Takahata

45-Fred H. Ikeguchi

46-John Morooka

47-Fred H. Ikeguchi

48-George Aoyagi

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National Officers

1928-30—Clarence T. Aral, 27 (Seattle)*
b Jun 10, 1901; d Aug 12, 1963

1930-32—Dr. George Y. Takeyama, 36 (Los Angeles)*
1932-34—Dr. Terry T. Hayashi, 40 (San Francisco)*
1934-36—Dr. Thomas T. Yabashi, 37 (Fresno)

1936-38—Jimmie Y. Sakamoto, 33 (Seattle)
b Mar 22, 1903; d Dec 3, 1955

1938-40—Walter T. Tsukamoto, 34 (Sacramento)
b 1904; d Jan 20, 1961

1940-42—Saburo Kido, 38 (San Francisco)
1942-44—Hito Okada, 39 (Salt Lake City)

1944-46—Dr. Randolph M. Sakada, 38 (Chicago)
b Nov 8, 1912; d Jun 4, 1955

1946-48—George J. Inagaki, 38 (Venice-Culver)
1948-50—Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa, 38 (Southwest L.A.)

1950-52—Shigeo Wakamatsu, 44 (Chicago)
1952-54—Frank F. Chuman, 43 (Downtown L.A.)

1954-56—K. Patrick Okura, 49 (Omaha)
1956-58—Kumeo A. Yoshinari, 53 (Chicago)

1958-60—Jerry J. Enomoto, 40 (Sacramento)
1960-62—Raymond S. Uno, 39 (Salt Lake)

* As convention chairman of National Convention held in their respective cities, they were honored as national president for the subsequent biennium.

PRESIDENT-ELECT

1970-72—Henry Tanaka (Cleveland)

VICE-PRESIDENT (General Operations)

1970-72—Mike M. Suzuki (Sacramento)

VICE-PRESIDENT (Public Affairs)

1970-72—Kaz Horita (Philadelphia)

VICE-PRESIDENT (Research & Service)

1970-72—James Murakami (Sonoma County)

TREASURER

1932-34—Susumu Togasaki (San Francisco)
1934-36—Hito Okada (Portland)

1936-38—Kay T. Terashima (Salt Lake City)
1938-40—William Enomoto (San Mateo)

1940-42—Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa (Los Angeles)
1942-44—Akira Hayashi (New York)

1944-46—Kumeo A. Yoshinari (Chicago)
1946-48—Yone Satoda (San Francisco)

1948-50—Alfred Hatate (Downtown L.A.)

1000 CLUB CHAIRMAN

1950-52—George J. Inagaki (Los Angeles)
1952-54—Harold J. Gordon (Chicago)

1954-56—Shigeo Wakamatsu (Chicago)
1956-58—Kenji Tashiro (Tulare County)

1958-60—William M. Matsumoto (Sacramento)
1960-62—Frank H. Hattori (Seattle)

1962-64—William M. Matsumoto (Sacramento)
1964-66—Joe Kadofski (Cleveland)

1966-68—Dr. Frank F. Sakamoto (Chicago)
1970-72—Tad Hirota (Berkeley)

LEGAL COUNSEL

1946-53—Saburo Kido (Los Angeles)
1954-60—Frank F. Chuman (Los Angeles)

1960-62—Thomas T. Hayashi (New York)
1962-70—William M. Marutani (Philadelphia)

1970—Robert Takasugi (East L.A.)

PACIFIC CITIZEN BOARD CHAIRMAN

1966-68—Roy Uno (Orange County)
1968-70—Kango Kuritsugu (Venice-Culver)

1970-72—Kay Nakagiri (San Fernando Valley)

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

1934-36—(District Governors were all national vice-presidents.)
1936-38—Ken Matsumoto (Los Angeles)

1938-40—George J. Inagaki (Los Angeles)
1940-42—Henry Tani (St. Louis)

1942-44—Frank F. Chuman (Los Angeles)
1944-46—Thomas T. Hayashi (New York)

1946-48—Tom M. Yego (Placer County)
b May 23, 1908; d Feb 8, 1956

1948-50—Shigeo Wakamatsu (Chicago)
1950-52—Akiji Yoshimura (Moorville)

1952-54—K. Patrick Okura (Omaha)
1954-56—Jerry J. Enomoto (San Francisco)

1956-58—Tom Shimasaki (Tulare County)
1958-60—Henry Kanegae (Orange County)

SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT

1946—Masao W. Satow (Milwaukee). Resigned Mar. 31, 1946, to accept National JACL staff position.

1946-48—Dr. Randolph M. Sakada (Chicago)
b Nov 8, 1912; d Jun 4, 1955

1948-50—Frank F. Chuman (Los Angeles)
1950-52—Thomas T. Hayashi (New York)

1952-54—K. Patrick Okura (Omaha)
1954-56—Kenji Tashiro (Tulare County)

1956-58—Jack Noda (Cortez)
1958-60—Toru Sakahara (Seattle)

1960-62—George Sugai (Snake River)
1962-64—Takeshi Kubota (Seattle)

1964-66—Dr. David M. Miura (Long Beach)
1966-68—Kaz Horita (Philadelphia)

THIRD VICE-PRESIDENT

1946-48—William K. Yamauchi (Pocatello)
1948-50—Thomas T. Hayashi (New York)

1950-52—K. Patrick Okura (Omaha)
1952-54—Bob C. Takahashi (French Camp)

1954-56—Yutaka Terasaki (Denver)
1956-58—Harry I. Takagi (Twin Cities)

1958-60—George Sugai (Snake River)
1960-62—William M. Matsumoto (Sacramento)

1962-64—William M. Marutani (Philadelphia)
1964-66—Rupert Hachiya (Salt Lake)

1966-68—Henry Kanegae (Orange County)
1968-70—Dr. John Kanda (Puyallup Valley)

SECRETARY TO BOARD*

1934-36—Saburo Kido (San Francisco)
—Asst.: John Maeno, John S. Ando (Los Angeles)

1936-38—Walter T. Tsukamoto (Sacramento)
—Asst.: Masao W. Satow (Los Angeles)

1938-40—Ken Utsunomiya (Santa Maria Valley)
b 1910; d Oct 9, 1967

1940-42—James Sugiooka (San Benito County)
1942-44—Dr. Takashi Mayeda (Denver)

1944-46—Mari Sabusawa (Chicago)
1946-48—Ina Sugihara (New York)

1948-50—Mrs. Alice F. Kasal (Salt Lake City)
1950-52—William Y. Mimbu (Seattle)

1952-54—Mrs. Lily A. Okura (Omaha)
1954-56—Mrs. Jerry J. Enomoto (San Francisco)

1956-58—Dr. David M. Miura (Long Beach)
1958-60—Masaaki Hironaka (San Diego)

1960-62—Dr. S. Tom Taketa (San Jose)
1962-64—Kay Nakagiri (San Fernando Valley)

* Originally called executive secretary before this position was redesignated as "secretary to board" in 1946.

YOUTH COMMISSIONER

1966-68—Kay Nakagiri (San Fernando Valley)
1968-70—Mike M. Suzuki (Sacramento)

JB. JACL CHAIRMAN*

1966-68—Russell W. Obana (San Francisco)
1968-70—Patricia Dohzen (Los Angeles)

* Effective with the 1970-72 biennium, this position has been replaced by the presence of District Youth Council chairmen, the current list appearing on Page 4 of this Supplement—Ed.

JACL Chapter Presidents

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RIVERSIDE

Organized May 29, 1967
67—Wm. Takano
68—Dr. Gen Ogata

69—Mas Koketsu
Leo Asakawa

SACRAMENTO

Organized 1922*
*Originally organized in 1922 as American Loyalty League.

22-24—Walter T. Tsukamoto
24-31—Inactive
Chartered Oct. 31, 1931

31-36—Walter T. Tsukamoto
37—Dr. Jiro Muramoto

38—Henry Taketa
39—Edward Kitazumi
40—Dr. George Takahashi

41-42—Dr. Goro Muramoto
Reactivated Aug. 10, 1947

Henry Taketa (org.)
48—Dr. Yoshizo Harada,
Mitsuru Nishio

49—Mitsuru Nishio
50—Miss Kiyoko Sato
51—William M. Matsumoto

52—Ginji Mizutani
53—George Tambara
54—Tokio Fujii

55—Dean T. Itano
56—Percy Masaki
57—Mamoru Sakuma

58—Katsuro Murakami
59—Richard Matsumoto
60-61—Tak Tsujita

62—Frank Hiya
63—Ralph Nishimi
64—Tom Sato

65—Kinya Noguchi
66—Chas. Kobayashi
67-68—Tom Fujimoto

69—Robert Matsui
70—Carnegie Ouye

ST. LOUIS

Organized Aug. 17, 1946
46—Sam Nakano
47-48—Henry Tani

49-50—Joseph Tanaka
51—Edward Koyama
52—Dr. Alfred Morioka

53—George K. Hasegawa
54—Harry H. Hayashi
55—Rose Ogino

56—Richard T. Henmi
57—Dan Sakahara
58—Kiichi Hiramoto

59—Dr. Alfred Morioka
60—Dr. Henry M. Ema
61—George K. Hasegawa

62—Mrs. Lois Miyasaka
63-64—Dr. Jackson Eto
65—Dr. George Uchiyama

66—Lee Durham
67—George Hasegawa
68—Roger Miyasaka

69—Dr. John Hara
70—David Shimamoto

SALINAS VALLEY

Organization Date Unknown
32—Harry Kita
33—Tom Fujino

34—Henry Shigemasa
35—John Urabe
36—Harry Kita

37—Takeo Yuki
38—Kenzo Yoshida
39—Harry Shiguchi

40—Henry Tani
Reactivated May 17, 1946
46-47—James Abe

48—Henry Tanabe
49-50—Roy Sakasegawa
51-52—Tom Miyasaka

53-54—John Terakawa
55-56—James Tando
57—Kenneth Sato

58—Henry Tando
59-60—Kiyu Hirano
61-62—Harvey Kitamura

63—Tom Miyasaka
64-65—Ted Ikemoto
66-67—Bob Yamamoto

68-69—Henry Hibino
70—Shiro Higashi

SALT LAKE CITY

Organized Mar. 8, 1935
Mye Asahina (org.)

35—Joe G. Masakawa
36—Joe Kurumada
37—William M. Yamauchi

38-40—Mike M. Masakawa
41—Shigeki Ushio
42-43—Dr. Jun

KURUMADA

44—Isamu Aoki
45—Kay Terashima
46—Mrs. Alice Kasal

47—Tom Hoshikawa
48—Dr. Jun Kurumada
49—George Sakashita

50-51—George Mochizuki
52—Masami Yana
53—Dr. Shig Matsukawa

54-56—Rupert Hachiya
57-59—Ichiro Doi
60—Henry Kasal

61—George Yoshimoto
62-63—Tais Miska
64-65—Raymond Uno

66—Tubert Okuda
67—Toshiyuki Kano
68—Isamu Watanuki

69-70—George Kimura

SAN BENITO COUNTY

Organized June 22, 1935*
*This chapter is the only "C" class chapter which maintained its active status, despite evacuation, through the war years.

35-37—James Sugiooka
38—George Nishita
39—James Sugiooka

40—Richard Nishimoto
41-46—Henry Omoto
47—Richard Nishimoto

48—Takeichi Kadani
49—Isaac Shingu
50—Kay Kamimoto

51—George Nishita
52—Tom Shimonishi
53—Glenn Kowaki

54—Sho Nakamoto
55—Joe Shingai
56—Frank Nishita

57—John Teshima
58—Sam Shiotoku
59—Kay Yamaoka

60—Dennis Nishita
61—Sam I. Shingai
62—Tom Yamaoka

63—Herbert Teshima
64—Tatsue Kamimoto
65—Akiji Yamagishi

66—Ryo Terasaki
67—Kenneth Teshima
68—Charles A. Boch

69—George Inokuchi
70—Ben Yamaoka

SAN DIEGO

Organized Aug. 13, 1933
Hanako Moriama (org.)

33—George Obayashi
34—Frank Otsuka
35—George Obayashi

36-37—George Ohashi
38—Isamu Fujita
39—George Obayashi

40—Isamu Fujita
41—Fred Katsumata
42—Frank H. Otsuka

Reactivated Oct. 1, 1946
47—Dr. George Hara,
Masami Honda

48—Min Sakamoto
49-50—Dr. George Hara
51—Masami Honda

52—Moto Asakawa
53—Paul Hoshi
54—Hiromi Nakamura

55—George Kodama
56—Dr. Tad Imoto
57—Bert Tanaka

58—Moto Asakawa
59—George Muto
60—Heidi Takeshita

61—Jack Matsueda
62—Harry Kawamoto
63—Bruce Asakawa

64—Joe Miyoshi
65—Tom Yanagihara
66—Abe Mukai

67—Mas Hironaka
68—Isao Horiye
69—Tom Uda

70—Don Estes
71—Isao Horiye

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY

Organization Date Unknown
42—Tom Imai
Reactivated Sept. 24, 1946

46—Tom Imai
47—Fred Muto
48-53—Inactive

54-55—Tom Endow
56—Gene Kono
57-58—Kay Nakagiri

59-60—Sam I. Ueyehara
61—Katsunori Arimoto
62—Harry Nakai

63—Harry Otsuki
64-65—Mrs. Mabel Takimoto

66-67—John Kaneko
68—Robert Moriguchi
69-70—John Bull

71—John Nishizaka

SAN FRANCISCO

Pioneer Chapter
Organized 1928

28-29—Saburo Kido
30—Henry Takahashi
31—George Togasaki

32—Saburo Kido
33—Henry Takahashi
34—Dr. T. T. Hayashi

35—Dr. Carl Hirota
36—Dr. Kahn Ueyama
37—Tamotsu Murayama

38—Mikio Fujimoto
39—Saburo Kido
40-41—Henry T. Uyeda

42—David Tatsuno,
Henry Tani
Reactivated May 11, 1945

Roy Takagi (org.)
45—David Tatsuno
46—Yoshiaki Moriaki

47—Dr. Tokuji Hedani
48—Yoshiye
Togasaki, Yukio Wada

49—Yukio Wada
50—Victor Abe
51—Yasuo W. Abiko

52—Fred Y. Hoshikawa
53—Dr. Shigeru R. Horio,
Kei-Hori

54-55—Jerry Enomoto
56—Hatsuro Aizawa
57-58—Jack Kusaba

59—Steve Doi
60-61—John Yasumoto
62-63—Tad Ono

64-65—Eddie Moriguchi
66—Don Negi
67-68—Mrs. Yo Hironaka

69—Wesley Doi
70—Fred Abe
71—Geo Yamasaki Jr.

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY

Organized Apr. 28, 1933
Shizuko Shirane (org.)

33-34—Frank T. Tanaka
35—Dave Nitate
36—James Katayama

37—James Katayama
38-39—Masaru Kawashima
40—Shigeru Hashimoto

41—George Ima
42—Henry Kuwabara
Reactivated Apr. 2, 1967

67—Dave Ito
68—Frank Tanaka
69-70—David Ito

71—Deni Uejima

SAN JOSE

Organized 1923*
*First organized in 1923 as the American Loyalty League, its subsequent records are missing. The name was changed to JACL in 1930 and when it was reactivated in 1945, it was merged with the Santa Clara County United Citizens League until 1954.

23—Kay Nishida
24-31—Records Missing
32—Harry Tanaka

33-36—Records Missing
37—Shig Matsunaga
38—Phil Matsumura

39—Wayne M. Kanemoto
40—Henry Mitral
41—Roy Ozawa

42—Shig Matsunaga
43—Kay Nishida
44-51—Records Missing

52—Records Missing
53—Shig Matsunaga
54—Phil Matsumura

55—Wayne M. Kanemoto
56—Henry Mitral
57—Roy Ozawa

58—Shig Matsunaga
59—Kay Nishida
60—Records Missing

61—Records Missing
62—Records Missing
63—Shig Matsunaga

64—Phil Matsumura
65—Wayne M. Kanemoto
66—Henry Mitral

67—Roy Ozawa
68—Shig Matsunaga
69—Kay Nishida

70—Records Missing
71—Records Missing

SAN LUIS OBISPO

Organized March 1931
31-33—Ernest K. Iwasaki
34—Mrs. Kofuji

Fukunaga
35—
36—Ben Fujiwaki

37—Sam Oda
38—
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40—George Horiuchi
41-42—Karl Taku
Reactivated Aug. 22, 1946

43—Karl Taku
44—Joe H. Kamitruka,
Pat Nagano

45—Hiro Fuchiwaki
46—Masaji Eto
47—Pat Nagano

48—Kazuo Ikeda
49—Haruo Hayashi
50—Saburo Ikeda

51—George Nagano
52—Seirin Ikeda
53—Mitsuo

54—Chick Furuya
55—Richard Tokumaru
56—Mike Hide

57—Richard Tokumaru
58—Jerry Kawano
59—Tom Hiramatsu

60—Tom Hiramatsu
61—George Ohashi

JACL Bowling Tournament Champions

300 Games by Nisei Bowlers

National JACL assumed sponsorship and coordination of the then Intermountain Nisei Bowling Tournament at Salt Lake City from 1947 to work for elimination of the "whites only" restrictive membership in national bowling organizations.

In 1950, the National JACL Advisory Board on Bowling was organized and the women's division became a part of the official JACL tournament. In 1951, the tournament gained sanction for the first time under the American Bowling Congress and Women's International Bowling Congress following the elimination of race as a qualification for membership in these bodies.

In 1958, JACL began to recognize "300" games bowled by Nisei in regular play. The following year, the bowlers began to contribute to a special 300 Fund to recognize bowlers rolling perfect games within the tournament.

In 1962, JACL expanded tournament eligibility to those who are members for two consecutive years including the year of the tournament. The annual tournament champions are:

MEN'S SINGLES	
1947 Dr. Jun Kurumada, SLC, 601	
1948 Larry Kusumoto, Chgo., 676	
1949 Gene Sato, Honolulu, 651	
1950 Gene Sato, Honolulu, 646	
1951 Shun Nakayama, Denver, 692	
1952 Dr. Jun Kurumada, SLC, 692	
1953 Henri Takashi, S.F., 691	
1954 Ed Eda, Chicago, 630	
(tie) George Inai, S.F., 630	
1955 John Kasano, San Jose, 670	
1956 Bob Shiba, Salt Lake, 655	
1957 Yulene Takai, Sacramento, 654	
1958 Ace Mori, Pocatello, 685	
1959 Shiro Kikabayashi, L.A., 681	
1960 George Otsuki, Denver, 644	
1961 Tok Ishizawa, L.A., 607	
1962 Shio Torio, Honolulu, 713	
1963 Roy Kunitake, Chgo., 689	
1964 Fuzzy Shimada, San Jose, 715	
1965 Hal Kim, Hawaii, 696	
1966 Preston Morihiko, Den., 681	
1967 Mas Kinoshita, L.A., 738	
1968 Hal Kim, Hawaii, 684	
1969 Ito Tachiyama, L.A., 682	
1970 Hiroko Sugimachi, Japan, 672	

MEN'S DOUBLES	
1947 Shio Torio-Harley Kusumoto, Chgo., 1095	
1948 Mush Matsumoto-Tak Fujitani, Honolulu, 1191	
1949 Dick Ikeda-Tate Nagase, San Francisco, 1196	
1950 George Kobo-George Yasuhiro, Los Angeles, 1179	
1951 Shoro Hiratani-Ken Takano, SLC, 1181	
1952 George Inai-Kayo Hayakawa, San Francisco, 1174	

Bowling Tournament Sites

Date, Host Chapter	No. of Teams M F	Tournament Chairman	Date, Host Chapter	No. of Teams M F	Tournament Chairman
1-1947 Mar. 29-30, Salt Lake Temple Alley	22 4	Maki Kaizumi	14-1960 Mar. 1-5, Denver	62 29	John Sakayama
2-1948 Mar. 6-7, Salt Lake Temple Alley	32 10	Bill Honda	15-1961 Mar. 6-11, San Jose Mel's Palm Bowl	126 48	Mel's Palm Bowl
3-1949 Mar. 4-6, Salt Lake Temple Alley	36 14	Choppo Umemoto	16-1962 Mar. 5-10, Salt Lake Rancho Lanes	100 44	W. Misaka
4-1950 Mar. 3-5, San Francisco Downtown Bowl	58 22	Gish Endo	17-1963 Mar. 4-9, Long Beach Premier Lanes	96 42	Tom Miyawaki, Jim Okida
5-1951 Mar. 16-18, Los Angeles Vogue Bowl	44 20	Harley Kusumoto, Dick Fujitaki	18-1964 Mar. 3-7, Sacramento Country Club Lanes	108 66	Dubby Tsugawa
6-1952 Feb. 22-Mar. 2, Denver Elitche's Lane	44 16	John Noguchi	19-1965 Mar. 8-13, Mile Hi Celebrity Sports Center	74 30	Bob T. Miyada
7-1953 Feb. 27-Mar. 1, San Francisco Downtown Bowl	68 20	George Inai	20-1966 Mar. 7-12, San Francisco Downtown Bowl	100 44	Kayo Hayakawa, George Inai
8-1954 Mar. 5-7, Chicago Hyde Park Bowl	57 12	Randy Sakada	21-1967 Mar. 6-11, Prog. Westside Holiday Bowl	78 30	Easy Fujimoto
9-1955 Mar. 3-6, Long Beach Ken Mar, Virginia Bowl	64 24	Easy Fujimoto	22-1968 Mar. 5-9, Seattle Imperial Lanes	64 28	Fred Takagi
10-1956 Mar. 1-4, Salt Lake Pal-D-Mar, Rocky Ford	64 22	Choppo Umemoto	23-1969 Mar. 3-8, San Jose Futurama Lanes	90 36	Orzie Shimada
11-1957 Mar. 6-10, Eastbay Albany Bowl	80 24	Mo Katow	24-1970 Mar. 2-7, Mile-Hi Celebrity Sports Center	68 28	John Noguchi
12-1958 Mar. 3-4, Seattle Recreation Bowl	66 26	Fred Takagi	25-1971 Mar. 1-6, Salt Lake Ritz Classic Lanes	110 44	Gene Sato, Wat Misaka
13-1959 Mar. 2-7, Los Angeles Holiday Bowl	118 32	Easy Fujimoto, Roy Yamada	26-1972 Mar. 6-11, Gardena (Locale to be announced)		(Chairman to be named)

Bowling Proprietors: Ask your chapter representative to place your greetings on this page next year.

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1953 George Gee-Henri Takahashi, San Francisco, 1269	
1954 Rocky Yamana-Art Omori, Chicago, 1249	
1955 Lawrence Fujimoto-Horace Iwanaka, Hawaii, 1186	
1956 Gish Endo-Fuzzy Shimada, San Francisco, 1256	
1957 Charles Sonoda (S.L.C.), 1256	
1958 Shozo Hiratani (L.A.), 1267	
1959 Johnny Yashukochi-Howie Ueyehara, Los Angeles, 1267	
1960 Shig Nakagiri-Jack Miyake, Los Angeles, 1273	
1961 Tad Yamada-Sam Kawanishi, Los Angeles, 1243	
1962 John Yashukochi-George Wong, Los Angeles, 1272	
1963 Howie Wong-Tom Yego, Sacramento, 1246	
1964 Tom Miyawaki-Bill Okubo, Denver, 1237	
1965 Hit Okada, Los Angeles, Gary Yamaguchi, Gardena, 1418	
1966 Ken Matsuda, 1257	
1967 Hank Narasaki-Sandy Kaya, Eastbay, 1257	
1968 Shig Nakagiri-Tak Rikimaru, Los Angeles, 1317	
1969 Jin Sakamoto-Mas Ono, Sacramento, 1264	
1970 Sanford Kaneshiro-Gene Silva, Hawaii, 1277	
1971 Chio Tachiyama, Honolulu, 1283	

MEN'S TEAM	
1947 L.A. JACL All Stars, 2636	
1948 Paul Ishizawa, Tad Yamada, Tok Ishizawa, Nob Ishizawa, Bowman Chung, 1231	
1949 Skada Insurance, S.L.C., 2849	
1950 Tad Sako, Shio Hiratani, Maki Kaizumi, Dr. Jun Kurumada, George Kikada, 1231	
1951 Robertson's Nursery, L.A., 2808	
1952 George Kobo, George Takeuchi, Yo Nomura, Kaz Katayama, George Yasuuchi, 1231	
1953 Towata Flowers, Alameda, 2809	
1954 Larry Kusumoto, Chgo., 676	
1955 Gene Sato, Honolulu, 651	
1956 Gene Sato, Honolulu, 646	
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1975 Ito Tachiyama, L.A., 682	
1976 Hiroko Sugimachi, Japan, 672	

MEN'S ALL EVENTS	
1947 Shig Hironaka, Ontario, 1719	
1948 Shio Torio, Chgo., 1718	
1949 Larry Kusumoto, L.A., 1779	
1950 Dick Ikeda, Chgo., 1779	
1951 Shun Nakayama, Denver, 1777	
1952 Ken Yee, Sacramento, 1837	
1953 Shio Torio, Chgo., 1837	
1954 Rocky Yamana, Chgo., 1834	
1955 Ko Aihara, Long Beach, 1834	
1956 Fuzzy Shimada, S.J., 1834	
1957 Yulene Takai, Sacramento, 1834	
1958 Henry Arakaki, Honolulu, 1907	
1959 Moore Furuoka, Gdn., 1822	
1960 Shun Nakayama, S.F., 1822	
1961 Tok Ishizawa, L.A., 1822	
1962 Shio Torio, Chgo., 1918	
1963 Dick Ikeda, Chgo., 1917	
1964 Fuzzy Shimada, Hawaii, 1918	
1965 Hal Kim, Hawaii, 1881	
1966 Gary Yamaguchi, Gardena, 1881	
1967 George Otsuki, Chgo., 1881	
1968 Hal Kim, Hawaii, 1910	
1969 Gary Yamaguchi, Gardena, 1910	
1970 Ken Namimatsu, S.J., 1839	

VETERANS ALL EVENTS	
1941 Gish Endo, San Leandro, 1776	
1942 Shio Torio, Chgo., 1776	
1943 Ace Mori, Pocatello, 1776	
1944 Ken Yee, Sacto., 1877	
1945 Moon Katsuka, L.A., 1775	
1946 Gary Yamaguchi, Gardena, 1881	
1947 Hiro Kiyasuga, Gardena, 1881	
1948 Fuzzy Shimada, S.J., 1875	
1949 Sam Kawahara, Chgo., 1881	
1950 George Inai, Long Bch., 1810	

OVERALL EVENTS	
(15 Games)	
1943 Al Ah Sam, L.A., 3095	
1944 Taro Miyasato, Hawaii, 3267	
1945 Ken Yee, Sacto., 1877	
1946 Moon Katsuka, L.A., 1775	
1947 Gary Yamaguchi, Gardena, 1881	
1948 Hiro Kiyasuga, Gardena, 1881	
1949 Fuzzy Shimada, S.J., 1875	
1950 Sam Kawahara, Chgo., 1881	
1951 George Inai, Long Bch., 1810	

WOMEN'S SINGLES	
1947 Betty Kurokawa, Salt Lake, 528	
1948 Amy Konishi, Denver, 510	
1949 Masa Ikebuchi, Salt Lake, 533	
1950 Maxine Kato, Ogden, 531	
1951 Chiochi Watanabe, L.A., 546	
1952 Aiko Fujimoto, L.A., 531	
1953 Chiochi Tashima, L.A., 548	
1954 Yo Shigehara, Chgo., 549	
1955 Emi Murotsune, San Jose, 563	
1956 Lois Yut, Seattle, 563	
1957 Miki Sasaki, Richmond, 563	
1958 Kay Yuto, Eastbay, 568	
1959 Nobu Asami, Oakland, 562	
1960 Mats Ito, Denver, 566	
1961 Roy Kunitake, Chgo., 568	
1962 Lucy Minamishin, S.J., 608	
1963 Lillian Sato, Honolulu, 607	
1964 Nobu Asami, Chgo., 607	
1965 Mary Yuba, L.A., 609	
1966 Shio Shimizu, Mtn. Vw., 614	
1967 Amy Hayashi, L.A., 732	
1968 Yuri Mura, Sacto., 732	
1969 Sets Harada, Rocky Ford, 732	
1970 Marge Morishige, Dnv., 615	

WOMEN'S DOUBLES	
1947 Rosa Higashi-Eiko Watanabe, Denver, 1030	
1948 Amy Konishi-Helen Mura, Chgo., 993	
1949 Julia Wong-Mickey Tsuruta, Denver, 993	
1950 Iris Weidner-Mickey Tsuruta, Los Angeles, 1033	
1951 Yoyo Konishi-Fumi Lee, Seattle, 989	
1952 Lois Yut-Kate Yokoyama, Seattle, 978	
1953 June Jue-Chiochi Tashima, Los Angeles, 1023	
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1955 June Jue-Chiochi Tashima, Los Angeles, 1023	
1956 Mary Matsumura-Mas Fujii, Los Angeles, 1092	
1957 Maxine Kato-Ogden, 1092	
1958 Rosa Maveda (Denver), 1130	
1959 Mickey Oyama-Lois Yut, Seattle, 1120	
1960 Chiochi Tashima-Judy Sakata, Los Angeles, 1171	
1961 Beverly Wong-Dusty Minamishin, Los Angeles, 1171	
1962 Lillian Sato-Betty Ramirez, Honolulu, 1153	
1963 Shiz Nakawaka-Judy Lee, Los Angeles, 1112	
1964 Nancy Fujita-Sumi Shimada, Eastbay, 1159	
1965 Muts Lym-Edie Fujitaki, San Francisco, 1258	
1966 Jeanne Kusumoto-Alice Fong, Los Angeles, 1159	
1967 Mari Matsumura-Judy Lee, Los Angeles, 1140	
1968 Amy Hayashi-Pauline Louie, Los Angeles, 1204	

OVERALL EVENTS	
(11 Games)	
1953 Mari Matsumura, L.A., 2296	
1954 Judy Sakata, L.A., 2296	
1955 Judy Lee, L.A., 2281	
1956 Masy Kobayashi, Seattle, 2404	
1957 Nobu Asami, Richmond, 3176	

SPECIAL EVENTS	
MIXED DOUBLES	
1947 Grace Ota (SLC)-Shio Torio, Chgo., 1064	
1948 Amy Konishi-Sam Kawanishi, Denver, 1080	
1949 Julia Wong-Shiochi Watanabe, Los Angeles, 1051	
1950 Yoyo Konishi-Tak Shibuya, Seattle, 1064	
1951 Marge Miyakawa-Pluto Shimamura, Los Angeles, 1192	
1952 Julia Wong-Dixon Ikeda, San Francisco, 1133	
1953 Inez Kama (Honolulu), 1067	
1954 June Jue, L.A., 1110	
1955 Chiochi Tashima (L.A.)-George Inai, S.F., 1174	
1956 Ito Tachiyama-Judy Lee, Boise Valley, 1127	
1957 Amy Hayashi-Pauline Louie, Shimada, San Francisco, 1130	

MEN'S DIVISION	
Event	Score
Team	3,262
Doubles	1,418
Singles	738
All-Events	1,980
Veterans	1,877
Overall-Events	1,877
(15G)	3,267
(18G)	3,678
6-Gm Sgls	1,417
Ragtm Dbls	1,503
High Game	298
High Series	787

WOMEN'S DIVISION	
Team	2,870
Doubles	1,258
Singles	732
All-Events	1,844
Veterans	1,827
Overall-Events	1,827
(13G)	2,828
(16G)	3,176
4-Gm Sgls	885
Mixed Dbls	1,350
High Game	289
High Series	732

MEN'S DIVISION	
Holder	Year Made
Hawaii Perennial Stars	1964
Hit Ohara, L.A. and Gary Yamaguchi, Gardena	1964
Mas Kinoshita, L.A.	1967
George Hirabayashi, Sacramento	1967
Ken Yee, Sacramento	1964
Taro Miyasato, Hawaii	1964
Gary Yamaguchi, Gardena	1969
Ted Nomura, Lodi	1969
Ashley Hung-Alfred Papas, Hawaii	1964
Pete Kataoka, Los Angeles	1969
Gary Yamaguchi, Gardena	1964

WOMEN'S DIVISION	
Holder	Year Made
Jewels by George, L.A.	1967
Muts Lym-Edie Fujitaki, San Fran	1964
Amy Hayashi, L.A.	1967
Amy Hayashi, L.A.	1967
Judy Sakata, Los Angeles	1964
Nobu Asami, Richmond	1969
Alice Fong, Los Angeles	1964
Judy Lee-Gary Yamaguchi, L.A.	1967
Dorothy Andrade, Hawaii	1967
Amy Hayashi, L.A.	1967

1958 Carol Suguro (Seattle)-Chiochi Tashima (Honolulu), 1176	
1959 Mas Fujii-Tad Yamada, Los Angeles, 1184	
1960 Mats Ito (Denver)-Harold Sogi (Hawaii), 1160	
1961 Muts Lym (S.F.)-Richard Yokoyama (Hawaii), 1220	
1962 Mats Ito-Ken Matsuda, Denver, 1191	
1963 Doris Soto-Kin Mune, Denver, 1191	
1964 Dusty Minamishin (L.A.), 1267	
1965 Toshi Inahara-Rich Shigemura, Chgo., 1208	
1966 Lois Yut (S.F.)-Dixon Ikeda (Santa Clara), 1171	
1967 Judy Lee-Gary Yamaguchi, Los Angeles, 1350	
1968 Eiko Nomura, L.A.-Dick Shigenaga, Denver, 1144	
1969 Dusty Minamishin-John Suzuki, Los Angeles, 1230	
1970 Kondo-Harry Furukawa, Denver, 1206	

MEN'S 6-GAME SINGLES CLASSICS	
1947 Frank Sehara, Denver, 1384	
1948 Clarence Matsumoto, Honolulu, 1466	
1949 Taki Taketomo, L.A., 1466	
1950 Taki Taketomo, L.A., 1466	
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1967 Taki Taketomo, L.A., 1466	
1968 Taki Taketomo, L.A., 1466	
1969 Taki Taketomo, L.A., 1466	
1970 Taki Taketomo, L.A., 1466	

MEN'S 4-GAME SINGLES CLASSICS		1954
1949	Frank Schars, Denver (7 games)	BART OKADA, June 16—Sum- ner Mixed Foursome, Main Bow- Seattle.
1950	Clarence Matsumoto, Hono- lulu (8 games)	GEORGE INAI, Oct. 31—Nis- Majora, Downtown Bowl, Sa- Francisco.
1951	Taki Takemoto, L.A. (15 games)	1956
1952	Tats Nambu, F.F.	KAZUO OHNO, Jan. 13—Indus- trial League, Chicago.
1953	Shigeo Shimada, S.F.	KAZ KATAYAMA, Apr. 20—Ex- aminer Tournament, Vogue Bow- Los Angeles.
1954	Shig Nabeta, Chicago,	1957
1955	Angel Kageyama, Sacra.	JIM SAKAMOTO, 8-5—Mis- League, Sherman Oaks Bowl, Sa- Jose.
1956	Shigeo Takemoto, Tokyo	TED KAWAMURA, May 5—Hon- olulu Senior Open, Kailahi Bow- Honolulu.
1957	Rick Namba, San Carlos 1220	
1958	Dick Ung, L.A.	
1959	(George) Earl, Long Beach, Haw. 1943 but lost 1-6 game roll-off to Ung)	
1960	Sit Tringali, L.A.	
1961	Wong, Reda, Sacto.	
1962	Howie Wong, Sacto.	

Chapter All-Time Highs

Records of individual Chapter Membership have been maintained by National Headquarters since 1946. This listing of all-time highs in membership by chapters was prompted by the belief that knowledge of these facts would bolster chapter efforts and possibly boost the national mark to

28,000 by the time the next convention is held in Washington in 1972. National JACL membership reached a new plateau, with 25,349 active as of Nov. 18, 1970.

New all-time highs are as of Nov. 17. There were 20 chapters breaking their previous all-time highs this year.

Pacific Northwest	Yr.	Central California	Yr.	Intermountain	Yr.
District Council	1,662 1968	District Council	1,353 1970	District Council	1,816 1961
Columbia Basin	63 1954	Bakersfield	73 1959	Ben Lomond	136 1950
Grisham-Troudt	109 1968	Clovis	104 1970	Boise Valley	206 1959
Mid-Columbia	160 1968	Delano	59 1955	Idaho Falls	157 1959
Portland	329 1967	Fowler	128 1955	N. Olympia	264 1965
Puyallup Valley	164 1968	Fresno	340 1970	*Northern Utah	40 1960
Seattle	695 1968	Parlier	179 1956	Pocatello	228 1950
Spokane	142 1969	Reedley	174 1956	Rexburg	68 1957
White Riv. Valley	88 1968	Sanger	207 1970	Salt Lake City	567 1961
		Selma	151 1960	Snake River	386 1961
		Tulare County	205 1970		

—Inactive Chapters

Pacific Southwest	Yr.	Mountain-Plains	Yr.
District Council	7,341 1970	District Council	1,182 1956
Arizona	281 1969	*Albuquerque	96 1955
Coachella Valley	106 1957	Arkansas Valley	111 1956
Eden Township	334 1970	Fork Lupton	163 1962
Florida	181 1955	Monte-Hi	660 1957
French Camp	203 1965	*Mile-Hi	51 1949
Gilroy	145 1970	*No. Wyoming	47 1950
Livingston-Merced	123 1965	Omaha	183 1966
Marysville	390 1965	*Rio Grande Vly.	37 1949
Monterey	385 1966	San Luis Valley	124 1960
Oakland	278 1965		
Placer County	465 1965		
Reno	87 1970		
Sacramento	924 1965		
Salinas Valley	313 1970		
San Benito	69 1966		
San Francisco	1,704 1965		
San Jose	1,765 1968		
San Mateo	285 1950		
Sequoia	568 1970		
Sonoma County	497 1966		
Stockton	658 1965		
Watsonville	415 1966		
West Valley	107 1970		

Outstanding Membership Enrollment Awards were initiated in 1964 by then national membership chairman Dr. David Miura to recognize performance at the chapter level.

In addition to presenting enrollment awards for all-time high performances in the year, the recognitions are made according to the size of the chapter and to be acclaimed a "category" winner, the highest percentage-increase within each of the six categories is the determining factor.

The chapter recognized with the highest percentage of increase "nationally" is indicated by an asterisk in the table below and the amount of that percentage is indicated at the right-hand column.

The title of "Ichiban Chapter" is awarded the chapter with the

Ichiban	I (Over 500)	II (300-500)	III (200-300)	IV (150-200)	V (100-150)	VI (Under 100)
1964—San Jose	San Jose	Sacramento	Sequoia	Hollywood	Downtown L.A.*	Gilroy
1965—San Francisco	San Francisco	Stockton*	Hollywood	Alameda	French Camp	Fremont
1966—San Jose	San Jose	Monterey	San Francisco	San Fernando	Beno*	Dayton
1967—San Jose	San Jose	West Los Angeles	West Los Angeles	Mid-Columbia	N. San Diego	Spokane*
1968—San Jose	San Jose	West Los Angeles	West Los Angeles	Cortez	Dayton	Spokane*
1969—San Jose	San Jose	West Los Angeles	West Los Angeles	Sanger	Spokane	(None)
1970—San Jose	San Jose	West Los Angeles	West Los Angeles	Sanger	Gilroy	Clovis

* Highest Percentage Increase nationally. Amount indicated at right-hand column of this table.

National JACL Scholarship Program

Applications for the high school graduate scholarships administered by the National JACL are submitted upon nomination of a JACL chapter. Each chapter is limited to one nominee per year. JACL membership of parents or student is not a requisite for nomination. In areas where JACL chapters do not exist, applications are summarily returned.

For the collegiate and graduate scholarship, chapters are not restricted to the one nominee per year provision specified for high school graduate awards.

HIGH SCHOOL

Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka Memorial

The Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka Memorial Scholarship has been administered by National JACL Headquarters at the request of his mother, Mrs. Haruyo Masaoka of Venice, Calif., who gives an outright grant of \$200 to a most deserving Nisei high school graduate in the country.

Since 1959 an additional \$100 is awarded—the sum being donated by Dr. James T. Mimura of Royal Oak, Mich., co-recipients of the first scholarship.

From 1964, the other co-recipients of the first scholarship Dr. Harry Abe of Wantagh, L.I., N.Y., has added another \$100. From 1968, National JACL contributed \$100 to make the total award \$500.

1970—Beverly E. Hashimoto, Livingston-Merced

1969—Dale Ikeda, Clovis

1968—M. Kevin Sakakihara, Florin

1967—James Sakamoto, Jr., Pasadena

1966—Jonathan R. Ochi, Idaho Falls

Kenji Kasai Memorial

Established in 1969, the Kasai Memorial Scholarship of a single \$500 award is in memory of a San Francisco Issei pioneer and civic leader, 1970—Julia Yamaoka (Stockton)

1969—Joel Thomas Sumida, (Mile Hi)

1968—Thomas Tadano, Arizona

1967—Ronald Inouye, Mt. Olympus

1966—Thomas Yoneda, Sonoma County

1965—Ted Sakano, Snake River

1964—Selji Itahara, Chicago

1963—David Yamakawa, San Francisco

1962—Hideo K. Kamatsu, Twin Cities

1961—Curt Sugiyama, Detroit

1960—Cherry Tsutsumida, Arizona

1959—Ken Tokiyama, East Los Angeles

1958—Grace Taketa, Washington, D.C.

1957—Joseph Tanaka, St. Louis

1956—Kaz Oshiki, Nebraska

1955—Harry Abe, New York and Toshiaki Mimura, Chicago

1954—William Mochizuki (Cloviss), Nancy Lynn Yamashita (Boise Valley)

1953—Steve Nishibayashi, (San Gabriel Valley), Karen T. Yamashita, (Gardena Valley)

1952—Nelson Nagai (Stockton), John M. Morihisa (New York)

1951—Dennis George Uyemura (Hollywood) and Michael Warren Keith (Cleveland)

1950—Alan T. Miyamoto (Southwest L.A.), Kenneth K. Murata (Sacramento), Linda K. Kobata (Long Beach), Dennis K. Fujita (Sonoma County)

1949—Anne Miwa Kanomata (Pocatello), William Yasuo Hayashi (Sonoma County), Daniel Okimoto (Pasadena)

1948—Tokihiko Matsuoaka Scholarship—Denson Gen Fujikawa (Long Beach)

1947—Esther Handa (Fremont)

1946—Cleveland

1945—Philadelphia and Washington, D.C.

1944—Washington, D.C.

1943—Milwaukee

1942—Milwaukee

1941—Milwaukee

1940—Milwaukee

1939—Milwaukee

1938—Milwaukee

1937—Milwaukee

1936—Milwaukee

1935—Milwaukee

1934—Milwaukee

1933—Milwaukee

1932—Milwaukee

1931—Milwaukee

1930—Milwaukee

1929—Milwaukee

1928—Milwaukee

Col. Walter Tsukamoto Memorial

Two \$250 awards are given each year by Mrs. Tomoye Tsukamoto in memory of her late husband, Col. Walter T. Tsukamoto, JACL national president.

1970—Barbara Ann Yasui (Portland), Stan Fujishin (San Jose)

1969—Leslie Furukawa (Santa Maria), Mary Ann Nakadate (Portland), Randy Fujishin (San Jose), Richard Nishikawa (Marysville), Steve Matsumoto (Contra Costa)

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1967—Clyde Muneoka (San Fernando Valley), Nancy Jo Katagiri (Chicago), Judith Morishita (Chicago), Mildred Kawauchi (Gardena Valley), Jon Nakagawara (Puyallup Valley)

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For Better Americans in a Greater America

Through the columns of this Holiday Issue, we would like you to meet the Nisei (rhymes with KNEE-SAY)—Americans of Japanese ancestry.

The Nisei are a comparatively new and infinitesimal minority in American life. On the mainland of the United States there are about 200,000 of them. Despite distinctive features, they are Americans not only by birth, but by upbringing, education and choice.

Like other Americans, the Nisei come in various sizes, shapes and vocational callings.

There are Nisei butlers and gardeners. There are also Nisei space scientists, judges, college professors, engineers, surgeons and editors. They grow food on farms and flowers in greenhouses. They seek the solution to the mysteries of cancer and other diseases in medical laboratories. Three Nisei represent the State of Hawaii in Congress. There are

Nisei jockeys and ministers of the Gospel, cab drivers and Air Force pilots, financiers and social workers, house painters and architects. There are Nisei serving the United States abroad in both the armed and diplomatic services. There are even a few Nisei—a very few—in jail.

Things in Common

The only thing they have in common, aside from their pride in American citizenship, is their ancestry. Their parents, Issei (meaning "first generation"), came as immigrants to the United States about the turn of the century. Just as immigrants from Europe first tended to settle on the East Coast, these newcomers from Japan remained largely in the Pacific coastal states.

Today, Nisei live in every one of the 50 states, moving wherever opportunities beckon them. Perhaps it is only

natural that the largest number on the continental mainland live in the most populous state, California.

The immigrants from Japan came to the United States in search of freedom and opportunity. Like any immigrant group the Issei faced many adjustments. Their problems were accentuated by differences in appearance, customs and language. They found that rather than being praised for their industry, they were accused of lowering standards of living. Instead of being hailed as pioneers of the still undeveloped West, they were regarded as intruders. Politicians found in them a convenient scapegoat, harrasing them with cries of the "yellow peril."

But these new immigrants persevered. They helped build the railroads and develop raw land into productive farms. They cleared timber and mine coal. Their crime rate was

low. Hardly any became public charge. Their children rarely became delinquents. They were peaceful, hard-working, self-reliant Americans in every way except the most important—our laws prohibited them from becoming naturalized citizens because of their race. And so legally, they remained aliens.

Prejudice Remains

But their children, the Nisei were citizens by birth, and the Issei looked to them to bridge the gap of misunderstanding and prejudice. The Nisei, however, soon learned they had inherited the problems as well as the pioneering courage of their parents. Many persons refused to look beneath the Oriental features of these young men and women and recognize them as fellow Americans entitled to the privileges and responsibilities of citizenship. The Nisei found doors closed to jobs for which they were qualified, housing denied them outside the Oriental ghettos.

As the older Nisei reached voting age, they realized their struggle for acceptance might be strengthened through unity. A handful of Nisei from California, Oregon and Washington met in Seattle in 1930 and formed the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL).

Today the JACL is the national organization representing Japanese Americans. Its objective is defined by its slogan: "Better Americans in a greater America." The story of this organization is an inspiring account of a group of young Americans treasuring their birthright, defending it, and seeking to be worthy of it.

Of course all its purposes were not so earnestly serious. The JACL also had its social and fraternal aims. But in their effort to become exemplary citizens, the Nisei quickly became aware that in a democracy laws are the people's safeguard, and good citizens take an interest in government. It is perhaps significant that delegates to the first JACL convention took two actions demonstrating the importance they placed on the privilege of American citizenship. They adopted resolutions calling on Congress to:

- Permit Nisei girls who had married alien Japanese to regain their citizenship, through an amendment to the Cable Act.
- Grant citizenship to Oriental-born men who had served in the United States armed forces in World War I.
- Both measures subsequently were enacted into law.

JACL Grows

During the 1930's, as more and more Nisei attained their majority and became aware of civic responsibilities, additional chapters of the JACL came into being. This was a period of growth and development for the Nisei who, individually, were largely preoccupied with the problems of economic and social adjustment. These problems, already complicated by the inherited prejudices, were intensified during the closing years of the decade by a situation over which they had neither control nor connection. Their fellow Americans, outraged by Japan's aggression in the Far East, misdirected their wrath against Japanese Americans.

The Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, shocked and angered the Nisei as it did all Americans. The Issei, most of whom had lived virtually all their adult lives in the United States, were stunned. Thousands of Nisei already were in U.S. Army uniform. Many others, with the blessing of their parents, rushed to enlist.

But the old prejudices were fanned into hysteria against all Japanese Americans. The Issei, through no fault of their own, were quickly classified as enemy aliens. For the Nisei, it was another matter. In historical perspective, it is possible to document the fact that racism, political opportunism and economic greed created pressures which fed on fear and led to what has been described as the "blackest chapter" in the history of American democracy.

On March 2, 1942, the United States government ordered all persons of Japanese extraction, citizen and alien alike, removed from the West Coast solely on the basis of race, and locked in inland relocation camps.

Thus began the mass evacuation of 120,000 men, women and children, two-thirds of them American citizens, months after danger of invasion had passed. No charges were filed against them. No hearing was held as to their loyalty. They were simply ordered out of their homes and escorted behind barbed wire by armed troops in an action unprecedented in American history.

During the period of mounting hysteria that preceded the evacuation order, JACL leaders worked valiantly for a restoration of reason. They

tried to calm the fears of Issei and Nisei, cooperated fully with the authorities, sought to remove possible misunderstanding by the American public at large regarding the loyalty of Japanese Americans, protested their case to government policy-makers.

But the pressures were too great. Once the evacuation decision was made—and explained by the government on the basis of "military necessity"—the JACL had no alternative but to urge the Issei and Nisei to cooperate in the evacuation as a patriotic contribution to the war effort.

There were other considerations. To resist as a matter of principle—while a tempting course of action, could well have led to bloodshed. Cooperation was essential to demonstrate Nisei loyalty to their country in a time of crisis. Furthermore, the JACL recognized that while a case might be made for the rights of the American citizen Nisei, there was no recourse for their now enemy alien Issei parents and separation of families posed serious complications.

In retrospect, observers have marveled that the evacuation was completed almost without incident, for the loss of freedom was a bitter experience to the Nisei. The cruel blow was the feeling of being repudiated by their own government, of knowing that a basic American principle was being violated when they were imprisoned for having the wrong kind of ancestors. It was a particularly grim time for the Nisei already in the U.S. Army who saw their families placed in desert camps ringed by barbed wire and guarded by military police. At the time, the loss of 400 millions of dollars in assets—businesses closed, farms abandoned, homes boarded up and furnishings sold for pennies on the dollar—seemed unimportant in relation to the affront to human values and democratic ideals.

Mature, Fighting JACL

Almost overnight in this trying period the JACL became a mature, fighting organization. With a courage based on faith in America, JACL leaders were making plans for the fight ahead even as the evacuation was under way. They launched a vigorous program of public education, cooperating with civilian government agencies set up belatedly to safeguard the

welfare of the evacuees, seeking relief through the courts from organized persecution. A test case challenging the legality of the evacuation was taken to the United States Supreme Court. In California, when the Native Sons of the Golden West sought to strike the names of Nisei evacuees from the rolls of registered voters, the JACL took successful legal action to block this raid on their birthright.

In 1942 JACL representatives petitioned the government to reinstate Selective Service which had been suspended with the evacuation for the Nisei. Early in 1943 the War Department decided to create an Army regiment made up of Nisei volunteers. While the idea of a segregated unit was repugnant, the Nisei recognized the public relations value of such an organization, working together, going into action as a team. Hundreds of volunteers from the relocation centers and from Hawaii joined Nisei already in service to form the celebrated Japanese American 442nd Central Postal Directory. Their motto was "Go For Broke"—Hawaiian slang for "shoot the works," or "all or nothing."

In a series of actions in Italy and France, the 442nd became the most decorated unit of its size and length of service in American military history. These G.I.'s with Oriental faces fought not only for the nation, but also for acceptance for themselves and their families. How valiantly they battled to prove themselves is indicated in these figures—18,143 individual decorations, 9,486 (309%) casualties and seven Presidential Distinguished Unit Citations collected in seven major campaigns.

Military Intelligence

Nor was the Nisei military record confined to the European theater. Though little publicized because of the nature of their duties, some 10,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry served in military intelligence as the "eyes and ears" of Allied forces in the Pacific. They were with every major unit in every Pacific engagement from the Aleutians and Guadalcanal to the march into Tokyo and the occupation of Japan. They served in the front lines and in headquarters from Pearl Harbor to Burma. Analyzing intercepted communications, interrogating prisoners, translating captured documents, persuading die-hard enemy troops to surrender, the Nisei saved thousands of American lives and helped shorten the war in the Pacific by many months, according to General MacArthur's Chief of Staff for

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Military Intelligence. Even the Navy and Marines, which refused to induct Nisei, borrowed these language specialists from the Army.

These Nisei faced a double-dilemma in the Pacific: from the enemy and from fellow G.I.s who might mistake their identity. In tribute to them, Gen. Joseph (Vinegar) Joe Stilwell, commanding general of U.S. Army forces in Asia, remarked: "The Nisei bought an awful big hunk of America with their blood."

As restrictions against the evacuees were eased, other Nisei as well as Issei left the relocation centers to take part in the civilian war effort. They helped harvest food crops and worked in defense plants. Issei with specialized skills served with the Office of Strategic Services, taught the Japanese language to Army, Navy and Air Corps personnel, wrote propaganda leaflets which were rained down on the enemy, monitored enemy broadcasts and played key roles in psychological warfare.

The outstanding record of persons of Japanese ancestry during the war bore out the truth of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's statement that "Americanism is a matter of mind and heart, Americanism is not... a matter of race or ancestry." Despite widespread rumors—rumors which are hard to stamp out—the files of every government investigative and intelligence agency show conclusively that not a single resident alien Japanese or American of Japanese ancestry committed an act of sabotage or espionage for the enemy before, during, or after the attack on Pearl Harbor.

In 1943 the government's program of resettlement got underway. Although the West Coast was still closed to them, the evacuees were permitted to leave the relocation centers and move to communities in the East and Midwest. In cooperation with federal authorities and national church organizations, the JACL assisted in the student relocation program whereby Nisei college students were able to continue their studies in inland schools. Entire families were resettled in communities throughout the American

homeland and were accepted almost without incident. This acceptance was due in part to the exemplary conduct of the evacuees themselves, in part to the good will of Americans who showed they understood the meaning of democracy. But the largest part of the credit must go to the dramatic reports from the European front where the Nisei of the 442nd were proving themselves in battle. The Nisei's loyal response to the War Department's decision to create "a symbol of the loyalty of Japanese Americans" was paying off.

On the home front JACL stepped up its program of public education and established regional offices in Denver, Chicago, and New York to assist in the resettlement program. As Japanese Americans sank roots into new communities, it was only natural that JACL chapters should be formed wherever they settled in appreciable numbers. At the same time JACL membership, heretofore restricted to Japanese Americans, was opened to all citizens who subscribed to its principles and many friends of the Nisei joined.

Meanwhile, deeply concerned over the precedents set by the Evacuation, JACL had sought judicial reviews of the constitutionality of all aspects of the program. Three landmark suits reached the United States Supreme Court.

In 1943, in a suit brought by Gordon K. Hirabayashi, the Supreme Court ruled unanimously that the curfew and travel restrictions imposed on Japanese Americans were a legal application of military authority.

In 1944, in the JACL-sponsored Fred Korematsu case, the majority of the Supreme Court upheld the legality of the evacuation based solely upon race. Three justices dissented.

But late in 1944, the Supreme Court ruled unanimously in the Mitsuye Endo case that the government had no right to detain loyal American citizens in the relocation centers. Within 48 hours the Army revoked its West Coast exclusion orders.

One legal victory had been won, but it is a disturbing fact that the Supreme Court's decision legalizing evacuation on racial grounds still stands. The JACL agrees with Mr. Justice Jackson's warning that the decision is a "loaded weapon" pointed at democratic rights, and a reversal of the decision is an important piece of unfinished business in the aftermath of an ugly chapter of American history.

The reopening of the Pacific Coast clearly revealed the hand of the racists. Having lost the fight to exclude Japanese Americans legally, these elements resorted to threats and violence in an effort to discourage evacuees from returning to homes, farms and businesses. On shameful record are more than 100 cases of arson, shootings and beatings against returning evacuees. By these acts of terrorism, they demonstrated that their cry of "evacuate the Japs as a military necessity" was a sham. Their alleged concern for national security turned out to be a front for blind racial prejudice or desire for personal economic gain.

But the majority of residents of the West Coast subscribed to principles of decency and fair play, and about three-fourths of the evacuees moved back to their home communities. Again, JACL was in the vanguard, establishing "outposts" in San Francisco and Los Angeles to help in the adjustment of

homecoming.

One by one the barriers fell. Nisei and Issei reestablished homes and businesses, returned to old jobs or found new ones and sought to resume lives disrupted by the Evacuation. One major acknowledgment of the loyalty of the Nisei was the Navy's announcement late in 1945 that its ranks would be open for their enlistment.

Postwar Convention

In their first postwar national convention, JACL members assembled in Denver in 1946 with the sober realization that the organization must spearhead a fight to secure, once and for all, the rights for which Nisei G.I.s had gone "for broke." Their wartime experiences had taught them the realistic lesson that only in organization is there strength, that organization is essential even in making a minority group's needs known to its own government. Among their goals were three measures aimed at rectifying injustices against persons of Japanese ancestry:

- Legislation to change federal law classifying Issei as "ineligible to citizenship" even though they had resided in the United States a half century or more. This law was the basis for which legalized discrimination against Issei in many states.
- Compensation for property losses suffered in the evacuation.
- Stay of deportation for deserving alien Japanese who had lost the right to reside in the United States as "treaty merchants" on the outbreak of war. Many of these individuals had American-born families.

Such an ambitious program could succeed only through a campaign of public education beginning with communities which had been receptive to Japanese Americans. New JACL chapters and established National Councils shall be necessary for the determination of all issues, questions, and lashed in the East and Midwest where evacuees had settled permanently, and old chapters were reactivated as the Nisei returned to their West Coast homes.

Today the JACL membership roster reflects the extent to which Japanese Americans have spread out across the United States. Whereas before the war JACL chapters were found only in a half dozen states in the Far West, now there are chapters and members in 32 states and the District of Columbia. Thus, out of the war, JACL emerged a truly national organization both geographically and in scope of program.

To implement the national program, a JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee was incorporated and an office opened in Washington, D.C. JACL had not forgotten that Washington officials in 1941 had been woefully ignorant about this American minority and had allowed West Coast pressure groups to dictate national policy regarding them. JACL leaders realized, too, that there are no spectators in a democracy, and that good citizenship means active participation in government. And so the organization has become the collective voice of the Nisei, and the JACL finds itself being consulted on matters of national policy having to do with Japanese Americans.

Since JACL represents a small minority without effective voting power, its approach to Washington in seeking its objectives was an appeal for simple justice backed by a record of loyalty testified by fire.

By the time of the next JACL convention in 1948 Congress had passed an act to compensate evacuees for their losses, and had consented to place deportation of Japanese

treaty merchants on the same basis as those of other nationalities, thus assuring them of being able to stay with their American-born families.

In addition, through JACL representations, the Soldier Brides Bill was amended to permit the Japanese spouse and children of American servicemen to enter the United States without regard to the Japanese Exclusion Act. This enabled Japanese, for the first time since the Exclusion Act of 1924, to enter this country for permanent residence. JACL was also successful in restoring tenure, cancelled as a result of Evacuation, to Nisei in federal civil service. Additionally, Congress passed more than 200 private bills benefiting individual Issei and Nisei. Significantly, every bill passed without a dissenting vote.

In 1952, JACL's major legislative goal of citizenship privileges for the Issei was realized with passage of the Immigration and Nationality Act eliminating race as a qualification for naturalization. This Act also allowed for the first time a token migration quota for Japan, negating the 1924 Oriental Exclusion Act which many historians say planted the seeds of resentment which resulted ultimately in war. JACL's plea that certain prospective citizens be permitted to take their examination in their native language enabled many other long-time resident aliens of various nationalities to qualify for American citizenship.

Elimination of the category "aliens ineligible for citizenship" had widespread repercussions. Some 500 federal and state statutes aimed against and hindering the progress of such aliens, and in many cases their citizen children were wiped out.

To assist Issei in qualifying for the citizenship they had desired for so long, JACL chapters conducted naturalization classes. So great was the response that for the first time in history the Immigration and Naturalization Service conducted mass swearing-in ceremonies. Despite the advanced age of most Issei, the record shows that in proportion to their number more of them became citizens than in any other nationality group.

Old Age Assistance

JACL also interceded successfully for two groups of Issei with special problems. California was persuaded to grant old age assistance to Issei unable for one reason or another to secure naturalization and who had lived in the United States at least 25 years prior to passage of the 1952 Naturalization Act. The naturalization petitions of certain Issei were challenged on the ground that they had sought exemption from World War I military duty on the plea that they were aliens. Precedents were established when courts in San Francisco and Denver accepted JACL's position that

classification as exempt aliens was involuntary and made automatically by local draft boards.

The President's Immigration Act Amendments of October 1965, eliminating the discriminatory Asia-Pacific Triangle and the National Origins formula in determining immigration quotas, marked the achievement of another major JACL goal. In effect it placed immigration from all Asian countries, including Japan, on an equal basis with other Old World countries, including Europe. Significantly, of all organizations supporting the liberalization of the nation's immigration laws, JACL was first in urging equal treatment for the peoples of Asia.

JACL carried on its campaign for equal rights in courts and state legislatures as well as Congress. In the Oyama case the U.S. Supreme Court established the right of a citizen child to receive a part of land from his alien parent. This led eventually to the California State Supreme Court declaring unconstitutional the 40-year-old California Alien Land Law in the Fujii and Masoka cases. JACL subsequently succeeded in removing this law from the state constitution through referendum. Also as a result of the Oyama case the State of California discontinued what has been referred to as "legalized blackmail" of Japanese landowners by requiring out-of-state money settlements to the state to clear land titles. The state was later to return such exchequer monies by action of the legislature.

In the Takahashi case the U.S. Supreme Court invalidated the California law denying commercial fishing licenses to resident alien Japanese.

The battle against discriminatory laws on the state level has been particularly effective. JACL participated in drives to repeal alien land laws in Oregon, Utah, Idaho and Washington, and in eliminating anti-miscegenation laws in Idaho, Nebraska, Utah and Wyoming. JACL helped make Idahoans aware of an obscure statute denying the privilege of voting, serving as jurors and holding office to "Chinese and others of Mongolian descent" not born in the United States, even thought citizens. The laws were wiped off the books by overwhelming referendum vote.

JACL's campaign for equal rights has not been confined to persons of Japanese ancestry.

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cestry. Realizing that a threat to the rights of any minority is a threat to all Americans, JACL actively has supported the President's Civil Rights program, state and federal Fair Employment and Fair Housing laws, anti-lynch and anti-poll tax bills, and the end of segregation in the armed forces. JACL has been a charter member of the National Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, the coordinating body for more than 100 national organizations representing church, labor, veterans and ethnic groups.

On matters of general concern, but affecting Nisei indirectly, JACL has joined with other organizations as "friend of the court" in making its views known. JACL played such a role in Brown v. Board of Education, the historic school desegregation case, and in the case in which the U.S. Supreme Court invalidated restricted covenants. JACL participated in the campaign to uphold California's fair housing laws, and joined in amicus brief in the State Supreme Court reversal of the referendum prohibiting the State from providing open housing.

In *Loving v. Virginia* where the U.S. Supreme Court ruled against anti-miscegenation statutes in the States, JACL filed amicus brief and its National Legal Counsel participated in oral argument.

JACL is proud to have had a part in the campaign for statehood for Hawaii, advocating the staunch Americanism of its people, one-third of

whom are of Japanese ancestry.

JACL has felt it of utmost importance that all Americans be made aware of their fellow citizens of Japanese extraction and their place in the nation. An intensive information and education program has been carried on. Among the highlights have been:

- A gala homecoming arranged for veterans of the 442nd on their return from Europe, with President Truman reviewing the unit.
- Reburial ceremonies for Nisei soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery with high government and military leaders in attendance.
- Naming of a U.S. Army transport in honor of Pvt. Sadao Munemori, posthumous recipient of the Medal of Honor.
- Cooperation with the city of Bruyeres, France, in dedication of a memorial park in honor of the 442nd Combat Team, for the role it played in liberating that community.
- Sponsoring services at Arlington National Cemetery commemorating the twentieth anniversary of the 442nd, resulting in an unprecedented two-hour tribute to Nisei servicemen in the House of Representatives.
- Cooperation with Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer in production of the film, "Go for Broke," a tribute to the war record of the 442nd.
- Cooperation with the Columbia Broadcasting System in production of its TV program, "Nisei—The Pride and Continued on Next Page

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CHAPTER PULSE

1971 Chapter Officers

Richard K. Tanaka will head the San Jose JACL cabinet for the coming term, succeeding James N. Ono, who held the reign for the past two years.

Sapporo population

TOKYO—Sapporo has become Japan's eighth city to have a million population—1,010,016 as of Oct. 1. Sapporo is preceded by Tokyo, Osaka, Yokohama, Nagoya, Kyoto, Kobe and Kitakyushu in that order.

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the Shame," in the Twentieth Century series.

In addition, the JACL has been the primary source of information for a host of writers and editors, scholars and students, officials and organizations seeking factual information about Japanese Americans.

One of JACL's current functions is as a "watchdog," alert for movements and proposals both in Congress and state legislatures which might have a possible effect on the welfare of Japanese Americans. In this role it has fought discrimination in cemeteries, protested the production of "hate" films depicting Japanese Americans in a false light and the revival on television of wartime movies that portray the Nisei wrongfully. Through JACL's efforts, inaccuracies in textbooks concerning Japanese Americans have been corrected. JACL has pointed out the derogatory implications in the word "Jap" with the result that several standard dictionaries have revised their definition of the term and it has all but disappeared from newspaper headlines.

In 1960 JACL launched a project of researching and writing the history of the Japanese in America and their contributions to this nation. While designed as a tribute to the Nisei, the project was in keeping with the JACL's educational program and to highlight the rich cultural heritage of Americans of Japanese descent. The University of California at Los Angeles has accepted co-sponsorship of the history project and has been designated as a repository for documentary material collected by researchers. Both the Carnegie

Corporation and the National Institute of Mental Health have made grants to further the project.

In recent years an increasing number of Nisei—the children of Nisei—for a better understanding of their identity and backgrounds and for knowledge about the struggle of their parents and grandparents to find acceptance in American life. A number of Junior JACL groups have been formed under sponsorship of JACL chapters as an important part of the JACL program. Unhindered by discrimination, these young people already are making significant contributions to their communities and in their fields of endeavor. JACL has established a national scholarship program as a step toward perpetuating the Nisei heritage of academic achievement.

The Japanese American JACL's governing body is

the National Board, members of which are elected at the biennial national convention held each even-numbered year. Legislative powers reside in the National Council composed of two representatives from each chapter which in turn are grouped geographically into eight District Councils: Eastern, Midwest, Mountain-Plains, Intermountain, Pacific Northwest, Northern California-Western Nevada, Central California and Pacific Southwest.

There are now 92 chapters with total membership exceeding 25,000. The organization is supported through dues and contributions. Associate membership is provided those who reside in areas not served by chapters. JACL is incorporated as a non-profit organization under the laws of the state of California and enjoys state and federal tax exempt status.

JACL publishes a weekly news organ, The Pacific Citizen, in Los Angeles to keep the membership informed and to mirror the aims, activities and achievements of Japanese Americans. The Pacific Citizen has a proud record of hard-hitting leadership and reporting in the best American journalistic traditions. JACL also maintains a national credit union and offers a health and accident insurance program.

As in all democratic organizations, it is the local JACL chapters which provide grass roots support for the national organization. At the local level they carry on programs of public education, community welfare and youth development; they sponsor informative sessions on local and current issues; organize athletic leagues and social events; undertake voter registration and get-out-to-vote campaigns. In short, they serve as channels for the wider participation of Japanese Americans in the total life of their respective communities.

The current acceptance of Americans of Japanese ancestry, as contrasted with their position in 1941, is both a measure of the effectiveness of the JACL and a demonstration of the ability of a democracy to redress wrongs within its framework.

Congressman Walter H. Judd of Minnesota paid eloquent tribute to the Japanese American Citizens League in a statement, titled "Touchstone of Democracy," published in 1955 on the occasion of its 25th anniversary, in the Congressional Record:

"The JACL story for their first 25 years is an inspiring document of democracy in action, at the best, an epic which could have been written only in America and which completely refutes the hate and race mongers of only a few years ago who charged that the Japanese, by their very character, were unassimilable into the American cultural pattern, which itself as we all know, is made up of the cultures and the contributions of all the many peoples who have immigrated to these shores since time immemorial, as did the ancestors of all of us.

"But perhaps even more important in the long pull of history is that, what the JACL has accomplished here in the United States is living proof to all the free peoples of the world, and especially to those in the Far East who are so important to us as a nation today, that the democratic way is best, for it makes possible the correction of abuses and wrongs and the achievement of justice and redress on the basis of the complete record and of individual merit, not race, color, creed or national origin."

In its ceaseless struggle for the extension of the rights and privileges of America to every citizen, the JACL has been guided by the spirit of its "Japanese American Creed." It was written by Mike M. Masaoka, long-time Washington representative of the JACL. It was first read before the United States Senate on May 9, 1941, and published in the Congressional Record.

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54-Mrs. Ruth
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Organized June 5, 1946
45-Dr. Joseph Sakai
46-Dr. Joseph Sakai
47-Harry Shironaka
48-Harry Y. Hogue

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Organized Feb. 8, 1939
50-Lloyd Kunatata
51-Dr. Warren Itokazu
52-Joe Ono
53-Joe Murotani
54-Joe Ono
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56-Lloyd Kunatata
57-Joe Murotani

BAY DISTRICT
Organized Dec. 1, 1938
58-Frank Mizusawa
59-George Inagaki
60-Philip Nakasaka
61-Joe G. Masaoka
62-Decentralized to Santa Monica, Venice and West Los Angeles chapters

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Pioneer Chapter
Organized Dec. 15, 1938
59-James W. Ito
60-Charles M. Akita
61-William Kawai
62-Ernest Fujimoto
63-Records missing
64-Lyle Kuroki
65-Harvey Suzuki
66-George Kubo
67-Ernest Fujimoto
68-Hatsuo Morita
69-Shigeo Imamura

CHACHELLA VALLEY
Organized Oct. 1948
47-Henry Sakami
48-Tom Sakai
49-George Shibata
50-George Shibata
51-Mas Oshiki
52-Elmer Suzuki
53-Tek Yoshimoto
54-Charles Shibata
55-Ben Sakami
56-Hatsuo Morita
57-Tom Sakai

DELTA
Organized Dec. 19, 1933
35-Dr. Akio Hayashi
36-Harry Shironaka
37-Harry Y. Hogue

EASTBAY
Organized May 1947
47-Tad Hirota
48-Masaji Fujii
49-Tad Hirota
50-Wataru Miura
51-Masatatsu Yonemura
52-Decentralized to Oakland, Berkeley, Richmond, E. Contra Costa Chapters

EL CENTRO
Organized Sept. 30, 1938
35-Yutaka Nakashima
36-Shinji H. Miyata
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EL PASO
Organization Date Unknown
35-Willie Ando

GLENDAL
Organized May 27, 1938
36-Miss Kiyo Kuramoto

GREELEY
Organized June 24, 1944
48-Tek Yoshimoto
49-Hiroto Uno
50-Karen Oishi
51-Hiroto Uno
52-Hiroto Uno
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KINGSBURG
Organized 1952
52-Mats Ando
53-George Fukuzaki
54-Kiyoshi Nobusada
55-Hiroshi Higashi
56-Misako Ishii
57-George Makabe (org.)
58-Shigeo Morita
59-Tom Uchida
60-Yoshimi Aizawa

MONTANA
Organized Apr. 10, 1949
49-Tom Koyama
50-George Kawamoto
51-Yasuo Noyematsu
52-Harvey Abo
53-Sam Shirasago
54-Yugo Noyematsu
55-Jim Shirasago
56-Mrs. Harriet Nagashima
57-NORTH FLEET
Organized Date Unknown
40-Henry Kiyomura
41-Henry Mitral
42-Masago Shibuya
43-Henry Mitral
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NORTH FLEET
Organized 1941
42-George Kuroki
43-George Kuroki
44-George Kuroki
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NORTHERN UTAH
Organized 1942
42-Nobuichi Sato
Reactivated 1960
60-Harold S. Tama
61-Harold S. Tama
62-Harold S. Tama
63-Harold S. Tama
64-Harold S. Tama
65-Harold S. Tama
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67-Harold S. Tama
68-Harold S. Tama
69-Harold S. Tama
70-Harold S. Tama

NORTHERN WYO.
Organization Date Unknown
41-Tom Nagashima
42-Tom Uchida
43-Yasuo Noyematsu
44-No officers
45-Mrs. Harriet Nagashima
46-Jack Ando
47-Jack Ando
48-Jack Ando
49-Jack Ando
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OKLAHOMA
Organized 1942
42-George Kuroki
43-George Kuroki
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PASADENA
Organized 1942
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SOUL OF EVACUEES REVEALED

Heart Mountain WRA Camp residents sound off before a Dies Committee investigator

(Setting the general scene of 1943, and of Heart Mountain WRA Center in particular for the text of a Dies Committee investigation, is our veteran PC columnist Bill Hosokawa who served as editor of the Heart Mountain Sentinel in the early years. — Editor.)

By BILL HOSOKAWA
Go with me back to 1943. The month is May. A year and a half have passed since the United States was plunged into World War II. In Europe an ever-growing force of Allied bombers is subjecting Germany to round-the-clock raids. In the Pacific theater the fury of the island-hopping war has been forgotten for the moment in the horror of a report that an Australian hospital ship has been sunk by a Japanese submarine with heavy loss of life.

foods — 23 cents for a No. 2 can of Libby's peaches, 13 cents for a No. 2 of Del Monte tomatoes.

The Target: WRA
And for many members of Congress, it's politics as usual. Their special target is the War Relocation Authority, a civilian agency stuck with the unpopular, unpleasant job of administering the War Relocation camps. WRA's assignment is two-fold: Operate the camps as best you can; get the people out of the camps as quickly as possible.

The nature of this assignment makes WRA a sitting duck for the super-patriots, the rabble-rousers, the demagogues, the intellectually lazy, the honestly concerned but badly misinformed politicians gathered under the banner of the House Committee on Un-American Activities. It is better known as the Dies Committee for its chairman, Martin Dies of Texas.

But while WRA is the target, innocent bystanders — the

Japanese Americans confined in the relocation camps — are being peppered by the committee's shotgun attacks. It is not a pleasant experience.

The Dies Committee was formed primarily to probe subversive activities by Communist and Fascist agents. The probe quickly degenerated into a witch-hunt which, in the estimation of many level-headed observers, did far more bad than good. It was in the traditions of the Dies Committee for Congressman John M. Costello of California to organize a subcommittee to go after WRA with charges of pampering the evacuees and endangering the national security by mismanaging the camps.

Resentment Stirs
All this led to growing restlessness in the camps. Most of the evacuees had been behind barbed wire more than a year.

The shock and numbness were wearing off. Resentment over the injustice of the evacuation was welling to the surface after a hard winter in the dis-

comfort of the camps. The evacuees — Issei and Nisei alike — had complied with the Army's evacuation order as a demonstration of their loyalty. Now they felt outrage that the attacks on their loyalty, far from subsiding, were being stepped up.

WRA had not helped matters a few months earlier when it bungled the Army's so-called loyalty questionnaire, one of the few times it erred. The premise of the program — to determine a person's loyalty to the United States by having him fill out a printed questionnaire — was ridiculous on the face of it. Moreover, the questionnaire was so badly worded, the program so confused, that many persons had answered the key questions involving loyalty with reservations or an outright "No" when, in truth, they didn't mean that at all.

But the "No" answers gave Costello's subcommittee the opening it was looking for. On May 16, the Associated Press filed a report out of Washing-

ton saying that two agents of the Dies Committee, Tom Cavett, former chief investigator for the District Attorney's Office in Los Angeles, and Gene Hagerg would investigate Heart Mountain WRA camp in Wyoming.

Questionnaire
The AP story went on to say the Dies investigators were chiefly concerned with the presence in the camp of 1,200 Japanese who replied in a questionnaire that they wished to be sent to Japan to fight for the emperor.

They had said nothing of the kind, but such a distorted inference was typical of the tactics employed by the Dies people, and typical of the reporting of the day.

The story, quoting Robert Stripling, Dies' chief investigator, continued that although the loyalty questionnaires had been circulated in February, "no action has been taken against these 1,200 admittedly disloyal residents of

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'Color me real,' say PNW Asians

(Pacific Northwest Bell Telephone Co's monthly magazine, "Cascades," is circulated to some 50,000 readers within and outside the company. In the June, 1970, issue, a Seattle newspaperman sized up the Asian communities in Seattle and Portland with fresh understanding and candor in his article, "Color Me Real," which is being reprinted with permission. We see it as a valid slice of life among Asian Americans. — Ed.)

By DARRELL HOUSTON
Seattle

There is a revolution of sorts going on, right now, within the Asian-American communities of the Pacific Northwest. Although there have been some confrontations with police and some picketing, no fire-bombings, rock throwing or mass demonstrations have occurred. So far.

The more activist-inclined Asians have borrowed from the black militants' vocabulary such terms as "right on" and "up against the wall." But there are no Yellow or Brown Panther organizations. The talk is growing tougher, but nobody is really out to get whiteness. So far.

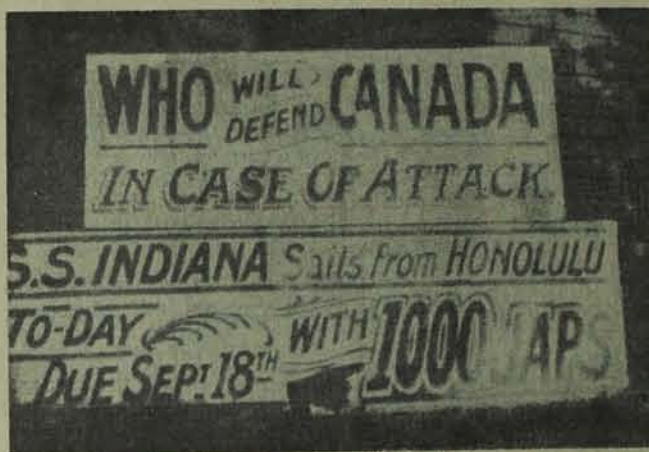
The "little brown brother," the "studious debt-paying Chinese," and the "well-behaved, law-abiding Japanese" are sick of what amounts to a century of sociological type casting, but they have not raised a concerted voice of outraged protest. So far.

Asian Militancy

The possibility of increasing militancy and self-assertion among the Asian minorities does indeed exist, however. And it is toward the white Establishment's archaic tendency to think of Orientals as stereotypes that much of the Asian-American's frustration and anger is directed.

"We are tired of being forced into the position of trying to be super-Asians," says Fred Cordova, a 39-year-old Filipino who is director of public relations at Seattle University. "We've got to be what we are; we've got to shake off the colonial mentality. The rebellion of Tonto against the Lone Ranger has come. The rebellion of Kato against the Green Hornet has come. As Asians, we have

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BILLBOARD JUDGMENT—Throughout British Columbia in the 1900s, the agitation for a "white man's Canada" was active.

Sensational methods of stirred up feelings were practiced in Vancouver.

Japanese in Canada

By KAZUMI MIYATA
Lakehead, Ont.

I — Introduction

The purpose of this study is to reveal the hidden truths regarding the prejudice and discrimination inflicted upon the people of Japanese ancestry from the time they arrived in Canada up to the present. Undoubtedly, a research on such injustices reminds one that these experiences were, and still are, a way of life for other minorities as well.

In order to present a, more or less, chronological account of discriminatory practices by the Canadian non-Oriental against the Japanese, it was necessary, first of all, to understand, not only the composition and attitude of the Canadian non-Oriental, but also to understand the Japanese

immigrants. By doing so, it was possible to relate this factor with the economic-social discrimination carried out against the Japanese.

Furthermore, it should be pointed out that the term non-Oriental is used rather than White since the Canadian Indian actively discriminated against the Japanese as well. Secondly, the term Japanese used throughout the paper refers to both citizen and non-citizen of Canada.

The next step was to relate the Japanese internment during World War II as the end result of the continual buildup of discrimination prior to the War, and not the Japanese attack of Pearl Harbor as history books suggest.

A detailed account then follows of the hardships and degradations encountered by the Japanese from this uprooting process.

The surrender of Japan on September 2, 1945, meant release and resettlement to the Japanese. However, it did not mean the end of hostilities. Additional restrictions were imposed although they eventually disappeared. Examples are given to reflect exactly what took place at this time.

From here, the study cites further practices of discrimination still encountered by the Japanese. It, then, concludes with a critical analysis of the present situation of the Japanese.

II — Non-Orientals: Composition and Attitudes

The arrival of the Japanese immigrants to Canadian soil occurred at a time of economic expansion and development in Canada, particularly on the West Coast. The year 1854 marked the first wave of many to seek their fortune in this strange land. By the turn of

the century, close to 5,000 Japanese had settled along Canada's most western province, British Columbia.

It was natural for the Japanese immigrants to choose British Columbia as their new home. It was, not only the proximity of Japan to British Columbia and the mild climate that lured them here, but also the opportunity to carry on with familiar occupations such as fishing and agriculture.

In addition, many of them came to work in this province on a contractual basis with companies like Wellington Colliery Company and the Canadian Pacific Railway.

When one considers that there were less than 1,000 Japanese in Canada in 1896, but, close to 5,000 by the turn of the century, it is obvious that they made their presence felt in the Canadian economic structure. Consequently, a paranoia developed among the non-Orientals in British Columbia.

Upon studying the composition of this non-Oriental population, it is understandable why this fear developed. "During the years when the most important regional attitudes were in the process of formation, the composition of the population had been markedly colonial. By this it was meant that they had been chiefly British stock, either by direct migration from the British Isles or by percentage just recently removed from the Isles.

In 1831, a total of 189,395 people directly from the British Isles in a British Columbia population of 894,263 was reported (1). Naturally, this colonial component was chiefly responsible over many years for

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South Park contributes \$10,000

(This coming year, another National JACL Scholarship will be awarded to some deserving high school graduate — thanks to a \$10,000 contribution from the South Park Japanese Community of Seattle. In brief, Seattle JACL Newsletter editor Eira Nagaoka chronicles a Japanese agricultural community which no longer exists. — Ed.)

By EIRA NAGAOKA
Seattle

Early this June the National JACL headquarter announced "an outright contribution of \$10,000 to National JACL for scholarship purposes from South Park Japanese Community of Seattle," and "beginning in 1971 it will be known as the South Park Japanese Community of Seattle Scholarship." And only three years earlier Seattle JACL chapter received a \$10,000 grant from Uchida Tamesa, former member of the South Park Japanese Association, to initiate Minoru Tamesa Memorial Scholarship Fund.

The history of South Park Japanese is the account of farm community found under the shadow of metropolis and subsequently being swallowed up in the process of city's growth.

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Showdown at Generation Gap

(What does an older Sansei, age 35, tell his younger Sansei, just turning 20 perhaps, about the life around them? William Marumoto, then assistant to the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare in Washington, was home briefly in Santa Ana to address the Orange

By WM. (MO)

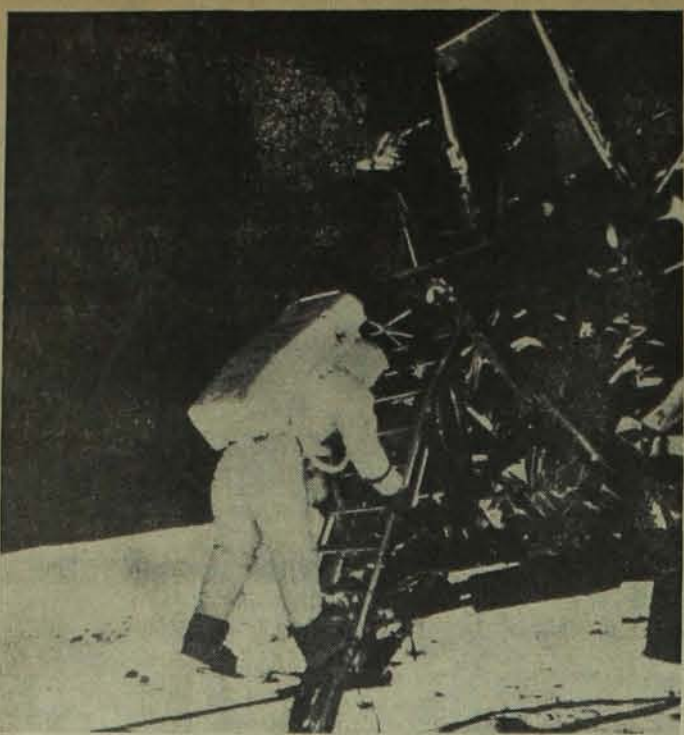
Newport Beach. It is my purpose to talk about the Orange County Japanese American Youth, which has a particular importance to me because I was among its founding members. When we began it in 1953, it was to pursue purposes which we thought, in that far off time, had overriding impor-

County JAYs at its annual banquet. Following is the text of Marumoto's speech delivered Sept. 3, possibly historic in that it's the first major speech by a Sansei before a Sansei group to come to our attention. — Ed.)

MARUMOTO

The thrust of the organization was three-fold: to provide a focal point for the Japanese American youth in this area for its social, athletic and community service activities.

Now I understand that the JAYs are in difficulty and I would like to consider what might be done about it. Don't turn to Section C-2



For the first time, man stepped on the moon. . . why cannot social progress keep pace?

Masaoka Report

Past biennium cited most extraordinary in 15 years

(Though Washington JACL Representative Mike Masaoka has rendered biennial reports to the Convention since named to the post in 1946, The Pacific Citizen began reprinting them for the record from the 1958 Holiday Issue. The biennial reports best summarize JACL's scope of activities at the Nation's Capital as well as JACL concern in all legislative-legal matters. — Ed.)
Washington, D.C.
July 12, 1970

In the biennium since the 20th Biennial National JACL Convention was held in San Jose, California, August 21 to 24, 1968, much has happened — to mankind and this planet, to the world, to this nation, to United States-Japan relationships, to Japanese Americans, to JACL, etc.

And, for the Washington JACL Office the past two years have been one of extraordinary activity, perhaps the most active in the past decade and a half.

For mankind, it was a time when man first landed on the moon, and successfully returned to earth. As the age of space was truly inaugurated, civilization once again asked the eternal question, why cannot social progress keep pace with scientific advancement?

For the world, tensions, unrest, and bloodshed continued in many parts of earth, particularly in Southeast Asia and in the Mideast as far as our country was concerned.

For the United States, after eight years of Democratic control of the government, the Nixon Administration assumed Executive authority, though the Democrats continued to dominate the Legislative powers through majorities in the House and the Senate of the Congress. Within the Judiciary, the liberal Warren era of activist interpretation ended and a period of strict constructionism of the Constitution began, even though in unprecedented actions two consecutive nominations to be Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States were rejected by the Senate.

U.S.-Japan Relations
For United States-Japan relationships, the agreed-upon 1972 revision of Okinawa, and the Ryukyu Islands, to the administrative control of Japan ended the post-World War II epoch and its client-partnership hopefully inaugurating a new era of cooperative, independent, mutually beneficial, equal partnership.

But in the area of trade and commerce, Japanese American relationships were strained and threatened to erupt into a trade war when, for the first time since the end of the Pacific War, Japan rejected the American proposal to voluntarily imposed export restraints on textiles destined for the United States. As the second century since Meiji dawned on Modern Japan, relations between Japan and the United States seemed both promising and foreboding.

To Japanese Americans and JACL, this was a time of inquiry into established institutions and ideals, of protest of the quality of life endured by particularly the disadvantaged and denied and deprived of the country, of searching for cultural identity and enrichment, of seeking meaningful expression of the American heritage for all, including others than those of Japanese ancestry.

Questions for JACL

As we view it, the JACL once more is at the crossroads; once again the times require that JACL determine what directions it should take and what general and specific objectives it should seek.

During the 1920s, JACL was a new idea among those of Japanese ancestry in the United States, with citizenship and assimilation as its primary goals. After it became a national association in 1930, its first decade was devoted to developing an effective organization that would be able to promote and protect the welfare of those of Japanese origin on the continental mainland of the United States.

The first half of the 1940 decade was one in which JACL, and persons of Japanese race, suffered through its greatest travail. But it was also the time when organizational and individual sacrifice earned the respect, and even the admiration, of American society, public and private, though some youth today may question the validity or the need for such status.

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JACL programs reviewed

(Internal affairs of JACL are chronicled by the National Director in his biennial report to the National Council. These have been reprinted in the even-numbered years for the past decade and a half for the benefit of our readers. — Editor.)

By MASAO W. SATOW
San Francisco
July 1, 1970

This report is not meant to be a complete and exhaustive one on the many activities in which National JACL has been engaged during this biennium. Rather, this is in supplement to the many other reports which will be submitted by certain members of the National Board, members of our staff and the Chairmen of our various National Committees, to present the total picture, although we detail those programs for which Headquarters is directly responsible.

Ours is essentially a layman's organization depending upon the voluntary efforts of members of the National Board, the Chairmen of Na-

tional Committees, plus many other volunteers at the District and Chapter levels. Too much cannot be said of the countless hours and dedicated efforts all have given to further the work of JACL.

MEMBERSHIP — Membership is an indication of the appeal, the support and participation in our various programs and activities and certainly the heart of our organization. 1969 saw the largest number of members ever recorded in JACL's long history with a total of 24,552 aided by all time membership highs in 18 Chapters and 28 other Chapters doing better than the year previous.

At the halfway mark this year, indications are that this number will at least be equalled if not surpassed, with 17 Chapters registering all time highs and 25 other Chapters ahead of last year's total.

CHAPTERS — This biennium we have added three new Chapters, namely the Greater Pasadena Area Chapter in Southern California, the West Valley Chapter in Northern California and the Chicago Liberation Chapter. The latter two are most recent, and it will be up to the National Board to determine their official participation in the National Council at this Convention.

Unofficial reports indicate intents to form several other new Chapters, but no official word has been received.

On the negative side, the Bakersfield Chapter in Central California became defunct, and in the Intermountain area Rexburg and Pocatello have declared themselves inactive for this year.

The smaller Chapter of Rexburg has included a number of retired naturalized Issei in its membership, leaving only a handful of active participants. Pocatello has determined to throw all its financial resources into liquidating the mortgage on its JACL building.

THE WAKAMATSU COLONY CENTENNIAL — An outstanding highlight of this biennium was the celebration of the Centennial of Japanese Immigration to the United States during 1969. With the first group of colonists from Japan coming to Gold Hill in Coloma, El Dorado County in 1869, it became natural for the Northern California - Western Nevada District Council to adopt the Centennial of the Wakamatsu Colony as a special project.

This District did an exceptional job spearheaded by a strong representative Com-

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Anger of evacuees at Heart Mountain surfaces

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The camp. All have been given the same rights and privileges as other members of the colony, including those who have volunteered for service in the American Army. WRA orders now permit Japanese citizens to hold various elective offices within the camp — judges, police officers and block managers."

Perhaps influenced somewhat by this report, the American Legion posts of northwestern Wyoming the next day passed a resolution urging that "disloyal Japanese" in the camps be treated as enemies and placed in prisons until they could be exchanged for American prisoners of war.

Scene at Heart Mountain

It was in this atmosphere that Hagberg arrived in the offices of Heart Mountain Project Director Guy Robertson and asked for a meeting with representative evacuees. The meeting was set for 2:15 p.m. May 24 in Robertson's office. Block chairman, elected by the people of each block of barracks, and block managers, functionaries named to look after the physical welfare of each block, attended the meeting (Block chairman were Nisei. Block managers were primarily Issei.)

It is impossible to say what Hagberg expected to hear from these people. The trend of the questioning indicates he hoped the evacuees would condemn the way WRA was running the camps. What he got, instead, was an articulate protest against the evacuation and the continuing attacks on the loyalty of the evacuees.

Shig Masunaga, chairman of the block managers, started off by declaring the forced evacuation of U.S. citizens without hearing or trial was un-American and urged an investigation into how the evacuation came about.

Minoru Yonemura, a block manager, assailed the unfair attacks against the evacuees by politicians and the press. "I can think of nothing more un-American," he declared.

Injustices Bared

The bitterness, the frustration, the anger of the evacuees boiled to the surface as man

after man got up to say his piece. By the time the meeting ended two hours and 45 minutes later, Hagberg had been given a crash indoctrination on the injustice of the evacuation, was set straight on the meaning of the negative answers to the loyalty questionnaire, and disabused about a great many rumors he had heard.

If Hagberg reported his findings to Stripling and Congressman Costello, nothing ever came of it for two weeks later they set up shop in Los Angeles and put on a circus-like performance with the undisguised intention of harassing and discrediting the War Relocation Authority.

A stenographer was present at the Heart Mountain meeting and she took verbatim notes. A copy of the transcript was uncovered recently in the files of The Pacific Citizen, and they are reproduced here in full to provide readers with an insight into the feelings and thoughts of Issei and Nisei leaders of the day — and their deep faith in America despite the bitter experience of the evacuation. The text follows:

Transcript of Hearing

Time: Hearing started at 2:15 p.m., May 24, 1943.

Place: Mr. Robertson's Office, Adm. Bldg., Heart Mountain, Wyo.

Conducted By: Mr. Gene Hagberg, Investigator for the Dies Committee investigating Japanese Relocation Centers.

Attended by (1) Block Chairmen, an organization consisting of a chairman to each block, elected by the people of the block. (2) Block Managers, an organization consisting of a manager to each block, appointed by the Project Director. (3) A few other interested residents of the center. (4) Mr. Gene Hagberg, Investigator, Dies Committee. (5) A stenographer.

Mr. Hagberg, opened the meeting by asking for comments from the residents of the Heart Mountain Relocation Center.

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Christmas Message for

Christmas is a feast day marked by more contrasts than any other holiday or holy day of the year. It has fascinated the minds and hearts of men for almost two thousand years with its historic reality and its mystery. People have always been moved by the contrasts of Christmas, the amazing wonder of the stable and the star, the very lowest and the very highest, the beasts of the field and the Lord of the world, the commonplace manger and the sudden miraculous Little Stranger whom angels and shepherds and richly robed kings came to adore.

"Glory to God in the highest!" rings out the Christmas hymn. The very heart of Christmas is that God came down from the highest to show that man even fallen to the very lowest was never beyond the endless mercy of God. Is anything lower than a stable? Foul - smelling and filthy, it is the very symbol of moral depravity. On the other hand is there anything higher than a star? Star-white, star-bright, it is radiant, luminous and pure.

In every one of us, there is something of the stable and something of the star. There is a proneness toward evil and yet there is a yearning for what is noble and good. At Bethlehem on the first Christmas God did not hover over the stable as an angel, above and aloof. He came down into the manger as a Child, to remind us that we were greater even than angels, because when He put on the garment of humanity we became the brothers and sisters of God! That was God's highest compliment to man, that was humanity's finest hour.

On that first Christmas when God left heaven, He seemingly left the gate ajar, and out streamed dazzling light, glittering music, angel wings, and a joy unknown before. Some of that joy still clings to the earth every Christmas. No matter what the weather, it is a day that flutters down from the calendar of heaven, falls among us, and we celebrate it on earth. It is one day in the year that is most heartwarming, when men live the way they secretly want to live all the year round...

It is not the time for people who think themselves better than other people. It is not the time for those who hate a single human being on this earth. It is not the time for those who hug ancient hurts to their cold-stone hearts and stubbornly refuse to forgive. Christmas is the day, that takes the meanest of men and makes him loving and forgiving. Christmas is the day, that takes the grumpiest and surliest and softens him into kindness. Philadelphia may mean brotherly love but it is only a name. Bethlehem, or at least its spirit, makes men behave as though they really were brothers. It makes people cry out "Merry Christmas" as they meet one another on Christmas morning. Even our wonderful non-Christians say "Merry Christmas" when they meet each other and their Christian neighbors on Christ's birthday. And in these days when being "meaningful" counts for much, it would be nice if all people learned the real meaning of the words.

This is what the words should convey: "May the peace and the love and simplicity and the unworldliness of Christ be yours on this the day of His appearance among us; may you be deeply happy in the knowledge that He came to make it possible for you to find peace on earth and greater peace beyond this world. And if there is anything I can do to help your Christ in carrying out His mission, and you to receive that mission, I want you to know that I am at His disposal." This could be the sentiment at Christmas even of the non-Christians, for Christ, in the estimation of all, even of those who refuse to accept Him as God, was truly a great Man. With that sentiment in mind, there would be no contrast, no contradiction, no hypocrisy on the part of anybody in saying "Merry Christmas" to one and all on Christmas morning.

And so, "Merry Christmas" to all of you, my fellow JACLers. May its meaning and spirit continue on in the year ahead.

—Fr. Clement
JACL Chaplain

Our Heartfelt Appreciation to Our Many Friends

December 25, 1970

Dear Friends:

During the yearend, when one thinks particularly of good friends and the truer meaning of the holiday season, may we take this means and opportunity to thank all who so graciously and generously contributed to the Mike M. Masaoka Testimonial this past summer.

Etsu, Midori and Michael join me in so inadequately expressing our heartfelt appreciation to the thousands who remembered us this past July, when the JACL was good enough to honor us with a testimonial banquet in Chicago. We regret that it was not possible to individually acknowledge each contribution and to try to explain how grateful we are for those expressions of friendship, affection and good will.

We know from looking at the list of the many donors that the contributions came mostly from those with whom we shared the "great adventure" of the last 30 years to gain greater respect and opportu-

nities, not for us of Japanese ancestry alone, but for all others who are privileged to live in this most promising land. So, in accepting these contributions, we have asked that the Testimonial Fund be dedicated to the common causes for which so many of us fought together for three decades and more — to improve the quality of life for all our citizens and to promote cooperation and an equal partnership between the United States and Japan.

And to the Issei who contributed the "around-the-world trip" for the family, may we say that we hope to take advantage of their thoughtfulness next summer. And that every mile, and every stop, will remind us of their kindness in remembering us for contributing little to something that they themselves had earned, the right of naturalization in this land of adoption and of their children's birth.

May this holiday season be a merry one, and may the new year bring good health, much happiness, and real prosperity to one and all.

Yours in JACL,
MIKE MASAOKA

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Evacuation of citizens without hearing illegal

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Shig Masunaga, Chairman of the Block Managers, Nisei: Our whole history goes back to the first stage of evacuation. Our first contention is that the process of evacuation of citizens of the United States without any hearing or trial is not a principle of Americanism as we have understood it.

In other words, we believe in all the principles of Americanism and the principles of Democracy, and we feel that this forced evacuation is something that we don't quite understand. It is not in keeping with the principles of Democracy.

We feel that some sort of investigation into the basis of the original proceedings should be instigated so that we, as American citizens would know just exactly why such a process was made. I will open the subject with these remarks and since this is an open hearing, I know there are a number of us that have a little bit to add along the same lines and I would like to have the rest of my colleagues elaborate on this subject.

Minoru Yonemura, Block Manager, Nisei: After evacuation and since we have been in this camp, aside from the various physical problems and difficulties we have had here, I feel that some of the attitudes of specific groups and of the public at large, has been definitely un-American.

The reason that morale in camp has had a tendency to wane in the last several months, I attribute directly to the fact that we who are behind barbed wires, who are not accused of any crimes, have been trying to defend ourselves against the vicious attacks from the public and press.

A large part of these accusations are absurd. No one has studied or gotten the true facts. They have to read the newspapers and refer to articles that breed, not only race hatred, but hatred against separate groups which, to me, smacks directly of Hitler's Aryan policies.

Anti-Evacuee Press

When such articles are written in such a vicious manner, it causes communities to bring pressure to bear against evacuees coming to their communities to seek employment and help out at a critical time when man-power is so essential. I can think of nothing more un-American.

We should have some means by which we can bring to the public-at-large the facts, the truth, in an unbiased straightforward manner so that people can get a picture of what we are like. We are just as much American as they are.

We want to help but unless we are given an opportunity to demonstrate our help, we are helpless. Would like to see an organization of some kind established so that these vicious falsifications of facts can be doubted by facts that cannot be questioned. I would like to have the ridiculous statements that have been made in recent weeks clarified. Any one person would hesitate seriously before opening himself up for ridicule.

We need an organization like other propagandists to combat putting us in such a bad light.

Thomas Sashihara, Block Chairman, Issei: Speaking about vicious propaganda, we have noticed in the paper that Senator Robertson, representing this part of the country, made a public statement in the paper accusing that 80% of the evacuees are disloyal.

We would like to have a committee, like the Dies Committee, investigate where Senator Robertson got such information and his motives for making such statements. As far as I know, that statement is false.

As far as we know, we are and have been loyal to the United States and are trying our very best to help in every program of the government.

Mr. Hagberg: (at this point, there was a long silence, to encourage the evacuees, Mr. Hagberg stated as follows): You are speaking through the record to Congress and there is no way in which they can learn of your problems and desires unless you state them.

Thomas Sashihara, Block Chairman, Issei: I would like to make a statement in regard to the relocation program.

I am in every accord with the relocation program of WRA as far as principle is concerned.

We should go out as soon as possible and co-operate with the nation's war effort, but the fact remains that a great number of Issei were owners of

businesses or independent operators of farms and the WRA is pursuing the relocation program under terms of job applications. They are trying to find various jobs but the people who have been engaged in business for a number of years are not very much interested in finding jobs.

Independent Farmers Most of the evacuees were farmers before evacuation. They were not farm hands but owned farms of their own. We would like to own our own farms and operate independently so that the whole family could work on these farms and we would have sufficient income to support them. We had to give up everything when we were evacuated.

We need financial aid from the government in order to relocate onto farms.

We would like to have a government agency find some means of relocating us in family groups and give us sufficient financial support to re-establish ourselves independently among our fellow Americans.

As far as my own circumstances are concerned, what I receive in this Center is not sufficient to support my family. I had sufficient money saved before evacuation to take care of myself. So far, I have had to add approximately \$500 to what I earn in order to support my family.

\$19 a Month

Since Sept. 1942, when I first came into camp, I have received \$19 per month for my work as a pharmacist in the hospital and a clothing allowance of \$16.75 for my whole family.

I would personally like to relocate, but in order to relocate, I would like to have financial aid from the government to establish myself in business. I have had almost 20 years of experience in business and I know that if the government would furnish enough capital, I would be able to establish myself. I don't ask for outright grant, I ask for a long term loan and I know I would be able to pay it back.

Rikio Tomo, Nisei: Five years prior to evacuation, I had a business in which I had an equipment investment of \$32,000 and merchandise valued at \$100,000. All of a sudden, this evacuation proclamation was issued. I would like to put my problem in your shoes. How would you dispose of this? If given time, it would have been a different thing.

My business was frozen foods, a new business. I lost the entire investment. If government officials would realize that if I had to suffer, 80 or 90% of the evacuees have suffered accordingly.

To have the government relocate us on job seeking propositions, is almost impossible. Certainly can't go out with a family on \$20 or \$25 a week pay. So, some assistance by the government should be made.

Business Debts Met

Mr. Sashihara, spent \$500 in the center. I have spent in the neighborhood of \$1,500 since evacuation. This does not mean that I have spent the entire amount on my family circumstances, but have made, without any revenue certain contract payments. I have to keep my good name. Couldn't afford to leave my debts behind.

Some people may be able to economize and live on \$500 from his own pocket besides what he is getting here, but you consider that the family head is the only employable person in a family of 6, he certainly can't subsist.

If you will check the daily sales of Community Enterprise in this camp, you will find the daily sales amount to \$3,000 per day, spent by the evacuees themselves.

Howard Nomura, Block Manager, Nisei: In this problem of relocation, I believe we are all aware that the country needs man-power and we should all do our bit in the war effort. However, when we stop to consider, there is a question as to whether we want to relocate or not.

Government officials in Washington say we are not interested in going out of camp, that we are interested in staying here and getting fat. If they would only put themselves in our situation — we are individuals, born and raised in this country on the principles of Democracy.

It is hard for us to get relocated and get the same things the other Caucasians get. If Caucasians have trouble finding housing, it is doubly tough

for Japanese to find housing.

We have always tried to feel that we should look at the situation in Caucasian eyes, but if the Caucasians would only look at it from our eyes instead of considering us lazy, etc., they could see the situation as a whole.

All we want is the same chances as other Americans. We could produce just as well as they.

Sam Nagata, Supervising Clerk for Community Service, Issei: I have five articles relative to evacuation I wish to present to the Committee. Some of these have been sent to the President, some to Mr. Myer, WRA Director, some to the Justice Department. (The following exhibits prepared, signed and submitted by Mr. Nagata):

Exhibit A: "Japanese Evacuation and Minority Problem."

Exhibit B: "Japanese Resettlement Problem."

Exhibit C: "Is Blood Thicker than Water?"

Exhibit D: "This Is My Country."

Exhibit E: "The Intermountain States and the Japanese."

Mr. Hagberg: Exhibits accepted and will be made part of the record.

Rikio Tomo, Nisei: Why is it that the government objects to unit relocation?

Mr. Hagberg: I cannot speak for the government, nor can I render a personal opinion.

Rikio Tomo, Nisei: Two months prior to evacuation a group of us felt that we should move out. We had 15,000 acres in New Mexico lined up. This involved 250 to 500 families who would evacuate at their own expense. We had approval of the local people on the deal, it was submitted to General DeWitt and he turned it down.

Note: (At this point Mr. Rikio Tomo and Mrs. Thomas Sashihara submitted the following exhibits):

Exhibit F: Copies of correspondence to the President and heads of government agencies relative to evacuation. Submitted by Mr. Tomo.

Exhibit F-1: File including copies of speeches given by evacuees at a joint meeting of the Block Administrators and the Administrative staff. Applications for employment and etc. and an article: "I'd like to see," submitted by Mr. Tomo.

Exhibit G: A copy of a memorandum sent to John H. Province, Chief of Community Services, WRA, Washington, D.C., from the Temporary Council of Block Chairmen. This paper presents the desires and wishes on the whole evacuation problem and is submitted by Mr. Sashihara.

Minoru Yonemura, Block Manager, Nisei: On this question of relocation, the government through the WRA has approved relocating the evacuees into a number of occupations. There are any number of men and women in these camps who have been trained to the highest degree and are absolutely capable of carrying on various endeavors.

I feel that in order to give confidence, not only to the evacuees but also to the people on the outside, the government should take the initial steps and should employ as many as possible in government agencies to pave the way for employment of the evacuees in private business.

It would not only be taking the initiative but would be instilling the confidence of the government in the evacuees. They should also do whatever they can in utilizing this manpower in vital industries essential to the war effort in defense industries.

Job Discrimination

Rumor now is that Nisei will not be accepted in vital defense industries. It is things similar to that which tend to break down morale and have great weight in instilling loss of confidence in evacuees seeking outside employment. If we could be sure we would be given opportunity in defense industries and all lines of work and would not be discriminated against except for lack of ability to carry on some given job, then I think this relocation would be carried out in good order. Until given this assurance, we will be a little dubious as to how we will fare on the outside.

Shig Masunaga, Block Manager, Nisei: Relative to the relocation of farm families, at the time of evacuation, the WCCA worked in conjunction with the FSA. Any evacuee who had farm property had to be cleared through the FSA so that there was someone to look

after the farm while the evacuee was away.

At that time, the FSA loaned money to these tenants, or whoever took over the farm, on little or no security. The only security in some cases was the crops grown on these farms. It was just one of those cases — we had to go — our crops were growing there; food was vital to the war effort; someone had to take over and the financing was done by the FSA.

People who took over these farms were of all types. Some had a lot of experience, some were plain laborers and some had no experience at all. They took over the farms because the loans were available.

Govt. Loans Needed

We feel that most of the evacuees, even though they received a little for what they left back on the farms — when they think of going out again, they feel that it is just and proper procedure that some governmental agency like the FSA do the same thing for them so that they can get a fresh start on a farm or in some business when they get out into this part of the country.

Most of these people are experienced. They have learned the game the hard way and they would fit very well into our present "Food For Victory" program. There should be some backing to his program whereby some governmental agency could give the evacuees loans to start off on a new venture.

Note: (at this point the following exhibit was submitted):

Exhibit H: Copy of memorandum of Relocation Grants. Submitted by the group of Block Managers.

Repatriation

Mr. Hagberg: One of the questions puzzling Congress is the applications for repatriation which were filed by residents of this and the other relocation centers. Why, in your opinion, have these people applied for repatriation?

Shig Masunaga, Block Manager, Nisei: It think some of those who have asked for repatriation are Kibei who have been so instilled with the education that they received in Japan that it is exactly the way they feel and you can't change it. A number of them expatriated because of parental influence.

Some of them are aged and feel that they have no further future in this country and will be better off in Japan. A portion of the Kibei feel the same way.

Plight of Issei

A man who has brought himself up in this country, overcame a number of handicaps and difficulties in establishing himself; built up a business and reared a family here, gets to a point where the infirmities of age creep up on him and when he is about to take life easier, along comes the evacuation and he loses everything he has. He is too old to start over again.

Along comes this propaganda: "He is not going to get back to California." "He is going to be deported."

They felt that they were going to be restricted in so many ways that they had no recourse. They could not become citizens of the United States. They had to remain subjects of Japan, and inasmuch as they were Japanese citizens by force, they felt there was no other alternative, and they felt that it was better to repatriate now and get back as soon as possible.

Loyalty Questions

Mr. Hagberg: What about the negative reply to the oath of allegiance?

Minoru Yonemura, Block Manager, Nisei: A large portion of those negative answers came about through misunderstanding and confusion. The registration was thrown upon them suddenly and because their minds were already in a confused state for reasons already enumerated, you can attribute a large portion of it to misinterpretation.

There are any number of them at the present time who wish to change their answers. They have stated that their signing of the form was under misrepresentation, and it conveyed the wrong thought, and they want to change it.

You will find, if you investigate, a large number in this category.

Mr. Hagberg: How did they misinterpret it?

Minoru Yonemura, Block Manager, Nisei: It was thrust (Turn to Next Page)

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Loyalty—Army Recruitment issue

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upon them suddenly. They wanted to know what kind of citizens they were. Were they first class like anybody else? Would they be given recognition as citizens? Would they be given the privileges of citizenship along with the obligations of citizenship?

When they signed "No," they didn't realize that by signing "No" it was an oath of allegiance. If registration were to be given over again, the results would be absolutely different — a radical change.

Rikio Tomo, Nisei: I haven't asked for repatriation. At the time I was taken into the Assembly Center, I entered under protest.

I wrote to the President, Secretary Hull, and others. I asked them individually whether I was 100% citizen or not. I know I am a citizen, but to be confined like this! I am doubtful as to why I am here.

Under Duress

If a citizen, why should I be here without trial or investigation? If that thought has been in the minds of the repatriates, there are a lot of extenuating circumstances whereby they have expressed themselves a lot more courageously than we have.

If a man doesn't know how he stands, he doesn't know how to answer (the registration form).

It came at the same time as Army registration. The Army asked for volunteers. That procedure was not well considered.

In the first place, we were doubtful as to why we were here and then for the War Department to say: "We want volunteers, so you folks volunteer"; don't you get the reaction? Why should we volunteer when we don't know where we stand?

Mg. Hagberg: Why didn't you request clarification as to where you stand. Get it up before Congress?

Rikio Tomo, Nisei: I wrote to the highest authorities in the country. All of my letters were turned over to Edward J. Ennis, Director, Alien Enemy Control Unit, Department of Justice, for answer. Am I supposed to be an alien or an enemy?

And then the War Department comes in and asks for volunteers. The registration was brought to us as if we were registering for leave clearance to be relocated. At the same time the Army came in and asked for volunteers, they said that the registration had nothing to do with the War Department. That was the in-

terpretation given at the start.

After it was under way, they said that it was with the War Department. Most of the trouble was with mishandling of the registration. Most people would rather sign "no" than to sign something they weren't sure of.

Note: (at this point Mr. Hagberg asked for copies of the registration forms and these were supplied by the Project Administration.)

Exhibit I: Registration Forms: WRA 126 completed by male and female aliens and female citizens. DDS Form 304A, completed by male citizen. WRA 126-1, substitution question, completed by aliens.

GI recruiters

Rikio Tomo, Nisei: I have a friend who is a citizen about 40 years old. He has three children, two of whom have passed 18 years of age. His parents are in Hawaii and because there was no assurance as to how they would be treated there and that they might be interned and shipped back to Japan, he would rather go back to live with them, therefore he and his children asked for repatriation. He came back and asked to have his declaration rescinded. That man is not disloyal.

Minoru Yonemura, Block Manager, Nisei: The registration came at a very inopportune time. This might be a little concrete evidence of my own utter confusion of mind.

Note: (Mr. Yonemura presented his Selective Service Classification card to Mr. Hagberg for examination. Mr. Hagberg, ordered it copied as an exhibit and appended as part of the record.)

Exhibit J: Official Form DSS Form 57, Notice of Classification (Indicates that Minoru Yonemura, Order No. 1198, has been classified in Class 4-C by Local Selective Service Board in Los Angeles, California. Dated March 20, 1943).

Minoru Yonemura, Block Manager, Nisei: At the time I was living and conducting business in Los Angeles, I registered for the draft. They gave me a 3-A because of dependents. My younger brother held a commission. Then we came to this center.

When any thought of Army service came up, there was a doubt in my mind whether I should volunteer immediately or wait for the draft. Just when the Army came here to ask for volunteers, I got this (exhibit J), from my draft board in California, showing a re-classification from 3-A to

4-C. We all got 4-C classifications.

When you look up 4-C, it means ineligible alien so if we are ineligible aliens, according to the Draft Board, how can we volunteer? I would like to object to this classification as a group. Want them to show equal responsibility.

There is nothing wrong with me. If I have a physical disability, O.K., I'll be 4-F, but I don't want any 4-C. If this reclassification notice had not come, we would have had 300% more volunteers in all of the relocation centers.

Mr. Hagberg: In your opinion, how many of military age are present in this camp?

Minoru Yonemura, Block Manager, Nisei: There are approximately 1,500 to 2,000 between the ages 18 to 45. If they changed the classification, if the status were clarified and we are given first-class citizenship privileges along with the obligations, they would all volunteer and be good soldiers.

Kibei

Mr. Hagberg: Let's hear from the Kibei. By the way, what is a Kibei? I have my own definition but would like to have yours.

Rikio Tomo, Nisei: A Kibei is a person who was born in this country, gone back to Japan for an education, and returned to this country. To class Kibei as a distinct class of citizen is wrong. I personally feel that those Kibei who have declared themselves willing to repatriate, should be given credit for standing up for their rights.

Mr. Hagberg: What is the purpose and intent of the Kibei request for repatriation?

Rikio Tomo, Nisei: I would say that the Kibei have their families back in Japan and they want to join them.

Mr. Hagberg: Are some of the applications for repatriation due to Imperial pressure?

Rikio Tomo, Nisei: No. The Black Dragon Society, etc. are fantastic. We should look at this problem like any other racial group — like Germans, or any other class whose parents are aliens. Just because their parents are alien, does not mean they are disloyal. The Kibei naturally know more of the customs of Japan but that doesn't mean anything.

Minoru Yonemura, Block Manager, Nisei: No creature on earth could be more forlorn than a man without a country. The Kibei has been to Japan and studied there. If he knows he isn't going to be accepted as a citizen in this country, the fact that he has lived in Japan

and was accepted as an equal there, would tend to make him think that he would be better off in Japan. But, if he is going to be given the privileges of citizenship here, as he should be, it gives a different color on it.

Dismissed from Army

Another point: men (Kibei) have been kicked out of the Army. Didn't have a black mark against them, didn't go AWOL. They were good soldiers but were discharged because they were Kibei. Things like that can cause such a doubt as to the advisability of being here.

There are three Kibei boys in my block right now who were soldiers and were dismissed. They got an honorable discharge, not a dishonorable discharge. When they asked "Why?", nothing was said. Then the Army wants volunteers. We wanted to know what our status was.

Note: (at this point three affidavits from Kibei who were dismissed from the U.S. Army for reasons outlined above were introduced and made part of the record by Mr. Hagberg.)

Exhibit K: Affidavits from Kibei dismissed from the Army.

Dual Citizenship

Mr. Hagberg: What is your interpretation of dual-citizenship?

Rikio Tomo, Nisei: All nations have dual-citizenship outside of England and America. The mother country claims citizenship regardless of offspring born elsewhere.

Minoru Yonemura, Block Manager, Nisei: Most dual-citizens are under no volition of their own. Fortunately my parents saw fit to register me as an American and nothing else. But it is different with a lot of folks I know. They were registered at birth. They had nothing to say about it. They are American citizens and nothing else.

Employment

Note: (at this point, Mr. Yonemura introduced the following as an exhibit):

Exhibit L: A mimeographed bulletin, Sentinel Supplement, May 21, 1943.

Mr. Hagberg: According to this paper (a bulletin issued by the employment division of the Heart Mountain Relocation project), there are a large number of jobs being offered in different parts of the United States. Are these jobs being accepted? (Exhibit L)

Rikio Tomo, Nisei: While they have never been used to domestic work, quite a few are so sick and tired of the camp that they have gone out. The majority of the offers are for domestics or laborers.

Mr. Hagberg: Mr. Richey

stated this morning that mechanics are leaving here daily.

Rikio Tomo, Nisei: Skilled men are going out daily. We can't go out on these cheap jobs. It is O.K. for young kids, but for future security of a family, we can't go out on jobs like that.

I don't even want to go out on a job and then have to ask some government agency to supplement my earnings so I could get along. That thought is uppermost in the minds of all of us. Skilled jobs are being filled immediately. Domestic and cheap labor jobs are not.

Mr. Hagberg: What about the bureau of reclamation job on the Canal?

Mark Tsunokai, Block Chairman, Nisei: Our boys work 8 hours a day and get \$16 per month. The government has spent \$6,500,000 to promote the canal and we are trying to get it to work at \$16 per month. It will be completed tomorrow. The Caucasians get full pay and we get \$16. Even at that we have to keep up with them.

In regard to domestic jobs, if you and your wife and children could go out on a domestic job, you couldn't make it. Specialized jobs are snatched up as quickly as they come.

Rikio Tomo, Nisei: If I can't get any kind of work, I am inclined to take this domestic job to get out but I certainly wouldn't be happy. When job offers first came in, they were all \$20 to \$30 per month.

Prospective employers came in with the most beautiful stories, i.e., "We will give you a nice furnished house." You go out there and they expect you to live with the horses. This has hindered relocation.

Boys come back and say, "Don't go out!" No running water — nothing. This is particularly true of the Sugar Beet interests.

Shig Masunaga, Block Manager, Nisei: The same type of high pressure recruiting is done all the time. There was a contract offered for ten boys. The representative of the Montana Sugar Beet Company, G. A. Wells, informed the boys that there was a job at Worland that paid 55 cents per hour.

40 Cents per Hour

The contract did not stipulate any wages. None of them do. The phrase "prevailing wages" is used. He said that they would pay 55 cents per hour but when the boys got out there, they were offered 40 cents per hour. The boys came back the next day.

Mr. Hagberg: What are the living conditions on these contract jobs?

Shig Masunaga, Block Manager, Nisei: The employer furnishes housing in most instances — a place where you can lay down. I ran across a



lot of adobe houses with mud floors. Some looked like chicken houses and the boys were expected to live in these quarters. I visited 75 different places and out of these, only two had baths. All the rest had to take baths in the irrigation ditch, I guess.

Mr. Hagberg: What about the administration here at Heart Mountain? Aren't they aware of conditions existing in the sugar-beet areas?

Shig Masunaga, Block Manager, Nisei: They are now. A job would seem to look pretty good but people on the outside have the idea that we lived in shabby places at home, (before the evacuation), and they think that anything will do for the evacuees.

Mr. Hagberg: You have a Project Attorney here. Why wasn't the Attorney cognizant of these contracts?

Shig Masunaga, Block Manager, Nisei: The contracts were worded nicely. Unless you know what prevailing wages and other conditions are, people going out are misled, and when they come back and tell other people about the real conditions, it discourages others from going out.

Mr. Hagberg: Are the evacuees still going out and coming back?

Shig Masunaga, Block Manager, Nisei: Conditions are not misrepresented as much as before.

Camp life

Mr. Hagberg: What about the administrative staff here? Is it satisfactory?

Rikio Tomo, Nisei: It is not the fault of the administrative staff, but the aims of the relocation program. They have failed, in certain aspects, to get the work of this project properly done. Without any re-

flection on the administration, it is as if anyone of us were placed in a job like this — a new thing—without any experience. Naturally, there are a lot of people with gripes which really should not be lodged against the heads themselves. The proper place for gripes to be placed, is to the government directly, because the program itself has been wrong.

Mr. Hagberg: What is Community Service?

Thomas Sashihara, Block Chairman, Nisei: It belongs to the evacuees.

Mr. Hagberg: Describe it please. Is it a means of earning in addition to your monthly stipends?

Thomas Sashihara, Block Chairman, Nisei: It is a means of collective buying whereby we reduce the costs. It is managed by the evacuees, the evacuees do the buying, and it is financed by the evacuees. We have a WRA superintendent to oversee it.

We started out with an extension of credit from wholesale houses. We had two months credit to start with. In two months we made sufficient profit to cover the credit extended.

We purchase a certain amount of food, canned goods before rationing — we can't handle any rationed foods now. We find something that isn't rationed, also have some fruits and vegetables, but Japanese foods are not carried.

Mr. Hagberg: Is it intended to supplement your Mess Hall diet?

Thomas Sashihara, Block Chairman, Nisei: Mess hall food is all right for ordinary people but we have so many aged people and growing children that they need supplementary food. The three meals

in mass feeding is not satisfactory, so we supplement it through Community Enterprise out of the mass cooperative. We pay for it. It carries tooth brushes, common drugs, toilet articles, clothing, shoes, etc. Shoes are the only thing we get ration cards for. Produce carried in our stores is hit or miss — just might have it and might not.

Mr. Hagberg: Your description of Community Service seems to indicate that there is a deficiency in your general diet.

Minoru Yonemura, Block Manager, Nisei: I can't understand how anyone can come into this center and leave it with the idea that we are getting such rare delicacies. (Referring to publicity.)

Family life

Mr. Hagberg: What are indefinite leaves, and how do they function?

Minoru Yonemura, Block Manager, Nisei: Just what the name implies. If you establish a job somewhere and you can go out, you apply for indefinite leave. You are investigated to see if you are loyal.

If so, and there are no marks against you, then you are given indefinite leave. In the event that you have no cash on hand and no bank account, if you are dead broke, then the WRA gives you a cash grant to the point of employment, \$3 per day for food, and \$50 for the head of the family only, besides transportation. If you have \$2 in your pocket, it is deducted from the \$50.

Mr. Hagberg: What happens when you arrive? If you are canned or don't like the job?

Minoru Yonemura, Block Manager, Nisei: So far, we

Japanese in Canada

From Section A-1

the formation of provincial policy.

(The numbers enclosed in parenthesis, as above, refer to Footnotes at the end of this report.—Ed.)

Although British Columbia became a province of the Dominion of Canada in 1871, it was still, at the end of the century, isolated geographically from the main economic and political developments of the eastern region. Due to this isolation, there developed a desire to make British Columbia a British "society".

This attitude was even more intensified by the political institutions of this province which implemented "the ideas of remaining British, of setting attitudes of acceptance and rejection with respect to non-British stocks, of defining the British Columbia point of view in international relations as they worked through Ottawa and the Foreign Office in London" (2).

With the provincial policy already established, it was just a matter for the British settlers to maintain the social organization which they brought with them, i.e., loyalty to the Crown, mastery of the English language, economic competitiveness.

Therefore, these people were not in the position to accept this Oriental invasion and looked upon them as racially inferior, inassimilable people and as a threat to their achievement of desired standards of living. In fact, they were regarded as "peaceful penetrators".

This latter feeling could possibly be attributed to the fact that Japan was the first Oriental nation to defeat a modern European power, and that this expanding empire was in direct competition with the established empire of Great Britain.

III — Japanese Immigrants

"The Japanese immigrant is

a citizen of two worlds: the one which he shares with his fellow immigrants, and the one which he and they have in common with the remaining groups in the Canadian community. It is really, indeed, neither Japanese nor Canadian. It is a marginal world or society between the two civilizations, with customs and institutions peculiar to itself and an atmosphere all its own. The most appropriate name for this society is Japanese-Canadian, for while its roots are in the soil of Japan, its structure and content are increasingly altered by unceasing adaptation to the environment of the New World" (3).

Here, then, was the typical situation almost every Japanese immigrant found himself in when he came to Canada.

The Japanese patriarchal family was a strong social unit. It maintained ties not only with one's present kinship relations, but also with one's ancestors, the past. Therefore, to ensure present ties with one's children, for example, the Japanese immigrants found it necessary to establish Japanese schools where their children could learn to write and speak Japanese.

The parents realized the influence of Canadian schools was creating a gap in communication between them and their children.

Likewise, to show the respect and honour for their ancestors, it was necessary for the Issei (first generation Japanese immigrants) to carry on their Buddhist religion. For this to be done, Buddhist temples were built throughout the province of British Columbia. Both actions, as will be shown later, added to the hysteria that developed among the non-Oriental population.

The entry of the Japanese immigrants into the employment scene offended the non-Orientials at two levels.

First of all, the Japanese applied their skill and knowledge

into the fishing and agricultural industries and proved to be stiff competition.

Secondly, because the Japanese had to live a life of thriftiness in the Old World, they were able to live comfortably on their below-average wages which they drew from the construction companies. Although these two areas of employment were a way of life to the Japanese long before they arrived in Canada, they still were regarded as a threat to the economic position of the non-Orientials.

Perhaps the greatest asset the Japanese immigrant had to combat the injustices of this New World was pride in achievement. "Perhaps it was the result of the samurai spirit: false pride, perhaps, but they strived to be No. 1, not No. 2" (4).

In review, the situation in British Columbia at the turn of the century was as follows:

British immigrants attempting to establish a British society receiving little, if any, support from Ottawa, while being confronted by the "sensed-threat" of the Japanese immigrants.

Perhaps, now, one can understand why discrimination carried on was at the high level as it was against the Japanese immigrants.

IV — Discrimination:

1884 to Pre-World War II

Undoubtedly, the Japanese were the target for hostility and prejudice from the very beginning possibly due to a combination of physical visibility and economic competitiveness.

As early as 1891, an attempt was made to introduce an anti-Japanese measure in the British Columbia Legislature by an amendment to a motion to increase the Chinese Head Tax from fifty to two hundred dollars and extending it to the Japanese. However, the federal government intervened and

prevented the passage of this motion for this could have strained relations between Canada and Japan.

Between 1896 and 1901, the Japanese population in British Columbia swelled to 5,000. Now, the non-Oriental population of the province could feel the "squeeze" in the economic market.

Mr. Carter-Cotton, Provincial Minister of Finance and Agriculture, stated in February, 1899, "It is unquestionably in the interests of the Empire that the Pacific Province of the Dominion should be occupied by a large and thoroughly British population, rather than by one in which the number of aliens largely predominated and many of the distinctive features of a settled British community were lacking" (5). This was further evidence of what nationality of people were going to establish and maintain the future political policies of this young province.

1901 Study Commission

In 1901, a Royal Commission had been appointed to study the effect of the Oriental immigration in British Columbia. There findings were that the economic rivalry that existed between the Japanese and non-Oriental workers was "creating a feeling so pronounced and bitter among a large class of non-Orientials, as to endanger the peace and be a fruitful source of international irritation" (6).

Furthermore, the Japanese appeared to control the boat-building industry and were very active in lumbering, mining, railway work and other operations.

In 1902, Asians who were British citizens in British Columbia lost the right to vote in all federal and provincial elections due to the actions of this provincial Legislature. This disenfranchisement proved to be an important restriction as far as the Japanese were concerned for this meant exclusion from a whole series of activities in the political and economic life of the province.

The Japanese, once becoming Canadian citizens, could not become candidates for any election; they could not vote in federal or municipal elections. Also, exclusion from the voter's list made them ineligible for certain professions such as pharmacy and law.

Even those veterans who served in the Canadian Expeditionary Force in France were not granted permission to vote provincially or federally in British Columbia until 1931.

Immigrants from Hawaii

After 1901, Japanese immigration to Canada dropped considerably; however, in the first ten months of 1907, over 8,000 came in. This influx was partly a result of an American regulation prohibiting Japanese immigrants to Hawaii from securing passports to go to the mainland.

Since it was no longer possible to get into the United States by way of Hawaii, immigrants then in the islands turned to British Columbia as an alternative. Because boatload after boatload of Japanese were arriving continuously in British Columbia, the non-Orientials panicked, and anti-Japanese feelings were revived.

What they failed to realize was that to the greater majority of these Japanese, British Columbia was just a stopover for their journey to the United States.

Consequently, "on August 12, 1907, organized labour, which suffered most from the invasion, arranged a meeting in the Labour Hall and formed an 'Anti-Asiatic League' with membership of over five hundred. A strong resolution against the Japanese was passed and endorsed by the leaders of all political parties" (7).

Powell St. Riot

Agitation continued during the following weeks, and culminated in a riot in both the Japanese and Chinese sections of Vancouver on September 7.

Politicians soon took advantage of the tense situation in

British Columbia by sympathizing with the anti-Japanese extremists. Two weeks after the Powell St. riot of 1907, Conservative party leader, Robert Borden declared in Vancouver, "B.C. must remain a white man's country" (8).

As a result, in 1908, in British Columbia, one of the chief issues of the federal general election was Oriental immigration. Conservative party candidates pressed for the anti-Oriental votes which resulted in a severe set back for the Liberal party.

Following the 1907 riot, two commissions were set up — one to determine the losses incurred by the Orientals with due compensation to follow, and the other to look into the methods by which Japanese labourers had been induced to emigrate to Canada in such large numbers. Both inquiries were headed by Mr. Mackenzie King.

Gentlemen's Agreement

A follow-up to the 1907 riot and the two commissions was the first of many restrictions on Japanese immigration. The Gentlemen's Agreement of 1908 which was mutually agreed upon by the governments of Japan and Canada considerably cut down on the number of Japanese immigrants coming to Canada. The regulations of this Agreement were as follows:

"Japan agreed to permit only four classes of people to emigrate to Canada: first, returning immigrants and their wives and children; secondly, emigrants specially engaged by Japanese residents in Canada for bona fide personal or domestic service; thirdly, labourers under specifically worded contracts approved by the Canadian Government; and fourthly, immigrants brought in under contract by Japanese resident agricultural holders in Canada. A total annual quota of 400 persons was fixed for all but the first group. In 1924, the Agreement was modified to reducing the quota to 150 persons; and in 1928, a further limitation was in-

troduced to include the wives and children of Japanese residents in Canada within the quota limitation" (9).

Prior to 1907, the Japanese immigrants coming to British Columbia were mainly males who, on the whole, were seasonal workers hoping to make a small fortune and return to Japan, or who moved on to the United States. Very few came with the intention of making Canada their new permanent home.

Women Immigrate

But following the first Gentlemen's Agreement, the number of female arrivals exceeded that of male immigrants in almost every year up to 1940; for example:

"In 1901, in the over 4,000 Japanese in Canada, nearly all were male; but, by the end of World War I there were 10,500 males and 5,300 females, and of the total number, 4,300 were children born in Canada. By 1931, these figures changed to 13,000 males and 9,200 females" (10).

This rapid rise in the female immigration and the establishment of family and home was of great concern to the non-Oriental population since it indicated that the Japanese were here to stay.

During World War I, no serious objection to the Japanese was raised. Japan was an ally of Great Britain and Japanese were enlisted in Canadian regiments.

Moreover, with a labour shortage due to the high enlistment and the increasing demand for supplies from Britain, employers were only too willing to accept all the Japanese who were available. However, this feeling of good-will was short-lived.

After the War, when the soldiers returned business was slack, and jobs became increasingly scarce, public attention, again, became focused on the Japanese. Because of their economic success and their increased population, the anti-Japanese feeling was exceptionally bitter, and "Patri-

otism and Exclusion became the watchwords of the day" (11).

Anti-Japanese Groups

It was shortly after this period that organizations such as the White Canada Association, the Native Sons of B.C. and the Native Sons of Canada came into existence. As was mentioned earlier, the Anti-Asiatic League was the first of such groups

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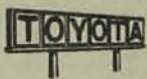
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Seattle's South Park

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The favorite streams, swamps, ponds, meadows, woodlands and nook and the whole beauty and tranquility of this farm country as we have known are buried in oblivion.

I was intrigued as to the reasons for the heavy concentration of Japanese here. The higher ground portion of the total area known now as the Boeing Field (King County Airport) was a fertile ground for truck gardening. Some of Issei farmers were here since 1905.

WW I Boom

Frank Hisayasu, past two-year prexy of Spokane Chapter JACL and charter member of One Thousand Club, explained that during World War I there was a heavy demand for fresh vegetables and the Japanese farmer capitalized on this opportunity. What an irony of contrast with World War II!

It was because of Issei ingenuity that crops were diversified instead of throwing all the eggs in one basket, avoiding the extreme ups and downs of farm fortunes. Radishes, onions, carrots, beets and turnips were tied together in a group of three which in turn was tied again in twelves that was referred to as "one bunch" at the wholesale market. You can imagine this type of requirement calling for a whole army of workers.

All truck gardening was a family enterprise. Women folks and children would sit

around the table tying up bundles of vegetables. They joked, kidded, talked, sang and devised other schemes to while away the time. This may go on till past bedtime as the occasion demands. It would be hard to perceive generation gap or the lack of verbal communication with Issei under these circumstances.

Vegetables were shipped by horse and wagon to wholesale commission houses on Western Avenue, to Pike Place Market, and to scattered outlets such as Pacific Fruit & Produce Co. Some of the vegetables were transacted in direct sales at the 6th and Dearborn where the farmers met the throng of thriving independent Japanese grocers.

One of the hazards of farmers in their daily journey was traveling through Georgetown which had a reputation for being tough even upon whites. Many of the Issei saw fit to carry side-arms for protection.

The travel to the city had to be negotiated over the 6th Avenue trestle bridge as the southern portion of downtown Seattle was still a big tideland. Railroads and interurban electric lines were also on trestles.

Early farmers of South Park were headed by brothers Kenichi and Kanichi Kato and their families, reputed to have the largest farm with 18 acres.

Others included Takejro Doi, Teruzo Fujiwaras, Kiichiro Hamamotos, Kaichi

Hashimotos, Iwaemon Hiranos, Hirotsuke Higashis, Kiichi Hisayasu, Tadaichi Ishis, Manzo Ito, Tsuchiichi Kanetomis, Tatsuichi Kouchis, Motoichi Mizuhata (Russo-Japanese war veteran), Keitaro Mukasaka, Gonshi Nobuyamas, Chinosuke Nobuyamas, Hiroto Shimizus, Genjiro Tadas, Hyakumatsu Takatsukis, Kinuta Unos to mention only part of fifty or more families living here.

Kushi brothers Tanejiro N. and Toyosuke operated the soy sauce and miso manufacturing plant. Kiyo Tada remembers the family buying an Indiana truck in 1921.

As the economic climate improved, I remember the days when Safeway Stores, Inc. sent representatives directly to the farms. Finding certain crops to their liking, they would buy the whole portion of the acreage outright.

Each spring the lettuce crops were sent to Kent Valley cold storage plant in preparation for shipment in box cars for the Eastern market. Lettuce was repacked with chopped ice in crates and sealed.

Mention should be made for the many Filipino farm workers on Issei farms. They adjusted well to Japanese cookery seasoned with soy sauce. They were excellent workers needing little supervision. In rare instances the Japanese learned to speak smatteringly in Filipino phrases.

Each spring the farmers waited in apprehension as the melting snow from Mount Rainier National Park emptied into Duwamish River through

its Green River tributary. The river used to overflow its bank when supplemented by an unusually heavy rainfall.

Japanese community volunteers were marshalled for emergency duties, working around the clock to reinforce the weakened dikes with sand bags. One spring in 1933, a record 13.33 inches of rain fell in one month almost wiping out lowland farms.

The Duwamish Waterway is essentially a salt water river rising and ebbing with the lunar tides fed by the waters of Puget Sound. The Army Corps of Engineers flood control projects have since taken corrective measures.

Students from this area attended the wooden South Park Elementary School built in 1892. This was abandoned in 1932 with transfers being made to Concord School, a brick building of 1914 vintage. This \$80,000 structure continues to be the only school in South Park today. Cleveland High School was built in 1927 just above Georgetown. But up to this time students had a pick of any high school in the city with Broadway, Garfield, Queen Anne and West Seattle being the favorites. A built-in desegregation system?

It was not fashionable for teachers to request transfers in the early days. After seeing the third or fourth pupil with the same surname the teachers will inevitably come up with the question: "Just how many more do you have coming up?"

Yet for all this Spartan-like routine of farm life for children, attending school may



SOUTH PARK Kokugo School (at left) and Social Hall in the early 1930s. Snapshots came from the personal collection of the Rev. Emery Andrew.

have been a form of compensation. Two more additional hours were spent each day at the Japanese Kokugo School and walking a minimum of 1½ mile each way. Transportation was poor. Some used bicycles. Those with cars carried loads of passengers. Until the 8th Avenue swing bridge which revolved horizontally about the vertical axis was abandoned and torn down, no bus service was available in this area.

The Kokugo School, the social nerve center, was located at S. Austin St. and 12th Avenue, which consisted of Lots 4 & 5 of Block 5 of the Abrams Addition to the South Seattle plat.

A check on county auditor records will note one L.A. Brown selling this property to Japanese Association of South

Park, Inc. in Sept. 1917 and that a quitclaim was made to attorney Pierce Lanegan and Shigeru Osawa as trustees in June 6, 1921. (Osawa became chater president of the Seattle JACL 1921-22 before JACL was organized nationally.) This may have been a conditioned reflex due to California framing a very comprehensive law aimed at Japanese land ownership and Washington was following suit.

Another quitclaim deed was made in May 1930 to "James Nobuyama and Minoru Tamasa, American born citizens." Note the emphasis on the referral to citizenship status.

A third quitclaim was made in February 1932 to South Park Kokugo (Language) School, a corporation. The latter move

was to go on record as a non-profit educational institution to ward off the income tax people. The deed remained intact during the Evacuation.

The property was sold to a private party after the war and six years later the Boeing Company acquired the site for their Military Airplanes System Division (MASD) and warehouse complex parking lot. Takashi Mukasa of Seattle, a Thousand Club member, was then president of the corporation.

The study of early Seattle Engineering files indicate the Kokugo School site to be a swamp area and improvements were made in the project known as Duwamish Sanitary Fill No. 3 back in 1915. The bulkheads for the fill abutted George Kumekichi Yam-

ane's farm, the East Marginal Way and followed the river banks. South Parkers will remember that we were forever walking in the sand.

South Park Kokugo School was first taught by Mrs. Umeko Kajiwa in 1918 and held the same position till Evacuation except for her five years sabbatical to Japan when Mrs. Ushiyama filled in.

We hear so much about the overworked teachers today. She was managing 10 classes in one classroom, planning curriculum, teaching kanji, correcting papers and giving out grades, instructing dramas, Japanese folk music and dancing and playing accompaniment with the foot-pedal organ. Somehow she managed to maintain strict discipline

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Japanese In Canada

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River to the northern boundary of British Columbia (possibly beyond the Skeena River district).

In 1919, this figure had risen to 3,267. As was expected, complaints were made by both Indians and Whites that they were being driven out of the industry.

"As a result, in 1920 and 1921, the Dominion Department of Fisheries directed the Vancouver fishery commissioners to limit the number of licenses to the Japanese. In 1922, the Department reduced the salmon trolling licenses to the Japanese by 33 per cent. In 1923, licenses issued to the Japanese declined 11 per cent, and in 1924, there was a further reduction" (12).

By the late 1930s, less than 15 per cent of the original number of Japanese had possession of fishing licenses.

Lumbering and fishing have been closely allied in the economy of the Japanese in British Columbia. Because fishing was a seasonal occupation, many entered the lumber industry during the off-season.

The Japanese moved into the lumber industry in significant numbers only in the late nineties, but by 1900, they were in all branches of the industry in sufficient proportions to challenge the attention of non-Oriental labourers.

From 1905 to 1908 the total

increased rapidly as a result of increased Japanese immigration. As in the fishing industry, protests were lodged and intensified until the outbreak of World War I.

After the conclusion of the War, efforts were made to find employment for the returning soldiers, and, once again, the Japanese became the scapegoat for the lack of jobs in the lumber industry.

To remove this Japanese "problem" operators on provincial lands faced the threat of losing their licenses if they employed Japanese; in addition, Japanese operators were unable to retain their licenses. It was not surprising that from 1918 to 1923, the percentage of Japanese in the lumbering industry dropped from 12.98 per cent to 8.94 per cent during which time the non-Oriental percentage of the total increased from 58 per cent to 70.84 per cent.

As Farmers

By the 1920s, many Japanese, victims of persecution in both the lumbering and fishing industries, had accumulated enough capital for investment in some kind of productive resources because they sought better all-round conditions.

Agriculture still remained the important occupational endeavour, and the Japanese took up uncultured land, especially in the Fraser Valley and Okanagan Valley, and built

them up into highly productive and fertile farms.

"In 1927, for example, it was estimated that the total agricultural acreage owned by Japanese in British Columbia amounted to almost 10,000 acres valued at well over one million dollars" (13). Most were engaged in mixed farming or soft fruit growing. In fact, they came to assume the dominant position among farmers in berry growing.

Despite their successes by the mid-thirties, the Japanese still found themselves to be aliens in the land of their birth — citizens without the basic rights of citizenship. Therefore, the leadership among the Japanese communities appeared to be changing hands from the first generation (Issei) to the second generation (Nisei).

Nisei Take Charge

The Nisei wanted to challenge this British "society" and its political institutions — they wanted the right to vote, they wanted to live free of all restrictions placed against their people. This second generation movement culminated in the Japanese Canadian Citizens League which was organized in the spring of 1936. In the same year, they sent a delegation to Ottawa to appear before the Special Committee on Elections and Franchise Acts of the House of Commons to request a revision of the legislation which prevented them from voting.

In 1938, the Nisei initiated a movement for better homes in — not in this way. Things are rationed in here too. A girl comes around with one teaspoon of sugar a meal per person. We are governed by the same ration rules that govern the people on the outside. Because of mass feeding, everybody gets the same thing, whether you like it or not.

Shig Masunaga, Block Manager, Nisei: I have prepared a comprehensive survey covering the whole subject of diet.

Exhibit N: Survey on Diet, submitted by Shig Masunaga.

Mr. Hagberg: Then you have established Community Enterprise to supplement your diet?

Minoru Yonemura, Block Manager, Nisei: Yes, for children, sick people, and aged without teeth. Food that is prepared in the mess halls is intolerable. Just can't eat it, so we go home. Don't know whose fault it is. The whole trouble is mass feeding.

When you feed so many people, you have peculiar appetites. Someone had the idea that Japanese could thrive on fish. We don't like it. When you smell that fish, you go home.

Insufficient Diet

Adults eat the same food as children. You can't feed a child of 3 or 4 the same food as an adult. If the child doesn't eat, you have to give him some food, so have supplementary foods at home.

Some parents are getting along in years and teeth and stomach can't handle some of the food in the mess halls. Food diet is figured on a systematic basis.

Mr. Hagberg: We, on the outside, must stand in line for everything. Might wait in line for hours and then get nothing at all.

Minoru Yonemura, Block Manager, Nisei: We're not asking for anything different from them. If they suffer, we want to suffer too in the same way

Vancouver to discredit the claims of the Japanese low standard of living. Although the Japanese Canadian Citizens League worked very hard to unite their people as a whole, time ran out for them on December 7, 1941.

A state of social instability existed in British Columbia as the 19th century drew to a close. Attempts to evolve a British "society" were hampered by isolation from Ottawa and the rest of Canada, by the rapid Americanization from the south, and by the emergence of an aggressive new power, Japan, from the Far East. Therefore, it was natural for this British stock to become sensitized to their social values and intensively defensive of them.

Sociological Review

The Japanese, from the beginning, were viewed with uncertainty which led to the development of stereotypes organized chiefly around ideas of their low standard of living, of their inassimilability, and of their involvement in "peaceful penetration". Such concepts became to the British settlers a guideline for their discriminatory actions as well as a means of justifying them.

It was well known that concern about their standard of living was in fact an expression of fear related to economic competition. Nonetheless, impressions and beliefs about the standard of living provided data for arguing that Orientals should be excluded from Canada for it was obvious that they were not interested in

becoming Canadians in the fullest sense of the word.

Upon first glance of Powell Street, the Japanese community of Vancouver, one would be inclined to agree with the above statement as so many non-Orientals did at the time.

However, careful examination of the situation revealed some significant factors — for example, wage discrimination against the Japanese meant an automatic lower standard of living; housing discrimination meant poorly developed houses.

Assimilation Issue

The question of the inassimilability of the Japanese had been used in arguments to support cessation of immigration and to support deportation, and had been tied in with the poor standard of living of the Japanese as positive evidence of inassimilability.

To justify their stand, the non-Orientals pointed to the perpetuation of the Japanese-language school and the Buddhist temples, and the clustering of these people, i.e. Powell Street. Reasons for the establishment of language schools and Buddhist temples were previously given.

This clustering was certainly not peculiar to the Japanese, but, was typical of almost every immigrant settlement in every Canadian province.

"Where colour is added to culture as a distinguishing characteristic of the newcomer, it provides a further incentive for the members of the group to segregate and to act as a unit. Again, group solid-

be unafraid to go out.

Rumors

Mr. Hagberg: I heard that the evacuees were picking wild flowers on the mountain instead of working, how about it?

Rikio Tomo, Nisei: Because they picked a few flowers during lunch hour — do you infer that we people aren't putting in full time work? The picture is, during our working hours, we go out and pick wild flowers and etc.

If there is any accusation like that, consider the mental attitude of the workers only receiving \$18 per month. If you consider that, there may be some justifying conditions of that nature, but something like that shouldn't be brought out. If a man is only getting 50 cents per day, you can't in your own heart, put in the time that you would otherwise.

Minoru Yonemura, Block Manager, Nisei: I believe he should put in his full time. A man might have gone out and picked flowers and shrubbery to help kill the drabness of his home here, so they assume that he stayed all day picking flowers. Not a true picture at all. They take a point and stretch it to suit the purpose for which they want to establish. You'll find that these statements are gross exaggerations.

Wish someone would be around and watch some of these crew and see how much time is wasted. I am not fearful at all. I would invite it.

Mark Tsunokai, Block Chairman, Nisei: The crews on the Canal are allowed one hour for lunch. If they eat in 15 or 20 minutes, they can go out and pick flowers, look for rocks, etc.

I would like to refer to a statement made by Mr. Leon Goodrich, Chief of Public Works, at the joint meeting this morning. He said: "I have never seen a harder working bunch than they are working on the canal."

Minoru Yonemura, Block Manager, Nisei: These rumors certainly don't help our position any. A man with common sense will know that these accusations cannot be true, that they are utterly ridiculous. Those who are intelligent, we don't have to fear, but it is those who aren't that do the harm because they believe these rumors. It has much effect on our morale.

We have no way of defending ourselves, yet we hear these rumors and see mis-statements in the papers. We should have some way of having people know what we're like. California people do most of the writing and it seems to carry more weight that we do.

We would like to face Senator Robertson and Congressman Barret, and have them come out and see for themselves. Then I wonder if they could make these statements.

Thomas Sashihara, Block Chairman, Nisei: In the presence of this representative group of Heart Mountain Relocation Center residents and as a member of the Block Chairman group, I would like to send a formal invitation to Senator Robertson to come to visit this Center because he seems to have gross misinformation of this Center and we want to present the true facts to the Senator. (All present concurred and the invitation is formally extended to Senator Robertson through the Dies Committee.)

Exhibit O: Formal Invitation to Senator Robertson. Pledge of Loyalty to the United States signed by the entire group of Block Chairmen and Block Managers.

Dual citizenship

Toshiharu Oka, Block Manager, Nisei: How seriously does the Congress take this dual-citizenship idea?

Mr. Hagberg: I am not prepared to state.

Toshiharu Oka, Block Manager, Nisei: I think it should be amplified more. I was born in Hawaii and my father registered me at birth with the Japanese Consul. My father has not gone back to Japan.

The Japanese government put out a new law in 1924 where Japanese who were born in the United States were considered as American citizens and were not asked to register with the Japanese government. At that time they made provisions, for people who wanted to, to expatriate their Japanese citizenship.

In 1931 my brother and I signed an application for expatriation from Japan. That record as far as I know, because it was kept in Los Angeles, is gone. In a case like that, I have no proof that I did expatriate. The application for expatriation from Japanese citizenship is filed with the Consul and he is the only one who has records and his records were destroyed.

I can't prove that I have taken such a step. I don't know how dual citizenship affects us but most of us don't know whether we have dual citizenship or not. We consider ourselves as American citizens

and have always acted as such.

Woman's View

Mr. Hagberg: I should like to hear from the ladies who are present.

Mrs. Ruth Hashimoto, Block Manager, Nisei: I believe that a lot of parents who have children and are intending to relocate, hesitate somewhat because of the fear they hold of the ostracizing they will receive at school.

As Yonemura stressed, along the lines of propaganda, if the government could instigate a program where by the school children on the outside could be educated to welcome the evacuee children into their group as American citizens as one of their own, the parents of the evacuee children would lose their weariness.

Mr. Hagberg: Are your children being properly taken care of and educated here in the Center?

Mrs. Ruth Hashimoto, Block Manager, Nisei: Yes, they are and we appreciate the teachers for their efforts. A lot of them have never seen Japanese children until they came to the Center and I think they are doing very well with the facilities that they have.

Mr. Hagberg: What about entertainment?

Mrs. Ruth Hashimoto, Block Manager, Nisei: Socials and dances, etc., are all furnished and financed by evacuees themselves. We finance the movie by paying 5 cents. We donate our own talents for entertainments.

No provision is made by the WRA for entertainment. If we put on a play, the costumes are furnished by the players.

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HEART MOUNTAIN residents listen to Tom Sashihara at YMCA organizational meeting in January, 1943. —WRA Photo.

Dies Committee

From Section A-5

haven't run into any such case. If you get ill or are in any incapacitated for work, there are provisions for getting back to the relocation center.

Mr. Hagberg: What I want to learn is what happens if the job doesn't pan out?

Howard Nomura, Block Manager, Nisei: If you don't like the job, you'll get another job and you'll have to accept it. (Referring to Relocation Officers who are established to find jobs for the evacuees). If you are going out to a hostel, you have to get indefinite leave. If it doesn't pan out, you have to accept anything.

Monthly Pay

Mr. Hagberg: Is anything deducted from your monthly pay here?

Minoru Yonemura, Block Manager, Nisei: Our pay is \$12, \$16, and \$19 per month with no deductions. This is compensation for work. If we don't work, we don't get anything — not even a clothing allowance. Might be able to get help from the Welfare Department.

Mr. Hagberg: As I have understood it, you are fed and sheltered and that is all, if you don't work. You do however, have some food in your homes for supplemental diet. Do you

All Night In Shinjuku

By FERRIS TAKAHASHI



That moment, after love, when you catch your breath and look over at your partner — it can be a damned uncertain one. Noriko sighed and arched away from me. I met her eyes slowly and she reached out, pointing across to the gilt baroque nightstand where the trail of our scattered clothing began:

"Cigarette, please?"

I did not want her to have one. My head was deeply, pleasantly smothered in the thick web of her hair — a grape-amber around me, dark, sweet; sun-warmth on my skin and the fruity perfume of her shoulder floating me a little above the level of sleep.

"You get it, beautiful. Aren't you a flower of Japanese cultivation? Trained to please. In service there is joy."

Noriko's fingers tapped my arm impatiently, playing along the biceps as though she was rehearsing her famous koto numbers. Her fingers were fine instruments themselves: delicate, very delicate, blemish-free and fluent. Funny that the directors who focused close-ups on every other feature of her body, had never scanned those tender and fluent hands which had every quality thought of as aristocratic, which flexed and narrated and interpreted more expressively than her famous face . . .

I got her cigarette for her, just the same, and lit it and was grateful for the automatic hand-pressure and murmured thank-you-very-much.

Then she kicked at me and kicked from the bed the thing they call a futon, the light, hot slippery quilt, made of satin the color of dry blood. She flung herself around restlessly:

"I don't like my body."

"Just being inside your own skin must be what makes you glow so. You're beautiful. I can see why Kageyama gets a breast shot into all your pic-

tures. Just wonderful."

"Too small."

She would not listen to me, working herself up suddenly into a state of angry eyes and hoarse voice:

"Men say beautiful, wonderful, beautiful, wonderful. I don't like it. Men would be ashamed to make love to a woman and not be able to tell themselves, she is beautiful. Why? Because, in their heart, they would always like to be the only one, the first one. And if they cannot have that, they must have beauty."

"You wouldn't talk like that if you were ugly. All beautiful broads are the same that way. And they all say, men are all the same."

"You know so many beautiful women. Of course, yes, you are photographer. But I have known some men, Japanese, European, American and you are different. A man with a Japanese face but American, so very American. And you are different from all the others—"

But Noriko quickly passed over that casual lie, although she must have known how men clutch at it and returned to the subject of her own body:

"Now I'll tell you a secret. There isn't a woman in pictures who hasn't had some surgery done. Do you see these little white lines, under here? I had my breasts made bigger last year. The doctor said the lines will go away in another year. —And my eyebrows and hairline. Plucking was making them thicker, they said. I had to have electric-needle for hours. Now they'll never grow back. — If I get a chance to go to the United States, I must have my teeth done, they say. Very expensive, very painful. I am afraid. But if I go to Hollywood, perhaps we will meet again."

"Where did you learn such good English, Noriko?"

You are a naughty man! I know the studio gave you my life-story. They had it printed in English. Of course there have been hundreds of stories about me in Japanese magazines and newspapers . . . about when I was a nice little schoolgirl, the daughter of a general, and went to Tokyo University even after starting pictures and was honors student.

"Yeah, I think I saw it . . . Won't you tell me your true life-story?"

A long, strange shudder was Noriko's only answer. I dragged the satin quilt back over us; its dark-red rust color was all wrong against the pink pastel sheets. This hotel was a lot fancier than what they called "abekkus" but it had too much chrome and flash for an actress of Noriko's rating. I had a feeling she wouldn't have brought a Japanese boy friend here.

Before she could finish her cigarette to the end, I took it away and walked my fingers up the bridge of her short, straight nose. I kissed the corner of her eye.

"No, don't, please," Noriko said. She shuddered. I coaxed her but she was distant and sullen.

"That is too much, too much 'beautiful', 'wonderful'."

"I won't say anything."

"Yes, I like to talk. Tell me your life-story."

"It wouldn't make sense to you. I mean, it would be so different from yours—"

"Tell me, please. I like to hear about American man with a Japanese face."

"You tell me yours."

"It would not make sense to you."

"Well, about me — I'm what we call a Sansei. That means, my grandparents came to the United States from Japan —"

"From what part," Noriko interrupted. She began to

look responsive again.

"From Hiroshima."

"Oh, Hiroshima. Very far south."

Her tone of renewed disinterest made me react aggressively.

"Very far south. Is that all Hiroshima means to you —?"

I began to tell her the grim story.

"Oh yes. That was happening before I was born. A very long time ago. — You know very much about Japan's history. Do you like it here?"

"Love it. Especially Japanese women."

"All foreign men say that. But they don't know. If they knew, maybe they wouldn't like them so well."

"Why not, Noriko?"

"Japanese women are like dreamers. They are like — like a woman who has taken something to make her sleep, a little pill maybe. Then — you sleep. And you wake up. There are things around you, maybe something real. You see and you can't do anything. You go back to sleep again."

"And all the time you're hurting?"

"I don't understand what you mean."

"Does it hurt? Which hurts most, the sleeping, the dreaming or the half-conscious state?"

"You talk about deep things and I can't understand. It makes my head ache, like hearing priests and professors talk. — I am really a very happy person. Nothing hurts me. — It would be nice to eat something now. And take a hot shower."

"No, don't get up yet. Just a little while longer — You know, I'm leaving Tokyo this afternoon?"

"Yes. You said so last night. I am so sorry I can't go down to Haneda and say goodbye. I am to go with the company for some location shots in the mountains. I would like to go on the plane with you to America."

"If you ever get to the Coast, I'll hold your hand while you're in that dentist's chair. At heart I'm an old-fashioned American

boy who doesn't feel right about one-night stands."

"Your skin is very nice and your hair is so soft. I don't mind hair that is too long if it is soft and clean. Your hair is softer than mine and almost as black."

Noriko caressed me and looked me in the eyes. Something gentling and maternal had quite changed her for the moment.

"So, you want to hear a story?" she whispered. "I know a very stupid little story."

"Tell me anything, Noriko."

"It is about a little high school girl, yes, a real little daughter of a good family: you know, middieblouse, dark uniform, braids and all that. And her school had become very anxious to do well in sport competition. All the students were hearing stories about the Japanese girls' World Champion team and how sports competition made better citizens for the country and brought back the old samurai spirit. We were taught principles: loyalty to team, obedience, hard work and duty. This was all talked over and gradually the whole school became very excited, now only talking about making a fine team to enter the high school competitions for the whole Tokyo district."

"A very big Little League."

"So. — And this one little girl, she had been asked to play volleyball in Middle School. She was little and thin but also fast. And she must try out for the High School team. And she became a part of something very important. She learned to believe that the person is nothing, the team is everything. They worked so hard. They took training in the mountains, just like the boys did, stood in cold water to harden their bodies."

"Sounds like some of those Zen fanatics. Cold water — did they stand under waterfall?"

"We went into the cold river wearing only summer exercise suits and then we must work out for an hour."

"What about the girls who — well, you know, had that monthly—"

"At first some had cramps, very bad, but after a while all

were in good health and do not think about their bodies. Only, we are living for the competitions. The whole school has only one thought — to win. Even a strict teacher who used to give us poor marks if we were lazy in our work, gave me a top mark for a paper I could not finish because we practiced nights as well as afternoons. He told me to persist . . . And then, only one day before the first seeding game, I began to feel sick: fever, sore throat, dizziness . . ."

I curled my fingers around her wrist, so frail and helpless-seeming and she went on:

"How it happened, we don't know; I had caught some throat infection. I fought all day against it. That night at final practice, my mistakes were many and Coach scolded me. Making a retrieve of the ball, I slipped and fell — never, never had that happened before and I was so ashamed. The other girls would not speak to me in the dressing-rooms. It was as though they had thrown me out of a boat into the ocean, to drown alone. — And the next morning I could not get up. The doctor came, he scolded me for not taking care of myself but I was crying and trying to get out of bed. My poor mother. She cried to see my unhappiness. — Yes, that night the team played with a substitute taking my place and they lost. — The weekend — I don't remember anything. I was still feverish on the Monday but I put on my clothes when my mother was out of the room and I ran to school. I looked for my teammates, each in turn, and apologized to them. They said, not to worry. But nobody talked to me. After school I started alone for home. — By a hedge a lot of girls were standing, waiting. My teammates and others. They pulled my hair first. Then they pushed me around, very hard. After that, they began to hit with anything: with sticks, with boards, with their hands. A man came and shouted at them: he must have been the one who went for help. Not even when my people came did the girls stop. They had to be pulled away, so

I heard. I was lying unconscious, with many injuries. — You cannot see a mark now. My right eye was hurt badly, and when the studio lights are on me for a long time, it becomes weaker."

"What did the school do? And your — teammates?"

"Our team was barred from all competition and the school principal paid a call of apology on my parents. There were stories in the newspapers, reporters came. Then for the first time I posed for cameras and began to dream of becoming first a model, then an actress. And that is how it has happened."

"And when you went back to school —"

"I never went back. — End of story —"

With my hands I gathered up the heavy, pillow-spread mass of Noriko's hair and into my joined hands I pressed my face. The scratch of hair across my eyelids began to be a vineyard again, shadows on a bench under heart-shaped leaves, rough-barked shoots scratching the trespasser, banked and warm air of the arbor putting out fragrance from a thousand vineblossoms.

. . . On the way home from school, Noriko, on the way home from school when all the things in life happen, they were shooting and I, dumb fool kid that I was, I didn't think, at first, they meant me . . . And Jap, Jap, Jap, and you yellow-faced-son-of-a-bitch and your — mothers — slant and the rocks hurting a million times more than the punches with a mud-grey-green flash in your skull and everything turning into shame, as if I'd done the dirtiest thing on earth because, jee-sass they — hate — me — and they're — all — there — is . . .

Until I wanted to tell you this, Noriko, now parted, gone away from you, probably for all time, Noriko, as I printed you on my hands and eyes and sex, I wanted to tell you this, I tried, and felt words in my mouth jelling like blood from a cut artery, clotting dry against your lips, lost and unheard like the whispers of love itself.

Japanese in Canada

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apone on February 15, the federal government had no other alternative but to announce on February 26 that the Japanese would be evacuated completely, and on March 4, the British Columbia Security Commission was established for carrying out the task.

According to this Commission, the 20,000 Japanese would be moved to one of four locations: "male nationals, chiefly, to roadwork in the province; the majority of the second generation to Ontario roads or industry; farming and fishing families to Southern Alberta and Manitoba; thousands of women and children to ghost towns in the interior" (18).

Hastings Park Exhibition Grounds, located in the eastern section of Vancouver, became the assembly point for evacuees from which this second step of evacuation could be completed.

"By early spring of 1942, the 20,000 Japanese had reached what was probably the lowest status that any group of comparable size had ever experienced. They had been removed from their homes by governmental force. They had lost all freedom of movement and practically all opportunities of engaging in private employment and earning anything more than a subsistence livelihood. Jobs of long years' standing had gone, businesses and homes, farms and stores, built up with years of toil were gone. The fruit of struggle and

labour, that an aging generation had hoped to enjoy in its old age, was snatched away. The hopes and ambitions of a rising generation of Canadians were dashed to the ground. Family ties, between husband and wife, father and children, brother and sister were torn apart. The Japanese were a lonely crowd, hemmed in by the masses of indifferent or hostile Canadians, with only a handful of people believing in them" (19).

It was expected that 4,000 men would be located in road camps by April 1st, 1942. By March 1st, only 150 had been moved. This plan by the Commission failed because they tried to force family separation without any plan for family care. In addition, the men knew nothing about the disposition of their property at home, and road camp wages were far from satisfactory. Married men usually ended up with less than \$8.00 per month to meet family expenses.

Inland Camps

With the completion of arrangements between the federal and provincial governments of Alberta and Manitoba, Japanese families were now permitted to engage in the sugar-beet industry there. Because such a project allowed the Japanese to move in family groups, close to 4,000 persons had left British Columbia's protected area by June 25, 1942.

The ghost towns of south-eastern British Columbia be-

came the new homes for over 11,000 Japanese. Towns like Slocan City, Denver, Kaslo, and Greenwood, all former mining centres, were quickly renovated to meet the influx of evacuees. As it turned out, most of the buildings were poorly finished.

For most of the Japanese who had lived for years in the temperate coastal climates, the heavy cold and snow of the first winter proved to be a real hardship. Congestion also meant that families had to share cooking facilities; as many as fourteen families had to share one large stove in some of the old hotels.

The following chart shows the result of evacuation during the War:

Road Camp Projects	986
Sugar-Beet Projects	2,585
Alberta	1,063
Manitoba	1,522
Ontario	330
Interior Housing	11,694
Independent and	431
Industrial Projects	1,337
Special Permits	330
Repatriation to Japan	42
Evacuated voluntarily	579
prior to March, 1942	579
Internment Camps	699
In Detention, Vancouver	57
Hastings Park Hospital	106
TOTAL	21,079

Life on the Prairie

The staff members who interviewed and selected families were not fully informed of the conditions under which the Japanese would work and live.

For example, considerable emphasis was put on the freedom which beet workers would have to go into the cities and to visit among friends. They also stated that the farmer would supply housing and water. Understandably, the Japanese jumped at this opportunity.

Unfortunately, this information was far from accurate, and the Japanese soon found this out. Houses were not suitable for winter, water had to be hauled in from distant points, and freedom of movement was severely limited.

In addition, many farmers looked upon the Japanese as prisoners of war or as slave labour to be exploited. With all these harrowing experiences, it was not surprising that the Japanese felt that the federal government had deceived them into moving to the Prairies.

Self-Support Policy

During the evacuation, one basic policy the Commission stressed was to see that all Japanese were able to support themselves.

The Japanese were granted permission to work on Crown timber land in British Columbia while those in Alberta were expected to get by on what they made from sugar-beet farming.

Those who were employable but unemployed received very little government aid and were expected to make use of their funds received from the sale of their property.

All in all, the situation as it stood, meant that the Japanese could work if they were needed, but, prohibited from working if they were not needed.

When they did work, the Japanese received below-average wages. In short, this amounted to exploited labour.

Discrimination accompanied those who moved to eastern Canada as well. The Toronto city council refused to issue trade licenses; furthermore, as more and more Japanese moved into Toronto, the city's Board of Control made it a closed city. In fact, the Japanese were denied the right to acquire land, to grow crops and to buy houses wherever they went.

'Eastern Resettlement'

With increasing numbers of the Japanese moving "east of the Rockies", the phrase "eastern resettlement" carried with it the hope and expectation of permanent resettlement.

"Thus the idea of resettlement as compared with relocation from the coast to the Interior Settlements, introduced a new factor: the permanent dispersal of the Japanese in Canada so that they would be distributed more equally throughout several provinces. Hence, there was the notion that resettlement was working towards final solution of the Japanese problem" (20).

When the federal government initiated this evacuation program, it was believed that the already established restrictions would either freeze or decline.

'Soldiers Vote Bill'

As can already be seen, the contrary developed. Probably, the most significant, additional restriction was House Bill 135, Clause 5, commonly referred to as the "Soldiers Vote Bill" which extended the effect of British Columbian disenfranchisement across the whole of Canada.

The Bill provided that people who did not have the franchise before the War and who had moved because of the War, could not exercise the right of franchise in federal elections in their new place of residence. Approximately 4,000 Japanese were affected by this Bill.

It is now conceded that the Liberals were fearful of the strength of the Cooperative Commonwealth Federation Party (CCF), and this was one means of eliminating part of their opposition in the upcoming elections. It should be noted that no effort was made in Canada to disenfranchise either the Germans or the Italians even though she was at war with them.

VI — Post-WW 2, 1950

(a) Property Issue

The speed with which the

RCMP carried out the evacuation in 1942 prevented most of the Japanese from properly disposing of their property. Consequently, the federal government took custody of all property, i.e., fishing boats, houses, cars, farm lands, etc. All property was then disposed of without the consent of the owners.

However, to assure the Japanese that their property was transacted honestly the federal government appointed a Rural Property Committee and a City Property Committee to conduct the sales.

On January 24, 1947, the Japanese Canadian Committee for Democracy conducted a survey of losses and discovered that property estimated at \$1,400,395.66 had been sold for \$1,031,732.89 — a loss of 25 per cent. However, a 1950 ruling by Justice Henry Bird of the Property Commission recommended additional payment to those Japanese affected.

(b) Repatriation and Segregation

In 1944, a segregation policy was announced by the federal government — a program similar to that undertaken by the United States in 1943.

Segregation as applied by the Canadian government referred to the sorting out of the "loyal" from the "disloyal" with the idea of sending the latter to Japan, regardless of whether any one of them were a Canadian or a Japanese citizen.

Why Canada followed the initiative of the United States could be explained from the statement of Prime Minister Mackenzie King: "The situation in the United States is a great many essentials is the same as our own . . . There is no need for an identity of policy, but I believe that there is merit in maintaining a substantial consistency of treatment in the two countries" (21).

On February 13, 1945, the first step towards repatriation began. Repatriation referred to those who either during or shortly after the cessation of hostilities signed a request to go to Japan.

Voluntary Repatriation

Notices of two types were put up at all detention camps. The first dealt with application for voluntary repatriation to Japan in which three points were made:

"The net proceeds realized from the disposition of their property, real and personal, in Canada, and standing to their credit at time of repatriation, will be secured to them and may be transferred to Japan by them upon repatriation following the close of the war."

"In case of persons sent to

Japan under any agreement for exchange of Nationals between Canada and Japan before the close of the war, under which agreement the amount of personal property and funds carried by the repatriation is limited, on the advice of the Department of External Affairs, such Japanese repatriates would be provided with receipts showing the property left behind in Canada, or net proceeds of same if sold, with a view to their being permitted to secure possession of their property or the net proceeds thereof after the end of hostilities.

"Free passage will be guaranteed by the Canadian government to all repatriates being sent to Japan, and all their dependents who accompany them, and including free transportation of such of their personal property as they may take with them" (22).

'Eastern Resettlement'

The second form stated seven major points, five of which dealt with the fact that conditions had been published under which voluntary repatriation was offered and that certain aids for eastern resettlements had been established. The other two, items two and three of the notice, stated that:

"Japanese Canadians who want to remain in Canada should now re-establish themselves east of the Rockies as best evidence of their intentions to co-operate with the government policy of dispersal."

"Failure to accept employment east of the Rockies may be regarded at a later date as lack of co-operation with the Canadian government in carrying out the policy of dispersal" (23).

The Japanese became confused about this issue as newspapers reported that some provinces were willing to accept Japanese while others were not. Eventually, the Japanese understood the situation to be that they either had to go to Japan or east of the Rockies.

Yet, it was not the intention of the government that fully employed Japanese should have to leave British Columbia if they did not declare their intention to return to Japan.

Many Cancel

Due to this confusion and lack of communication, many Japanese felt it best to return to Japan rather than be relocated again. September 2, 1945 was set as the final day for cancellation of all repatriation requests. After clarification of the issue, many Japanese requested the cancellation of their repatriation requests.

On November 21, the Minister of Labour Mr. Humphrey Mitchell, announced that "nat-

uralized Canadians who had submitted a request for cancellation prior to September 2, 1945, would be permitted to remain in Canada. With respect to the Canadian-born citizens, it was expected that their case would be reviewed. However, the government would not permit the cancellation of requests made by Japanese nationals even if they were made prior to the deadline.

On October 5, 1945, the Liberal party introduced Clause 'G' of the National Emergency Powers Act, Bill 15.

The purpose of Bill 15 as a whole was to provide the government with transitional powers so that some of its wartime authority would be continued after the War had been declared as legally ended, and therefore, the War Measures Act no longer in force.

Segregation Program

Clause 'G' was aimed at giving the federal government the power to revoke nationality and deport any citizen, loyal or disloyal, with or without consent, without right to appeal. Although the term "Japanese" did not appear, it was assumed at once that the clause was included for the express purpose of providing the legal foundation for completion of the segregation program.

Strong arguments against Clause 'G' came from the opposition in the House of Commons and from citizens across Canada.

Because of this strong opposition Clause 'G' was not included in Bill 15 when it was passed on December 15. Two days later, the Prime Minister presented three orders-in-council which were passed on the basis of the War Measures Act giving, in effect, the same powers to the government as that the Liberal Party went on record, according to the interpretations of many Occidental Canadians, as officially sponsoring racial discrimination" (24).

Deportation Ruling Confuses

The protest against the three orders-in-council drew enough support that the legality of them were challenged before the Supreme Court of Canada. After a rather lengthy hearing, the Supreme Court presented its decision.

"A majority of the judges ruled that the orders-in-council were partially valid simply because the government had the power to do practically anything under the War Measures Act . . . and the government had rushed them through several months after the war was over, and only a few days before the Act expired. A majority also ruled that it was illegal to deport the wives and children of the man being deported. Two of the judges fur-

ther held that other parts of the scheme were invalid insofar as they applied to Canadian-born and naturalized citizens. This meant that the government could deport any person, but his wife and children would be left on the government's hands" (25).

Because this decision was not a clear-cut decision the Prime Minister made an appeal to the Privy Council in London, but it was sustained.

Shortly before the Supreme Court decision, the Department of Labour moved quickly to tidy up the segregation program by reversing its policy — that is, no one departed for Japan who did not want to go.

Nonetheless, 3,964 Japanese voluntarily sailed for Japan by the end of 1946. In other words, "only one-third of those who signed up during the period of registration, confusion, and excitement finally went to Japan" (26).

Inland Camps Closed

The year 1946 also marked the end of another chapter in the story of the Japanese — the closure of the housing projects in the interior settlements of British Columbia. This meant the re-establishment, again, of the Japanese.

The official end of hostilities on September 2, 1945, between Japan and the Allies meant the release of the Japanese from detention camps. Still, they were prohibited from returning to the West Coast.

The Vancouver Sun which had launched an anti-Japanese campaign from the very beginning, said in 1946, "If they are to live in peace in Canada, they must not revive any idea of re-establishment of a Pacific Coast colony . . . We must have ample assurance from the government that Powell Street and Steveston are to remain White" (27).

Actually, there was no reason for alarm for it appeared that British Columbia's Japanese "problem" was at an end. In April 1947, the British Columbia Legislature continued its discrimination against the Japanese by refusing them the vote while granting it to the Chinese and East Indians.

West Coast Still Closed

Even the federal government maintained its restrictions on Japanese travel inside British Columbia during 1947. Therefore, no Japanese could enter the coastal area, including war veterans, unless they had special permits from the RCMP. However, all restrictions of movement east of the Rockies were lifted.

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Japanese in Canada

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which barred the employment of Japanese lumber operators. This meant that 800 Japanese loggers and sawmill workers of interior British Columbia would be unemployed.

Immediately, the Japanese Canadian Citizens Association took action against this decision. This Nisei organization received tremendous support from non-Oriental organizations in Vancouver and eventually, the government suspended its order.

"Finally, assurances were given by the Provincial Cabinet that the British Columbia Timber Act employment disability would be temporarily suspended until the next legislature, and also assured that this law including the mining law would be rescinded permanently and at the same time the enfranchisement of the Japanese was promised" (28).

Voting Rights

On March 7, 1949, the British Columbia Legislature introduced an amendment to the Provincial Elections Act to enfranchise the Japanese.

In June, 1948, the House of Commons passed Bill 198 which enfranchised Canadian citizens of Japanese race living anywhere in Canada after March 31, 1949.

As a follow-up, the federal restrictions which prohibited Japanese from moving freely into the Pacific coast areas, or going into the fishing industry would cease after April 1st, 1949.

VII — 1950 to Today

With the Japanese securing apparently, equal citizenship rights in 1949, they were slowly adopted into the Canadian democratic society.

Today, the Japanese can be found in almost every existing industry, or profession from coast to coast. They have regained their pre-war status, if not more, and have achieved a high degree of popular acceptance than had ever been accorded them since their first arrival back in 1884.

Yet, discrimination still looms over the Japanese in Canada.

A study done in 1965, by Praeklin J. Henry, on the "Perception of Discrimination Among Negroes And Japanese-Canadians in Hamilton"

centage of discrimination than those Japanese in the lower income bracket. The reason being that the former found it necessary to associate more frequently with non-Orientals, whereas, the latter tended to associate more with those of their own race.

Here again, one gets an inkling of the existence, still, of the fear of Japanese competitiveness.

Photo with Application

Discrimination has occurred at another level, and, although this example does not affect solely the Japanese, it is mentioned because initial protest action was lodged by the Toronto Japanese Canadian Citizens Association.

In 1969, an advertisement appeared in a daily newspaper requesting applicants for an engineering position to submit a recent photograph with their applications.

The Japanese Canadian Citizens Association filed a formal complaint with the Ontario Human Rights Commission against the newspaper, which carried the ad, stating that a request for a photograph discouraged many minority group members from applying for positions. The hearing ended with the representatives of the newspaper assuring the Commission "that every effort would be taken to prevent requests for photographs from appearing in ads" (31).

To many, this may seem like a rather petty case of discrimination, but unless such examples are challenged, the old cliché "if you give him an inch, he'll take a mile" becomes more of a reality.

Immigration Policy

To the Japanese, the Canadian Immigration policy had been one of outright discrimination for many years. The probable beginnings of this policy date back to the Gentlemen's Agreement Act of 1908 when an annual quota of 400 Japanese was fixed.

Later, in 1928, it was reduced to 150. Although the quota system has long since gone, shades of doubt arise upon examination of the 1968 Immigration Statistics. The following table suggests a rather selective process against the Japanese immigrants:

of Japan, it is beyond comprehension how migration from Morocco to Canada was double that of Japan.

Granted, the Japanese immigration has increased considerably, however, this would appear to be a token gesture on the part of Canadian immigration officials.

As Domestic Policy

The statement made by the late Prime Minister Mackenzie King back in May, 1947, reflects the present attitude of immigration authorities:

"With regard to the selection of immigrants, much has been said about discrimination. I wish to make it quite clear that Canada is perfectly within her rights in selecting the persons whom we regard as desirable future citizens. It is not a 'fundamental human right' of any alien to enter Canada. It is a privilege. It is a matter of domestic policy" (32).

In addition, such government officials, undoubtedly, believe that citizens of such countries as China and Japan are to be considered still, at the bottom of the ladder in regards to admission.

Toranzo Iwasaki Case

The evacuation of 1942, resulted in the confiscation of all Japanese property by the Canadian Government. This property was then sold by the Government without the consent of the owners, at a considerably reduced price.

Since that time, several lawsuits have been made against the federal government for compensation. The most recent claim was by Toranzo Iwasaki, in 1969. Mr. Iwasaki contended that certain orders-in-council set up a trust under which the custodian was bound to manage the property and return it to him.

As in all previous cases, Mr. Iwasaki, too, lost his court battle, as the Exchequer Court of Canada ruled that this contention was in error.

By examining the events of 1942, the decision made on the Iwasaki case, becomes very questionable. One of the orders-in-council referred to by Mr. Iwasaki was P.C. 1665 of March 4, 1942. This order stated that "... as a protective measure only, all property situated in any protected area of British Columbia belonging to any person of the Japanese race, resident in such area ... shall be vested in and subject to the control and management

with pride on the gains and contributions they have made for Canada since the end of the War, not to mention their achievements prior to it.

However, despite their achievements and despite their assimilations, they must not become completely absorbed within the majority culture. To do so, would mean destruction of their Japanese characteristics and background.

Already it is obvious that many Japanese have completely broken their ties with their particular group. They have fallen victim to the false belief that establishment and preservation of a favourable self-image is necessary before they can function adequately within this society.

Consequently, they have resigned themselves to the fact that this society does not allow for the development of a favourable self-image which includes being a Japanese Canadian. These Japanese now try to perpetuate their newly acquired values — that of the majority — by imposing them on other groups.

The result of this has been self-rejection, their apathy, their embarrassment over association with other Japanese, their active non-identification with their group as well as lack of moral courage.

It is ironic that these Japanese have become part of a ranking society which, at one time, had persecuted them to all degrees of degradation and humiliation.

The Japanese in Canada, today, must remain a strong, cohesive group allowing for assimilation with the Canadian society, but, at the same time retaining their "Japaneseness". They must retain their strong family ties, and their desire for achievement through hard work for, then, responsibility and pride will be a part of them.

With just these two features, the Japanese will be ready to assimilate to a certain extent with the Canadian structure without fear of being caught up on mirror images. Last of all, their past achievements should be remembered and their past mistakes should act as reminders of what they must do and what they can become as a self-aware people in the future.

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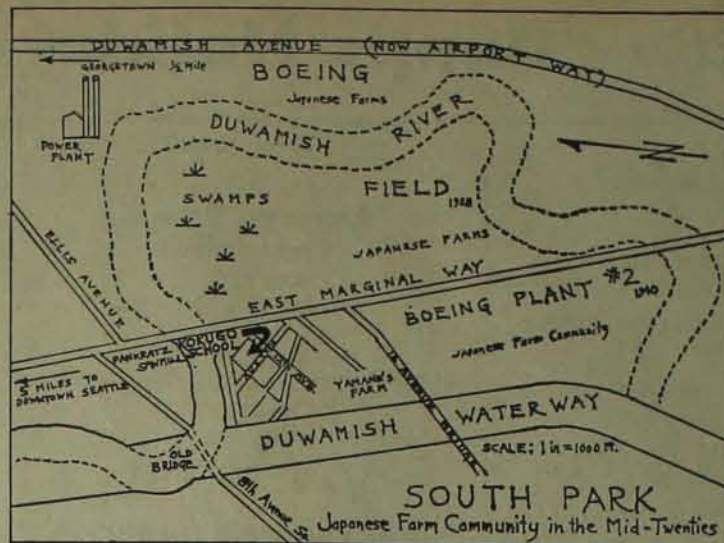
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Seattle's South Park

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among her many roudy students. Fist fights were common.

Mrs. Kajiwara was still able to rear her family of five children and to see most of them complete their college education.

Mrs. Kajiwara since the war had resettled in Chicago. I looked her up one day. She looked the same except for her greater air of poise. She died about three years ago.

By 1927 the King County was buying up all the lands south of Georgetown power house with

its landmark twin stacks 280 and 243 feet high. About 35 farming families were being evicted in condemnation proceedings and threatened the existence of Kokugo School.

Most of the farmers moved farther south and remained within the reach of the community. The rich farm soil and swamps and the last trace of the meandering river were being filled by dredging the Duwamish Waterway in 1928.

And just before the 1929 crash the addition to the Kokugo School was completed. Mrs. Kajiwara's husband Shigekichi, a restaurateur, joined the teaching staff to form a husband - wife team. School bus service extended coverage to Riverton area.

The new hall was the scene of Tenchoetsu festival, New Year's and graduation rites, and discotheque dances for teenagers. South Park Dojo with instructors like Kaimon Kudo, Masataro Shibata, Masachi Maniwa and Toru Araki from Seattle Dojo helped train young kids in the fine art of self defense. We had our day of glory when we hosted a regional tournament.

The hall was open for Sunday school classes taught by the Seattle Japanese Baptist Church contingent headed by the Rev. Emery E. Andrews and missionaries Misses Esther M. McCollough, Florence M. Rumsey and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bunji Katayama with assist from the Rev. Fukumatsu

Okazaki family and volunteers. In 1940 a kendo school had started.

The useful life of the clubhouse lasted less than 14 years but we prefer not to think about it. Life had changed after World War II and the community had scattered to the four winds.

But like the homing pigeons, a substantial portion of the residents had returned to Seattle. South Park had their share of sorrows when their native sons became combat casualties in Europe. Included were Jiro Kanetomi, graduate pharmacist and son of Tsuchiichi Kanetomis; Manzo Takahashi, who was orphaned while still a youngster; and Yoshito Noritake, son of Teichiro Noritakes who was one of co-founders of Seattle Nichiren Church.

From this area came Kenji Ito, attorney in Los Angeles and son of the Manzo Ito; medical doctors Minoru Araki of New York, son of the Nisaku Arakis; and Mrs. Kazuko Bill of Seattle and daughter of the Kinuta Unos.

In closing I may venture to say that their life patterns differed certainly from the mainstream of America society and in some respect with the urban counterpart of the Japanese community. However, they were well prepared in adjusting to different occupational fields after the war and I am sure they may have some yearning at times for the wide open spaces, the fresh country air, and the feeling of togetherness which prevailed at that time.

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On comparing the size of the geographical area and population size of Morocco with that

of the Custodian as defined in the Regulations respecting trading with the enemy" (33).

The important phrases of this clause are "a protective measure" and "subject to control and management" for the government never really did spell them out. In fact, the Office of the Custodian was totally ignorant of the government's plans for the handling of property.

Shortly after, order P.C. No. 2483 was issued on March 27, 1942, which emphasized in several places "temporary placement".

At that time, it was generally assumed that the Japanese would be moved into the interior of the province for the duration and then allowed to return to the area from which they had been excluded. Therefore, the Japanese were under the impression that the control and management of their land would be given to the Custodian until their return from their temporary placement in the interior of British Columbia.



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Genesis of Pearl Harbor Attack

By ALLAN BEEKMAN

AT 9:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 6, 1941, Pres. Franklin D. Roosevelt sat in his study reading a deciphered cablegram addressed to the Japanese embassy — his cryptographers had broken the Japanese diplomatic code. He turned to his friend and confidant, Harry Hopkins, who was pacing the floor, and said, "This means war."

The announcement was expected. On November 25 the president had told his assembled advisers that America might be attacked as early as December 1, "for the Japanese are notorious for making an attack without warning."

Had Roosevelt speculated on how and where the surprise attack might be executed, he might have remembered an attack the British Mediterranean Fleet had made against Taranto, Italy, Nov. 11, 1940, for in that attack lay the clue to the Japanese strategy.

1940 had been a year of striking successes for the Axis. The Germans had driven the British from the European mainland; the Italians had conquered British Somaliland and invaded Egypt.

By keeping most of their fleet intact at Taranto and avoiding an open engagement in the Mediterranean, the Italians posed a constant threat to British Malta and vital British communication lines. Unable to provoke the Italian Fleet to open combat, Adm. Andrew Browne Cunningham, commander in chief of the British naval forces in the Mediterranean, decided to attack the Italian ships at their base.

He began by accumulating information about Taranto and its defenses.

The finest harbor in Italy, Taranto lies near the southernmost tip of the Italian peninsula, which like a vise encircles the base and the Gulf of Taranto. Ringing the harbor to the west was a breakwater, dam, and the islands of San Pietro and San Paolo. To the east is the town of Taranto, then having 140,000 residents.

Within the harbor lay battleships, cruisers, and destroyers shielded by barrage balloons, anti-aircraft guns, and anti-torpedo nets. These anti-torpedo nets, however, had a flaw the British were to exploit: they extended down the sides of the battleships only to the point of its maximum draft.

Cunningham had planes photograph Taranto and its defenses and fly these photographs to Cairo where experts subjected them to detailed analysis, plotting the exact position of each Italian ship. Cunningham also began an intensive training program for the proposed attack.

The fortunes of war caused postponement and rendered meager the resources available for the attack; nevertheless, noon of November 11 saw the British Fleet moving northeastward through the Ionian Sea some 250 miles from Taranto. At dusk, the carrier Illustrious, supported by four cruisers, parted from the main fleet and sped towards the takeoff position 180 miles from Taranto.

For days the air crews had

been studying photographs of the target and discussing the proposed attack: the plan was firmly fixed in their minds. Rear Adm. Lyster spoke words of encouragement to them. With a three-quarter moon rising out of the calm sea, 12 planes lifted from the deck, carrying flares, torpedos, and bombs, and headed for the target.

As the British neared Taranto, the Italians picked up the sound of the engines; sirens shrieked, gun batteries opened fire. Nevertheless, the planes assigned the task dropped flares to the east of the battleships, silhouetting the ships and illuminating the scene. Avoiding the barrage balloons, the torpedo planes dropped down through the glittering curtain of anti-aircraft fire and deposited their charges. Dive-bombers followed.

The British had secretly perfected a mechanism that exploded the torpedo magnetically as it passed under the keel of the ship attacked. This new type of torpedo, being used for the first time, passed under the inadequate Italian anti-torpedo nets.

In five minutes, torpedos badly damaged the battleship Littorio and left the battleship Cavour sinking. Bomb failures robbed the bombers of great success, but they left the sea plane base burning.

Sixty miles to the south, a second wave of seven British planes approaching the target saw the barrage of fire directed at the first wave. Arriving over the harbor, two planes from this second wave dropped flares. Others launched torpedos, one of which blasted a hole in the bow of the Littorio; another tearing a hole amidstships of the battleship Duilio, flooding both her forward magazines. Later a British "omber arrived and dropped a bomb into the cruiser Trento, but like many of the other bombs that fell that night, this failed to explode.

When the results of the attack by this puny air force were totaled, the world learned that, at a cost of two air craft and their crews, the British had eliminated more than half the Italian battle fleet. The British had permanently disabled the Cavour, put the Littorio out of action for four months, the Duilio for six months. For the time being, at least, the British Royal Navy had gained undisputed control of the Mediterranean.

Military experts everywhere analyzed this British coup. U.S. Navy Sec. Frank Knox sent Army Sec. Henry L. Stimson a memorandum concerning it.

"The success of the British aerial torpedo attack against the ships at anchor suggests that precautionary measures be taken immediately to protect Pearl Harbor against a surprise attack in the event of war between the United States and Japan. The greatest danger will come from the aerial torpedo."

Stimson heeded the warning and advised the Hawaiian command to strengthen itself against possible surprise air attack. Just before Christmas 1940, however, Adm. Husband E. Kimmel, commander of the U.S. Pacific Fleet, replied, "Anti-torpedo nets at Pearl Harbor would restrict boat

traffic by narrowing the channel."

Kimmel could not foresee that his decision against the use of anti-torpedo nets would play into the hands of his enemy counterpart, Adm. Isoroku Yamamoto, commander in chief of the Combined Japanese Imperial Fleet.

Yamamoto's career had fitted him for the role he was to play against Kimmel. The Japanese had been baptized by fire at Tsushima Strait, May 27, 1905, when Adm. Heihachiro Togo had annihilated the Russian Fleet, and Yamamoto had been wounded in the right leg and had lost two fingers of his left hand.

Though conscious of the glory gained by Japan in defeating her old enemy in this classic battle of the day when battleships were the decisive weapon of sea warfare, Yamamoto was too intelligent and mature to plan future strategy around the weapons of the past.

Early in his career, Yamamoto had decided that air power was the decisive weapon of the future. As a navy commander and student at Harvard in the years when World War I was drawing to a close, he had toured American air craft factories and studied every report on planes in action over the Western Front of Europe.

In 1923, at 39, he had become a captain and executive officer of the new air training school at Kasumigaura. In 1930 he had become commander of the First Air Fleet.

On assuming command of the First Air Fleet, he had immediately intensified training, making such demands of his fliers that many were killed. To him, those killed in training were heroes the same as those killed in battle. To impress on his charges the respect they owed their fallen comrades, he had the living salute a list of those killed before taking off on training missions; for though he grieved at the death of the trainees, his grief caused no relaxation of the high standards he demanded of them.

Elevated to full admiral in mid-August 1939, he was appointed commander in chief of the Combined Fleet. Two weeks later, Germany precipitated World War II by invading Poland.

In America, Yamamoto had acquired respect for American industrial might and for the character of the American people. In a speech to his old Middle School in Nagasaki in 1940, he warned against underestimating America and added, "Japan cannot beat America, therefore she should not fight America."

Nevertheless, world events and the Japanese jingoists were steering Japan for a confrontation with America. It was his duty to prepare the fleet for the conflict; his respect for American military might dictated the strategy he would employ.

Since Japan lacked the resources for a long war, the one hope of success was a quick victory over the American navy that would give Japan a free hand in Asia. The efforts of the Japanese Fleet should be directed to forcing this early, decisive naval victory.

In April 1940, the Combined Fleet began maneuvers, giving

special attention to air attacks. Yamamoto's fliers, with the increased skill they had acquired through unremitting training, so successfully attacked the twisting, dodging warships that they theoretically halved the fleet strength.

Afterwards as the two paced the quarterdeck of the flagship Nagato, Adm. Shigeru Fukudome, chief of staff, said to Yamamoto, "It's beginning to look as if there's no way a surface fleet can elude aerial torpedos. Is the time ripe for a decisive fleet engagement using aerial torpedo attacks as the main striking power?"

There was a long pause; as Roosevelt had said, surprise attacks were in the Japanese tradition. Perhaps Yamamoto was thinking of how the revered Adm. Togo had opened warfare with the Russians at Port Arthur, Feb. 8, 1904 — the Japanese torpedo boats sneaking into the harbor under cover of darkness and launching their torpedos at the unsuspecting Russian ships.

Finally Yamamoto replied, "An even more crushing blow could be struck by mass torpedo attack against an unsuspecting enemy force." If he was thinking of Pearl Harbor, there was the traditional objection: Pearl Harbor was supposed to be only 45 feet deep — considered too shallow for the successful use of aerial torpedos.

Then came the British attack on Taranto. In London the reports of this British victory were processed by a Japanese assistant naval air attaché named Minoru Genda.

Genda had served in China where his skill and daring as a fighter pilot had won him the nickname of the "Genda Circus." In 1937, as air operations officer in the Shanghai area, he had introduced new methods of mass long-range operations by fighter aircraft.

The reports he submitted on Taranto yielded a significant piece of information: Taranto Harbor was 42 feet deep or less — more shallow than Pearl Harbor.

After studying Genda's reports, Yamamoto said to Fukudome, "An air attack on Pearl Harbor might be possible now, especially as our air training has turned out so successfully."

Recalled to Japan and promoted to commander, Genda, the expert on Taranto, on request submitted a plan for an attack on Pearl Harbor. Before even the most daring of Japanese naval leaders would consider the plan practicable, there would be many problems to solve, but the scheme continued to progress towards perfection.

As relations with America approached nearer and nearer a breaking point, Yamamoto gained the consent of the Naval General Staff for a Pearl Harbor attack only by threatening to resign if they refused him. In the meantime he was solving the technical problems one by one and drilling his fliers to greater and greater excellence. From the Japanese point of view, his preparations must have seemed to materialize only in the nick of time.

On Sept. 27, 1939, Japan had taken the first step towards total estrangement from America by signing the Tripartite

MASAOKA REPORT:

More Positive Action

From Section A-1

was the stage when corrective and remedial legislation and litigation were the most noteworthy achievements, when the goodwill of the first five years was translated into positive gain for those of Japanese ancestry.

This trend continued through the decade of the 1950s, with equality in immigration and naturalization opportunities not only for those of Japanese race in particular but for all Asians in general, and with Statehood for the long-deserving Territory of Hawaii.

The 1960s were a period of consolidating the gains of fifteen years, while concentrating JACL activities more into the general area of civil and racial rights, humanitarianism, and anti-poverty efforts.

More Positive Action

In the past two years, a new generation of Japanese Americans — and JACL members — have insisted on, demanded, and received more positive action in more varied fields than ever before. This has been particularly true of the Washing-

ton JACL Office, which continued to operate on a retainer for a part-time Washington representative as it has done for almost two decades now.

We believe that this National JACL Council, at this National Convention, must decide a number of basic concepts concerning the direction of the organization. Once these are decided, the constant questions concerning financing and personnel must then be answered.

Perhaps the most fundamental policy question to be resolved is whether the JACL should continue as a basically Nisei organization, or whether it should seek to become a Nisei-Sansel organization.

Next, in these times when separatism is advocated by so many who feel that integration cannot resolve the great racial issues of the day, it must be determined whether the JACL will return to its former closed membership-for-only-those-of-Japanese-(or-Asian)-ancestry limitation, or whether it will continue to welcome members of all races, colors, creeds, and national origins who agree with JACL's general objectives, as it has done since World War II days.

Organizational Positions

Then, there is the question as to whether the JACL should attempt to remain the moderate conservative, generally middle-of-the-road organization that attempts to cater to the majority of those of Japanese ancestry in this country, trying to be "all things to all people" of Japanese origin in the United States.

Or, whether JACL should transfer its concerns from being almost exclusively for those of Japanese race in the United States to being an all-Asian-ancestry-oriented movement.

Or, whether JACL should try to become what some of its founders 40 years ago originally envisioned — a strictly fraternal, educational, and social association of Nisei, catering to the middle class status symbols and aspirations.

Or, whether JACL should shift into a more social-action type organization, featuring aid to the social needs of local Japanese American communities.

Or, whether JACL should seek to become a Japanese American political action instrumentality, concerned mainly with the political challenges and consequences on a national, state, and local basis.

Scope of Objectives

Once the concept of organization is agreed upon, the next series of questions have to do with general and specific objectives. In these determinations, as in those involving broad organizational policies, none are mutually inclusive or exclusive; a combination or compromise of one or more propositions is completely legitimate, reasonable, and perhaps desirable and realistic.

Should JACL generally restrict its activities to such areas as those that involve principally those of Japanese, or Asian, background in the United States. This would mean emphasis on developing Asian American and Japanese American studies, cultural centers, history, culture, contributions, etc.

It would also involve seeking the elimination of racial discrimination against those of Japanese (Asian) origin in the United States, such as in employment, housing, education, social opportunities and fraternal organizations, immigration and refugee policies and practices, etc.

Or, should the JACL become a general civil rights organization, concentrating on civil rights and liberties, academic freedom, anti-poverty, environmental and ecological, urban blight, etc., efforts, with only incidental reference and attention to the problems of Japanese (Asian) Americans.

Or, should JACL attempt to develop into an international relations organization. This could mean that JACL would specialize in trying to promote goodwill, understanding, and mutually beneficial relations with just Japan, or with the countries of the Far East or Asia, or even with all the nations of earth.

At a time when there is greater American consciousness of the plight and problems of other peoples and nations, when more Americans are becoming concerned — for one reason or another — in relations with Asia, perhaps JACL can perform its greatest national service in trying to help America better and more realistically to appreciate Japan, the peoples and nations of the Far East or of all Asia, or of the world at large, and to rid itself of its racist attitude

To Short and Kimmel, who had lost the battle, their reputations, and their careers, the message must have seemed particularly ironic. The Japanese had come, applied the lesson of Taranto, and vanished into the Pacific.

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Section B

and outlook toward others, particularly Asians.

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And, should this international direction be limited to political, social, and cultural matters, or should it be expanded to include trade and commercial issues, keeping in mind that especially with Japan and other countries of the Far East and Asia these relationships may be more crucial in the long range than military or diplomatic considerations.

Beyond these questions are others that should trouble the National Council.

These include such pragmatic ones as to whether the present and potential future membership of JACL will support, financially and with voluntary personal efforts, any or all, or a combination, of these concepts and projections.

Or, whether JACL's credibility and persuasive influence with the Administration, with the Congress, with state or local officials, etc., can be maintained and continued with any or all, or a combination, of these programs.

These are among the questions which we believe are pertinent and relevant to this National Council meeting. We do not suggest that they are the only questions that need to be answered, however, for we mention them at this juncture only to provoke other and probably more critical questions.

Future Role of Office

Next, in all candor, we must comment on the future role of the Washington JACL Office.

In the past biennium, the Washington JACL part-time representative was called upon to serve JACL more than its part-time retainer justified. And, since in all probability the National Council in Chicago will increase the responsibilities and the commitments of the Washington Office, we feel very strongly that the National JACL should consider re-establishing a full-time Washington Office, fully staffed, and funded adequately to not only accomplish its mandated missions but also to be a credit upon the JACL itself.

Moreover, frankness compels us to again remind JACL that as it takes on greater responsibilities and new commitments, it may not be possible for the present Washington representative to effectively and honestly represent both JACL and his other clients, most of whom are involved in international trade relations.

The National JACL Executive Committee proposed a compromise program this past summer, in which the Washington representative would continue to serve JACL as responsibly as he could but would concentrate on a training program for a qualified Nisei or Sansel, with the view that within two or four years such a trainee would be ready and able to assume the full-time responsibility for administering a full-time Washington JACL Office.

Personal Preference

We have agreed to accept such a proposal, if approved by the National Council and properly funded, although we would prefer the creation of a full-time Washington JACL Office separate and away from the current Washington representative's address.

On the other hand, if the National Council adopts policies and programs that may not be compatible with past projects of the Washington JACL Office, we believe that it would be less likely to be misunderstood by all concerned, including members of the Administration and Congress, as well as past associates of JACL, if a completely new Washington JACL Office, at a new address and without any supervision from or connection with the present Washington representative, were established.

Such a break-off would indicate that JACL is embarked on new and different objectives, under changed JACL leadership, and without the continued representation of its current Washington representative.

Executive Reorganization

Under the executive reorganization established this past biennium by National President Jerry Enomoto of Sacramento, the National JACL Legislative Committee, the National JACL Committee on International Affairs, and the National JACL Public Relations Committee, all of which — together with the National JACL Legal Counsel (William Marutani of Philadelphia) —

have much to do with the Washington JACL Office, came under the personal supervision of National JACL Second Vice President (for Public Affairs) Kaz Horita of Philadelphia.

New York attorneys Thomas Hayashi and Murray Sprung were co-chairmen of the Legal Committee. Dr. Mary Watanabe of Philadelphia was the chairman of the International Affairs Committee, and Harry Takagi of Washington was the chairman of the Public Relations Committee.

Because of the activities of Vice President Horita and these chairmen and committees, and that of National Legal Counsel Marutani, as well as of the special Ad Hoc Committees created by National President Enomoto, such as those dealing with the repeal of Title II of the Internal Security Act of 1950 (Ray Okamura, Edison Uno, and Paul Yamamoto of the San Francisco Bay area), with the defeat of repressive legislation (Hiroshi Kanno of Chicago), and with Ethnic Concern (Dr. David Miura of Long Beach), the workload of the Washington JACL Office was considerably reduced.

Nevertheless, the performance of the Washington Office suggests that there was too much work for a part-time representative and that much more could have been accomplished had there been a fully-staffed and funded Washington Office. During the early 1960s, for instance, when equality in naturalization was the single most important legislation for JACL, there were five on the staff itself, supported by three secretaries.

Congressional Activities

When the last National JACL Convention adjourned in mid-August 1968, the Second Session of the 90th Congress was still in business. When this National Convention adjourns, the present Second Session of the 91st Congress will still be in session.

The 91st Congress was one of the few in this century in which an incoming Chief Executive was not of the same political party as the new Congress, for the 1968 national elections resulted in Republican Richard Nixon winning the Presidency and in the Democrats retaining control of the Legislative Branch.

This 91st Congress thus far has achieved a number of legislative triumphs of noteworthy appeal to JACL. These include:

(a) A congressional challenge, mostly in the Senate, of the so-called war powers of the President, and particularly in connection with the continuing war in Vietnam and the recent incursion against enemy sanctuaries in Cambodia.

(b) A legislative effort (as against a constitutional amendment) to reduce the voting age to 18 for all national, state, and local elections.

(c) A far-reaching welfare reform passed by the House and pending in the Senate that would replace relief checks with a kind of minimum guaranteed annual income.

(d) The rejection of two consecutive nominees to be Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States.

(e) The House approved proposal abolishing the Electoral College and providing for the direct election of the President and Vice President of the United States.

Repeal of Emergency Detention Authorization

The National Council at the San Jose National JACL Convention two years ago mandated as the organization's major congressional effort the repeal of Title II of the Internal Security Act of 1950, the so-called Emergency Detention or Concentration Camp authorization law.

An outstanding "grass roots" campaign has been organized and carried out under the chairmanship of Ray Okamura of Berkeley, Edison Uno of San Francisco, and Paul Yamamoto of Oakland. Together with members of their Ad Hoc Committee, including subcommittees in various sections of the nation, more than 500 organizations, many of them national in scope, representing almost every sector of American life, adopted resolutions urging repeal.

So too did more than 65 governmental bodies, from state legislatures to city councils to human relations commissions, and more than 30 newspaper editorials and radio and television commentaries.

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Even if repeal is not accomplished at this time, the "grass roots" campaign was a useful exercise in political activity and a demonstration that the JACL still can be a potent political force in the nation if it so decrees.

In Congress, although Congressman Charles Gubser of California introduced his repeal bill on January 3, 1969, the first day of the First Session as a consequence of his attendance at the San Jose Convention, Senator Daniel Inouye of Hawaii officially introduced the JACL version in the Senate on April 18, 1969, and Congressmen Spark Matsunaga of Hawaii and Chet Holifield of California in the House on June 3, 1969.

Bipartisan Support

A bipartisan coalition of more than 20 Senators joined in co-sponsoring S. 1872, while more than 130 Democrats and Republicans joined in co-sponsoring H.R. 11825 and similar bills.

On December 22, 1969, the Senate Judiciary Committee reported S. 1872 with amendments that would retain the congressional findings with respect to the nature of the Communist Party, while eliminating the substantive authorization for emergency detention of Title II of the 1950 Internal Security Act. That same day (December 22), the Senate unanimously passed the amended S. 1872.

This spring (March and April), the House Internal Security Committee held public hearings on Matsunaga-Holifield bills to repeal Title II, but these hearings have not been concluded pending the testimony of the Department of Justice.

On March 24, 1970, the JACL testimony was presented by a six member panel: National President Jerry Enomoto, Ray Okamura and Edison Uno of the National Ad Hoc Committee, Ross Harano of the Midwest Ad Hoc Subcommittee (Chicago), attorney Robert Takasugi of the Southern California Ad Hoc Subcommittee (Los Angeles), and Washington Representative Mike Masaoka.

Justice Dept.'s Stand

Although Richard Kleindienst, Deputy Attorney General, had written to Chairman Richard Ichord of the House Internal Security Committee on December 2, 1969, recommending the repeal of Title II on behalf of the Nixon Administration in general and of the Justice Department in particular, the House Committee insists that a high-ranking departmental official testify concerning its official endorsement of the Matsunaga-Holifield bill. To the date of this report, no time has been scheduled for this Justice Department testimony, although hopefully it will be in the near future.

While the public testimony has been preponderantly for repeal, the Chairman has shown a reluctance thus far to permit his Committee from reporting the bill and allowing the House to debate and vote on the legislation. Congressman Matsunaga and the Washington Representative have discussed possible strategies to cope with the situation.

A major worry is that the Committee itself, the House, or the Senate-House conference to reconcile differences, if any in the Senate-House conference to versions, may add some repressive provisions as an amendment to the repealer. If such repressive amendments are added, JACL is already on record as opposing not only the amendments but the amended bill itself.

Inasmuch as it now appears that the Congress will remain in session until the next term (92nd Congress) convenes next January (1971), with only a short recess for the November elections, there seems to be enough time left this year to secure some final decision on this repeal measure, at least for this congressional term.

Voting Rights Act

The Voting Rights Act of 1970 was signed into Public Law 91-285, on June 22, 1970. Its major provisions would (1) lower the voting age for all citizens to 18 years for all national, state, and local elections, (2) extend the Voting Rights Act of 1965 five more years to 1975, (3) eliminate all voter literacy tests, and (4) set a uniform residency requirement of 30 days in all voting for national offices (presidency and members of Congress).

As originally passed by the House last December (1969), the Nixon Administration's bill extended the 1965 Voting Rights Act with certain limitations. JACL, together with other members of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, judged the bill inadequate and

called on the Senate to simply extend the 1965 law for another five years. Under this statute, considered by many to be the most effective civil rights law ever passed, more than a million citizens in the past half-decade have been enfranchised, most of them in the Deep South states.

The Senate rewrote the measure, and under the leadership of Majority Leader Mike Mansfield the 18-year-old minimum was included. President Nixon, in signing the bill into law, again raised constitutional doubts about the power of the Congress to legislate in this field and repeating his call for a constitutional amendment to lower the voting age. Already, action has been initiated that will test this issue before the Supreme Court of the United States early in the fall or winter.

JACL was active in urging the reduction of the minimum age largely because it believes that those who must live under certain laws and conditions should have a part in determining their own future. JACL believes that by giving youth the right to participate in their own government, youth may be able to work within the "system" and the "establishment" to achieve the results they desire in improving the quality of life and the conditions of society.

Ethnic Studies

The JACL has long been in the forefront of those who advocated Japanese language and cultural studies. Accordingly, the JACL endorsed the so-called Ethnic Heritage Studies Centers Bill, H.R. 14910, which is now pending in the House Education and Labor Committee.

Immigration Bills

Although a number of omnibus bills to drastically revise the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 have been again introduced in both the House and the Senate, only one (Public Law 91-225) has become law, providing for (1) the temporary admission of aliens with exceptional ability, trainees, international executives, and fiancées, and (2) repealing the two-year foreign residence requirement for so-called exchange visitors.

Yen Claims Bills

About a year ago (July 15, 1969), Congressman Matsunaga introduced two bills (H.R. 12851 and H.R. 12852) which would authorize certain internees who had yen certificates of deposit in the pre-war Japanese banks to file claims and to receive payment on these yen certificates at the pre-war, and not the postwar, exchange rate. These bills are pending in the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

Repressive Bills

Two bills, S. 12, the proposed Internal Security Act of 1970, and H.R. 14864, the proposed Defense Facilities and Industrial Security Act of 1970, passed by the House this past January (1970) by a 274 to 65 margin, are currently pending in the Senate Judiciary Internal Security Subcommittee.

An Ad Hoc Committee chaired by Hiroshi Kanno of Chicago is responsible for "grass roots" action on these bills. At the moment, since it is hoped that these bills can remain "pigeonholed" in the Subcommittee, the Ad Hoc Committee's principal effort is along educational and informational lines, to alert members and the people to the nature and the implications of these two measures.

Haynsworth and Carswell

Although the confirmation of either Judges Clement Haynsworth of South Carolina and Harold Carswell of Florida would have seriously affected the Supreme Court for many years to come, their actual rejections as nominees to the nation's highest tribunal, to take the seat of the resigned Abe Fortas as an Associate Justice, was a legislative, in fact Senate, issue.

Both have demonstrated in their decisions from the Federal Appellate Courts in recent years that they are insensitive to the challenges of the time and overly conservative in their judicial philosophies relating to individual and human values and rights. More specifically, the Senate turned down Judge Haynsworth for alleged conflicts of interest and Judge Carswell for his racist sentiments and his less-than-candid statements to the Senate Judiciary Committee concerning his nomination.

Other Bills

As in the past, since 1948 for that matter when JACL participated in its founding, the Washington Office cooperated with the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, a voluntary citizens alliance of more

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than 125 national organizations representing almost every cross-section of American society, in seeking more meaningful, humane, and liberal legislation in the areas of education, housing, anti-poverty efforts, ecology programs, minority problems, cultural activities, etc.

The Washington JACL Office also continued to cooperate with the National Civil Liberties Clearing House and the American Immigration and Citizenship Conference.

Office Potential

A fully staffed Washington JACL Office could become more directly and intimately involved in many more problems that affect not only the quality of life for Japanese Americans but also for all other citizens, especially in this day when the question of national priorities is being argued in the Congress.

There are perhaps several hundred different bills directly affecting civil rights that were introduced in the past biennium. Many were more than 25 pages in length, highly technical and legalistic, and some including such dangerous concepts as "preventive detention," "no knock," wiretapping, registration and regimentation concepts that are repugnant to JACL and to free people. There are also hundreds of immigration bills introduced, some with provisions that would indicate an effort to return to the now discredited "national origins system" and the double racism of the "Asia Pacific Triangle." Conversely, there are many other bills that would promote ethnic and cultural programs, or could be amended to effect such changes.

In addition, there are bills relating to the draft (Selective Service), to the war in Southeast Asia, to foreign aid, to disarmament, to trade, etc. Many of these are of concern to youth and to JACL members, but because of JACL's rather limited mandates in this area are not considered part and parcel of the responsibilities of the Washington Office.

Over and beyond all this, there are constructive legislative ideas and projects that could be drafted and introduced as positive JACL bills for a better life and world.

But a part-time retained representative, using on a part-time basis the facilities of his own limited enterprise, can hardly be expected to keep up with all that JACL should do and know about Congress. Indeed, simply keeping track of, and analyzing, all the thousands of bills that are introduced that may have some impact on Japanese Americans alone would require more than a single full-time attorney.

This is a time when the nation, and the government, are undergoing serious examination and making historic decisions that may alter the course of the country and of the world for decades to come.

With space offering new challenges, with the threat of a nuclear holocaust hanging over mankind, with the environment defying civilization, etc., any national organization that claims responsible leadership needs not part-time Washington representation, but full-time, adequately staffed and financed Washington Offices.

In the nation's capital, where the fateful decisions are made, JACL can ill afford to continue its present part-time activities.

Supreme Court Decisions

In this biennium, the era of the activist Warren Court ended and that of the strict constructionist Burger Court began.

For the past 15 years to the beginning of the 1969-70 term, the Supreme Court of the United States under Chief Justice Earl Warren has taken an active and positive role in demonstrating time and time again that the Federal Constitution is a living document designed to protect citizens against new, as well as ancient, restraints on their liberties and their rights.

In spite of continuing criticism particularly from the right, including a national effort by the John Birch Society to impeach the Chief Justice, the nation's court of last resort accepted the leadership mantle in civil and human rights at a time when both the Executive and Legislative Branches remained silent and inactive.

Beginning with its historic decision that the "separate but equal" doctrine did not justify racial discrimination in the public schools, the highest tribunal in the land has brought about the near integration of most public facilities; has given greater and more mean-

ingful representation in the elective process to the cities and urban areas and to the poor and the minorities by promulgating the "one man, one vote" rule; has interpreted and applied the provisions of law to eliminate indirect, as well as direct, barriers to the use of the franchise by all citizens in all sections of the country, and particularly in the South of the Old Confederacy where subtle and not-so-subtle procedures had been developed over a century to deprive the blacks of their votes; and has destroyed the sanctioned distinction in law of the rich and the poor for justice and equity.

Because of the decade and a half of the Warren court, Americans now enjoy a degree of constitutionally guaranteed freedom, dignity, and opportunity without parallel in our history.

Burger Court

And, because of the departure of liberals Chief Justice Earl Warren and Associate Justice Abe Fortas, and their replacement by moderates Chief Justice Warren Burger and Associate Justice Harry Blackmun, it is expected that the activist majority has now been displaced by a more conservative majority.

The first term of the new Burger Court (1969-70), according to many observers of the Washington scene, was marked more by what it failed to decide than in what it actually decided.

A partial explanation for this may be in the fact for all practical purposes, because of the controversial rejections of the Haynsworth and Carswell nominations, there were only eight justices sitting most of the term on the nine member bench. Justice Blackmun was not sworn in to take the seat of the resigned Justice Fortas until the last week in June and he did not participate in any of the opinions handed down in the last term.

Since in many controversial cases there might be four-to-four ties, it has been said that the new Chief Justice wanted to avoid such consequences. Accordingly, some 18 "touchy" cases were held over until the next term, which begins October 1970 through June 1971.

Perhaps even more significantly, there appears to be a trend toward what was described as "judicial restraint" by then presidential candidate Richard Nixon in the November 1968 campaigns, as well as a tendency toward "law and order" rulings. "Judicial restraint" refers to the policy of trying to dispose of cases on the narrowest possible grounds and to avoid the constitutional issue whenever feasible in an effort to protect the Court from overreaching itself.

The first term of the Burger Court disposed of an unusual number of volatile issues on such grounds as mootness, lack of standing of the litigants, incomplete trial records, and untimeliness.

During Chief Justice Warren's last term which ended a year ago last June, the Court heard and decided 26 appeals that were listed under the heading "criminal law and procedure" in the legal periodical known as the United States Law Week. The prosecution won eight of these cases.

During the term just ended (June 1970), there were 29 "criminal law and procedure" appeals, with the prosecution winning 18. Important too, almost all of the criminal cases last term concerned the conduct of trials, rather than efforts to control the police through procedural safeguards for the accused.

The overall effect of these new philosophies has been to muffle the impact of the Supreme Court rulings on institutions outside the judiciary. It has also played-down the kind of strong, unequivocal decisions that demand changes in the way things are done outside the judicial system.

At the same time, as in the ruling that unruly defendants could be gagged or expelled from court, the top appellate recourse moved to reaffirm the judiciary's supremacy over litigants. Perhaps the thesis that controls the new Chief Justice's legal thinking may be explained in a comment which he made to the effect that he received his direction directly from the Constitution, not judge-made law. "I will not join in employing recent cases rather than the Constitution."

Important to JACL

Probably the four most important cases to JACL of the last Warren Court involved: (1) A ruling that an amendment of a city charter to preclude implementation of an ordinance dealing with racial, religious, or ancestral dis-

crimination in housing without majority voter approval constituted a denial of the equal protection of the laws;

(2) A decision that a privately owned recreation area with boating, swimming, and snack bar facilities is covered by Title II of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and that Negroes, and other minorities, may not be denied admission thereto;

(3) A holding that state statutory prohibitions of welfare benefits to residents of less than a year constituted an invidious discrimination denying equal protection of the laws; and

(4) A First Amendment violation by a state prohibiting the teaching or use of textbooks dealing with a particular subject matter, in this instance evolution.

The more important judgments of the new Burger Court that adjourned last month had to do with the Selective Service System and with school desegregation speed. The Court repeatedly intervened in the so-called draft system last term, striking down its delinquency regulations, liberalizing its rules for conscientious objectors beyond religious grounds, broadening the standing of draft registrants to challenge the system through litigation, and generally demonstrating a jaundiced appraisal of the system by which men are conscripted to fight in Vietnam.

The Court also took strong action in demanding compliance "now" with its 1954 school desegregation decisions. Whether next term it will continue to press aggressively for integration now that the "easy" problem of dual school systems is giving way to the thornier one of bussing is for the future to disclose.

The "reformer" role of the Warren Court now seems to have been superseded by the "stand pat if possible" attitude of the new Burger Court.

In a sense, the purpose of these evaluations is to reveal some of the underlying reasons behind the successful efforts to frustrate the confirmations to the Supreme Court of Judges Haynsworth and Carswell, especially the latter.

At the same time, the JACL could play a more active and decisive role in this most significant area if its National Legal Counsel were provided the staff and the funds to directly intervene as a friend of the court in selected cases or file "amicus" briefs whenever appropriate.

Administration Activities

Over the years since the Washington JACL Office was established in late 1945, JACL's contacts with the White House, the Executive Departments, and the independent agencies have been maintained, for often there are administrative remedies available that negate the necessity to seek costlier and more time-consuming legislative or litigious alternatives for certain problems relating to Japanese Americans.

With the inauguration of the Nixon Administration in January 1969, it was thought that JACL's contacts would be easier to make than with other incoming administrations because the new Chief Executive was born in California, personally knew Japanese Americans as neighbors and fellow citizens, served in Congress as a Congressman and then as a Senator where he had been quite helpful to JACL's objectives, welcomed JACL's representatives as Vice President in the Eisenhower years, and had visited Japan as a private citizen and attorney more than any other American President in history.

Unfortunately, however, this has not been necessarily true. President Nixon and his top aides in the White House and in the Executive Departments seem to have insulated themselves more from the public than most previous Administrations. And, it seems increasingly difficult to arrange appointments to discuss mutual projects and to seek cooperation and positive help for the resolution of specific problems.

Appointments

Nevertheless, we must admit that probably no other Administration has appointed more qualified Nisei to top level positions within the Executive Branch.

For example, Shiro Kashiwa of Hawaii has been appointed on Assistant Attorney General of the United States, in charge of the Lands Division, the first person of Japanese ancestry ever to hold a sub-cabinet post. And, Dr. Fumio Robert Naka of Massachusetts (formerly of Los Angeles) has been appointed Deputy Under Secretary of the Air Force (Space Sys-

tems). And, Toshi Suyematsu of Cheyenne, Wyoming, has been appointed an Assistant United States Attorney, the first Nisei to be so honored on the continental mainland.

JACL has been involved in urging the Nixon Administration to appoint qualified Nisei and Sansei to high level political positions. Unfortunately, no roster of the outstandingly qualified Nisei and Sansei who are available and willing to accept such posts of high public responsibility and trust is available.

At the moment, JACL has two major personnel appointments in mind: one for a qualified Nisei judge or attorney to be nominated to be a Federal Judge, on the district, appellate, or even Supreme Court levels, and two, a qualified Nisei or Sansei military or naval officer to become a general or an admiral.

At the same time, the Washington JACL Office cooperates with the Civil Service Commission in trying to make certain that qualified Japanese Americans secure appointments when available, are promoted without discrimination, are not by-passed in employment or promotion for any civil service position, and are not summarily and unfairly dismissed from government service.

Immigration Celebration

Furthermore, President Richard Nixon personally participated in the Japanese Immigration Centennial (1909). He sent a message of greetings to the dedication of the Wakamatsu Tea and Silk Colony last June (1969) in Coloma, Gold Hill, California, hailing the hundred years' contributions of those of Japanese ancestry to the development of the United States and he personally received in unprecedented ceremonies at the White House last November (1969), together with Prime Minister Eisaku Sato of Japan, a gold medal commemorating the Centennial of Japanese Immigration to the United States and the establishment of the first Japanese colony on the continental mainland near Sacramento, as well as a specially leather bound first copy of Bill Hosokawa's popularly written documentary, "Nisei: The Quiet Americans: The Story of a People."

National JACL President Enomoto made the presentation of the gold medal and Washington Representative Masaoka the Hosokawa literary masterpiece, in the climactic event of the Centennial Celebration, whose National Chairman was Haruo Ishimaru of Cupertino, James Murakami of Santa Rosa was Chairman of the Wakamatsu Colony Committee.

As for legislative cooperation, the President's Special Assistant for Civil Rights and Cultural Affairs met with JACL's Washington Representative regarding the campaign to repeal Title II of the 1950 Internal Security Act. The following week, the Department of Justice transmitted letters to the Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee and the Chairman of the House Internal Security Committee recommending the repeal of the Emergency Detention Act enacted 20 years earlier. Coincidentally, it should be observed that prior to that letter it was felt in most newspaper and congressional offices that the Nixon Administration would oppose the repeal movement.

Departmental Cooperation

The Secretary of State, William Rogers who had served as the Attorney General in the Eisenhower Administration when the Japanese American Evacuation Claims program was completed, and his Under Secretary for Political Affairs, U. Alexis Johnson, former American Ambassador to Japan, have been most cordial in discussing JACL's concerns with United States-Japan relations.

In fact, they received JACL's first official pronouncement in the international relations area last fall, urging the early return of the Ryukyus, of which Okinawa is the largest island, to Japan. The noteworthy statement, expressing the sentiment of the only national organization of persons of Japanese ancestry in the country, was drafted by Dr. Mary Watanabe of Philadelphia, Chairman of the National JACL Committee on International Affairs.

Of especial moment to JACL and Japanese Americans is the new Nixon Asian Doctrine, which he enunciated last summer while in Guam, to replace Johnson's Pacific Doctrine of two years earlier.

The concept set forth by then President Lyndon Johnson was that the United States was

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Pacific power and that, henceforth, the United States would give equal attention to the problems of the Pacific and Asia that the United States previously had reserved for the Atlantic and Europe.

President Nixon's thesis is that "Asia should be for the Asians" and that while the United States will honor all of its treaty commitments to the countries of Asia, it hopes to encourage Asians to assume more and more of their own burdens and to resolve more and more of their own problems. The American presence, particularly its military presence, will be withdrawn from the Asian continent.

Implicit in the new doctrine, according to most diplomatic sources, is a reversion to the old concept of "Europe First" in American foreign policy considerations.

The Washington JACL Office has also been involved with the Department of Justice's Civil Rights Division, Community Relations Service, and Civil Division; the Department of Housing and Urban Development's Equal Opportunity Office; and the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare's various offices involved in education, health, employment, and civil rights. William "Mo" Marumoto of Whittier is a Special Assistant to the Secretary, another first for a Nisei.

Of particular interest to JACL is the so-called Japanese American profile, which is being prepared with JACL cooperation, by the Educational Specialist for the Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Intradepartmental Educational Affairs, along with profiles of other American nationalities — racial and religious — for official government use.

Certain concerned JACLers in the San Francisco Bay area and in the Pasadena-Los Angeles region have contributed substantially to what may be the final product, which is to be used to provide government officials with a quick background of the history, contributions, and problems of the Japanese Americans today.

JACL's major contribution may well be in trying to dispell the stereotype that Japanese Americans "have it made and suffer no particular racial discriminations or prejudices."

Trade War Possibilities
Although JACL is not officially involved, the Washington Office is, of necessity, concerned with what may be developing into a trade war between Japan and the United States, for the degree of general acceptance and goodwill enjoyed by Japan as a nation and a people in the United States, officially and unofficially, seriously affects the degree of acceptance and goodwill enjoyed by those of Japanese ancestry in this country.

Today, Japan and the United States enjoy the greatest international overseas trade of any two countries in the world, with Japan currently enjoying a favorable trade balance (1969) of \$1.4 billion.

Japan is now the third major industrial nation on earth, with only the Soviet Union and the United States being more advanced, although this claim is misleading in that the per capita income of the Japanese ranks only 12th among the peoples of the world and the social needs of the nation are many and urgent.

Japan has recently rejected the American proposal that it voluntarily limit its exports of wool and man-made fiber tex-

tiles to the United States on a comprehensive, long-term basis, and the Secretary of Commerce has "reluctantly" requested the Congress to enact import quotas on textiles that allegedly disrupt the domestic market.

This protectionist request could spark retaliation against American goods not only by Japan but also by many other textile-exporting countries, thereby threatening an international trade war such as that which erupted in the late 1920s when the United States enacted the highly protectionist Smoot-Hawley tariffs. In this context, it should be remembered that one accepted reason for Japan shifting into its tragic military adventures that contributed to World War II, and particularly its Pacific phase, was that other nations refused to accept Japanese exports.

With no natural resources except manpower, Japan has to trade to survive. In any event, in spite of American newspaper commentaries generally to the contrary, Japan rejected the American proposal on the basis that it was not based either upon American law relating to import injury or to the governing articles of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, created by the United States after World War II to assure fair international trade and commerce.

As a Campaign Pledge
Besides, the Japanese textile industry could not understand why it should suffer to redeem a political campaign pledge made by then Candidate Nixon to the politically potent American textile industry and labor unions and to develop his so-called Southern Strategy for the 1972 presidential sweepstakes.

This first refusal of Japan since it regained its sovereignty in 1952 to a United States request for voluntary restraints on its exports to this country has caused some revival of anti-Japanism and anti-Japaneseism among some of the American populace, particularly in the textile producing centers of the country, which happen to be in almost every state and congressional district in one form or another. That there is some racism in the way that Japan has been singled out at this time is obvious to many who recall the pre-World War II fomented anti-Japan propaganda and fear-mongering.

While we concede our prejudice since in another capacity we represent certain importer interests in the United States, we are sincerely concerned that the current controversy over textiles could lead into more troublesome and serious difficulties between the United States and Japan.

And, even though the current textile controversy may be neutralized before it enlarges into a bilateral and multilateral confrontation on trade issues, there is little doubt that in the immediate future trade, economic, and commercial matters may cause more difficulties between these two Pacific powers than political or diplomatic problems.

Washington Office Aid
Aside from this trade issue, a fully staffed and funded Washington JACL Office could become more involved in developing contacts with Administration officials who have a concern — officially or personally — in Japanese Americans.

Such increased involvement might be helpful in locating and securing funding for vari-

ous community and educational projects that could serve the Japanese (Asian) population centers, such as Los Angeles, San Francisco, Seattle, Sacramento, Fresno, San Jose, Portland, Salt Lake City, Denver, Chicago, New York, etc., for an obvious example.

PR Activities

Because of the nature of its activities, the Washington JACL Office influences the public relations image of JACL as an organization and Japanese Americans as a nationality and as individuals — whether either JACL or Nisei and Sansei like it or not, whether they acknowledge it or not.

Accordingly, it makes sound organizational sense to have as effective and as large a Washington operation as possible. Certainly, in these times, a part-time office is not conducive to serving the needs of an organization like JACL or the problems of Japanese Americans.

In this biennium, several major public relations projects were undertaken.

Publications — Perhaps the most persuasive and influential was the distribution last Christmas season of Bill Hosokawa's "Nisei" to some 500 leading members of the Congress and of the Nixon Administration, for most of those currently in leadership positions were not in Washington during World War II and immediately thereafter and were practically unaware of the tragedy and travail of Japanese Americans in those times only about a quarter of a century ago.

While we acknowledge the internal dispute within what we believe to be a relatively small segment of the Japanese American community at large regarding the subtitle "The Quiet Americans", we continue to believe that it is the single most helpful and informative volume yet published on the hundred year history of the Japanese in the United States.

Certainly, it is the first such popular work to be written by a Nisei, and, from the comments we have received concerning it from those in positions of meaningful responsibility, Bill's masterwork has done more to inform and to educate the general American public, as well as officialdom and the news media, than any previous documentary, history, novel, or publication, on the background, the contributions, and the problems of those of Japanese origin in this nation.

What greater praise, what higher tribute, can be paid any author than that his published work has given others an understanding insight and a sympathetic appreciation of the subject matter about which he has written. We continue to believe that if any American household is limited to a single book on the history of the Japanese in this country, that book should be "Nisei", for we feel that it reflects credit on both the author and Japanese Americans.

That this evaluation is shared by thousands of others is evidenced in the fact that no other similar book has ever been published and reprinted in such numbers.

Several other books about Japanese Americans have also been published in this biennium, reflecting — we are confident — greater public interest in those of Japanese ancestry in general and a greater interest in their own background, heritage, and identity on the part of the Sansei, and Nisei too, in particular.

Among the books that have been called to our attention are:

(1) "The Great Betrayal: The Evacuation of Japanese Americans in World War II", by Audrie Girdner and Anne Loftis, and published by the MacMillan Company,

(2) "Impounded People: Japanese Americans in the Relocation Centers", by Edward Spicer, Asael Hansen, Katherine Luomala, and Marvin Opler, published by the University of Arizona Press, and

(3) "Japanese Americans: The Untold Story", a prospective textbook for the primary school, by the San Mateo Japanese American Curriculum Project, Florence Yoshiwara, coordinator, published by Holt, Rinehart and Winston.

To become available in early 1971 is a book that should be of special interest to JACL and Japanese Americans. It is tentatively entitled "Uprooted Americans: The WRA and the Japanese Americans in World War II", by Dillon S. Myer, wartime director of the War Relocation Authority, to be published by the University of Arizona Press. As a special membership service, the JACL plans to offer this work to its members at a special pre-publication price.

Arkansas Weekend Tribute. — Last November, we participated with the First Minister of the Japanese Embassy and the Chicago Nisei American Legion Post in a weekend observance of Japanese American Memorial Days in Arkansas. As a tribute to the Japanese Americans who volunteered from the Jerome and Rohwer WRA centers to serve in the 442nd Regimental Combat Team and in military intelligence in the Pacific, the Governor of the State of Arkansas issued a public proclamation setting aside the last weekend in November for public homage.

The Lieutenant Governor, a Congressional Medal of Honor winner in World War II, presided over the general activities, which received national and international publicity. Lewis Johnson, Jr., President of the Green Thumb project, was responsible for the general arrangements, which were climaxed by memorial services and the rededication of the two monuments in the former Rohwer WRA cemetery, one to the Nisei volunteers who died in the service of their country and the other to the evacuee residents who died while in camp. Incidentally, the Arkansas Legislature has named this cemetery plot as a historical site, the first of the so-called America's Concentration Camps to be so identified.

From the public relations viewpoint, the public campaign to secure the repeal of Title II of the Internal Security Act of 1950 has resulted in another generation of Americans becoming aware that in World War II Americans of Japanese origin were evacuated, relocated, and resettled in one of the great human tragedies in American civil rights history.

Hate Films

The Washington JACL Office too participated in the campaign devised by the National JACL Public Relations Committee to remind the television stations of the nation that they should not film hate movies of World War II which impugned the loyalty and allegiance of Americans of Japanese ancestry to the land of their citizenship.

Since the campaign was first undertaken about a decade ago, the film directors of the television stations contacted have probably changed and several hundred more new TV stations have been certified for operation, so a campaign of re-education was vital.

At a time when young Japanese Americans are forgetting their grim and bitter past as a racial minority in this country, it is essential that the public at large not be misled into believing that in World War II their parents and other Nisei were disloyal to the United States and committed acts of treason, espionage, and sabotage against their own government. If it is prejudice and racism directed against the Japanese "Yellow Peril" may again become a pastime for those who profit from such human exploitation.

P.R. Plusses — Three other events are particularly noteworthy in this biennial report since they illustrate recognition of Japanese Americans.

One, involves United States Senator Daniel Inouye of Hawaii. He was named keynote speaker and the temporary chairman of the Democratic National Convention held in Chicago in mid-summer 1968. A member of the JACL, Senator Inouye not only delivered an inspiring and eloquent message to a world-wide television audience but he also conducted himself admirably at that tumultuous and history-making affair. Now a leading candidate to be the Democratic nominee for Vice President in 1972, Senator Inouye is currently the Chairman of the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee.

Two, also involves a Hawaiian Congressman and JACL member, Representative Spark Matsunaga. Although only serving his third consecutive term, he was named to the Democratic vacancy on the prestigious and influential House Rules Committee, which clears all major legislation reported by House Committees for floor debate and sets the rules for the floor discussion and voting. This 15-member Rules Committee is considered to be one of the three most important committees in the House. Congressman Matsunaga was also re-elected Secretary of the Democratic Steering Committee and President of the 88th Congress Club.

Japanese Decorations
Three, involves what we consider long overdue recognition by the Japanese Government of the many and substantial contributions made by the Nisei to Japanese American relationships.

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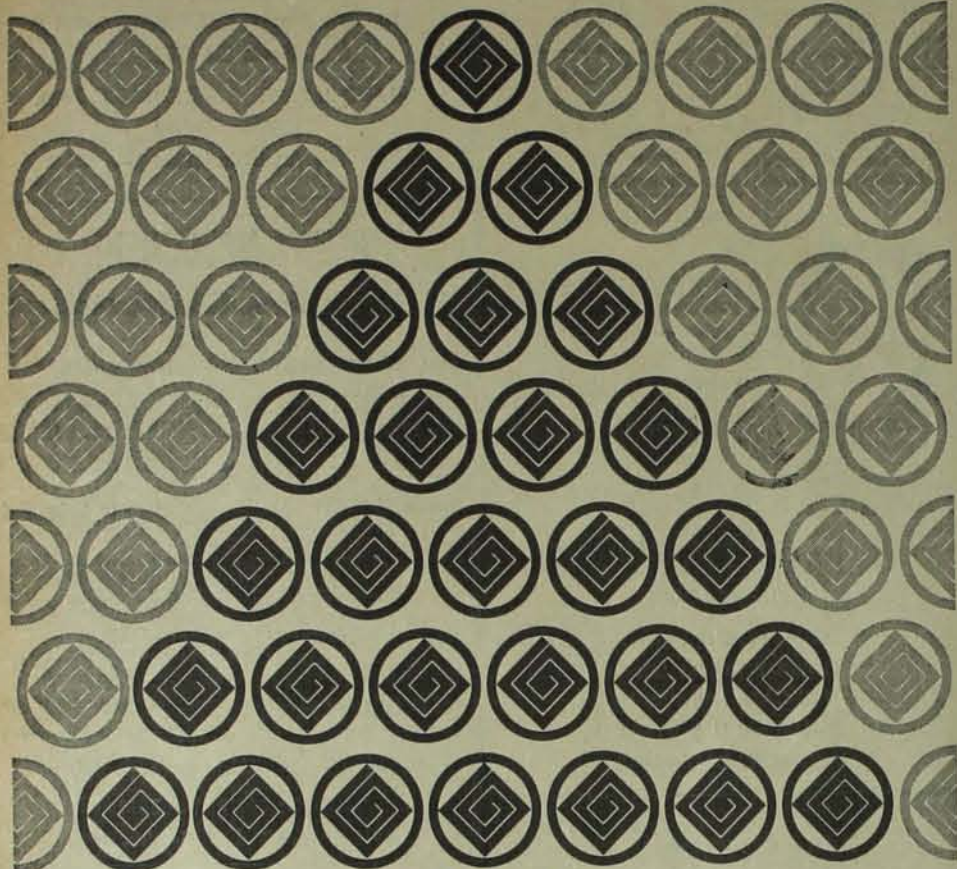
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Satow Report

From Section A-1
Committee headed by James Murakami and composed of George Oki, Henry Taketa, Akiji Yoshimura, Hike Yego, Tom Fujimoto, John Michael, Bill Matsumoto, Jerry Enomoto, Dr. Kengo Terashita, George Baba, John Hassler, Mrs. E. Sayre, Mary Tsukamoto, Tak Tsujita, Ellen Kubo and Messrs. S. Nakatani and M. Yamasaki. Members of this Committee gave many hours in planning and carrying out this project. The District Council Chapters responded most generously and financially oversubscribed by \$3,000, the original budget of \$13,000.

Climax of the Wakamatsu Centennial was the dedication of the Wakamatsu Monument featuring the special marker presented by the State of California in recognition of the coming of the Colony as a historic event and attended by Gov. Reagan. A Wakamatsu Centennial Banquet followed this dedication with Bill Hosokawa as main speaker. Special credit to Ed Kado of Sacramento who designed the Monument and the surrounding park area.

Through the generosity of the Bank of Tokyo and Sumitomo Bank, an attractive brochure on the Wakamatsu Colony was produced and distributed to most of those who made financial contributions. Currently these brochures are being given to local libraries through the Chapters as long as they are available.

Centennial Coins
In connection with the Wakamatsu Centennial, 10,000 commemorative coins were minted. While most of these were sold to individuals, a good number were turned over to National JACL for distribution to 80 year and over Issei through the Chapters, many of which conducted special banquets to honor their Issei pioneers.

Headquarters provided a coin holder with an insert printed in Japanese expressing appreciation to the Issei.

A total of 2,727 bronze commemorative coins were distributed through 71 Chapters, 199 of them direct to the recipients. Our thanks to Dr. Roy Nishikawa assisted by Mrs. Mitsuo Sonoda who coordinated locating these elderly Issei.

One hundred silver coins were minted for distribution to officials who participated in the Monument dedication and Wakamatsu banquet programs. Among California State Officials, State Assemblyman Eugene Chappie and U.S. Congressman Harold T. Johnson were exceptionally helpful.

Two gold coins were minted by special federal permission and presented by Jerry Enomoto to Pres. Richard Nixon and Japan Prime Minister Eisaku Sato in a special ceremony in Washington on Nov. 19, 1969, arranged by Mike Masaka.

In addition to the National distribution of Centennial coins to the 80 and over Issei, upon the request of Chapters desiring to honor their under 80 Issei, the Centennial coins were made available to them at cost price. Twenty-nine Chapters participated in this program to honor 1,116 additional Issei.

Due to the painstaking local research required, the contemplated program of a Congressional tribute to the Issei pioneers whereby Chapters were to submit local material to their respective Congressmen for inclusion in the Congressional Record did not materialize. It is planned to carry out this program in 1972 in connection with the 22nd Biennial National Convention in Washington, D.C. Harry Honda is in process of completing gathering the records from the Chapters and editing them.

ONE THOUSAND CLUB — We are deeply indebted to those JACLers who express their concern and extra support to JACL through their voluntary contributions as 1000 Clubbers. The peak of 1000 Club membership was attained at the 1968 Convention through the promotional efforts of National 1000 Club Chairman Dr. Frank Sakamoto.

As the end of June, 1992 are currently active, many of them over a span of years. Since 1947 when the 1000 Club was instituted, a total of 3,985 individuals have joined the 1000 Club at one time or another.

At the 1969 Convention, the National Council granted a sum of \$2,500 to provide some kind of distinctive emblem and recognition to 1000 Club members. After considerable exploration of a number of ideas, some of which proved too costly, we have come up with a 1000 Club key chain which we are now distributing to 1000 Clubbers as they renew their support, and catching up with those who have renewed earlier this year.

Charter Flight to Japan
Dr. Frank Sakamoto has come up with the project of the National 1000 Club Charter Tour to Japan in the fall of 1971 to be climaxed with a Universal Whing Ding in Tokyo. This project presents a number of problems which we hope to work out at the coming Convention with all District 1000 Club Chairmen.

There should be a change in the nomenclature to distinguish between the two categories of Life Membership to avoid confusion, i.e. (1) lump sum payment of \$500 and (2) Accumulated annual contributions for 20 years.

While the suggestion has been forwarded to place 1000 Club membership on a calendar year basis, it is our feeling that such a change would raise more problems and increase rather than decrease the administrative paper work.

CIVIL RIGHTS COORDINATOR — Following the 1968 Convention when the National Council included in the National budget provisions for a National Civil Rights Staff Coordinator, we set about finding a qualified person to take this position. A number of applications were received, but none of these had the breadth of experience deemed necessary.

Finally, it was decided to engage Raymond Uno of Salt Lake City since he had volunteered his services on a part time basis. He began on Feb. 1, 1969, assembling resource material, disseminating information through the Pacific Citizen, and visiting many Chapters and participating in many District Council meetings, to stimulate local involvement in civil rights. His initial contract for six months was extended another six months to Feb. 1, 1970. He ac-

ually spent more of his time than we had contracted because of his personal interest and concern.

'FOX' Concept
As Uno worked on this assignment, it became apparent to him as well as to members of the National Board that it was asking too much of one individual to adequately and effectively cover the entire national scene, and especially on a part time basis.

Accordingly, the original idea of one National Civil Rights Staff Coordinator was revised upon his suggestion to the FOX concept, i.e. Field Operations Expediter, at the District level who would ferret out and work on relevant issues in a community and hopefully relate chapters and individual JACLers to them.

In October of 1969 Warren Furutani was brought on the staff as the first FOX to work in the Pacific Southwest area under the supervision of Associate National Director Jeffray Matsui. While the original idea was to confine him to only the PSWDC area, his effectiveness and associations brought requests for him to counsel in other areas.

A meeting was held early this year in the Pacific Northwest to engage a FOX in that area, but as yet this has not been realized.

In Northern California, five young people proposed that they work as a FOX team, each giving part time. After consultation with the Executive Committee and making necessary adjustments and allowances, Kaz Maniwa, Shoshana Arai, Glenn Watanabe, Dennis Yotsuya and Arty Kamada, were employed as a team in April of this year. While keeping in mind the original function of operating in the civil rights field, the FOXes have started at the level of meeting relevant community needs.

For the next biennium it is contemplated that this FOX PROGRAM will be extended to other Districts with a definite budget proposal to cover.

YOUTH PROGRAM — At the outset it should be clarified that our National Youth program consists of not only the Jr. JACL program, but includes the Scholarship program, Student Aid and National Oratorical & Essay Contests.

Masaoka Report

From Section B-5
As a feature of the Meiji Centennial in 1968, the Emperor of Japan, with the advice of the Japanese Government, decorated Nisei for the first time for their significant leadership in not only promoting the welfare of those of Japanese ancestry in the United States but also for improving relations between Japan and America.

Among JACLers who were awarded this high honor were Saburo Kido, Dr. Thomas Yatabe, Thomas Masuda, and Fred Wada (Order of the Sacred Treasure) and Mike Masaoka (Order of the Rising Sun). Now that a precedent has been established that Nisei in private life may be awarded these honorary Japanese decorations, it is anticipated that more Japanese Americans will be honored in the coming years.

Personal Appreciation
This biennium marks 30 years of direct association with JACL, first as its National Secretary and Field Executive, then as the Legislative Director of its Anti-Discrimination Committee, and finally, as its Washington Representative. It has been an honor and a privilege to have been able to represent the JACL and those of Japanese ancestry in this country during the past three decades and it is my hope that by what JACL has been able to accomplish here in Washington the trust and confidence that the JACL and its officers and members had in my efforts have been vindicated.

For myself, these have been years of struggle and achievement, but — in spite of periodic complaints — they have also been years of pleasant and worthwhile challenge and activity. The friends that I have made in JACL and because of JACL, throughout the land and the world, are ones that I shall always cherish.

Together with Etsu and the children Midori and Michael, we are most grateful to Kumeo Yoshinari and his Chicago Committee and to all who served and contributed to the Masaoka Testimonial, which will be held as part of this 21st Biennial Convention. This Testimonial will ever remain a special memory of the friendship and affection that JACLers have for us, and we for them. Our sincere feelings cannot be expressed in words, but we hope that these are understood and acknowledged.

In the years and decades to come, perhaps our children will remember that their parents were given a testimonial because they tried to be helpful to others, and in that spirit carry on the community service which is the hallmark of JACL. And in this way they in part can repay all of our many friends and associates for this Testimonial which means so much to Etsu and me.

Time for Change
At the same time, this 21st Biennial is a most appropriate opportunity to step aside and permit others to take over the responsibilities of being JACL's Washington Representative. The times have changed, the problems have changed, the membership has changed. There are new voices and new leaders, and they are entitled to be heard and to assume the responsibilities of leadership.

We are not attempting to

desert the challenges of JACL in this new era, but we are sensitive to the realities of this new day, when the very achievements that made us proud are subject to inquiry and even to protest. And there are many new problems such as we never conceived only a few years ago to be resolved.

We are also cognizant that we may have to plead guilty to the charge that, since we have spent so little time in recent years on the West Coast, and especially in the Los Angeles area, we are no longer an "expert" on the actual problems of some, if not most, Japanese Americans, particularly those who are alienated from the ethnic community as such.

Perhaps we can no longer relate to the articulate and sensitive young among Japanese Americans who are "in trouble". So, recognizing that there is a need for a new Washington Office, fully staffed and adequately funded by advocates of the new JACL, to cope with the changed situations of this day and to lead the organization to more meaningful objectives as some of the "new" generation envision them, we wish to make clear that it is not our intention to "fight" to retain our part-time commitment to be JACL's Washington Representative.

In fact, we would be pleased to be relieved by others who will have the same general hopes and aspirations for JACL and for those of Japanese ancestry in the United States, for these hopes and aspirations of mankind for his fellows never change, though the means to achieve them may.

Again, in closing, may we express our heartfelt appreciation and gratitude for the opportunity provided us to serve as Washington's JACL Representative for these many years

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NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

Our program of National Scholarships continued this biennium with the following modifications: (1) the nomenclature of the scholarships for high school graduates was changed to "Freshman Scholarships" from "Undergraduate" to avoid confusion with the two Collegiate Scholarships; (2) The Kenji Kasai Memorial Scholarship of \$500 was opened up this year for competition as a result of the bequest from the late Mr. Kasai reported last biennium; and (3) The Gongo Nakamura Memorial Scholarship amount was upped from \$150 to \$200 this 4th year of this Scholarship by the addition of \$200 from National to the principal

of the account.

Last month the South Park Japanese Community of Seattle contributed \$10,000 to National JACL for an annual scholarship of \$500 from the interest.

We are grateful to those who have designated National JACL to administer their expression of faith and encouragement in Japanese American youth. This is the 25th year of Mrs. Haruyo Masaoka's scholarship in memory of her son Ben; Mrs. Tomoye Tsukamoto is presenting the Col. Walter T. Tsukamoto Memorial Scholarships for the eighth year; and this is the fifth year from Mrs. Hisako Takami's Trust Fund Scholarship, for Mr. and Mrs. James Michener's Scholarship; and for the Dr. Mutsumi Nobe Memorial Scholarship for Graduate Study given by Mrs. Catherine Nobe. This year will be

the third year of the Sumitomo Bank of California two Freshmen and two Collegiate Scholarships amounting to \$2,000 per year.

Scholarship Fund

For the fourth successive year, the Reader's Digest Association has contributed \$1,000 to our Scholarship Fund as a result of Reader's Digest Association Board of Director James Michener naming JACL as a designated charity.

National Scholarship Foundation Chairman Buddy Iwata and family donated \$1,145 to the Fund from "koden" in memory of his mother.

Other contributions received were \$100 from the family of Magaturo Hirose of San Francisco in his memory; \$100 — Mrs. Helen Mitral, Elberta Utah, in memory of husband Henry; \$100 from Mr. Yoshio Watanabe, Los Angeles, in memory of Mrs. Watanabe; and \$50 from Mr. J. Nakatani of San Francisco.

Publicizing the scholarship program, working up the application forms and material for the chapters, and collecting the applications and putting them in form for the Judging Committee are the responsibility of our National Youth staff, which was done by Alan Kumamoto last year and Ron Wakabayashi this year.

Freshmen Scholarships

In 1969, there were 53 applicants for the Freshmen Scholarships and this year 43. Upon recommendation of the Scholarship Foundation Committee and previous judging committees we made up a special certificate to send to all participants. This year because of the great interest in the evacuation shown by the Sansei, we are sending all applicants a copy of Mine Okubo's Citizen 13660.

The applications for this year's Freshmen Scholarships are in the hands of the Judging Committee headed by Jun Oniki of the Mt. Olympus Chapter, as designated by the Intermountain District Council. Last year Rupert Hachiya of Salt Lake assumed this responsibility.

All members of the Screening Committee and final Judges are sent personalized copies of the Japanese American Creed. This is the seventh biennium since the judging was rotated among the Districts. We trust the Central California District will take this assignment this next biennium to complete the cycle.

Scholarship Foundation

The National Scholarship Foundation Committee held its first meeting last year to consider the entire scholarship program and make certain recommendations. Among the recommendations was to print up and distribute a leaflet with a rundown on the present scholarships with a pitch for contributions to the Foundation, but this is still in the offing.

Named by President Jerry Enomoto to the Scholarship Foundation Committee are Buddy Iwata (Livingston) as Chairman, Dr. Albert Oyama (Portland) and Henry Yamaga (Selma) — all for six year terms; Fred Hirasuna (Fresno) and Dr. George Takahashi (Sacramento) for four year terms; Dr. Tom Tamaki (Philadelphia) and Tom Masuda (Chicago) for two year terms.

Our efforts through the years have been to increase the number of scholarships in view of the many applications from top notch students, between 40-60 per year. The total scholarships now available in our program are 19 for \$6,350. The amount in the National Scholarship Fund began basically with contributions earmarked for this purpose, to which we have been adding some interest earned from the Reserve and interest accruing from placing current National funds in short term savings.

The injection of the Student Aid program for "needy" Japanese American youth may require some rethinking and adjustment in relation to the regular scholarship program.

SUMMER FELLOWSHIPS TO JAPAN — During this biennium Japan Air Lines generously continued the Summer Fellowships to Japan program for the third and fourth years. Because of the fine work done on this the previous biennium by Akiji Yoshimura and his Committee, we have followed the same format in administering the program.

In 1969 the recipients of the Fellowships were Nancy Motomura, Seattle; Sally Nakai, Chicago; Reiko Nakawata; Seabrook; and Michiye Yeno-kida, Stockton. Judges were Maki Ichiyasu, National YWCA Staff; Haruo Ishimaru, JACL Cultural Heritage Committee Chairman; National Treasurer Yone Sotoda; Tomochi Tsuge, District Manager of Japan Air Lines and Dr. Clifford Uyeda,

Chairman, San Francisco Center for Japanese American Studies.

Successful candidates this year are Wayne Maeda, Sacramento; George Takai, Los Angeles; Min Yasui, Denver; and Barbara Yoshida, Seattle. Those who served as Judges were Toshi Koba, Assistant Director, Booker T. Washington Community Center; Yukio Kumamoto, Executive Secretary, Japanese Chamber of Commerce of Northern California; Zenichi Motomura, Deputy Consul General of Japan; Yone Sotoda, JACL National Treasurer and Tomochi Tsuge, Japan Air Lines District Manager.

Our appreciation to David Grieve, Public Relations Manager of Japan Air Lines Western Regional Office with whom we have worked closely on this project. We are sorry to see Mr. Tomochi Tsuge who has been so helpful on this program and represented JAL each year as a judge leaves us for the JAL Tokyo Office and greater responsibilities. The cost of this program to Japan Air Lines is in excess of \$6,000 per year.

PR BROCHURE — The initial order of 25,000 JACL public relations brochures printed up in 1967 was exhausted this biennium, so upon the recommendation of the National Public Relations Committee, an additional 10,000 copies were printed. These have been sent to chapters upon request at no cost for distribution to their new members who signed up since the original distribution of the brochure through the PC mailing list.

Also recommended by the National PR Committee and followed up was that this brochure be sent to every member of the United States Congress in early 1969 with individually typed covering letter, the content of which was determined by whether there was a JACL Chapter and/or Japanese Americans in the Congressman's jurisdiction. The mailing was sent out again in early 1970 to the newly elected members of Congress.

The public Relations Committee is recommending that the brochure be again updated. A suggestion from another source is that the brochure be rewritten completely to appeal to young adults.

ETHNIC STUDIES — Two requests for funding ethnic studies were received during this biennium for which National JACL funds were appropriated.

Greater Pasadena Area Chapter Project — This new Chapter was setting up a course on Asian studies at Pasadena City College. As a matter of fact we understand that the Chapter was activated for this specific purpose. In addition to setting up the course, there would be involved materials outlining the course and its contents for use at other schools, the preparation of material on Japanese Americans from the college level down to secondary and grammar grades for general use, and provisions for an up to date library of books on Japanese Americans.

The amount of \$2,050 was appropriated for the above project by the Executive Committee in the fall of 1969. Recently \$200 was added for 2,000 copies of the "Sun Beam," a leaflet prepared by this group on Japanese Americans for distribution to teachers.

San Mateo Curriculum Project — The San Mateo Curriculum Project under the direction of Mrs. Florence Yoshimura of the San Mateo School District brought together a number of Nisei school teachers to gather and prepare materials on Japanese Americans, primarily for use in the grammar grades, to meet the growing demand for such material from school districts and teachers. The group has produced a book, "Japanese Americans — The Untold Story" which has been accepted and published by Holt, Rinehart & Winston, for use in the fifth grade.

Four thousand dollars was granted for this, \$2,500 out of current funds and \$1,500 from the Reserve. JACL is also on record to assist in getting this book adopted by the California School Board as well as obtain the widest possible distribution of the book.

JACL Brochure In view of increasing requests for ready material on Japanese Americans from students, teachers, school districts, and writers, the minimum is a brochure on Japanese Americans similar in size and format to our JACL public relations brochure. We would hope to cover the initial outlay of funds by selling copies at a nominal price.

It should be reported that

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'Color Me for Real,' say Asians

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no choice but to back Tonto and Kato."

Phil Hayasaka, the tall articulate Nisei who heads the Seattle Human Rights Commission, points out one of the more insidious aspects of Oriental stereotyping:

"I often get calls from people who ask specifically for a Japanese worker," he said, seated behind his cluttered desk on the third floor of the Municipal Building. "They know Japanese to be good workers. But let me give you an example of how this type of thinking has hurt the Japanese and the other Oriental minorities."

'Uncomplaining Worker' "There was this Japanese post office worker. Like many others of his race, he came to work early and stayed late. But when it came time for promotion, he was repeatedly passed over by the supervisor. The reason? The supervisor didn't want to lose such a faithful, uncomplaining worker. And the final irony is that the man was so grateful just to have the job, just for the privilege of working, that he never once complained."

Becoming less submissive and more vocal daily, the "New Wave" Asian-Americans no longer hesitate to take on anyone who cannot see them as people with real personalities. Joseph T. (Doctor Joe) Okimoto wrote recently in an issue of the Asian Coalition for Equality (ACE) newsletter:

"Characteristics such as industrious, polite, well-behaved, friendly, docile, etc. have evolved out of a century of racism against the yellow man in a society which regarded him as inferior. These stereotypes, therefore, are associated with a position of inferiority imposed upon the Oriental by a racist society and are continually used by the society to keep the Oriental in his inferior place."

ACE Pickets NVC

ACE, under the leadership of its chairman, the Rev. Mineo Katagiri, and men like the Rev. Lincoln Eng, is a small but aggressive group of Asian-Americans. Long ranked by the failure of some private clubs and fraternal organizations to admit non-whites to their membership, ACE decided to picket one club hall last March. Their target was not the club. It was the Nisei Veterans Committee — the Northwest's largest Nisei group — which was holding a banquet at the hall in honor of its 25th anniversary.

In choosing to attack the Nisei Vets, ACE was assaulting a heretofore sacrosanct brotherhood. These men are the heroes, the samurai of the Japanese-American community. Veterans of the famous "Go-for-Broke" 100th Infantry Battalion and all-Nisei 442nd Regimental Combat Team, they fought in the Italian campaign and in southern France during World War II. Their heroism is legendary. The 442nd was one of the most decorated units of the war and suffered one of the highest casualty rates.

The ACE contingent argued that any organization that denied Japanese-Americans membership should not receive a rental fee from the Nisei vets.

The incident, although only peripherally covered in the local press, widened an already growing schism in the Asian community. The Nisei veterans, rallying behind their commander, Kiyoto Hashimoto, accused ACE of being a gaggle of publicity hunters.

Oriental-Only Clauses

"Nipponjin no haji da" (disgraceful for the Japanese), remarked one veteran. "If one wants to get ethnic, the Japanese community has its Oriental-only clauses. Look at the community basketball leagues where blacks and whites are not welcomed. And the all-Oriental golf clubs, the all-Japanese gardeners' societies, the greenhouse people, the hotel people. What is ideal or desired may not be practical or workable."

"Why split the Japanese community?" another asked. "We're already a small group. Why not fight a big cause — like crime or Evacuation?"

Evacuation, the Nisei had touched on an issue that, perhaps more than any other, has given the three main Asian minorities — the Japanese, the Chinese and the Filipinos — a sense of fraternity and common purpose.

Roosevelt on Feb. 19, 1942 more than 110,000 persons of Japanese descent — two-thirds of them American citizens — were removed from the three West Coast states and herded into relocation camps. The Japanese lost more than \$500 million in property alone. But, more tragically, they lost nearly a generation in their striving for economic security.

Budd Fukui, a Seattle Nisei newspaperman, recalls the day his family was shipped off to Puyallup, prior to relocation at Camp Minidoka, Idaho. "They cooped them up in the state fairgrounds. The people on the outside would look at them like animals in a zoo."

Father Eng, an aggressive Episcopalian priest of 48 ("I'm an old man in the eyes of the Young Turks"), reminisced at the Diocesan House near Seattle's St. Mark's Cathedral about the days of his youth. "There were close relationships between the second generation Japanese and Chinese," he said.

Beacon Hill

"The Chinese (there are approximately 8,000 Chinese in Seattle and around 11,000 Japanese) have good dispersion," he said. "So many live now on Beacon Hill it is sometimes called Oriental Hill. They are moving out of Chinatown, out of the Central Area."

"Orientals need to accept their own identity. Some Japanese and Chinese have become real 'bananas' — yellow on the outside but white on the inside. They are trying to be white, something they are not. The Filipinos call people like that coconuts. The blacks call them oreos."

Inevitably, in any discussion with a Northwest Chinese-American, the name Wing Luke crops up. Luke, the son of a hand laundryman, was elected to the Seattle City Council in 1962 — the first person of Chinese ancestry ever to run for public office in Washington State. Luke died in a 1965 plane crash, and he has come to be regarded as something of an avatar by the Seattle Chinese community.

"Wing Luke was like JFK," the Rev. Eng, whose wife is related to the late councilman, said. "He had that same kind of charisma. He was a brilliant man. He symbolized the possibility of a breakthrough. He broke through." Two days later, at an ACE workshop, Father Eng said, "The Chinese love to talk about Wing Luke. They even built a museum to him in Chinatown. There is more to life than that. We no longer need the one charismatic leader."

Portland Chinese

There are about 3,000 Chinese-Americans in Portland, but only a handful of them still live in the district bounded by Burnside and Everett, between 3rd and 4th Avenues.

At Baker's Drugstore on Burnside, a truss display adorns the window. The magazine rack offers Sepia, The Police Gazette, Bronze Thrills, Jive, "Chinatown?" says the attendant. "What Chinatown?"

In the rear of the Chinese Art Studio on 4th Avenue S.W., Mr. Wing K. Leong is teaching three Caucasian matrons the intricacies of Chinese watercoloring. One of Leong's watercolors, a traditional crag hung heavy with moss looming high above a Yang Tze gorge, is set up on an easel as a model. He flits from student to student, adding a bit of shading here, a touch of detail there, making his corrections with quick, un-

hesitating daubs of his long-handled sumi brush.

Leong, a graduate of New Asia College in Hong Kong, has 24 students who work regularly at his shop. He also teaches art at Mt. Hood Community College. "I am of the old tradition of painting," he explains, "I am not interested in the new."

One of his advanced students, a woman of around 50 with a frosted silver wig, calls out to the teachers. "I need an insect here on this plum tree," she wails. "What shall I use? A praying mantis or what?"

"Anything. It makes little difference."

What about militancy in the Portland Chinese community? How do the attitudes in Portland compare with those of the young people in Hong Kong? Leong ends the interview right there. He is an artist, not a politician.

'Bamboo People' Although no organization paralleling ACE has been formed in Portland, the elders of the Asian community in both major Northwest cities share a deep concern over what they feel is a tendency among the second and third generations (and in some cases the fourth, the Yonsei) to cast off the Oriental ways. Clucking their teeth and shaking their heads, these Issei (first generation folk) counsel patience and caution in place of activism and confrontation. They are the "Bamboo People" who prefer to bend with the prevailing winds of adversity — then spring back to their original posture once the typhoon of change has blown itself out.

At the Japanese Ancestral

Society on Portland's Couch Street, next door to a family of Gypsies, Fred Y. Fujii, who is 73, tells it like it was.

"I came to Portland on my birthday, January 1, in 1915," he said. "Americans were very anti-Japanese then. They said things like, 'Jap go home' and 'Get the hell out.' When we come back from camp after war, year by year it got better and better. Our people forget. Nan demo, kan demo. It's over with. Japanese are not like black people. We do not fit into the white society. We must use judgment. When white people like to see us, they invite us. We must keep good understanding."

"Discipline. Ah, discipline is getting very bad." He sipped at a cup of green tea. "Young people change. I go downtown and see so many hippies. I want to ask, 'What is your future?' But I cannot ask them such a question."

Elder Statesman

In Seattle, Mr. Fujii's contemporary, Genji Mihara, voices the same misgivings. Mr. Mihara, sometimes referred to as the elder statesman of the Japanese community, is 80. He emigrated to the Northwest from Hiroshima Prefecture in 1907. Today, he is president of the Japanese language school located at the Japanese-American Community Service center on South Weller Street.

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many people have come in to make use of our library on Japanese Americans at Headquarters, ask many questions about Japanese Americans, and page through back issues of The Pacific Citizen. Reports from our other JACL offices indicate the same situation.

A far reaching by-product of the vigorous campaign for repeal of Title II of the 1950 Internal Security Act by this Committee has been that many Americans for the first time are learning about the mass evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry from the West Coast during World War II.

BOOKS ON NISEI

"Nisei: The Quiet Americans." — Fortunately for National Headquarters the processing of orders for Bill Hosokawa's book was centered in Chicago. Shig Wakamatsu and members of his Committee deserve a great deal of credit for taking on this gigantic project involving a number of JACLers, our Midwest Office and the Chicago Issei Service Center, handling 14,500 copies.

National Headquarters assisted in making up the ads with the help of H. Aizawa and Associates and placing them in the Pacific Citizen and all the Japanese vernaculars.

A lively discussion nationwide among Japanese Americans on the sub-title — The Quiet Americans, preceded the publication of the book and caused a delay in its appearance, but this also added to the pre-publication interest.

While the price of the book has gone up to \$10.95 from \$8.95, the remaining 500 of JACL's orders are being made available to the Chapters for contributing to local libraries at the original JACL price of \$7 through National Headquarters. In addition a second advertising campaign through the Pacific Citizen and vernaculars has been set for the special \$9 price, books to be handled by Headquarters. Five hundred additional copies have been ordered in preparation.

According to Morrow & Co., a total of 28,500 books have been printed to date, of which JACL has bought 15,500. From the sales of the book, it is understood that any profit over and above the writing expenses to Bill Hosokawa will be retained by National JACL in addition to the royalties to be split between the author and JACL. Our Recommendation is that such returns be used for materials on Japanese Americans as described above.

"Impounded People" — The immediate postwar booklet prepared by Spicer, Hansen, Luomala, and Opler for the War Relocation Authority was issued this last year in book form. In cooperation with the publishers, University of Arizona Press, Headquarters handled this book as a service to our membership, making it available for \$7 on orders received and relayed to the U of A Press in the form of mailing labels and the Press absorbed the cost of mailing the book. Two hundred eighty-four were handled.

"Uprooted Americans" by Dillon Myer, former Director of the War Relocation Authority is due for publication this

fall by the University of Arizona Press. By agreement with the U of A Press, Headquarters will handle this book in the same manner as "Impounded People." By previous National Board action JACL has committed itself to 1,000 copies although under our agreement with the U of A Press, no guaranteed number is involved.

"Citizen 13668" by Mine Okubo — As per our last biennial report, 1,000 copies of this reprinted book were purchased, approximately two thirds of which have been sold. We are selling this \$6 book for \$5 to members, \$4 to chapters contributing them to libraries.

Two books on Japanese Americans this biennial gave credit to National JACL for assistance on material: "The Great Betrayal" by Anna Loftis and Audrey Girdner — a detailed account of the evacuation and Dr. William Zeller's "Educational Drama" dealing with schooling in the Relocation Centers.

We enjoy a mutually helpful relationship with the San Francisco Center for Japanese American Studies. The Center has produced a bibliography of books on Japanese Americans currently available, has helped us bring up to date our own library on books dealing with Japanese Americans, and we have made books available out of our own supply for orders received by the Center.

To expedite matters, we have kept a separate book account starting with income from the sale of Bosworth's "American's Concentration Camps," the previous biennial. This account was reported at the 1968 Convention as being \$3,071.67. The account now stands at \$3,786.23. We believe that this income should be used toward promoting and distributing material on Japanese Americans.

From this account we withdrew \$631.40 to send the JACL brochures to all Congressmen, and \$192 for two copies of the "Hiroshima-Nagasaki" film.

BOWLING TOURNAMENT — The 23rd National JACL Tournament was held in 1969 in San Jose under the Chairmanship of Ozzie Shimada with 94 men and 35 women's teams. A special All Events trophy for JACL 1000 Clubbers was instituted at this Tournament on a handicap basis.

In 1968, 68 men and 26 women's teams participated in Denver with John Noguchi as Chairman. Of special interest at this Tournament was the participation of men's team and one woman bowler from Japan brought to the Tournament by Yasuharu Mizuno, proprietor of Toyota Crown Bowl from Aichi Prefecture. The 1971 Tournament in Salt Lake City where the Tournament had its inception will be the 25th Anniversary Tournament, and special preparations are now being made to mark this Silver Jubilee. Frank Baker, Executive of the American Bowling Congress has already indicated his attendance. Gene Sato will be Chairman.

Our thanks to those who continue to serve on the JACL National Bowling Advisory Board, many of whom have served over 10 years and some 15

years. Present members of the Advisory Board are Nobu Asami and Gish Endo, Eastbay, Calif.; Easy Fujimoto, Lloyd Hahn, Eiko Nomura and Mary Yuba, Los Angeles; George Inai, Lois Yut, San Francisco; Dr. Jun Kurumada and Choppo Umemoto, Salt Lake; John Noguchi and Jean Matsuda, Denver; Bob Matsumoto, Chicago; Yoyo Mikami, Fred Takagi, Seattle; Dubby Tsugawa and Bubbles Keikoo, Sacramento; Sho Torigoe, Hawaii; and Ozzie Shimada and Sayo Togami, San Jose.

During this biennial seven JACL gold medals were presented to bowlers rolling perfect 300 games in regular competition. The 1972 Tournament will be hosted by the Gardena Valley JACL and Southern California Nisei Bowling Association. Portland has put in a tentative bid for 1973.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE — Under the Executive Reorganization effected as of the last Convention, the Executive Committee of the National Board has held a total of four meetings during the biennial: In October of 1968, March and November, 1969 and April of this year.

As anticipated, this has been most helpful in expediting National matters and facilitating communications, the Executive Committee acting as a nucleus of the Board. Under the able direction of President Jerry Enomoto, the following have composed the Executive Committee: First National Vice President, Henry Kane; Second National Vice President, Kaz Horita; Third National Vice President, Dr. John Kanda; Secretary to National Board, Kay Nakagiri; National Treasurer, Yone Sato; each responsible for supervision of a number of National Committees.

From time to time other members of the National Board, National Committee Chairmen and National "aff" members have been invited to participate in the Executive Board meetings as necessary and expedient. National Legal Counsel Bill Marutani and Mike Masaoka have been especially helpful to the Board.

For the record, the Interim National Board meeting was held in July, 1969.

Jerry Enomoto
Jerry Enomoto has given outstanding leadership as National President during the four years in this position, and especially during his second term of office, bringing JACL to grips with relevant issues. His ability and popularity is attested by the many requests for personal visitations and speaking, not only to our JACL groups but other groups and organizations as well.

No group has been too small, and no communication has been insignificant for his attention, and he has continually kept the membership fully informed through his weekly PC columns.

He is by far our most travelled National President. While he has given a great deal of his time and efforts to JACL in voluntary capacity, he certainly has not neglected his own field of endeavor as shown by his recent promotion to Deputy Superintendent of the Soledad Correctional Facility of the California Department of Corrections. We all wish him well in this new and larger responsibility.

Those of us who have been close to the picture know of the invaluable helpmate Joyce Enomoto has been. Her help has been more than secretarial, she has been his "sounding board," his counsel and helped him keep things in order in such manner as to reflect throughout our national organization.

WASHINGTON OFFICE — There is no doubt but that Mike Masaoka has been and continues to be our Washington Office, even though on a part time retainer basis. As we try to work out realistically some kind of adjustment to eventually relieve Mike of this responsibility as he has requested for some time, we are faced with the fact that there is only one Mike Masaoka.

NATIONAL STAFF — We have called attention to various staff members and their responsibilities in the process of this report. Much as JACL depended upon its volunteers, adequate staffing is needed to carry out and follow through on projects and program details. The various budget requests submitted for this next biennial reveals an awareness of this fact, for most of the requests for money involve staffing.

Jeffrey Matsui as Associate National Director operating out of Southern California has done a great deal to prod and nudge the organization and its members toward participation relevant community issues in keeping with his philosophy of

'Color me for real'

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dents from Japan.

"The children of seven, eight, nine and ten are good," Mr. Mihara says. "But those who are 12, 13 and 14 are getting to be very bad. Every Saturday the big boys make trouble. In the old Japan, the teacher was always obeyed — or else. Now the kids are always against them. All a teacher can do is tell the parents. Before the war, the Nisei — our children — came to language school five days a week. Now only one day."

Young Asians

There are exceptions. A group of teenagers recently formed the Seattle Oriental Youth Association (now known as the Young Asians for Action) to help bridge the generation gap and form closer ties with their elders.

But it is difficult for the Old Timers to sympathize with what the New Wave Asians are trying to achieve. The latter no longer feel that there is time for the bamboo approach. In

the necessity for JACL to move progressively outward from its own member and chapter concerns to the needs of the Japanese American community and then into involvement in the greater community.

To relieve him of administrative details, we have provided for an office manager for the Southern California Office. Hideo Magara functioned as such for the last half of last year and now Willie Fujinami from early this year.

While there have been considerable turnovers in secretarial help at this office, Angela Alcaraz has been the mainstay since November of 1967. Several turnovers in the full time secretary in the youth program office has taken place.

Esther Hagiwara continued to man our Midwest Office which she has been doing since 1956, being helpful to National Committee Chairmen from this area, playing an important part in the paper work involved in the National 1000 Club, and servicing the Midwest District. This past year has been especially busy far her with the Biennial Convention preparations and orders for Bill Hosokawa's book being handled in Chicago.

At National Headquarters, Chiz Satow functions as receptionist, bookkeeper, membership processor, steno, clerk, administrator, sounding board and consultant to the National Director. We have also had the part time services of Mrs. Nao Sugiyama.

To all the members of the staff and to all of you members of JACL, my personal thanks and appreciation for your support, for your considerations, and many personal courtesies.

Some Poems

Black Souls
Corn, pone and gravy,
Hominy grits and
collard greens,
These are for
Poor Black Souls.
Oink! oink! march! march!
Oink at the pigs' pen
Until we can all
In unison oink!
Hallelujah! for
Ham, bacon and eggs.

Jack Armstrong,
the All-American Boy
Wheaties and burgers,
Steaks and potatoes,
These are for
Red, white and blue
WASP souls.
Anything we do
is mighty and right for
we are Jack Armstrong,
the All-American boys.

Yellow Power—the Bushido Charge
Rice and fishheads,
Chazuke to Umeshio!
These are for
Go for Broke
Buddhahead souls.
Yellow! Yellow!
The bugler calls for
the Bushido charge:
Susume!!

Black, White and Yellow
(Nisei: The Quiet Americans—Yellow?)

Black is the steelhead trout
That fights against the rushing water
To spawn its eggs of freedom
White must be the cascading water
That tumbles down
From the Sierras of injustices
And,
Yellow must be the dead-wood
That flows along with the water
That ends up at the quiet pool.

—By Mas F. Shono

stead, they want to sharpen the bamboo into a weapon to prod the Establishment into accepting them as a people, not as walking cliches.

There were no real Old Timers, for example, at the workshop held recently by ACE at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Seattle. The all-day session was called to map strategy within the Asian community against institutionalized discrimination.

Those present heard Fred Cordova, a Filipino, say: "This is a battle — not a workshop with doughnuts and coffee — where you might get shot to death, where you might die: not as a Filipino, a Japanese or a Chinese, but as a people. These are turbulent times."

They heard Larry Matsuda, a Japanese, say: "Black is beautiful, but so is yellow and brown. It's time to find out who we are after being brainwashed for so long."

'Yellow Is Beautiful'

They heard Marty Sibonga, a Filipino, say: "It is time to bring this down to more immediate needs. We need a society where I have a right to contribute. The Japanese-American, the Chinese-American, the Filipino-American no longer wants to be automatically categorized as a gardener, a laundry worker or a bus boy."

They heard Kazuo Mikami, a Japanese Saneil with shoulder-length hair, say: "I want the right to move in next to President Nixon if I want to. I also want the right to refuse to move in next to him. The hell with assimilation. I want my own identity."

And, they heard Charlie Mitchell, the former college and professional football star who is now the minority affairs coordinator at Seattle University, say: "All the progress that has been made on the racial scene has not come about through anybody's humanity. Political force is what is needed. The blacks have looked at the global aspects of the struggle. Asians should look at this, and stress political change and education of their people."

Youth's Message
"... Money and violence, that's all The Man understands. If you believe in your rights, you've got to take a stand. We live in a racist society. That's a fact of life. The black has got what little he has because he threatened The Man. The Orientals still aren't threatening anybody."

During the black athlete's talk there were cries of "Right

on brother," and "Tell it like it is, Charlie."

These were representatives of a people who, for a century, have been subjected to oppression and discrimination, yet who have endured that yoke

with an almost superhuman forbearance. They are weary of being stereotyped, of being legislated against, of being treated as second class citizens and worse.

They have watched and lis-

tened to the black militant movement, but violence is still repugnant to their sensitivities. However, that could change one day. They are people at a cultural cusp, at a political crossroads.

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Memorial rites for A-bomb victim best remembered

By GEORGE TAKEI

Los Angeles

It's always risky business for me writing about my travels, but particularly this one that took me for the first time to a country I'd been hearing, reading and dreaming about ever since childhood, Japan.

I like to approach foreign travel with an open mind and uncontaminated eyes, to be able to see things fresh. But in this case, I can't consider myself uninitiated to the culture of Japan.

This, of course, has its advantages in that it serves as the basis for a deeper appreciation of the experience but also the disadvantage of the inevitable preconceived notions. And the trip was a case of exhilaration not unmixed with disappointments and delight laced with some puzzlement.

Most of all, this first trip to Japan was an emotional experience so that the old skull was constantly reining in the unabashed excesses of the heart. Passion wrestling with intellect, you might say.

The temptation to make definitive statements, to glean observations of earthshaking import from a kaleidoscope of impressions, characteristics typical of the returning tourist, have to be resisted — and yet you find yourself arguing that you can't deny the truth of your experience and emotion. But then you also have to admit that these experiences were collected over only a brief six week period of constant moving about. And so

you decide that only a fool would put those passion-filled, hectically brief experiences down on paper for publication. Like the many who preceded me, I proceed.

Asian Coney Island

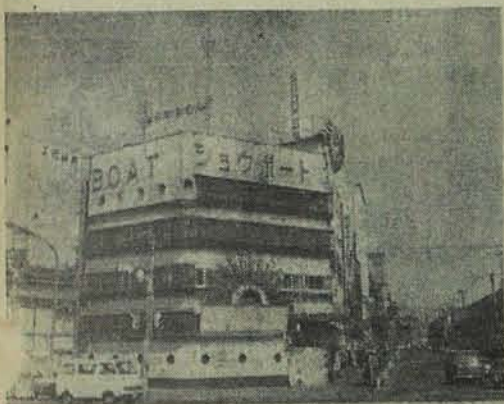
Japan in the summer of 1970 was hailed as the pageant ground of the world but beneath the surface of banner-flapping internationalism, chromium steel glossiness and computer-smooth efficiency, she seemed chauvinistic, contradictory and charmingly traditional. The pageant was not very unlike an Asian Coney Island.

Visibly, she glistens with shiny new showroom machinery and sleek, towering show-off structures. She moves huge masses of humanity quickly and cheaply if not always comfortably and quietly.

Modern commercialism is everywhere blatant from the giant neon graffiti stridently promoting internationally known names to jump-cut television spots hawking instant "miso shiru".

And the most ubiquitous presence of all wherever one went in Japan was Expo '70, — the symbol of the world today and the foreshadowing of the global tomorrow — if we're to believe the promotional pitch. If billboards and subway posters didn't remind you of Expo, waitresses and bath house masseuses were there to plug it. The royal family were frequent visitors, they told us, and farmers who'd never ventured to the city.

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'SHOWBOAT' LANDMARK GONE — At the end of Ginza where Showboat stands part of the once fabulous Ginza after razers started demolishing the building, bringing an end to a colorful era of Tokyo nightlife.

'Showboat' Is No More

By JIM HENRY

Tokyo

The Showboat sails no more. The wreckers attacked it first, then fire finished the job. Although new nite spots open with a great deal of fanfare, when they close down they fold on the spot. In the case of Showboat, if it hadn't been for the fire which broke out in the wreckage while it was being torn down, Showboat would likely have passed from the scene unnoticed.

A bizarre mixture of the seven seas and the Mississippi River, Showboat was perhaps Tokyo's most famous cabaret. Located at a corner where Ginza ends and Shimbashi is about to begin, Showboat with its garish neons dated from an era of gimmickry when nite spots vied with each other in imaginative ideas.

Frequented by GIs

Thousands of American GIs who served in Korea made a beeline for the white boat-shaped building as soon as they were released from Tachikawa Air Base in the Tokyo suburbs where their rest-leave planes had landed. The boys from the farms had seen nothing like it.

The exterior resembled a steamboat of Mark Twain's days. On one side of the building a huge paddlewheel churned in a trough of water. It had portholes and other appropriate decor.

Showboat's waiters wore white sailor uniforms. They took orders from head waiters dressed like officers in gold braid. The hostesses on the first, second and third decks were named after parts of Japan and the world. The upper decks were connected by narrow ladders, not stairs. Garish neons illuminated the decks.

When a Japanese customer pushed through the swinging doors of Showboat he was piped aboard by the doorman with a single stroke of a gong. The gong was struck twice when a foreigner entered.

Music from Elevator

When Showboat first opened the orchestra was placed on an elevator stage that moved up

and down the four floors blaring deafening music.

Around the semicircular deck were rails. Tiny girls rode in carts that moved along the rails to dispense beer. (These two gadgets were later abandoned. The paddlewheel outside also went to years before Showboat closed as business sunk to an all-time low.)

Showboat won fame among visitors from abroad. Its prices were reasonable. The late Al Ricketts, Pacific Stars and Stripes columnist whose comments on Tokyo nite life were guides to a generation of American servicemen in Asia and the Western Pacific, wrote about Showboat. So did James Michener. It was used for a scene in "Bridges at Toko Ri," a film about the Korean war based on Michener's novel.

In the scene Mickey Rooney fought a sailor over a hostess on one of Showboat's decks. The hostess was played by Keiko Awa, the favorite pin-up girl of GIs in Japan and Korea at the time.


The cordial welcome which Showboat gave foreigners recalls a simpler time on the Ginza. Nowadays, Americans and Europeans who wander into a good number of cabarets and quietly told, "this is a private club," a euphemism meaning they prefer Japanese only.

New Building to Rise

Like a derelict, Showboat's passing almost went unnoticed. The wrecking hammers began razing Showboat in February to make way for a new building. The destruction attracted little public notice until a fire broke out in what was left of the third and fourth floors at the end of May.

"The passing of Showboat brings to an end a colorful era in the history of Ginza's nite life," said Tokyo's Mainichi newspaper.

The Showboat is gone now and its memory quickly fading, another victim of the world's largest city that continues to devour all that stands in the way of progress. The economic animal has had its way once again.



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Section C

Nihonjin assumption jolts a Sansei lass

By BARBARA YOSHIDA

Seattle

Sheer delight is an understatement to express my reactions upon learning that I was a 1970 Japan Air Lines - JACL fellowship recipient.

In the initial blur of preparing to go, I found myself flying through all kinds of tourist guides on Japan, basking in the congratulations of friends and relatives, and very hurriedly packing my bags. All the while, delusions of cameras, traveling, and two months of adventure danced through my head.

As I was caught up on the anticipation of this unexpected windfall, the thought that I would perhaps be able to observe a cultural environment and learn of a heritage that I knew very little about, did not seem uppermost in my mind at the time. Gaining a greater understanding and appreciation of my ethnic origin got lost in all the excitement of going.

Knew Very Little

In leaving, I tried mentally to operationalize what types of things I would be experiencing in the following weeks. As I did, it became quite apparent that I really knew very little about Japan.

My grandparents came to the United States around the turn of the century, bringing with them the culture and language of San Francisco. I grew up in Idaho, where most of my social relationships with peers and community were in caucasian settings. Incidentally, the words Issei, Nisei, and Sansei comprised approximately 25 percent of my Japanese vocabulary.

At the San Francisco International Airport, I met the other three fellowship winners who I would come to know quite well in the ensuing weeks.

All four of us had come from varying backgrounds and experiences, with one commonality of being Japanese-American. I soon found that I was the only member of the group who did not speak Japanese.

Arriving at Haneda International Airport in Tokyo on a hot, humid and rainy day, I kept looking for the hordes of people that I'd heard so much about. I didn't have to look far, because the first thing I was aware of in Japan was the extraordinarily large numbers of people in a very small area.

An Assumption by Japanese

Another jolting awareness I had to face was that the Japanese people assumed that I spoke Japanese and could not understand why I did not respond to their conversation.

I rapidly learned to say that I did not speak Japanese, or I did not know Japanese, or I did not understand Japanese. Sometimes it took all three ways to get the point across.

To many of the Japanese I came into contact with, the term Sansei may not merely mean third generation, but perhaps limited, retarded?

Japan is not only very crowded but is constantly on the move, physically, socially, and economically. It seemed that there were endless contrasts between the old and the new. This could be seen by merely walking down the street and passing an older woman who may be in a kimono next to a younger girl in mini or maxi clothes.

Window displays were ingeniously attractive to shoppers while around the corner one could find an old temple or monument that was not out of harmony to the Japanese.

It took some time to adjust myself in observing some of the Japanese girls with red hair and other Western features. Western influences are in almost every aspect of Japanese living, such as billboard ads, television commercials, music, etc.

Curious About USA

The young people I met were quite curious about the United States and were eager to talk

with us. They could hear our opinions on issues and at the same time, practice their English. Many of the Japanese can speak and read English, thus giving them more exposure to Western culture. It is unfortunate that the reverse is not true.

People in Japan are very group oriented. It was a common sight to see a group of students on a tour or outing together. Groups from work do recreational activities together also.

Discotheques were abundant and alive with young people and Western sounding music.

Education is a key issue to the young people because how well they do academically casts the dye for their entire future. Entrance into a prestigious college and a position in a "good business" depends solely on academic achievement.

Juvenile Court

While in Tokyo, Min Yasui and I were able to visit a Juvenile Court. We observed a court proceeding in which a young man was involved in a delinquent act. The tone in which the judge addressed the boy and vice versa was interesting to me.

I saw contrasts between that and a similar court hearing in the United States. Both systems operate for the best interest of the child but have very different approaches in working with juveniles.

Respect and authority have different levels of meaning and uses in each culture. I found it impossible to compare the United States with the Japanese methods without acknowledging the numerous cultural and historical aspects that contributed to these differences.

Although I was constantly involved in the typical types of tourist activities, lectures, extracurricular things, etc., I became increasingly aware of the richness and beauty of the Japanese culture.

Centuries of Tradition

Small, thoughtful gesture to the very elaborate ceremonies had a certain charm and elegance to them which were nurtured by centuries of tradition.

Learning about the Meiji Era and visiting historical points of interest, I found myself wondering what Japan had been like when my grandfather turned to Section C-10

Nisei fears Super Power No. 3, also known as No. 1 Competitor

By JOE HAMANAKA

Seattle

Being a Japan-watcher of a sort (amateur, of course) and a student of Japan, we do a lot of reading in Japanese journals. And we are disturbed — call it "fear" — at the deterioration in U.S.-Japan relations on the business front.

As Japanese in America, our future well-being relates to the image and posture of Japan. Let's face it. We are Japanese.

Here is Japan. Proud, up from the loser's side, a late nation which ran hard and caught up with a turning world. Admirable. Economically, they say Japan is winning territories she couldn't militarily. Her traders are all over the world — penetrating — selling, buying, selling.

Japan's arms, her tentacles, are the trading companies — the Mitsui, Mitsubishi, C. Itoh, Marubeni — Iida, Nichimen, Nissho — Iwai. These are in Seattle, for example. And curiously, representing often both buyer and seller.

Up here in the Northwest Corner, they deal in coal, lumber, scrap iron, fish. Like a drain, the raw material ship out, then return as finished products. And the smaller American mills and processors are hurt.

Foremost in the conflict is the rupture in the textile talks. And as American business slows down and as unemployment increases, other products become subjects for conflicts — the television imports, the low priced steel, electrical equipment, automobiles.

Charges of "dumping" are in the news. Selling products in



1970 JAPAN AIR LINES - JACL FELLOWSHIP winners gather at San Francisco International Airport prior to their takeoff to Tokyo with Tomochi Tsuge (left), JAL district manager, and Masao Satow (right), national JACL director. The

fellowship winners are (from left) George Takei of Los Angeles, Barbara Yoshida of Seattle, Wayne Maeda of Sacramento and Minoru Yasui of Denver. —Japan Air Lines photo

Japan trip enhances need of Sansei to seek an Asian American identity

By WAYNE MAEDA

Sacramento

Now that I have seen the "bigger picture" by actually visiting Japan from being one of the fortunate recipients of the JACL — JAL Summer fellowship, my ideas on the relevancy of Asian American Ethnic Studies have been more sharply focused. So I would like to share some of my experiences in Japan, the impressions I gained of Japan and the Japanese, the discovery of a sense of "belonging" to the country of my grandparents and how these relate to the meaning of Asian American Studies in particular and to Ethnic Studies in general.

A stay of less than ten weeks in Japan during which time I attended Sophia University for five weeks and then a four weeks tour of most of the major cities between Tokyo and Nagasaki hardly qualifies me as an "expert" on Japan.

Equally true is that the differences between East and West are far more complex than just a matter of the "Spiritual East" meeting the "Material West". Thus, lacking any real knowledge about the intricate social, political, religious and cultural patterns, I have missed many of the so-called nuances of Japan and so I will necessarily make generalization that may or may not be accurate.

Yet I was profoundly impressed by the many experiences that I have experienced in such a short time. These impressions and the things that I have seen have given me a new insight into the meaning of why Asian Americans need to seek an Asian American identity.

Font of Impressions

I saw and felt many things in Japan that have made lasting impressions on my mind. I have ridden on almost every mode of transportation available from the train to the hydrofoil. I have done almost everything from climbing Mt. Fuji to shopping on the Ginza in Tokyo.

I have stayed in one of Tokyo's finest hotels to a stay at a humble farm house where I met my grandmother for the first time. Thus, there are many things that I have been profoundly impressed by.

I was literally floored by the masses of people I encountered wherever I traveled in Japan. A climb up Mt. Fuji, the sacred mountain of Japan, meant I had to wait in line to climb to the top.

I was highly impressed with Japan's transportation system both on land as well as on sea. The transportation was so well developed that one could almost see his watch by the train or the subway.

I was amazed at how hard many of the Japanese worked.

I was equally amazed at how the Japanese enjoyed little things like a hot bath or a warm cup of sake. It was also saddening to see the contrast between the very rich and the poor.

'New Middle Class'

Yet, I sensed the growing affluences of the so-called "new middle class" composed mainly of the salaried men who worked for the larger companies.

For the first time I fully realized why the Japanese students tried so hard to get into the better universities of Japan. The right college could mean security for the rest of one's life and for this reason, the student and his parents sacrificed almost everything.

On the other, I was very much disturbed at the arrogance that many Japanese exhibited towards other Asian nations.

I guess this arrogance is not unlike the attitude that some Japanese Americans have towards other minority groups. A feeling that can be epitomized in the phrase "we've made it". This arrogance may have been because Japan is searching for an identity. Perhaps trying to find what her role is and ought to be in Asia and in the world.

Most Beautiful Week

Without a doubt the most meaningful and beautiful experiences that I had while I was in Japan was a week's stay with my grandmother at the Ie (house of) of Maeda.

I really sensed an identity and felt a continuity between the past and present. Living in an old Japanese farm house where my father was brought up and his father before him, I gained a stronger awareness of the link between a Japanese American raised in America and the Japanese in Japan.

This short stay in Japan, not as just a casual tourist but as one seeking ties that I have with those in the "old country" was to reaffirm the idea that we have roots that go back to Asia.

As Asian Americans we should not be ashamed of our cultural heritage. We ought not to be embarrassed when we hear Japanese, Chinese or other Asian language spoken just a little too loud fearing what the whites may think of us. We must develop pride in our cultural heritage and stop apologizing to others for not having lost all of our cultural vestiges, or for not having been completely "assimilated" into the dominant majority because of skin color.

A Common Question

In the society we live in, we are constantly reminded of who we are by people who ask, are you Japanese or Chinese?

Our "foreignness" is continuously being pointed out, but are the whites being asked, are you German, French or English, merely because their appearances are different from others? This is not to say that we should dwell on cultural nationalism because there are grave dangers in this.

But we must define for ourselves who we are and not let others cast us into what they think we are. We must not let people like Walter Scott of the

Parade Magazine define us as he did in the October 4, 1970 issue.

"Q. Is Herb Klein, President Nixon's communications director, an Oriental? — L.T. La Jolla, Calif. A. No, he merely looks and on occasion behaves like one, inscrutable, secretive and impenetrable."

'We Are Not White'

We must begin to deal with questions such as: who are we, where have we been and what and who should define our role in this society, what is our relationship to other minorities and where are we headed?

Asian Americans are just now beginning to try to deal with these and other difficult questions through Ethnic Studies which has a totally different perspective and a totally new approach. But what do we mean by Ethnic Studies?

Ethnic Studies

In very general terms, the concept of Ethnic Studies applies to the study of various aspects of ethnic minority, the study of which have been traditionally omitted in the American educational processes through not only unconscious but also deliberate and systematic omission and suppression.

More specifically, Ethnic Studies tries to study the various life styles of people who are of diverse cultural background through an interdisciplinary approach. The definition of Ethnic Studies may be rather vague and ambiguous at this point but as the objectives of this program are examined, it is hoped that a much clearer definition will develop.

Although the Ethnic Studies program is a totally new concept, there are some definite objectives that have been formulated and hopefully these objectives will continually be defined and refined as the program matures.

Perhaps one of the most urgent and pressing problems our society faces is that of how people who are of and come from diverse cultures can coexist. A coexistence which accords each other the respect, dignity and self-determination that is necessary before a society as a whole can seek not only qualitative but also creative change. So by defining coexistence as a problem, we have also defined a part of the goals or objectives. These objectives of Ethnic Studies can better be understood in terms of short and long range objectives.

The Objectives

The short-range objectives would be to stimulate interest and pride through rigorous examination of the various life styles of those who come from diverse cultural background. In doing this we not only learn about the "minority problem" but also learn about ourselves.

Turn to Section C-10

Generation Gap

(From Section A-1)
I expect to hear from me any mysterious wisdom of the East, even the East that I know best — the one centered on Washington, D.C. has mysteries far more impenetrable than ever dreamed of in that other troubled East across the Pacific.
I am told that the JAYS in searching for the direction it now wishes to take, is having some trouble in attracting new members and even in keeping those it has. There are those who feel that the JAYS is no longer relevant. I suspect that all of this reflects a larger situation which the Japanese American community feels is new to it, even though it is by now a painfully familiar story to much of American society. This situation has been called by a variety of terms, but the one most widely used — and abused — in this Age of Aquarius is the "generation gap."
I believe that there is a gap. That it is nothing new. That it is, in fact, almost a condition of human existence. The 16th Century farmer's son who left backwoods Hokkaido to seek his fortunes in Kyoto, the 19th Century small-town Iowa boy who headed for Chicago, the young Southern Blacks who leave tenant farms every day for the North — all are spiritual kin to the young people throughout history who have left behind them troubled parents in their search of some better existence.
Need for Change
The point is not that they find — or fail to find that something better. The fact is that they feel the necessity for change. They feel that somewhere beyond their clouded horizon is the promise of something better, something that perhaps their parents do not or cannot perceive.
There is, in short, a "generation gap," which I define as a difference in perception of the possibilities of human existence. This perception in each one of us is continuously altered as we are conditioned to the terms under which our own lives must be lived.
To put it another way, each of us must, throughout our conscious existence, make compromises between our ideals and the unyielding facts of life, and unfortunately, we make these compromises so often, so routinely, that we tend to become unconscious of them. But young people are not yet conditioned to make these compromises and tend to have little patience with those who do and thank God for them.
There is a special irony in the generation gap in the Japanese - American community. The Japanese entered America as a persecuted minority, as little more than indentured labor. They were discriminated against, suffered for the most part all of the calamities and injustices which seem to be the lot of minorities who can be seen to be "different."
But the Issei had something going for them, a rock-hard reliance on their own heritage and, because of it, the ability to persevere and thus to prosper. They had the determina-

tion to share in the plenty that this land had to offer, and despite the many real handicaps that they found in their paths, they did persevere, and they are sharing.
The truth behind the cliché of the "industrious Japanese" is not so much different from the truth behind the cliché of the "Protestant work ethic." There is a sameness of value — of the belief that one can find the rewards that one seeks if only he works hard enough, works unservingly towards his goals.
Probably as one consequence of this similarity, Nisei see themselves more and more as Americans and less and less as "Japanese-Americans."
Heritage Identity
And it is just at this time of weakening bonds to the ancestral homeland that their children, the Sansei, want to become more conscious of that heritage; they perceive there a relevance in their efforts to grapple with the underlying problems which torment our society.
This "return" is not peculiar to the Sansei. The same thing is happening to young Chicanos (have you ever heard of old Chicanos?) to the Black sons and daughters of Negroes, and to the heirs to many other different ethnic heritages who believe that the best way they can bring about the reality of the American Dream as they perceive it is to first understand and appreciate the strengths of their own origins.
A result of this is additional stress on the natural tension between the generations, there are parents convinced that their children are disrespectful of them and scorn what they believe in, while on the part of young people there is often unshakable certainty that their parents are not with it, are blind to injustices which surround them, are too hung up on material well-being to care.
This "generation gap" is bridgeable, must be bridgeable. That there are many qualities of any generation worthy of respect and emulation, and others which must — at a minimum — be understood.
The Student Label
So permit me to first address those members of my own generation and beyond, those who feel most painfully the stings of criticism of the young. Let us recall that the young have for a long time in history also carried another label, a label which now carries a very loaded meaning. That label is "student."
In his commencement address at Arizona State University on June 22, former Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare Robert H. Finch, said: "Let us all remember that students are not some sort of aliens traveling on false passports — but our own children, and the products of our laws, values and customs. Let us examine our views and practices — before discrediting theirs. Let us never make them the scapegoats for our own anxieties and fears."
Indeed, it is not easy for those who have struggled against economic adversity to understand others who seem

blithely unconcerned about 'making it' and whose life style outrages accepted senses of decency. But adversity, let's remember, wears many faces. It can come in the form of draft notices and rejection slips as well as overdue bills. It can come in the absence of draft notices among those who know themselves to be privileged, and feel guilty because of it. And it can come in the incessant pressure for grades and degrees and credentials.
"We must also recognize that today's students are ready to sacrifice — that indeed they have laid on the line their academic standing, their career hopes, even their physical safety for their beliefs. They have demonstrated courage — and staying power."
"It is perfectly true that students have no monopoly on wisdom. They did not suddenly discover war, or hunger, or poverty, or discrimination. But as it has always been through history, they are least able to compromise with injustice. They have no tolerance for race hatreds. They have no patience with the deferral of burning problems."
"We should take students seriously, not because they are future voters or because they pose a threat to democratic process — but because they help voice the Nation's conscience."
Voice of Conscience
This is the lovely thing about youth, that most often youth seeks more than material prosperity, that it seeks a climate in which the human spirit can prosper, where no man's worth is diminished arbitrarily, where there are no recessions or depressions in the values that man places on man.
The model of valor for Nisei were the men of the 442nd who proved their loyalty and courage far beyond necessity. But models of valor must change with changing circumstances.
That model for many Sansei is something that we who are not of their generation have the utmost difficulty understanding, because in shaping their own model, our children call into question some of our own dearest, conditioned attitudes.
Now many Sansei, with other young Americans, call for immediate disengagement in Southeast Asia; they seek for a radical re-direction in the priorities that our government assigns to the solving of multiple and tortuous problems.
I agree with most of their concerns — of the war, of the shame of American poverty, of the many evidences of racism and undeserved favoritism, of the strangling of our environment, and many other most fundamental issues.
I do not always agree with youth's assessments of how our government is attempting to solve these problems. But I do not question the sincerity of their dissent against the policy set by other generations, and in this respect it makes little difference to the young what political label that generation wears.
Role of Dissent
The Sansei's most American use of political dissent itself runs counter to Japanese heritage. Few Issei would have thought of political protest; only a relative handful of Nisei

did in that shameful time of relocation. But the Sansei are finally full Americans, and protest they will.
And again, however, I might disagree with them, I admire their idealism, their seeking, in their turn, for something better. I do not think that this seeking should trouble Nisei parents, because with just a little reflection they will remember that they too went through this with their own parents, who were not always receptive to their sons' and daughters' irrefutable ideas on the Depression, on Japan's invasion of China, on marriage with Caucasians, on home and community customs that young Nisei found difficult to fit into the social patterns of Venice High School, Class of '38.
And so to parents, I ask that you remember more than you condemn, because even though you may have forgotten it, you were there once yourself, in that time of untarnished, realizable ideals, in that time of acute awareness of wrongs and how they should be corrected. The long hair of the young which is such an affront to many elders was once a badge of the Samurai... and the young as with the Samurai, hair and principles tend to be woven together.
Sizing Up Parents
And now for you, my younger brothers and sisters — I ask your particular indulgence and patience, to listen if you can to one who is past 30, never to return.
Your fathers and mothers know what injustice is. Don't be too harsh on them because they've been there, in a way that you can never expect to be. They were there in a different time and under vastly different circumstance, but there nonetheless. They felt the necessity — just as you do — of proving their own individual worth, but they had to prove it in a different way — and remember it was in a different time and under different circumstances. The times change, and so do the necessities.
Some of you probably feel that your parents' coping out in 1942 because they did not fight the United States Army by hurling flower pots and victrolas at them. You yourselves are determined not to be copouts and will go to any lengths to avoid the appearance. But the words "futility" and "wisdom" are brothers, because the wise man knows what is futile and shuns it.
There is futility in working too far outside the establishment in America, 1970, whether that establishment is your family, or your school or your government.
Change is necessary, and in many cases overdue, but if you learn nothing else from your reading of history, whether it be by Mao-tse Tung or St. Matthew, the most effective agent of change is neither the bomb nor the bullet, but the idea and those whom it attracts.
Prospects for Change
Working within the establishment — however distasteful that concept appears to be — offers the most immediate prospects for change.
I applaud Yellow Brotherhood. I applaud Go For Broke and Come Together Family and the many other efforts Sansei are making to bring about necessary reforms. I applaud not because I support all the particulars, but because they are your efforts to change our society for the better by shaping it rather than by destroying it.
It was through your parents' efforts that Japanese names appeared in the United States Senate, the House of Representatives, this State's Court of Appeal, in sub-Cabinet posts, on city councils, and in a host of other positions capable of influencing, for better or worse, the future course of our society.
So you cannot say that your parents weren't there, because they were.
Don't be too critical that

All that I ask of you is that appearance is a failure because I have not been able to convey to you those feelings within me that I feel most deeply.
To the specific problems of the JAYS, I offer these suggestions.
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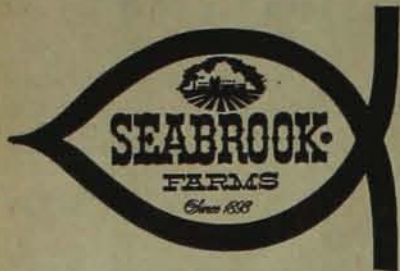
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From Section C-1

tured beyond their ken were making the pilgrimage.

Full-Page Daily Coverage

The Japan Times had a full-page devoted daily to its coverage and television had numerous specials on one aspect of it or another. The whole nation, it seemed, had girded itself for this gigantic extravaganza. Would there, I thought, could there be such a concerted show of national unity in the United States.

And then thoughts of labor demands, militant confrontations, charges of insensitivity of one kind or another followed by its inevitable counter-charges came to mind.

Visions of the innumerable exacerbated factions at home and I couldn't help but envy the way the whole Japanese nation took pride in and mobilized herself for this enormous enterprise.

Because an Expo is essentially a staged production on a national scale with the nation as the producer and the citizenry as the managers, publicists and backstage workers; and judging from the results, Japan is an impressive production organization.

Economic Cohesiveness

She seems, in more ways than obvious, a homogeneous nation. Obviously she is culturally and racially alike and this serves as a solid foundation.

But more than that, she seems economically cohesive. One doesn't sense the enormous range of wealth and poverty that is so apparent in America.

And labor and management enjoy what seem to American eyes as an unbelievably amicable relationship. The unions, we were told, are house organizations.

Workers are assured lifetime job security, generous fringe

benefits, promotion by seniority. With this sort of set up, rather than expending energy fighting management, they are more logically in competition with its counterpart unions in other factories; for the better their firm does, the better their own situation becomes.

Pride and Production

Thus, there is greater esprit de corps, pride in workmanship and higher productivity. This same sense of cooperation is also exhibited in the joint partnership that exists between industry and government.

The ministries work hand-in-hand with corporate executives expediting financing, setting national policy in keeping with the requirements of industry and, indeed, sharing official seats.

The shifting of executives from government to industry and vice versa is, of course, not unique to Japan but the kind of official dichotomy that results in a President Kennedy calling U.S. Steel executives S.O.B.'s or the singular lack of success that President Nixon has had in securing the cooperation of labor and management in tackling the current economic crisis is unimaginable in Japan.

Thus, Japanese homogeneity, the sense of the nation as a working unit, combined with her impressive technological capabilities, uniquely equips her to stage a giant international pageant. And if Expo '70 was the prime showpiece for the nations of the world in the summer of 1970, then it was also the product and symbol of a finely tuned, highly technological and economically powerful production company called Japan.

Drama of Japan

This was the Japan touted

Changing Emphasis of the JACL

By JOHN FUJIMORI

San Jose

Many years ago, a Greek philosopher, Heraclitus (536-470 B.C.) said, that all things change, and the law of nature is change. The Japanese American Citizens League is no exception. It has changed in its purpose and goals since its inception in the late '20s. This change is rightly so, for everything around us is changing and the people who composed JACL, hereafter I shall call it so as it is generally known, have changed.

Around 1920, right after the First World War, some older Nisei in the San Francisco Bay Area gathered together to discuss about their future and their own conditions in the country of their birth. They were not many but they were just reaching that highly prized voting age. They were Americans by birth, but their citizenship and loyalty were doubted.

They were neither white nor black and they were not accepted by the Americans as their equal. Their first desire was to be recognized as Americans above all and only incidentally as of Japanese descent.

As the first group named their group as an American Loyalty League, the name suggested that they wanted to be Americans. Second they wanted to protect their right as Americans and they felt they can protect their right by grouping together, so the first JACL was organized in 1930.

Early JACL Goals

The emphases of the early JACL were to build their image as loyal American citizens, to strengthen their economic position, and to develop their political position. These goals were achieved by the occasion and as result of the Sec-

ond World War, to which they were innocent victims.

They were all sent to the Relocation Centers, but they volunteered into the American armed forces, from "behind the barbed wire fence" and proved their loyalty. The 442nd Regimental Central Postal Directory composed entirely of Nisei was the most decorated battalion in the annals of American military history.

After the War, many social forces made change to the American attitude toward the Japanese Americans. JACL achieved a most remarkable success in the postwar years.

Nisei has proved that he is a loyal American. He also has attained economic position. Today he is considered economically more with the middle-class of America than a member of a minority. Whereas before the great emphasis was Americanization and integration, but today America is considered no longer as a "melting pot" but a multi-culture society.

Goal for Today

It is admissible to have a Japanese culture in America and we do not need to forget everything Japanese to be a loyal American citizen. Rather if we want to contribute to the "white" America, we must have something Japanese to contribute.

More than these things, there emerged in America a great surge for social justice and equality. This surge is from minority groups and also from liberal minded whites in America.

The black must have the same voting privilege as others as guaranteed in the 14th Amendment of the American Constitution. So we have a civil rights movement.

There is poverty among the ghettoes of the Blacks and American Indians and Chicanos.

Turn to Section D-11

CAMP HARMONY

April's sullen morning matched the somber mood. Good-byes framed in falling rain fell on wet sidewalks, mournful flowers before the moon. Good-bye, Seattle. My family wept.

Through steamy Greyhound windows dreams fell by. The P-I said, "Japs leave in good humor." My family roused they knew otherwise—Those bayonet-smiles for the camera.

Under the grandstand, horsetail for a home, A stalk of wheat pushed through the floor—a life Behind barbed wire its seeds to go unshown— Around it my family settled for the night.

And darkness grew, my sister cried for home. Outside crowds stared in at the new show in town.

—Allan Mitsuo Hikida
Univ. of Washington Student

by travel posters and airline brochures and she did put on an awesomely colorful show. But the real drama was not in the big production showpieces but in the little scenes, the small glimpses that were revealing of the conflicts and contradictions of modern Japan.

Contradictions like the scenes we saw of alienation from the homogeneous, technological society.

In the subway stations and plazas of Shinjuku were young people, some who looked Eurasian and few who looked African, their faces covered with clear, polyethylene bags. They were breathing out of those bags as if their whole lives depended on it and maybe it did. They were sniffing glue, or whatever psychodelia that would give them the suicidal high that would help blur the fact of their alienation.

The Japanese among them were the dropouts of this society but the mixed bloods didn't have anything to drop out from—they never had entrance.

Freedom Theater

And we also saw the young consciences of Japan expressing itself dramatically in some of the most mind blowing plays and films in basement theaters in Shinjuku and Roppongi.

The Jiyu Gekijo, or Freedom Theater was especially memorable for the explosive-

ness of its staging and the savagery of its indictment of establishment Japan.

One scene would open romanticizing the samurai code of old, then jump-cut right into a depiction of its contemporary manifestation brutalizing society.

Another scene would juxtapose a father fingerprinting a giant rising sun on the back wall in blood while in a separate spotlight his son fornicates with his mother to wild rock music. Not very subtle but unmistakably symbolism.

And this energy would pour out from the basements in the most dynamic form of street theater, the demonstrations. They were staged regularly, they seemed to average at least one every week, and they were impressive for their organization and energy.

'Energy to Burn'

In fact, their very potency was often cited to denigrate their cause. "Just a lot of young people with energy to burn," was the explanation given me by college professors, a few American consulate people and some relatives met for the first time. Sounded rather familiar.

But on talking with some of the students, one found them thoughtful, articulate and genuinely concerned people with a great diversity of philosophies.

If one were to find within the wide spectrum of student thinking two very general

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We have alphabetized the Honor Roll for one thing, maintaining the "year" categories and breakdown by chapters. Hence, a 1000 Clubber can move into another chapter and it would only require changing the position of the name the following year.

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areas where they seemed to coalesce, one centered on "Ampo," or opposition to the U.S. Security Pact and the other around a neo-conservative movement calling itself the Anti-Communist League. Both were strongly anti-Establishment but wanted to see change in opposite directions. Both, however, seemed highly nationalistic.

Hiroshima Experience

But the most profoundly moving experience I had was revealing, not only of Japan, but of man generally. It was the memorial service for the atom bomb victims held on August 6, at Hiroshima.

I remember that event vividly. The morning was hot, clear and brilliant. A few hours before, I had met my parents, who were also visiting Japan for the summer.

Together we crossed the Peace Bridge designed by the American sculptor Isamu Noguchi. Looking down into the water of the Ohta River my mind became heavy with thought.

We walked onto the vast grounds of the Peace Plaza and the very vastness of the space and the clearness of the sky somehow filled me with an indescribable emotion.

The Plaza was jammed with people and in the center was a huge fire burning near the ferro-concrete symbol of peace. The memorial service began with religious ceremonies and politicians mouthing their ritualistic rhetoric on peace. They were so far away that they were hardly visible and the sound amplification was so bad that it was barely intelligible.

People in the Plaza

I started looking at people. There were plump baby faces laughing the laughter of innocence and solemn, weathered faces that saw more than it revealed.

There were vacuous teenagers acting as though at a festival and there were monomaniacal militants exploiting the occasion for their own divined purposes. Some signs read "Return Okinawa Now!" or "Humanize the Universities." Some people would engage them in heated debate.

I saw people with warm, generous smiles serving free tea and I saw vendors selling souvenirs.

I saw Americans, grave and silent, and I saw Americans mindlessly snapping their cameras. And I saw people with

only one leg or a stub of an arm or the whole side of their face gnarled like an old tree trunk. There were those who just sat as if numbed by the terrible memories that must have come flooding back.

Twenty-five years ago here, it happened. To people not unlike those gathered here. People in suffering and people out for a lark. Unthinking people and sensitive people. People who exploited each other and people who gave selflessly of themselves. People in all their pettiness and their bigness.

Here in microcosm was humanity, then as now. And somehow the whole stupid insanity seemed entirely possible all over again. I just stood there and I couldn't stop the tears that kept streaming down my face.

Atop Fuji-san

As I look back on my Japanese experience, I, for some

Yoshida

(From Section C-1)

parents were there and what kinds of things motivated them to leave and go to a foreign country.

Looking back over this summer, I remember things like a guitar player singing Japanese folk songs, getting lost in the Ginza, walking to school with Wayne Maeda and dodging taxis, and philosophizing with Min on the transitoriness of life.

I saw relatives I had never seen before and visited the city my grandparents came from — Hiroshima. Through the train window I caught a last glimpse of my relatives waving goodbye in Hiroshima.

I felt nostalgic in leaving Japan. In my mind, I had left with so much more than I had come with (in my suitcases also).

Culture Diluted

There are some things in the Japanese culture that I was rather nebulously familiar with, such as the value of academic achievement, some types of foods, and some aspects of family structure.

From my grandparents, there were numerous cultural traits that were transmitted to me that I was really not aware of before. Many aspects of this culture have diluted down as a result of socialization into our community.

Several cultural customs and values have been maintained while others have been more

reason, envision the view from the top of Fuji-san. I'd climbed all night and reached the top before sunrise. The sweat chilled quickly in the icy wind but it felt good. And the view was great.

Down below was all of Japan. — Expo with the modernity and power it symbolized, the basement theaters with the creativity and conscience it housed, and somewhere down below was Hiroshima. It was an awe-inspiring view.

But as the eastern sky dawned pink and gloriously, I discovered that I was standing on a pile of crumpled up newspaper barely holding somebody's garbage and the sparkling reflection of the rising sun on the hillside was not from dew but from shards of broken beer bottle and crushed tin cans. I was looking down from the highest point of a sacred mountain and the symbol of all Japan.

integrated to adjust to the American culture.

As Japanese Americans, our identity has some commonalities with the Japanese culture and also with the United States.

Ethnic Heritage

Our cultural heritage began in Japan, grew with the Issei, and is dynamically continuing to grow with the ongoing generations. This summer has given me a richer awareness of being Japanese American.

Ethnic identity in my generation and in future generations is a challenge that we must begin to meet now. With further acculturation, our identity must be relevant to what is going on today.

Here in Seattle, as I'm sure in other areas, organizations such as Young Asians for Action, Asian Coalition for Equality, and the Asian Drop-in Center, are constructive channels for dynamic ethnic growth. These types of activities are giving young people a greater awareness of a rich heritage while meeting the needs of today.

With the support of the Issei and Nisei, the young Japanese Americans meet the challenge of relevantly continuing a proud Japanese American heritage.

My appreciation and holiday greetings go to the Japanese American Citizens League and Japan Air Lines for making this fellowship possible. I hope that this program will continue so that others may have as an enriching experience as I did. Thank you.

Maeda

(From Section C-1)

but what is more important we also begin to understand the "majority problem".

The educational processes of Ethnic Studies are twofold:

One is education with an ethnic point of view for the members of a particular group with an emphasis on where that group has been, what were their experiences and what kinds of responses were made by them because of their status as a minority group.

The other is education with an ethnic point of view for the members of the dominant majority to ethnocize and sensitize them so that they understand their own groups reactions to life styles that differ from the "American way of life." We must all learn to understand that if a society is to be pluralistic then other life styles are just as important and just as valid as the dominant one.

For a Better Life

The long-term objective is first of all not particular to Ethnic Studies but hopefully is shared by many. The goal is one of effecting a change in the quality of life.

It is obvious and presumptuous to think that there are simple answers to complex problems and we cannot condone simplistic approaches. Thus Ethnic Studies is not just of the moment but it is based on the fundamental assumptions that education which is meaningful must enable a person to understand himself, others and the society in which he lives. Through this understanding it is hoped that we can live together on an "equal" basis of respect, dignity and responsibility.

Are these goals idealistic? Perhaps, but what do we have left when man can no longer have visions nor dream dreams?

If Ethnic Studies in general and Asian American Studies specifically are understood in this light then one need not pose questions as to whether it is relevant. For the question of coexistence then becomes a question of understanding.

As Louis Hartz put it, "Can a people 'born equal' ever understand peoples that have to become so? Can it ever understand itself?" Coexistence and understanding are questions which are a matter of survival, the seeking of our identity can be one of the paths that lead us to that goal — survival.

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JUDICIAL INTEGRITY

In a prior article by Jerry Enomoto, some very provocative issues were cited relative to the defeat of Judge Gitelson traceable to his decision which many, including his victorious opponent, interpreted and stressed as being one representing "forced bussing."

Courage and honesty are truly the most important characteristics of those who uphold the responsibility and burden of sensible jurisprudence. Many claim it; I hope many to possess it. A judge who renders his decision based upon the sensing or hearing of "second-guessing footsteps" has no right to the judicial robe. A decision made in fear of criticism promotes and perpetuates disrespect for the court system and the justice it should assure. The fact that slogans such as "law and order" sell so well without a mention of justice and compassion, may be the result of a serious defect in our legal system.

The observation I wish to make here is that the Honorable Alfred Gitelson, by merely rolling with the punch or by playing a little practical politics could have avoided his defeat during the past elections. He could have very easily deferred his decision until after the application date for the primaries. Instead, he boldly rendered his decision when he did based upon his interpretation of the law as it exists today.

It was truly unfortunate that several judges publicly criticized the racist campaign techniques of the victor after the elections and not prior thereto. What is the significance of a post-election statement? I certainly can't comprehend it. For reasons of preserving impartiality and avoiding a conflict of interest, the men of the judiciary are expected to withdraw from the aggressive role of active political involvement. The problem becomes somewhat complex when judges assume this expected stereotyped role of judicial "godliness." The irreconcilable factors, among others, are the following:

1 — State judges are appointed by the Governor and generally selected along political affiliations. To achieve consideration for such an appointment, an aspirant must be more than passively involved with his political party.

2 — He is then expected by the public to withdraw from any active participation following his appointment. The resulting problem is — how is he able to keep pace with contemporary relevance or touch bases with the pulsebeat of NOW? If this concept of political insulation does in fact function, it would appear that a judgeship is more of an appointment than an appointment.

3 — In the light of the consideration that a judge must run for re-election, he is caught in an impossible situation of yo-yoing from a station of impartial judicial decorum to that of a crafty game of politicking for re-election, and back to a position of political isolationism after a successful re-election.

Perhaps it is the responsibility of the bar associations or individual attorneys to inform the public or expose any "ink-fish" political campaigns engineered by judicial candidates.

Judge Gitelson, though torn from his judicial robe, leaves the bench comforted, at least, with a staunch reputation for judicial strength, courage, and integrity. Despite the impending

elections, he did not act by political reflection.

RIGHT TO DISSENT

As an attorney, I have been asked on several occasions to act in the capacity of "legal observer" in relation to demonstrations and/or marches where the parties involved sincerely intend to exercise their constitutional rights to dissent peacefully.

The problem, however, is never that simple.

Most activities bottomed on the concept of communicating dissent are initiated and intended to be peacefully implemented. Unfortunately, the results are quite to the contrary.

About a week ago (Dec. 2), the Asian Americans for Peace conducted a march and demonstration in front of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, where Vice President Ky was then occupying. Slogans, whether by placards or by verbal expression, were carried or uttered by the participants. In my personal opinion, some such slogans were not philosophically consistent with the stated objectives of the demonstration; to wit, the opposition to the continuance of what appears to be a never-ending war in Southeast Asia. However, that is a matter of opinion and judgment. When other groups with possible questionable motives, attempted to join the demonstration, the Asian Americans for Peace dispersed without any physical confrontation with law enforcement personnel.

Whether one agrees with the method of communication utilized, i.e., via demonstration and/or marches, the right of dissent must be regarded as a sacred exercise of the freedom of speech and assembly.

TITLE II SYNDROME

After what feels like a decade of effort in Title II Repeal meetings, presentations before literally thousands of peoples and participation in a Congressional Hearing, we are awaiting the verdict presently (Dec. 11) in the hands of our congressmen.

I'm certain that Mike Masaka is more knowledgeable in reporting on the present situation in Washington relative to the JACL efforts to repeal that most repressive legislation.

Recently, the District of Columbia enacted an anti-crime bill which may somewhat parallel the issues we are confronting under Title II. I am making reference to the 60-day pretrial detention provision included in the D.C. Law. The provision in issue allows pretrial jailing up to 60 days without bail of suspects charged with a variety of dangerous non-capital crimes when a court finds the release of the suspect would be a danger to the community.

Undoubtedly there are many cases where authorities know with some certainty that a suspect, if released, will soon commit another crime. But this presumption does not seem sustainable under our Constitution since, alike the Title II suspect, the arrestee under the D.C. Crime Bill is being punished for a "probable future act" and further presumed guilty for the offense which he was arrested prior to an adjudication of such guilt.

Everyone recognizes the danger of increasing crime in our society. But we must at the same time recognize the dangers of expediently demolishing basic constitutional rights in our attempts to deal with the crime situation. This danger, in practice, far outweighs the threat of crime.

To acknowledge the effort of Jr. JACL members and advisers of the Northern California-Western Nevada District Youth Council, the Pacific Citizen is happy to reprint their 1969 Bibliography, which is divided into three sections: General Works, Periodicals of the Evacuation Era, and Periodical Literature.

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The Changing JACL

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The American society has come a long way since 1900. In just 70 years, the adult generation has seen more technological, social, and economic changes than any other generation before them. This advancement has been so rapid man has not stopped to evaluate his achievements.

This, perhaps, is the reason for so many of today's major problems such as the ecological problem, the urban crisis, and the nuclear weapons threat. This, indeed, is a critical period in man's history, and man must try to understand and conquer the problems before they conquer man. In the time of nuclear power and polarization of the world powers, one small misunderstanding could prove fatal to the entire world. This exhibits the great importance of understanding among men. The motto of the JACL is "Better Americans for a Great America." To assure the continuance of JACL and to try to accomplish this goal, understanding is one necessary ingredient.

Promote Understanding

It is evident in order to make better Americans for a greater America, all Americans must listen to and strive to understand their fellow man. More specifically, the members of JACL must not only try to promote understanding between and within themselves, but also promote understanding among all Americans.

First of all, the JACL members must try to understand the meanings and objective of their own lives. This is what many Sansei are trying to accomplish today with projects such as Asian Identities. "Am I a Japanese, a Japanese in America, a Japanese American, or just a being in the mass of humanity?"

"Am I proud of the culture and the background of my ancestors, and do I wish to perpetuate some of the customs; or do I want to abandon the ideas of my Japanese background and concentrate on adapting to the ways of the white American?"

Only when the struggle within the individual is settled can he adequately deal with the problems of understanding those around him such as his own family.

To assure the survival of JACL, the members must show understanding among the different generations of Japanese Americans, and they must try to understand the contrasting beliefs that accompany the changing times.

Isei-Nisei-Sansei
In the past, the Isei had to try to understand their children, the Nisei. Now, the Nisei must make a special effort to understand the Sansei.

The future existence of JACL depends on this understanding between the Nisei and the Sansei; for when the Nisei leaders are no longer able to run the JACL, the Sansei must have some basis for respecting the organization founded by their parents to assume the responsibilities of it.

The Nisei and the Sansei may sport different styles of clothing, and they may not be in exact agreement on certain issues, but these are no reasons why the members of the two generations should not respect each other as human beings and as individuals.

The two generations may seem appallingly different, but the ideas and the feelings of the individuals are things no one can judge. Individuals understanding one another is the only hope for the continuance of JACL. The Nisei and the Sansei must unite and work as one to achieve the central goals of JACL.

On Implementation

However, there are many different ideas of how to achieve the JACL's goal to make: "Better Americans for a Greater America." There are those who advocate a violent overthrow of the capitalistic way of life for a more socialistic, classless society; and there are those who do not advocate anything and just want to continue their secure life.

But, there are also those who wish to change America for the better by working within the framework of the government. These differing viewpoints all have substantial arguments.

By trying to understand and to objectively evaluate the arguments, we in JACL will be able to find the best methods of bettering ourselves and our country. Only chaos and trouble can occur when people close their minds to opposing sides of issues and refuse to try to understand.

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JACL essay by 'Showdown at Generation Gap' Ellen Sakai

(From Previous Page)

By understanding and acting on important issues, JACL will be contributing to the American life and will be able to last as an effective organization for many years to come.

For More Active JACL

The main reason it is necessary for the JACL to actively participate on important issues is to assure an effective working government and to protect our rights and the rights of others.

In the 1940s and the 1950s, JACL was mainly concerned with the rights of their members. Now is the beginning of a new decade, and compared to the problems of other ethnic groups, our problems are minor. The plights of minorities such as the Blacks and the American Indian are hundreds of years old in America.

However, with the help of the JACL, the Japanese have made tremendous advancements socially and economically in America in a matter of 40 years (since World War II).

It is now time for us to lend a helping hand to other minorities so they might enjoy the same type of freedoms we already enjoy. Their cry for help is loud and clear.

JACL must answer the calls for help by actually helping the minorities and by making other Americans see the problem. Only by understanding and by making others understand can the JACL and America survive. Understanding is the key to unity, peace, and harmony.

Unfortunately, though, the lack of understanding exists everywhere. It exists between individuals, generations, races and countries. JACL must advance with the times, and the only way this is going to take place is through understanding. It is the only way JACL is going to be able to come together as one united body to work for "Better Americans for a Greater America."

(This article won second prize in the 1970 JACL Essay Contest.)

From Section C-2

It may be that you no longer wish to be a "Japanese American" organization but an "Asian American" organization, developing a consciousness as a group of Asian descent rather than Japanese descent.

It may be that you wish to assume a greater responsibility to protect the rights of all other peoples — Americans or not — who suffer because of the maimed perceptions of others.

see things differently from the past and accordingly, act differently."

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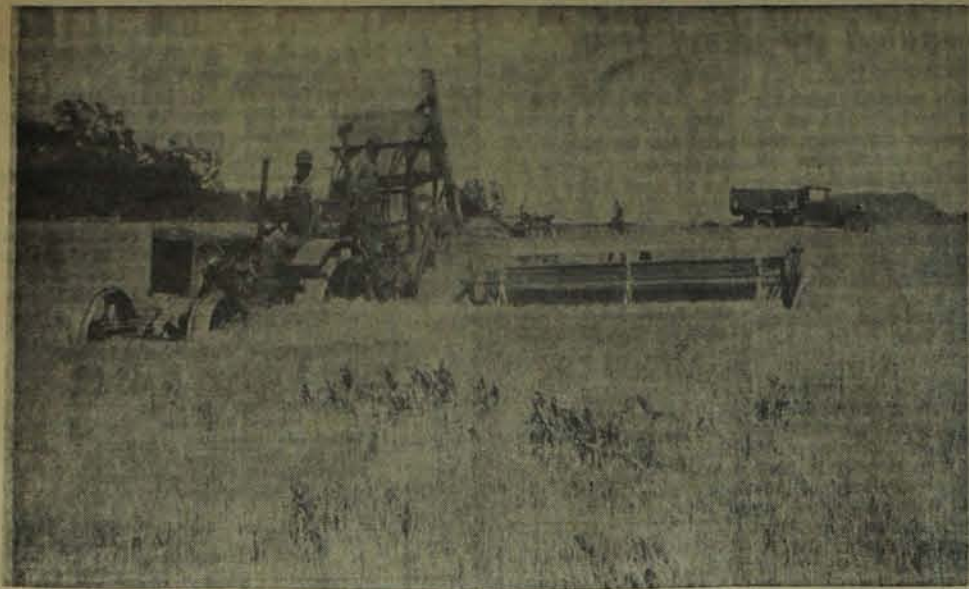
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ISSEI NEBRASKA WHEAT farmer, Hiram Kano, harvesting crop in early 1930s.

Nebraska census of AJAs clings to 700

By HIRAM KANO

The history of the Japanese Americans in the State of Nebraska is only 70 years old, the first Issei group having reached the state in 1900 as railroad workers.

It is interesting to know that their population has been constant through the years. There were about 700 Issei in Nebraska in the 1900s. Today, there are about 70 Issei and combined with the Nisei and Sansei equal 700.

There are two reasons for this constancy of population: 1—Since 1925, there has been no new immigration due to the Oriental Exclusion Act.

2—Most Nisei, who were born in the 1920s, have all graduated high schools and a third of them finished colleges or universities. Since Nebraska is an agricultural state with no big cities except Omaha, the Nisei have had to move out of state for jobs. Consequently, the Nisei population dropped, the Issei are passing from the scene and the Sansei count increasing.

Distribution of the 700 Japanese in Nebraska follows:

Omaha130
Lincoln 70
North Platte130
Scottsbluff300
Lexington and Other Scattered Area 70
The ratio is Issei 10 per cent, Nisei 35 per cent, and Sansei 55 per cent.

Issei Came in 1920s

Nearly all Issei came to Nebraska 50 years ago and nearly all of them were employed by the railroad companies as section hands at the outset. The late Charles H. Shinn and the late Frank T. Ohdo were hired as interpreters.

In 1910, when all railroad work was completed, the Issei were duly released. Fortunately in that year, the Great Western Sugar Co. opened up the new industry in Scottsbluff County and their 12,000 acres in sugar beets needed many workers. Since most of the Issei came from rural districts in Japan, they were happy to work in the beet fields and settled at Scottsbluff.

In 1918, a Japanese weekly newspaper was being published by the late Koken Yamataka.

The sugar company was pleased with the quality of work. Some Issei turned to tenant farming and a few others became owner-farmers. They have since retired with the Nisei continuing. Of the 50 Nisei raising sugar beets today, 85 per cent own their farms, operating with highly mechanized equipment with each farm said to represent a \$100,000 investment.

Independent Farmers

While all Japanese farms are now under Nisei management or ownership, 40 or 50 years ago there were 130 Issei-operated farms throughout the

state: Omaha, Lincoln, Columbus, St. Edward, Kearney, Litchfield, Lexington, North Platte, Paxton, Lewellen, Alliance, Bridgeport, Bayard, Minatare, Gering, Mitchell, Morrill, Henry, Lyman, Scottsbluff, etc.

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While many Nebraska-born Nisei are now teachers, physicians, nurses, engineers, photographers, pharmacists, etc., in such states as Massachusetts, New York, Ohio, Missouri, Kansas, Texas, California and Colorado, most notable of the 442nd veterans in Pershing Nakada, a Univ. of Nebraska graduate, who is a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army today.

Last year's Pacific Citizen Holiday Issue gave a detailed story of the Issei in Omaha, but it should be recounted here as well.

In 1910, there were some 300 Issei working in the Omaha meat packing company such

as Armour, Swift and Cudahy. Most of them lived near the stockyards in an area which became known as Japanese Camp. There was a five-story house there, old, almost abandoned and which the Hakuin called haunted—but the ghost never bothered the young Issei who were able to rent the building cheaply.

Toshiro Kudo served as spokesman and liaison for the workers and the employers.

Today, only a very few Japanese work in the packing houses as the Omaha Japanese today are in the service trades as jewelers, auto mechanics, cafe owners or photographers.

Cafe Operators

Japanese cafes and restaurants also were quite popular in the 1920s and 1930s throughout the state: Omaha, Lincoln, Grand Island, Lexington, North Platte, Bayard, Scottsbluff, Mitchell, etc. The YMCA cafeteria at Lincoln, operated by Ito and Kawakami, prospered and was regarded the

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Within the Issei community, there was organized in 1920, the Japanese Americanization Society of Nebraska, which had three chapters in North Platte, Scottsbluff and Mitchell. While the purpose was Americanization, it conducted programs along religious, social and educational lines. The society was automatically dissolved when the war broke out in 1941.

Hiram H. Kano served as society president throughout the 20 years while the chapters had such able leaders as John Furukawa, Kaoru Kono, Charles H. Shinn, Hugh Wada, Riichi Ugai, Harry K. Nakada, Sam Hangui, Isao Yokomizo, etc.

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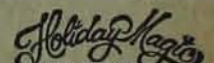
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IN THIS HOLIDAY ISSUE

No Holiday Issue was as "easy" to put to bed as this year's, thanks to the strong assist from the chapters which solicited more advertising this year. This is not to say that we took it easier for keeping track of the greetings from the thousands of friends and members throughout the country is no simple task.

We are especially indebted to Charles Fullert, who spent the last three weeks with us to account for each "ad" and assuring its appearance in a particular page. Earlier this summer, he spent two weeks pasting up "ads" so that chapters could solicit renewals. For the past 16 years, he helped us on a part-time basis and this year he retired from his regular work and returned to his home in Napa. But he came back to Los Angeles — just to work with the Holiday Issue.

The account by Kazumi Miyata of Lakehead University on the "Japanese in Canada — Still Second-Class Citizens," which capsulizes the history of our cousins to the north is one which U.S. Japanese can find most relevant. . . . Bill Hosokawa has introduced the era of 1943 in and around Heart Mountain WRA Center, where a Dies Committee investigator questioned some of the evacuees. The transcript of that meeting is a valuable "find" and one, we feel, will be quoted from time to time. . . . As we had hinted earlier, some stories submitted for this Holiday Issue have not been used because of space. These will appear in a special series during the regular issues of 1971. Some of them will eventually be rewritten for presentation by JACL to the Congress in 1972.

JACL Northern California District Youth Council's project, Bibliography: Japanese in America, was completed this past year and to assure its distribution to all PC readers — our make-up editor Alan Kumamoto has grouped the bibliography all in Section D. The selection prepared by Mrs. May Nakano of Walnut Creek, which has appeared in the PC Holiday Issue Reference Section, has therefore been deleted — but we should report she is preparing a larger, annotated selection for her master's degree which she has offered to submit for publication next year. . . . While we are on the subject, the Asian American Research Project at UC Davis, was scheduled to publish an 800-item annotated bibliography on the Asians in America this month.

Eira Nagaoka, Seattle JACL Newsletter editor, grew up in South Park — the pre-war farming community taken over by the Boeing complex. His story is our acknowledgement of the \$10,000 contribution to JACL for scholarship purposes. . . . Allan Beekman, who has submitted a variety of short stories on Hawaii and Japan in the past, changed his pace with a piece on Pearl Harbor. We are happy to add that some of his stories are now in his book, "Hawaiian Tales" (Harlo Press, Detroit, \$3.95), and six of the 12 stories were originally published by the PC. In book format, his stories look "brand new" and much more appealing. . . . For fear we would not have space, we included "editor's note" on some of the other pieces in this issue.

In closing, the PC board and staff joins me in wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We look forward to an even more interesting year.

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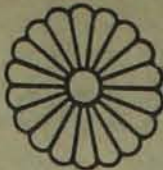
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