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POLITICAL INVOLVEMENT

Article II, Section 2 of the Constitution of the Japanese American Citizens League provides: "This organization shall be non-partisan and non-sectarian and shall not be used for the purposes of endorsing candidates for public offices."

In addition, in order to protect our tax-exempt status as

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a nonprofit organization under the Internal Revenue Code, we are not allowed to engage in political activity comparable to the Hatch Act provisions, in so far as our organization is concerned.

Actually, we do have leeway in educating our membership relating to the nuts and bolts of politics. We can invite speakers, host panel discussions, request comments, make inquiries regarding platform and so forth.

In fact, we should invite political leaders from all spectrums of the political arena to find out everything there is to know about their political philosophy, their campaign methods and techniques, use of funds, campaign expenditures, key people in their party, the background of these people, the commitment of the political party to such things as civil rights, civil liberties, equal employment opportunities, equal educational opportunities, equal housing opportunities, and pin each candidate down to specific positions.

In addition, inquire how the candidate or political party, in fact, practices what it preaches by giving case examples of specifically how integrated the party is and how the candidate has incorporated into his campaign team members of minorities and the poor.

I encourage JACLers to run for political office. We should use our organizational know-how to support JACLers by each person personally committing himself or herself to working actively on the campaign committee. Norman Mineta, Mayor of San Jose, Ken Nakagawa, Mayor of Gardena, Bob Matsui, City Councilman of Sacramento, Paul Bannai, City Councilman of Gardena and many, many others have succeeded in the recent past.

By now, we should have had a Congressman from the mainland. We haven't as yet, but we will have shortly. We have many qualified people, both men and women. Let us get good potential candidates to take the big step. JACL should do everything within its power and limitations to push for good candidates, JACLer or non-JACLer.

This is another area where we can have workshops to accomplish many things. We must become politically sophisticated so our strength will be of geometric proportions rather than merely fragmental numerical clusters. In some instances you may wish to disperse the help you give evenly among several candidates. In other instances, you may wish to and it may be more profitable to concentrate on one or two candidates. Since we are non-partisan, we should look for good candidates of all political parties and persuasions.

When the crunch comes in making decisions, economic and political power have traditionally had the most clout. We must add a third dimension: the power of the people. In this case, the power of the JACL people.

RURAL VS. URBAN

Article V, Sections 2 and 3 state, essentially, that chapters are free to sponsor and promote programs of their own and participate on national projects; otherwise, they are autonomous as "is consistent with this Constitution and By-Laws with the National Program."

Actually, there are very few restraints imposed by the National Organization on chapters or district councils. Each chapter and district council has, in the past, done pretty well what it has pleased. Although this has created dissension among the ranks and among chapters, it has also strengthened chapters and programs.

An example is the issue of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC). The rural areas are opposed, as they put it, to the tactics and methods of the UFWOC, although they claim they are not generally, against unions as such, but would like to have free elections as to UFWOC, any other union or no union. Furthermore, they oppose any violence.

They should, by now, understand the constitutionally-protected rights of freedom of speech, petition and assembly, guaranteed by the 1st Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. They do, however, object to the language resorted to by pickets and demonstrators particularly in the presence of their wives and children, and having Nisei farmers isolated for discriminatory action.

Although Central California District Council (CCDC) has carried the brunt of the attack from both UFWOC and



TITLE II REPEAL—The American Civil Liberties Union of Northern California recognizes JACL for its successful repeal of the emergency detention act in presenting their first annual Alexander Miekjohn Civil Liberties Award. Pictured (from left) are Howard Jewel, No. Calif. ACLU chairman; Masao W. Satow, Nat'l JACL director; Edison Uno, Title II repeal co-chairman; and Jay Miller, ACLU exec. director. Raymond Okamura, other Title II repeal co-chairman who eschews recognitions, was not present to receive his award. Presentations were made June 4 at the Kabuki Restaurant, San Francisco. —George Okada Photo.

JACL-PLANNING Asian American Focus

(This is the fifth and final part of a series of articles from the 1972 National Planning Commission meeting. The Planning Commission has issued its recommendations with a minority report to chapter delegates bound for the National JACL Convention.—Ed.)

Part Five
OSHIKI — About the Pan-Asian Project, it has to do with establishing liaison with other Asian groups. I think Bill Marutani referred to it as "Oracle" (Oriental American Citizens League) and that didn't go over too well. But thrust of his idea is that we go on we won't be able to function as JACL alone. Who are we to say that the Chinese Americans, the Filipino Americans, etc., ought to be a part of JACL? Let's start setting up contacts with other Asian American groups.

In the eyes of non-Oriental Americans, all Orientals are lumped together and thus a peculiar virus of Oriental prejudice readily hosts upon all other Oriental Americans as easily as it does upon the then current victim. . . . moreover by joining together on a common contribution to our nation, each Asian American group may thereby gain a greater assurance of their justified pride as Asian Americans.

Recommendation — liaison study group be established for a feasibility of promoting initially a federation of Asian American organizations; program be developed by which each group, particularly JA-

CL, is provided with the opportunity to be exposed to and learn about other Asian Americans, their problems, aspirations, etc., by visitations and educational materials.

He goes on to say, "who are we to say everyone should join under JACL; that it's not realistic, let's first try to establish some liaison."

SUGIYAMA — All that comes under "Work with Other Groups." There is also a resolution in our district from the Bay Area Community chapter to establish a commission to study and work on this. The district has not acted on it yet. While we here agree with this proposal in principle, what other national organization of Asians are there? It boils down to local groups, thus it becomes a matter for districts and chapters.

SATOW — The resolution is really innocuous, asking that we set up, study and work with them. At the staff meeting we had the last time I was in L.A., it was felt that we follow up the kinds of contacts we have already made with other Asian American groups. For instance, when Dave Ushio worked on the Conference for the Aging and through Mike Suzuki and Asian American Social Workers, we felt we should maintain and solidify what we have, which I think is going beyond setting up a commission to make a study. This is a more realistic approach.

Let's face it, if JACL were to tie into such a thing that Bill Marutani first talked about, most of the JACLers would drop out. So, let's encourage a loose federation where we continue to maintain the contacts thus far. Another thing, Dave had a helluva time trying to determine who were the actual spokesmen for these various Asian groups. I think he has a better idea now who their "persona grata" are.

National Groups
MATSUI — One thing to add to that is that the staff felt we, under the direction of the National Director, make aggressive efforts to initiate and maintain communication with all segments of the Asian communities to encourage the development of a national organization within each community. The ultimate goal would be that before the decade is out, a National Conference of Asian American organizations could be convened to establish a loosely federated Asian American organization which could more effectively deal with mutual problems common to all of the Asian communities.

SATOW—The Cabinet Level Committee on Asian American Affairs is another thrust along this direction.

HONDA — The conference on Aging provided in essence the first National conference of Asian Americans.

TANAKA — All this boils down to common problems, like aging which really tipped this off. We had some 47 people together and some three hours of dialoging, which was great.

NBC anxious to interview persons pictured in 'Executive Order 9066'
SAN FRANCISCO — As a by-product of the photographic documentary, "Executive Order 9066," assembled by Maisei and Richard Conrat for the California Historical Society book and traveling exhibit, NBC News is preparing a 60-minute TV essay on the Japanese American experience during World War II.

NBC-TV news producers Robert Northshield and Fred Flamenhaft have been assigned to tape scenes and record interviews in California during the week of June 18 and in Washington, D.C., at the JACL Convention during the week of June 25.

According to the California Historical Society here, NBC is anxious to interview persons who are photographed in the Conrat documentary as

Confab agenda proposed

1972 National JACL Convention
Shoreham Hotel, 2500 Calvert St. NW
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday—June 26
Special arranged meetings with government agency and Congressional committee officials and staff.

Tuesday—June 27
9:00 a.m.—National JACL Board and Staff Meeting
5:30 p.m.—Freer Art Gallery (Japanese Art)
7:30 p.m.—Corcoran Art Gallery ("Exec. Order 9066" display)
9:30 p.m.—Opening Mixer (Philadelphia JACL Host)

Wednesday—June 28
8:00 a.m.—White House Tour (Grp I)
8:30-9:15 a.m.—Nat'l Council (I-Opening Session)
9:30-11:30 a.m.—Nat'l Council (To be announced)
(Lunch on your own)
1:30-4:30 p.m.—Nat'l Council (II-Budget)
6:30 p.m.—No-Host Cocktails
7:30 p.m.—Congressional Dinner

Thursday—June 29
8:00 a.m.—White House Tour (Grp II Delegates)
10:00 a.m.—Capitol Hill Tour and Visitation
3:15 p.m.—Congressional Tribute (House of Representatives) (Supper on your own)
7:30-10:30 p.m.—Nat'l Council (III)

Friday—June 30
7:00-10:00 a.m.—District Council Caucus (As desired)
10:00 a.m.—White House Tour (Grp III)
10 a.m.-12 n.—Nat'l Council (IV)
12:00 noon—Testimonial Luncheon
3:00-5:00 p.m.—Nat'l Council (If necessary)
5:30 p.m.—State Department Briefing (U.S.-Japan Relations)
6:30-8:00 p.m.—Japanese Embassy Reception
9:00 p.m.—National Council Meeting (If necessary)

Saturday—July 1
9:45 a.m.—Arlington National Cemetery Memorial Services
Gen. Mark Clark, ret., spkr.
(Lunch on your own)
1:30-4:30 p.m.—Nat'l Council (Final Session)
6:30-8:00 p.m.—No-Host Cocktails
8:30 p.m.—Convention Banquet
10:00 p.m.—Sayonara Mixer: "Go West 74"

Sunday—July 2
8:45 a.m.—Breakfast Meeting for old and new Nat'l JACL Board members and Staff

DR. GEORGE K. HASHIBA Pioneer Issei physician honored by colleagues, ex-patients and JACL

By MIKE IWATSUBO
FRESNO, Calif.—The community of Fresno turned out en masse Sunday night, June 4, to honor Dr. George K. Hashiba, a long-time practicing physician and surgeon, as some 600 friends and well-wishers packed the dining hall of the Del Webb Townhouse to pay him tribute.

In the gathering were many of his former patients from the Tule Lake WRA Center, some coming from San Francisco, San Jose, and Los Angeles to honor the 88-year-old Issei doctor. The presence of those ex-Tule Lake patients brought to the fore the little publicized and self-educated doctor whose professional skill and devotion to duty won the acclaim of his colleagues as one of the outstanding surgeons in the country.

As a prominent physician, even in the World War II era, he was given permission to leave the relocation center shortly after his arrival at Tule Lake. But seeing the plight of the internees, and the lack of medical facilities including professional personnel, he refused to leave and spent all available time at his disposal in caring for the sick. He and Mrs. Hashiba were among the last to leave the relocation center.

Testimonials
Testimonial addresses were extended the guest of honor by Mayor Ted Wills, representing the city of Fresno; Supervisor John Ventura, representing the county of Fresno; Dr. John E. Quinn, president of the Fresno County Medical Society; Masao A. Araki who spoke in behalf of the Japanese American community of Central California; Shigeaki Sugiyama and Fred Hirasuna, JACL governors of Northern California and Central California respectively; and Dr. Hy M. Ginsburg, whose emotion-filled keynote testimonial echoed the sentiments of some 100 doctors present.

"What can I say," Dr. Ginsburg concluded, "to a fellow doctor who has never refused a request for information by another doctor, who has never been too busy to assist a fellow colleague, and whose doors have always been open

day or night for a fellow man in medical need."

It was Dr. Ginsburg, former head of the Fresno County General Hospital, who, in the discrimination-filled days of the early 1930s persuaded Dr. Hashiba to become a part of the general hospital staff, and who encouraged him to specialize in the field of neurosurgery. As further evidence of the esteem by which his colleagues think of Dr. Hashiba, two years ago he was elected honorary president of the General Hospital medical group.

A graduate of Stanford University's medical college in 1917, Dr. Hashiba first opened practice in Watsonville, and then moved in 1922 to Fresno, which would be his final and permanent stop, as it turned out, since this year has marked the fiftieth year of his residence in this city.

No Vacations
In the more than a half century of work, Dr. Hashiba has never taken a vacation. His Sundays when the office was closed were devoted to either driving or flying to the Stanford Medical Center for further study and research, a habit he had continued until past his 80 year.

Of his vast storehouse of knowledge accumulated through study and research, he freely and willingly shared with all of his medical colleagues, young and old alike. The testimonial addresses of the night brought out the fact that Dr. Hashiba's life was a continuous learning process.

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SAN FRANCISCO—The proposed agenda for the 22nd biennial National Council sessions of the Japanese American Citizens League was released this week by National Director Masao W. Satow.

National JACL officers and delegates representing the 94 chapters comprising the National Council will convene June 27-July 1 at the Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C.

The proposed agenda early this week was being revised to accommodate additional items such as the appointment of the JACL executive director and is subject to National Board rescheduling.

Three hours have been reserved Friday morning for district governors to convene their own caucus from 7 to 10 a.m.

While the agenda allocates 12 hours, starting on Wednesday morning, June 28, additional time will be available for national committee meetings after the brief opening session. However, the National Council will meet as a committee of the whole that afternoon in passing on the 1973-74 budget.

Budget-Finance
The basic budget of \$270,000 will be presented for adoption initially and then the question of changing the Endowment Fund portfolio from capital-growth to high-yield and raising dues from \$8.50 to \$10 a year will be proposed.

If the two latter changes are adopted, additional income of nearly \$90,000 will be provided to fund other major JACL programs, such as Asian legal aid, education-visual communications, youth program, additional regional offices, community involvement, student aid and international affairs.

In the basic budget are allocations for the Pacific Citizen, Washington Office and several national standing committees as well as staff, overhead, administration and executive expenses.

This change in presenting the budget eliminates a time-killer of previous conventions when the committee thrashed out the details and then had to verbally repeat the committee session before the entire National Council to insure complete understanding and adoption.

Another procedural change is having the question of setting the amount of income that might be raised before all programs are adopted. Still to be determined is the method by which the National Council will authorize which of the major programs are to be adopted as all requests are to be presented in full before any decision can be rendered.

Previously, major programs were packaged in such a way so that greater the dues increase, the more funding of programs. This time, one variable would be eliminated by predetermining the overall amount to be allocated and then tailoring major programs to fit anticipated income. National Treasurer Al Hatate explained.

Thursday Night Session
The third session convening Thursday night will delve into the recommendations of the National Planning Commission with Tom Shimazaki delivering the report and the constitutional changes.

Some of the recommendations by the Planning Commission may have been disposed during the budget-finance session. The commission has urged an "accelerated" use of the Endowment Fund, adequately funding visual communications, continued support of youth program, and additional regional offices.

Other proposals deal with convention costs and purposes, working with other groups (notably Asian American groups), limiting proxy votes, JACL scholarship program, youth and Jr. JACL, membership services, new name for JACL and staff reorganization.

A major constitutional change being proposed asks the initiative-referendum procedure be enacted.

Friday Session
The two hours reserved Friday morning for the fourth session cover resolutions including one for establishing a

commission on Pan-Asianism to study and recommend ways and means by which all persons of Asian ancestry in the U.S. can achieve unification. Political influence is derived from the number of people represented, it was pointed out, and since Asian national groups are too weak to stand alone, those of Chinese, Filipino, Japanese, Korean and other Asian ancestries by working together will have sufficient strength to control their own destinies and well-being.

Another resolution involves construction of a new National Headquarters in San Francisco, estimated at \$175,000. It would be a manifestation of retaining Headquarters here. The National Board at its 1970 convention session had recommended Headquarters be relocated to Los Angeles, where a new cultural community center is being planned in Little Tokyo. The matter was never presented to the National Council and this year's resolution would.

The NC-WNDC study committee, which authored the resolution, described the present space for Headquarters as "inadequate, inefficient and unrepresentative" as the head office for JACL.

In view of the need for new facilities, the study committee suggested either leasing space in the Japan Center or building a JACL headquarters in Nihonmachi near the present site. It's either expending a total of nearly \$200,000 during a 10-year lease or acquiring property and constructing a JACL building.

The fifth and final session Saturday afternoon will be climaxed by the election of national officers. The slate will have been presented by the nominations committee at the opening session.

Convention Bid
Portland JACL, which hosts the 1974 convention, will extend its official invitation beyond National President Raymond Uno adjourns the 22nd biennial. It was a bid that was accepted by the convention when it had convened at San Diego in 1966—the same year Washington, D.C., had bid for the 1972 convention.

At the 1968 convention in San Jose, the 1976 convention bid from Sacramento JACL was unanimously accepted.

At the 1970 convention, no bids were received in view of the 1968 JACL Board policy to restrict lead time to three bienniums, which means invitations for the 1978 convention may be in order this year.

Chapter proxies
SAN FRANCISCO — JACL chapters being represented by proxy at the National Council session were to have submitted to the National Director in writing the designation of such proxy with the \$10 by June 15. No members of the National staff may act as proxy.

Delegate Papers
(Following reports have been distributed or are in the process of being distributed to all official delegates, chapter presidents, National JACL officers, committee chairmen and JACL staff.)
1—Proposed Budget (Hatate, Apr. 28)—see May 5 PC.
2—CIP Budget.
3—Program and Activities (Sugiyama).
4—Staff recommendations (Matsui-Tanaka, May 31).
5—CIP budget, revised as Package Deal (May 31).
6—Youth: budget proposed by NVCC and staff.
7—Washington Office budget.
8—1971 JACL Financial Report.
9—1972 Apr. 30 Report.
10—Education Committee (Hirasuna, Mar. 24).
11—Visual Communications (Nakamura, Mar. 24).
12—Sugiyama Fund Drive (Kado-waki).
13—Student Aid Program (Nishikawa).
14—Program and Activities (Sugiyama).
15—Endowment Fund (Miyake).
16—Guidelines for Missionary (Miyake).
17—Personnel (Enomoto).
18—Regional Office Proposal (Kanda).
19—Pacific Citizen (Honda).
20—Planning Commission (Shimazaki).
21—Minority Report (Kaz Ohishi).
22—Legal (Takasugi, May 31).
23—Legislative (Hirano).
24—Pan-Asianism (Resolutions).
25—Nat'l Headquarters.
26—JACL Charter Flights.
27—Convention Credentials.
28—Membership Bulletin (June 1).
29—Constitutional Changes.

DEADLINES
July 10—Chapter nominations to JACL HQ for two \$500 Sumitomo Bank collegiate scholarships in banking or finance fields; and one \$500 Dr. Mutsumi Nobe Memorial scholarship for graduate study in field of physical, biological sciences or engineering. Chapters may nominate as many candidates as they wish; JACL membership on part of students or parents is not requisite.)

Expectations high to top last year's JACL membership

SAN FRANCISCO — On the eve of the 22nd National JACL Convention, the current JACL membership is 849 shy of topping its 1971 mark of 25,286. The expectations were good also to surpass the all-time high of 25,349 recorded in 1970.

Top Ten
1—San Francisco1,231 (1)
2—San Jose1,072 (2)
3—Chicago992 (3)
4—Sacramento984 (4)
5—Gardena Valley872 (5)
6—West Los Angeles870 (6)
7—San Mateo765 (7)
8—Seattle678 (8)
9—San Fernando Val.610 (9)
10—Seattle549 (10)
(* Ranking Last Report: May 31)

The June 1 membership report, showing 24,338, noted 13 out of the 94 chapters have scored all-time highs and 21 other chapters surpassed last year's membership as follows:

ALL-TIME HIGHS
PNWDC—Puyallup Valley
NC-WNDC—San Mateo, West Valley
CCDC—Fowler, Sanger, Tulare County
PSWDC—Gardena Valley, Riverside, San Fernando Valley, San Gabriel Valley, Walnut
MDC—Cincinnati, Twin Cities

EXCEEDING 1971
PNWDC—Columbia Basin, Mid-Columbia, White River; NC-WNDC—Bay Area Council, Gilroy, Sacramento, San Benito, Stockton; PSWDC—East Los Angeles, Imperial Valley, North San Diego, Santa Barbara, Venice, Culver, Ventura County; IDC—Boise Valley, Pocatello; MDC—Chicago, Cleveland, Dayton, EDC—New York, Washington, D.C.

WHITE-ONLY REQUISITE FOR ELKS UP FOR VOTE
By RICHARD GIMA

HONOLULU — Members of the Honolulu lodge of the Elks Club voted May 24 to ask the organization's national convention to eliminate its "whites only" membership requirement. The restriction is part of the Elks' national constitution. As such, it is part of the rules of every lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Don Foster, elected ruler of Honolulu's Lodge 616, will go to Atlantic City instructed to vote to remove the word "white" from the constitution. Approval by two-thirds of the 2,200 delegates to the convention would accomplish this.

Salow testimonial fund still open

SAN FRANCISCO — While contributions to the Masao Satow Testimonial Fund will continue to be accepted until Convention time, deadline for listing on the Fund Committee rolls was June 15, it was announced by Yone Satoda, fund treasurer.

In the meantime, the album committee chaired by Tats Kushiada of Los Angeles, acknowledges the many letters and some pictures which are now being bound for presentation at the testimonial luncheon for the honoree in Washington, D.C.

NBC anxious to interview persons pictured in 'Executive Order 9066'
part of the story line covers memories 30 years old.

The program is scheduled tentatively for Sept. 12 when the new fall TV season opens. The producers recently completed NBC's coverage of the internal problems in Ireland. "We are assuming the average viewer is totally ignorant about the wartime treatment of American citizens. It is our desire to expose the injustice of the Japanese American experience, the long history of prejudice and fear, the post-war recovery, and the contemporary views of the Nisei victims and expressions of their children today. If we can successfully convey our story in one hour, we are certain it will be a story that all Americans should know," the producers concluded.



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- ## WHAT JACL IS DOING TODAY

 - 1-Working on definitive history of Japanese in America.
 - 2-Developing educational material on Japanese Americans.
 - 3-Supporting projects which identify and demonstrate special need and problems of Japanese Americans.
 - 4-Maintaining continuous contact with legislation and taking appropriate action on issues relating to Japanese Americans.
 - 5-Administering scholarship and student aid programs.
 - 6-Developing services of interest to total membership.
 - 7-Cooperating with Asian American groups on problems of common concern.
 - 8-Seeking a federal level Cabinet Committee on Asian American Affairs.
 - 9-Participating to further U.S.-Japan relations harmoniously.
 - 10-Encouraging knowledge and understanding of Japanese culture.
 - 11-Sponsoring community projects and membership services, such as: book appreciation and youth programs, picnics, civil rights, credit unions, bowling leagues and tournaments, and health plans.

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Friday, June 16, 1972

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Ye Editor's Desk

AN ISSEI COUNTRY DOCTOR

Perhaps practicing medicine in the salubrious climes of Fresno, California with never a vacation to speak of, as was pointed out at the recent testimonial tendered Dr. George Kanomatsu Hashiba, is a key to live to age 88 and then some. Whereas the western traditions celebrate an occasion every 25 years—the silver at 25, golden at 50 and diamond at 75; the Japanese love double numbers like age 77 and 88, or celebrate on Jan. 1, Mar. 3, May 5, July 7 and Sept. 9.

Mock Joya's "Things Japanese", a compendium of customs, manners and folklore every Nisei should have, explains why ages 77 and 88 are popularly celebrated. In the script characters for "ki" or Joy, the forms of "seven, ten, seven" can be detected—hence a 77 is the "age of joy" or Kinjo-no-Iwai. The characters of "eight, ten, eight" compress to form the Kanji "yone" or rice—principal food of the Japanese and always regarded as sacred—hence age 88 is the "age of rice" or Yone-no-Iwai.

At a time when virtues such as "ardor, dedication and zeal" over the long haul are rarely in the news, reading over the sketch of Dr. Hashiba crossing our desk this past week would emancipate a resolute cynic. It was commonplace for the pioneer Fresno Issei "country doctor" to spend the whole week in general medical practice—in itself a very tiring routine—and then drive on to San Francisco to research in surgery to better serve his patients. He developed neurosurgery in Fresno when no one else was in this field. He performed corrective orthopedic surgery to rehabilitate cripples. He was in the field of chest surgery when that specialty was in its infancy. In later years, vascular surgery was included in his research.

Hashiba was 19 when he came to the U.S. in 1903 from Ishikawa-ken, and graduated from San Francisco's Lowell High in 1910. Seven years later, he graduated from Stanford Medical School—working his way through all his school years. His doctoral thesis, "Lymphatic System of the Guinea Pig", merited life membership from Sigma Xi. After completing internship at Stanford Hospital and postgraduate studies at Columbia University Medical School in 1920, he commenced his private practice in Watsonville and moved to Fresno in 1922, where he has remained to this day except for four years at Tule Lake WRA Center, where he was chief of surgery and among the last to leave in March, 1946, because of the needs of those interned.

As impressive as his personal medical achievements may be—and we're quoting from the sketch here—there is one quality which marks this humble man as a tremendous person and that is his "dedication and service to the people". Welfare of his patients was his prime concern. Time of day or night meant nothing. His stamina was a source of amazement to every one of his colleagues.

He was never too busy to do anything to help instruct and aid his fellow doctors, from interns to doctors in private practice. He was especially solicitous and encouraging when it came to helping any new young doctor struggling to establish himself. He was always polite and considerate to the medical and nursing staff. Such goodwill and admiration for his character and personality, coupled with obvious medical skills, culminated in his being honored as president of the Fresno County General Hospital staff and more recently as honorary president, a recognition seldom accorded. Yet, he keeps saying, "I'm only a country doctor."

His dedication to patients is literally boundless. Questioned why he has never taken a vacation that he richly deserves, he replies, "Why should I? I'm happy in my work. I need no vacation." His time-off from practice consisted of going to advance research seminars for a few days.

Hundreds of patients have testified to his work and dedication during the dark days of Evacuation and life at Tule Lake. He chose to stay to help despite the early opportunity to leave.

Throughout his life he never forgot he was a Japanese immigrant, an Issei who was given the wonderful opportunity to study and advance himself despite prejudice and adversity. He was always grateful for this. Coupled with this was an underlying sense of responsibility to the entire Japanese American community as was typified when he commented upon what a Nisei doctor said in praise of him for the respect he had in the medical profession. "Well, I didn't want to do anything to discredit or to bring a sense of shame or embarrassment to the rest of you Nisei doctors." The writer of the sketch then adds: "We wonder how many Nisei doctors, not necessarily doctors but ones in any field of work, would give this much consideration and thought to those who are to follow..."

Dr. Hashiba made good in every sense of the word. He had set his goals and achieved them and in so doing followed the respect and admiration of his colleagues and workers. Most important, he was a man in complete dedication to alleviate the sufferings of man... Thus endeth the sketch in tribute.

As the JACL scroll of recognition aptly puts it: "His lifetime of selfless dedication... and his concern for fellow men is written indelibly in the hearts and minds of those he served". What else is there to say but "amen".

On Father's Day simplicity, honor of Issei recalled

By JOE HAMANAKA

Seattle
My father was an Issei. He qualifies as one, for having come to this country in 1907. For having come on a boat, his belongings in a "kori" bamboo wicker luggage. For having given a Nisei his start in life. His name was Yoshimatsu, a name from the Meiji era (1868-1912). And his coming alone was cushioned by the

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presence earlier of older brothers, Takematsu and Hidematsu in Seattle. Two others, Toramatsu and Shigematsu, preferred to stay in Japan.

For as far as I can remember, Yoshimatsu worked hard, like an Issei is supposed to. He put in 12-13 hours a day, half a day on Sundays. Like nearly 20 years as a merchant in Old Nihonmachi.

Returning from Minidoka after the Great War, at 65 years, he worked another 17 years. Finally, on a technicality they stopped him—seems the Union has rules against 82-year-olds working while youngsters are waiting for jobs. He retired with a cute \$26 a month pension.

He was a healthy man. Never hospitalized, until his death bed. Never missed a day of work, as a New, in camp, or as a janitor after the war. His wealth was his health.

A simple man. A quiet man. A man with not too many needs. He appeared satisfied with a simple life. An uncomplicated man. And when retirement came, involuntarily, he had time to sleep and eat a lot. Naps were an any time—heat-down thing. And he found time for gardening, fixing things around the house, running errands, etc. And of course, there was television, but the English from the tube came too fast for him and he usually dozed off in short time.

Retirement meant a trip to Japan, after 46 years. But he had become a stranger in Japan. Relatives were few and what was familiar had changed. And he had changed.

After four years of soft living, as so often happens to retired Issei, he was dead at 86.

Writers will not dig-up the early Issei doings, such as their use of guns and knives, the killings, their gambling, bootlegging, smuggling, even prostitution—yes, in Seattle. Some got rich from such activities.

But not Yoshimatsu. He was too honest, law-abiding—like most Issei. Poor, but honorable. Don't bring shame to the Japanese, he'd say. Never had much money or property here. Never owned a car. Did not smoke, drink or gamble.

He was "majime" and "otonashi" as most Issei were, and are.

He kept his dishwasher, farm laborer and business earnings in the Fureya Bank, but it went belly-up. Then he started to save with Sumitomo Bank and Yokohama Specie Bank in Seattle, but the Great War froze, then reduced his savings to practically nothing. And finally he put his trust in the "hakujuin" Seattle 1st National Bank and Washington Mutual Savings Bank. But, by then, his earnings days were numbered.

He was neither a leader nor a do-gooder in the community, but he paid his dues in support of the old Nihonjin Kai, and Nikkeijin Kai since the War. He got little in return, but he had to keep-up his payments, for he was an Issei.

And he had to belong. To the Nihonjin Kai, the Wakayama Kenjin Kai (Kishu Club) and the Buddhist Church. "Moshimo no koto ga attara, sewa ni naru." is what he said.

At 86, he had all his own teeth. Though sparse and white, enough hair he had on his head to comb it every morning.

He never was one for dressing up, but he owned good suits. Never bought at "hakujuin" stores. About every 10 years he'd be measured by Kashiwagi's. Patronize the Japanese, he'd say. All tailor-made to fit and last for years.

The last time we saw him, he was wearing a black-tail-or-made suit, my good white shirt and a necktie with two embroidered lions. And in his pocket, a bag of "osembe" Japanese rice crackers for his long journey. A clean handkerchief for that hayfever picked-up in Minidoka.

As we paid our visit to Yoshimatsu's grave on Memorial Day, we wondered about the hundreds of other Issei resting there at Resthaven Cemetery—their stories, their lives in their United States. It was "nigiyaka" at Resthaven, like a "matsuri" festival, with Americans flags flying, pretty flowers, and most of all, the hundreds of kin folks and friends there. And our presence there, our respects, were that those Issei mattered. That they counted, that it made some difference that they had lived.

And, surely, as Father's Day approaches, we will be reminded again, that father was one of many plain, ordinary, honorable Issei.



Our Anchor Man

By the Board

Northern California-Western Nevada District Governor Shig Sugiyama

The time for the 1972 National Convention is now upon us. The time for decisions which will set JACL's direction, for the coming biennium, and possibly succeeding bienniums, has come. It is to be hoped then that the delegates who will deliberate and vote on the floor of the National Council will have done their homework so that statements made and votes cast will truly reflect their knowledge and understanding of the facts and issues involved within the context of the interests and needs of the delegates' respective constituencies. It is also to be hoped that sufficient consideration will be given to the interests and needs of JACL as a whole.

It would be well if the various reports, which have been emanating in a flood from National Headquarters, will have been studied and that some feedback will have been obtained beforehand regarding position or actions preferred by the chapter membership. It is hoped that all JACLers, and particularly convention delegates, will have read

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

Farm Labor

Editor:
I am writing in response to Fred Hirasuna's statement (PC, April 17) about Chicago JACL's stand on the United Farm Workers. The letter to him is as follows:

As a member of the Chicago JACL, and as a former Californian, I was very disappointed by your attitude toward the United Farm Workers.

You should be reminded that the plight of agricultural workers should be a concern not only for those on the West Coast but for all citizens across the nation. The Chicago chapter's resolution was, I feel, a very humane response to the terrible conditions of workers not only in California but in other areas. I was disappointed that the United Farm Workers began their crusade in California but they have expanded their efforts to places as far as Florida, where the situation is also attempting to organize in Illinois where we have one of the largest vegetable growing areas in the Midwest.

One very unfortunate point is that there has to be sides taken in this matter, especially among the Japanese because there are Japanese agricultural workers as well as those who are growers. I, myself, although now residing in Chicago, lived in California until the last three or four years. I started working in agriculture packing pears, picking grapes, picking onions, etc. My father (who is 83) still works at these jobs—thus the situation in California still concerns me. While I worked in agriculture these were many things that disturbed me. For one, as Japanese did not have equal working hours when compared to the white workers. During the season the Japanese were only used during the busiest part of the season—how do these people obtain their rights? Child labor laws were ignored, and we did not have toilets in the grape orchards (by the way, this orchard was owned by a Japanese). These are just a few things that I felt were unjust and could be taken care of if agricultural workers had some bargaining power!

During my college years, I had the fortunate experience of working in a migrant labor camp in California. Most of the residents were Mexican whites from the South. The housing, or what one could call housing were one room cabins which were put up

25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, June 14, 1947

Tomoya Kawakita indicted June 11 by federal grand jury for treason, outgrowth of allegations by American POWs of being tortured in Japan... Gen. MacArthur approves ACLU-JACL measures to aid Nisei stranded in Japan to return to U.S... Nisei veterans urged stricter screening in Japan of Nisei stranded seeking repatriation in wake of Kawakita indictment... U.S. reveals Kawakita wanted to see parents for return to U.S... Aug. 15 date announced for reopening private U.S.-Japan negotiations... JACL urges passage of national fair employment legislation at sen-

Crises, dilemma, dichotomy—such are life's ways

By MIYO MORIKAWA

Chicago
Not only will man Rock the Boat!... Shig Wakamatsu Take on Issues that hurt other Chapters! Bite the Hand that supports and pays his wages! But even give his very life For humanitarian convictions! The GNP (gross national product)!

Chicago Hot Air

The Priority! In the End... MAN!

Or there will be only total destruction (wars, ecology, population explosion... you name it); elsborg, nader, berrigane, Kennedy, King...

All dedicated men point this out! In a World System that perpetuates this "Power of One" concept... there will always be war.

A system that turns Man of Cause to thirst for power and corruption... the cancer. Hiring halls—daily employment halls... whatever... only serves the man who holds the power to say who shall be hired for that day... not the man who so desires to work. This kind of manipulation kills all incentive on both sides and breeds contempt. The unfortunate and least able work for they use the gained earnings for more liquid consumption and their own destruction.

A System whereby Man is the Loser by the power that corrupts.

Our American is a dichotomy! Hyde Park, Illinois is a dichotomy! Democrats and Republicans is a dichotomy! God and I relationship is a dichotomy! The Issues are clearly... Black and White! Rich and Poor! Good and Bad!... etc. The diaries... Welfare at one end! Subsidy at the other! The Middle... Cries in Pain From the ever rising taxes!

To be cured by the Schizophrenia is to become a Total Whole. A Whole Man! A Whole Community! A Whole Country! A Whole World!

Meaningful Change is not Communism... Is Not Democracy...

NIU professor Martin J. Sklar advocates the institution of socialism as "the only chance for having an advanced industrial society and democracy at the same time."

To Label the CHANGE... Is only to limit the CHANGE! Viable is to participate in the CHANGE non-violently! For that Quality... That is LIFE!

Don't put me in the JACL bag! The Buddhist bag! Nor any kind of bag! Not even as a "yellow bird" in a gilded cage! Only let me soar as a "freebird"... with the wind!

Be a free bird with me and wear the Peace Bird to the National Convention in support of Spark Matsunaga's Peace Dept. proposal... "Women for Peace" can direct you to suppliers.

GOING HOME

As I write... hot tears trickle down the valley of my face. Now realizing how homesick and happy I was to see your familiar faces, the tamarack trees, the oleanders (pink and white) nodding weary greetings under a dry desert sun. So many fond memories... in joy and in sadness. Time anchored for a moment to recall the years before the summer of '42.

In the wrinkled faces of Issei a glimpse of mother and father... (mo ippen alta katta... oku-san, oto-san) the lines of hardship and struggle in their weathered faces... yet the lightness and happiness in their hearts... the warmth... the richness of human relationship never to be replaced. Thoughts of your hospitality and kindness... the tears of happiness to see you once more... trickling, trickling.

Our stucco house still standing... in decay... and loneliness for the once lively family that first made their nest in her comfortable bosom. The many familiar surroundings... the schools, the library, the Dunlap and Planters Hotels, the Brawley Union High School, dear teacher (Mrs. Morrow), the cherches no longer standing. Wishing and hoping to turn back the clock and once again to see all the friendly faces and to be a child once more... those carefree days!

Toi, yasashii minasama, genki de kurashite irasshai masu no wo omoidashite ure-shite namida ga ukamimashita. Miyo wa minasama no gohishisetsu wo wasuremasen. (Japanese language the most beautiful and expressive of all languages... wish I knew it well).

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A Nisei View Mike Masaoka

The J.A. Creed

Washington

It was thoughtful of president Tomio Moriguchi, Seattle JACL chapter to send me a copy of the resolution drafted by some members of his Chapter calling for the "retirement" of the so-called JACL Creed "as an official expression of the beliefs and principles of JACL."

To begin with, and to correct the record, the Creed referred to is not the JACL Creed but rather the Japanese American Creed, which was adopted by the JACL as an expression of "the beliefs and principles of JACL."

For some time now, I have known that there are certain individuals within the JACL who for one reason or another believe that the Japanese American Creed is outmoded and no longer represents the thinking and the objectives of JACL. Most concede that perhaps when it was written, and during World War II it served a definite purpose but that today it fails to take into account the realities of society and the problems of the Japanese American community.

Quite frankly, I personally recognize that the times have changed since the Creed was written in 1940 and that in certain respects I probably would not have written the identical words and thoughts now if I attempted to draft another such personal credo.

Individual Credo
Nevertheless, since the Creed is an individual expression and since I continue to believe in its statements as a whole, I am not only proud to have been its author but hopeful that it can still serve a most useful, meaningful, and constructive purpose.

And, many have told me that the Creed is now a part of Americana, and that it has been repeated and reprinted perhaps more than any other statement by and about Japanese Americans. It has been reprinted in the Congressional Record probably more than any other single expression of its kind and it has been praised as most exemplary not only by moderates and conservatives but also by liberals and by members of many minority and disadvantaged and deprived groups.

As many may know, I am a firm believer that, in spite of its racism and prejudices against those of Japanese ancestry, the United States of America is my native land and continues to represent the last, best hope of mankind. I

U-NO BAR

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Raymond Uno, PC article... some urban JACL chapters, there is great sympathy for their plight from members and chapters throughout JACL, particularly many rural chapters in Southern California, Northern California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Utah, Colorado, Arizona, New Jersey and Nebraska. In addition, members who are now city dwellers who not long ago experienced the laborious task of sun up to sun down and then some, 7 days a week, have not forgotten how much their lives and the lives of their loved ones depended on the soil.

Finally, the roots of almost all of the people of Japanese ancestry have, either through their own family or through marriage, stemmed from the farm, just a passing few years back, and still have family ties somewhere in the agricultural community. At one time there was an implied threat from the CC-DC they would pull out as a district council from JACL if there was even any endorsement from JACL of UFWOC. I am not certain whether the veiled threat will materialize at this time. In addition, many chapters and members have indicated similar action, and, in fact, some staunch members, even Thousand Clubbers, have failed to renew their membership as a result of the liberal directions of JACL along with the UFWOC issue.

If such mass withdrawals should occur, the Education Program, the Community Involvement Program and the Youth Program, for all practical purposes, will be dead as far as funding is concerned, and probably some of the other programs will be seriously jeopardized, if not eliminated, including the concomitant reduction of staff.

Many JACLers may not agree with my observations, but in viewing the scene of collective and sustained activity by many other groups, particularly minority, it is difficult to get membership from their own causes, let alone trying to help others. Therefore, the argument that if we become more relevant as an organization, we will attract more members, has a grain of truth in it, but the number it will attract will be limited because, as Henry Thoreau said, "All men lead lives of quiet desperation."

There is a great deal of truth in that; they don't, for the most part, want to become involved. And if they do, they don't want the involvement to be threatening or too intense.

The total American youth, including Asian American and Japanese American, have, as a general rule, been a big disappointment to the many people who felt that this generation would become involved

(To Be Continued)

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Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

Tacoma, Wash.

RETURN TO PUYALLUP—Joe Kosai's wife, Bev, whipped up a magnificent seafood dinner featuring a whole baked salmon in honor for the visitor from the Rockies, and on hand to enjoy it were Dr. John Kanda and his wife Grace, and Art Somekawa and his wife Emi. Dr. Kanda's contribution to the dinner was an octopus which he had caught in the waters of Puget Sound, and cleaned and boiled. Dr. Kanda claims to be one of the few practitioners anywhere of the art of bringing fresh octopus to the dinner table. This is a skill he learned from his father who settled in the White River Valley of western Washington many years ago.

The secret, he says, is to wait until the tide is low. Then you go out to your favorite octopus-hunting grounds and wade around looking for a large rock around which is scattered empty crab shells. Octopuses live in burrows under rocks, like to eat crabs, and are rather messy about the way they dispose of the shells. So it is their private garbage dumps that give them away. If the rock isn't too big, Dr. Kanda, who himself is not on the large side, simply lifts it and hopes to find himself face-to-face with 15 or 20 pounds of surprised octopus. More often, he persuades the octopus to come out and be caught by using a secret potion, wrapped in a cloth, which he pokes into the burrow at the end of a long stick. When the creature emerges, John grabs it, paying scant attention to the suction cups on its eight legs. Dr. Kanda is a general practitioner and, it would seem, a likely candidate for one of those TV programs where a panel tries to guess the guest's hobby.

On the second day of our visit to Tacoma, Tom Takemura and Joe Kosai escorted us to the State Fair Grounds at Puyallup, just a short drive up the valley. There was almost nothing there but memories to remind us that for some three months in the summer of 1942 it had been the detention camp for some 6,000 Issei, Nisei and Sansei forced by the federal government's evacuation order to leave their homes in Seattle.

Today, the fairgrounds are just fairgrounds, looked after by a skeleton staff until fair time in the fall. Thirty years ago, however, even the parking lots were ringed by high barbed wire fences as a concentration camp was hurriedly constructed in the middle of a quiet, peaceful farm town. Here was frustration and heartbreak, helpless anger and stoic acceptance of something that couldn't be resisted. And now there is only peace.

Sam Mukai, who was evacuated into the camp from nearby Firwood, came back after the war and is now a member of the permanent fairgrounds maintenance force. He took time from his job to show where the old grandstand had been before it burned and was replaced. We walked over the cold concrete under the stands and remembered the "apartments" that had been partitioned off there, without light or ventilation. My father and mother had lived in one. We walked through the display barn and remembered that it was the isolation hospital to which my son Mike, an 18-month-old evacuee with the mumps, had been banished.

Later, Takemura and Kosai drove us around the Fife area where the bottom land that the Issei developed into productive truck gardens are now being farmed by their Nisei sons. But the Nisei have cultivated 10 or 20 times as much acreage as their parents had, and the homes most of them live in are handsome structures which wouldn't be out of place in upper middle class sections of Tacoma.

That night, at the Fife Heights home of Dr. Sam Uchiyama and his wife Miyo, we stood on the veranda and looked out over the valley. Miyo's parents farmed that soil. She grew up in the valley. And somehow it seemed only proper that her home was now up on the hill among the trees, serenely commanding a view, symbolizing the progress that has been made since the Issei farmed at a place called Fife, and Puyallup was the name of a concentration camp.

'Save Little Tokyo' echos in City Hall

LOS ANGELES — Prompted by an emergency situation created by the possible closing down of the Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project, prominent leaders of the Japanese American community have organized to form the Citizens Committee to Save Little Tokyo Project.

Chairman of the Citizens Committee is Kazuo Sei, newly-elected chairman of the Little Tokyo Community Development Advisory Committee (LTCADAC). Sei stated that the purpose of the Committee is to petition the City Council, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) to ensure that the NDP (Neighborhood Development Program) projects, including Little Tokyo, Pico-Union, Normandie and Beacon Street, are not forced to shut down.

The CRA was ordered by area director, Raymond Carrasco on May 31 to initiate the closing down of all NDP projects in Los Angeles in 60 days. HUD's order was prompted by the Los Angeles City Council's refusal to comply with HUD's request to either change the City Building and Safety Code to permit the use of Romex, a non-metallic sheathed cable, or face the cutoff of urban renewal funds.

7-6 Decision

The City Council on May 24 voted 7 to 6 to reject HUD's request. Casting their votes for the adoption of Romex were Councilmen Bernardi, Braude, Gibson, Russell, Stevenson and Wachs. Voting against Romex were Councilmen Bradley, Edelman, Ferraro, Lindsay, Lorenzen, Mills and Wilkinson. Councilman Nowell and Snyder were absent.

The City Council was scheduled this week (June 14) to consider for a fourth time the amendment of the city building and safety code to permit use of the plastic-sheathed cable. A big turnout of Little Tokyo redevelopment project supporters was expected.

A spokesman for the Committee stated that the Citizens Committee is trying to arrange a meeting with Councilman Lindsay this week. "Because of Lindsay's 'no' vote on the Romex issue, we may have to take away his unofficial title of 'Mayor of Little Tokyo'." We're not sure whether he deserves the title after what he did."

Sei listed the following reasons for the formation of the Citizens Committee to Save Little Tokyo Project:

- 1—Property owners sold their properties to the CRA in consideration of the fact that the area would be redeveloped for the benefit of all the people of the community.
- 2—Business tenants were relocated by the CRA for the same reason.
- 3—Various corporations, organized by the community for the purpose of developing housing for the elderly and low income residents of Little Tokyo, have expended funds for architectural studies and other items for the same reason.
- 4—The community has been actively working toward the physical redevelopment of the area with the understanding that the City Council and HUD had officially told the citizens by ordinance and by activities that Little Tokyo was to be redeveloped.

Community Support

"It is heartening that the Little Tokyo Project is receiving such tremendous support from the community," said Sei. "Many community organizations are passing resolutions protesting the action of the City Council and writing letters to the Councilmen, HUD and the CRA. This support is bound to have an effect upon those who may be held accountable for the success or failure of the redevelopment project."

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Dr. Hashiba—

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that no other single doctor had contributed so much to the progress of medical science in Central California.

The evening's toastmaster was Dr. Kikuo Taira of Fresno. The Rev. William Masuda of the Fresno Buddhist Church gave the invocation. Responding to the many messages for Dr. Hashiba was Dr. Jack Wilkinson, a former associate of the honoree, and whose office now handles Dr. Hashiba's former patients.

(There was some concern about having the banquet at Del Webb's Townhouse because of the statement Del Webb had made, according to Paul Iwahashi in a letter published in the Fresno Bee, that building the Poston Relocation Center was "probably one of the most patriotic things we have ever done". Fresno JACL conceded it was too late to be thinking about changing the site and added there were not too many places in Fresno where 500 diners could be accommodated. The Elks Club is on the forbidden list and the Convention Center is booked months in advance and expensive unless the participants are very large in number. Even the Hilton Hotel is presently on the JACL doubtful list because of the Okubo murder at the Palmer House in Chicago.—Ed.)

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Following is the text of the National JACL scroll of recognition conferred upon Dr. George K. Hashiba June 4 at Fresno:

In Recognition of a Lifetime of selfless Dedication in administering to the physical Well-Being of his fellow Men.
Immigrating from Japan, through personal effort and sheer determination, he achieved his Education and his Medical Degrees. To improve himself through Study and Research in order to better serve his fellow men, he was assigned to the Tule Lake Relocation Center as Chief of Surgery. Ignoring Resettlement he chose to remain at Tule Lake to serve the many, especially the elderly, who were unable to resist.

The Real Appreciation of Dr. Hashiba's Devotion and his Concern for his fellow Men is written indelibly in the Hearts and Minds of those he served.

JACL—CONSTITUTION

INITIATIVE-REFERENDUM PROPOSED, REDUCTION OF NAT'L BOARD ASKED

SAN FRANCISCO — Among the major constitutional changes proposed for the National JACL concerns the incorporation of the initiative referendum principle.

Proposed by the Central California District Council, it was contended "many important policies and matters concerning the general welfare and interest of JACL members as well as the general welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry are being decided by small representative groups possessing proxy powers and voting on behalf of the general membership at the biennial National JACL Convention and obviously without benefit of full discussion and participation of the general membership."

Calling for closer relationship between the general membership and the National JACL officers and declaring the initiative-referendum procedure would be in the best interest of the organization, the CCDC resolution proposed that implementation of:

1—The initiative be recommended by two district councils and supported by signatures of at least 10% of the JACL membership as recorded in the previous year's roll.

2—The referendum be recommended by two district councils and supported by signatures of at least 5% of the JACL membership as recorded in the previous year's roll.

EXECOM Modifications

The CCDC resolution, while not studied by the National Planning Commission as requested, was endorsed by the National JACL executive committee (EXECOM) at its last meeting April 2-23 at Los Angeles with the following changes:

1—That initiative measures be endorsed by a single district council and supported by signatures of at least 10% of

the membership in four other district councils.

2—That referendums be endorsed by a single district council and supported by signatures of at least 5% of the membership in four other district councils.

The EXECOM had reasoned the modifications would reduce the number of the signatures required as well as insure a wider grassroots interest. Nationally, some 2,500 signatures would be required in the original CCDC resolution to implement an initiative whereas the combination of the four smallest districts outside Central California involves only 483 signatures or if the four largest, a total of 2,117 as per 1971 membership figures.

National Board Changes

Also proposed are some changes on the composition of the National JACL Board.

1—That the immediate past National President be deleted as he will have served a total of four years (two years as president-elect and two years as president) and there was no valid reason for committing him to an additional two years as immediate past president. He is always available and can be invited by the National President to National Board of EXECOM meetings.

2—As a practical matter, a reduction of the number of District Youth Chairmen (now seven) on the National Board.

Another proposal calls for the president-elect to become president without further election upon the expiration of

Status explained for chapters in good standing

SAN FRANCISCO — The JACL Convention credentials committee declared chapters seating delegates or their proxy in the National Council must be "in good standing"—which means:

1—Have a current set of officers.

2—At least 25 members.

3—Have reasonably cooperated in projects, programs and services carried on by National, and

4—Whose National and District dues have been paid for 1971 and 1972.

JACL 'political' ads
Special rates on "political" advertising endorsing candidates for National JACL elective offices are \$2 in projects, programs and services carried on by National, and

deadline is one week prior to date of issue. The PC will airship the June 30 edition to the National Convention in time for the July 1 elections.

CONVENTION MIXER

Come where the real action starts!

By TOM TAMAKI

WASHINGTON — Kicking off the 22nd Biennial National JACL Convention here June 27-July 2 will be the Opening Mixer hosted by the Philadelphia JACL Chapter. This Opening Mixer will be so unique and fun filled, you just can't afford to miss it. It will get everyone into the right frame of mind and set the tempo for the rest of the week.

It will be held on Tuesday, June 27 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. in the Shoreham Hotel's Blue Room which will be converted to the "Cabaret Ginza." As you walk through the "Torii-Dori" and enter the swank supper club, you'll see chichins strung from the huge columns which line both sides of the sunken dance floor. Only a nominal admission charge (unless you're pre-registered) will bring you into the "land of make-believe—Japan."

You will be greeted at the door by kimono clad hostesses with the traditional "Irashai!" Kimono, yukata, or happi coats will be the attire for the evening. You'll be guaranteed to a night of great fun and frolic. There will be favors and door prizes. Specially selected Japanese music will titillate your acoustic nerves. Group singing and ondo dances are on the program, not to mention hilarious performances by the uninhibited many.

We do hope you will plan to attend the entire convention; but if you can't, be sure you don't miss the Opening Mixer — where the real action starts!

We also just learned Dr. Frank Sakamoto is flying in from Chicago for the Opening Mixer. A portion of the Mixer will serve as a reunion for those who attended the Thousand Whings in Tokyo last year.

the term of president.

In amending the JACL Constitution, one section provides passage without prior notice if endorsed by at least five chapters during a National Council session, notwithstanding the general provision that amendments are to be proposed at least six weeks in advance of the National Council session and a copy sent to all chapters at least 30 days prior.

To assure all chapters have the opportunity to examine amendments proposed without prior notice, it is recommended that such actions be ratified within 60 days by the majorities as specified: three-quarters to amend any section of the Constitution and two-thirds to amend the By-Laws.

Further Changes Due

If national JACL dues are raised, the figure will be duly noted in the constitution. At present, it reads \$8.50 per year. The budget-finance

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committee has recommended a \$1.50 increase from 1973.

EXECOM has also recommended this dues increase as well as advancing the JACL fiscal year to start in October from the current calendar year basis. With the forthcoming convention passing on a 1973-74 budget, new programs would not be funded until January, 1973, or in this year's case, a half-year wait. Advancing the fiscal year would accelerate JACL programming, it was reasoned.

The proposal for direct election of national officers by the membership instead of delegates was referred to the National Board for study and question of limiting the number of proxies a delegate may exercise was referred to the Constitution committee. These were items presented in the National Planning Commission report.

1 Week 'til Cherry Tsutsumida

The 22nd Biennial National JACL Convention will be held in Washington, D.C. on June 27 through July 1. Convention headquarters will be the Shoreham Hotel.



High Voltage

"It's going to be a mighty high powered Convention!" That was the judgment of the Convention Board planning the 22nd Biennial National JACL Convention to be held June 27 through July 1, in the Nation's capital.

Already the delegate registration has reached the 425 mark. Word is that several special flights are planned, including one from the Pacific northwest, one from Los Angeles, and one from the San Francisco Bay area. The Shoreham Hotel, Convention Headquarters, says, hotel registrations are going well.

The first scheduled event will be on Tuesday, the 27th, and is the special Japanese Art showing at the Freer Gallery. Chairwoman for the event, Mieko Kosobayashi, says that this will be the one event where delegates can meet many of the local residents since this event is being opened to all members of the Japanese Society, JACL Chapter and their friends. This event starts at 5:30 p.m.

Two hours later at 7:30, the Corcoran Art Gallery will open its doors for "Executive Order 9066." This already well-known exhibit, sponsored by the California Historical Society, will be an educational highlight for people from the eastern seaboard who only recently have become a little familiar with the dark evacuation chapter of WWII.

At 9:30 p.m., the Cabaret Ginza, the opening mixer sponsored by the Philadelphia chapter, will provide another change of pace with liquid refreshments and a chance to do an ondo or two. Mixer chairman Tom Tamaki will even have happy coats available for those who need encouragement.

The next morning, the first of the White House tours will take place starting at 8 a.m. This will be followed by the official opening ceremonies. Business meetings are scheduled that day.

That night, commencing at 7:30 p.m., will be the long awaited Congressional Dinner. According to Etsu Masaoka, chairman for the event, dress will be as formal as you like. Congressmen and Senators have already accepted in sufficient numbers to make this a truly memorable evening.

On Thursday, again at 8 a.m., will be the second White House Tour. This day will be a very special one for delegates, filled with numerous special events only possible in Washington.

Congressman Spark Matsunaga has already lined up a swing of Capitol Hill which will be a typical tourist's delight. At 3:30 p.m., will be the Congressional Tribute to

Transportation to all scheduled events will be courtesy of D.C. Chapter. However, for those who prefer to drive or take taxis, delegates may feel free to do so.

See you next week, when we will have a complete Convention roundup with behind the scenes stories on how a Convention came to being. Where the Action Is.

1972 National JACL Convention

—Registration Form—

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Delegate Status (Check appropriate spaces): Official____, Alternate____, Booster____, 1000 Club____, National Board____, Staff____, Other____

Travel Plans: Plane____, Automobile____ (The Shoreham has motor lodge facilities).

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Package Deal: \$60 if preregistered by May 15; \$65 after May 15. Refunds made upon written request up to and including June 20, less \$3 convention registration costs. For youth 18 and under accompanying their parents who are registered, package deal rates are \$50 by May 15, \$55 after May 15. Checks must accompany registration.

Make checks payable to "1972 National JACL Convention". Send to: Alice Endo, Registration and Housing Chairman, Japanese American Citizens League, 2021 - L St. NW; Washington, D.C. 20036

Package Deal Admissions to Freer Art Gallery Reception and Opening Mixer (June 27), Congressional Dinner (June 28), White House VIP Tour and Capitol Hill Visitation (June 29), Testimonial Luncheon and Japanese Embassy Reception (June 30), Arlington Cemetery Services and Convention Banquet (July 1), Transportation to and from included. Other events include Executive Order 9066 exhibit, State Dept. briefing, Congressional Tribute to the Issei, and "On to Portland" Hospitality Night. (*Preference will be given in order of receipt of registration form as number is limited.)

Booster Activities: Special tours to points of interest in the city, Mt. Vernon, Williamsburg, Gettysburg, etc., are available on a daily basis. Information available at Convention Registration Booth.

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Aside from the mountains, its five canyons, well-known ski resorts, historical background, the Mormons, and typical tourist places, the Intermountain District Youth Council is hosting the National Jr. JACL convention on Aug. 15-19.

Various programs and workshops have been scheduled for those attending, covering different aspects of Jr. JACL. However, the convention itself is geared toward providing you, as an individual, with a very enjoyable and unique experience to be shared with other interested young Asians across the United States.

Registration for the convention is \$42. This includes: \$12 for housing in Austin Hall at the University of Utah, \$14 for meals, \$3.25 for general registration costs, and \$8.75 for the last night of the convention at Park City (\$2 for bus transportation, \$5 for dinner, \$1.75 for the dance). The pre-registration deadline is July 15. After this date, registration will be raised to \$44. All registration materials with further information can be acquired from local Jr. JACL chapter presidents and DYC chairmen within one week.

You may still think that Salt Lake City has very little to offer, but can you pass up an experience that will only happen once with the same group of people? There's quite a bit to be learned and gained during those four days in August and you can be a part of "Beginnings". The opportunity is there and the theme has many possibilities for you, Jr. JACL, and JACL as a whole.

Where is the place to be in '72? S.L.C.

PSWDC NISEI RELAYS

Powerful Orange County team victors; 4 new records set, 3 new events added

(Special to The Pacific Citizen)
VENICE, Calif.—The well-balanced Orange County JACL team, which retired the PSWDC Nisei Relays trophy last year, has its first leg on a new perpetual cup with a 1972 victory garnered at the Venice High oval on a coolish June 4 day.

Gardena Valley was second best again while Wilshire JACL came on strong to place third in the team standings.

Four records were broken, the most impressive being the 6 ft.-5 1/2 inch. high jump by Don Watson of Gardena, topping a 14-year-old mark of 6 ft.-1 1/2 by San Jose's John Kanaya. Weldon Nomura of West L.A. tied a 1941 record in the 120 yards at 13.3, an event which had been replaced by the lengthier 180 yards in recent years.

Three new events were added this year, the football throw in the middle and cub divisions and the junior 180 dash, which displaced the popular junior 50-yd. dash.

West L.A. and Venice-Culver chapters co-hosted the 1972 relays. San Fernando and Pasadena will co-host the 1973

Hatate withdraws as candidate for treasurer

LOS ANGELES—Al Hatate, national JACL treasurer, Sunday (June 11) said he is withdrawing his candidacy to run a second term, leaving the '72-'74 slate for treasurer vacant as he was the lone nominee.

When it became evident at the PSWDC pre-convention caucus that some in the district did not "buy" his basic philosophy that national officers should have concern for the national organization first instead of the district which had nominated him, Hatate decided to withdraw.

CALENDAR

June 17 (Saturday)
Bay Area Community-Newcomers Mtg. International Institute, San Francisco, 1 p.m.; Frank Kasama, spkr.
Riverside—Graduates dnr. First Christian Church, 5 p.m.
Gardena Valley—Nisei Week queen candidate coronation, VFW Hall, 7:30 p.m.
Cortes—Graduates outing, Sunset Beach, Watsonville.
Contra Costa—At the Races, Golden Gate Field.
June 18 (Sunday)
Pocahontas—Chapter picnic, Blackfoot Fairgrounds.
June 19 (Monday)
West Los Angeles—Aussy Mtg. Margaret Sakuma, res.
June 20 (Tuesday)
West Valley—Gen Mtg. Grace United Meth. Church, 7:30 p.m.
June 22 (Thursday)
Sacramento—Reg Mtg. Nisei Memorial Hall, 8:30 p.m.
June 23 (Friday)
San Diego—Bd Mtg. Ocean View Church, 7:30 p.m.
June 24 (Saturday)
Cleveland—Scholarship Dnr. Southeast YMCA, Bedford.
June 25 (Sunday)
Riverside—Comm Picnic, Sylvan Park, Redlands.
June 26 (Monday)
West Los Angeles—Earth Sci dnr mtg.
June 27—July 1
Convention Week, Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C.
June 27 (Tue): Nat'l Bd & Staff Mtg. 9 a.m.; Freer Art Gallery, 8:30 p.m.; Executive Order 9066 preview, National Archives, 9 p.m.
June 28 (Wed): Opening ceremonies 4:30 a.m.; National Committee and Council mtgs. 1 p.m.; Congressional Dinner, 7:30 p.m.
June 29 (Thu): White House Tour, 8 a.m.; Capitol Hill Tour, 10 a.m.; Congressional Tributes, 3 p.m.; National Council mtg. 7-10 p.m.
June 30 (Fri): National Council mtg. 9 a.m.; Testimonial luncheon, 12 n.; National Council mtg. 2-4:30 p.m.; State Dept. briefing, 5 p.m.; Japanese Embassy reception, 6 p.m.; National Council mtg. 9 p.m.
July 1 (Sat): Memorial services, Arlington Nat'l Cemetery, 9 a.m.; National Council mtg. 1-4:30 p.m.; Convention banquet, 6:30 p.m.; Mayor Norman Mineta, spkr.; Sanyo Mixer, 10 a.m.
July 2 (Sun): Old and new Nat'l JACL Bd & Staff mtg.
July 4 (Tuesday)
St. Louis—Chapter picnic, Point Richmond, Richmond.
Riverside—Sendai Festival, Riverside Plaza.
July 5 (Friday)
West Los Angeles—Earth Sci Mtg. Westside YMCA.
July 8 (Sunday)
Pasadena—42nd Day at Pacificulture Asia Museum.
July 10 (Monday)
Alameda—Bd Mtg. Buena Vista United Meth. Church, 7:30 p.m.
West Los Angeles—Bd Mtg. July 11 (Tuesday)
San Mateo—Bd Mtg. Sturge Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m.

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Honorable Robert C. Cline, State Capitol Bldg. Sacramento, Calif.

Please notify the members of the State Legislature that I and 450,000 other signers of the Jarvis petition want ACA 30 passed this session. We deem it vital for fairness in taxation.

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VFW POST COMMANDER—Mid-Columbia JACLer Koe Nishimoto heads the Hood River (Ore.) VFW Post 1479 this year. Though there are many Nisei in the post, they are a minority of the total membership. He is receiving a poppy from Arlene Nakamura, daughter of the Cliff Nakamuras.

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Students demand UC Santa Cruz teach Japanese

SANTA CRUZ, Calif. — A group of students at UC Santa Cruz, eager to study Japanese which is not being offered by the University, organized their own class earlier this year.

The class of 16 students meeting twice a week, successfully passed the Japanese 1 examinations this past year. Examinations this past year were held in the past but they were not fully paid the instructor.

Sharon Noguchi, student coordinator of the Japanese Language Group, at Merrill College, Box 71, UC Santa Cruz 95060, accused University officials of being "uncooperative" for not offering an academic recognition, financial aid or administrative assistance this year while noting all major UC campuses, junior colleges and many high schools offer Japanese.

The group was informed budget limitations will prevail next fall to keep Japanese off the Third World Studies curriculum. Hoping that community pressure may improve the situation, the group asks letters supporting the Japanese class be sent to UC Santa Cruz, attention of: Chancellor Dean McHenry, Vice Chancellor Cesar Barber (Humanities) or to Dr. John Halverson, chair, Board of Studies in Literature, Stevenson College.

Student's parents plan to protest Stanford ruling

HONOLULU — Alice Furumoto, 1969 Kalam High School valedictorian, was suspended indefinitely from Stanford University May 30 for disrupting a class of controversial physicist William Shockley.

Shockley, who received a Nobel Prize for his part in helping invent the transistor, has advanced theories claiming that certain races are innately less intelligent than others.

Miss Furumoto was one of three Stanford students suspended as a result of the alleged disruption, although others reportedly were involved.

Her parents were to visit their daughter in California this past week to discuss the issue. They said they also plan to consult a West Coast attorney and discuss legal action against the university.

Miss Furumoto was a senior at Stanford, with only two weeks of school remaining before she was to graduate with a degree in pre-medicine.

The three students' suspensions were upheld when Stanford President Richard W. Lyman upheld a decision made by the campus judicial panel which imposed the suspensions.

Bank of Tokyo appoints three Nisei managers

SAN FRANCISCO — The Bank of Tokyo of Calif., which plans soon to open three new branches, have appointed Nisei to be their managers: Thomas M. Umekubo at San Diego; Kojiro Iwasaki at San Jose-Westgate; and Kenneth Yonemura at Montebello.

Masao Tsuyama, president of the state-chartered bank, said the bank currently operates 13 branches throughout the state and ranks 12th in California in terms of deposits. Assets as of Mar. 31 was \$346 million.

Umekubo is currently the economist at the head office; Iwasaki, asst. manager at the Japan Center branch here, while Yonemura is asst. manager at the Santa Ana office.

Redevelopment —

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Kyo Redevelopment Plan was an ordinance. The City Council, HUD, and the CRA can be assured that the Citizens Committee to Save Little Tokyo Project will do everything in its power to see that they keep their end of the commitment to the people.

County accepts national building code requirements

LOS ANGELES — Faced with the loss of more than \$49 million in Federal grants by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, County Supervisors unanimously agreed June 7 to amend the County's building code to permit installation of non-metallic sheathed electrical cable in commercial, industrial and multi-family structures.

Supervisor Ernest E. Debs declared that the action was inevitable in order to comply with the Federal deadline for action which had been set for June 7. It was also noted that the County building ordinance has permitted use of non-metallic sheathed electrical cable in single dwellings for the past 39 years.

NEWS CAPSULES

Military

At the annual all-Denver High School ROTC review, Douglas Tamura, son of the Frank Tamuras, was cited as the "superior cadet" of the year. He is a junior at Manual High, a sharpshooter on the all-city rifle team and an honor student.

Gerald Kobayashi was re-elected president of the MIS Club of Southern California, which has allocated \$500 for the MIS Bloomingdale Garden project in Minnesota. American Airlines crew chief George Masumiya was installed commander of the Los Angeles Nisei Memorial VFW Post 9938, which has the distinction of being the first Nisei post to surpass the 300 mark in membership. Masumiya was the second Nisei mechanic hired by AA nearly 17 years ago. He served in WW2 in Italy.

Education

The Univ. of Lethbridge granted David Iwasa, 23, a scholarship to compile a history of the Japanese in Southern Alberta. The cultural and economic aspects of the Japanese in the Canadian prairie province will be emphasized.

Agriculture

Longtime Snake River Valley JACLer George Sadamori of Nyssa, Ore., was named by the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture to serve on the National Potato Promotion Board, an 86-member group which will hold its organizational meeting in Denver June 6-8. Sadamori was also the sole board member representing Nevada and one of three from Oregon.

Entertainment

Dale Harimoto, daughter of the Dan Harimotos of Kahala, Hawaii, who appears with the Alvin Alley Dance Group in New York, will dance in the Guy Lombardo musical production of "The King and I" starring James Shigeta, another Islander active in film and stage work, opening June 28 at the Jones Beach Theater. She is a graduate of Punahou, Vassar and New York University and dances professionally as Dale Townsend.

Government

Amy Kawafuchi daughter of the John Y. Kawafuchis of Kaneohe, Oahu, has been named to a Federal internship for the summer in the office of Rep. Patsy T. Mink. She is a student at the College of Emporia in Kansas. Dr. John Y. Ing, a Honolulu dentist, has been named by the Senate

Post Office Committee to the U.S. Postal Service board of governors. Ing introduced to the committee by Sen. Hiram L. Fong, will complete the unexpired term of Elmer T. Klassen.

Planning —

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Nixon. There were also Nisei in federal civil service who felt discriminated in terms of promotions in the supergrades. In Washington, it isn't only technical knowledge but partisan politics as well to be like an assistant secretary.

And if it's a non-partisan matter, it then involves internal politics within the agency. And Nisei in the federal service through the years have not been active politically—either partisan or internal office politics. Of course, some Nisei have since moved in because Mo was in a key spot to help them.

Choice Jobs

MATSUOKA — I see this in the schools... thing we have to worry about is that we don't want to be jealousies develop and have minorities fighting each other for choice jobs... Same thing occurs at the corporate level.

I wonder if there's a JACL policy about job referrals where politics are involved?

SATOW — When we're asked, we try to help irrespective. Often times, it's a rush job.

MATSUI — So the communities can't get together to deal with it.

SUGIYAMA — This is all a part of the conscious effort to secure minorities in government. There is also a lot of flexibility to get them appointed too.

SATOW — Upshot of all this is that we continue our cooperation and contacts with other Asian Americans.

MATSUOKA — Here are my reasons for going into that... because the nature of our problem is generated by the singular source — those rooted in racism, discriminatory attitude on the part of the majority population. The problem is not peculiarly Japanese but affects all Asians, like senior citizens who have all the problems other aging have plus the language barrier. The United Way issue is another example where Asian Americans are getting nothing back. Even in job opportunities, hardly any Asian reaches the top levels in corporate organizations.

I think the young people also have problems relating to something purely Japanese American. They're looking to deal with all Asians. We have to, if we're going to build up our membership, I don't mean we have to change our name, but we do have to become relevant and work with problems which affect all Asians.

SATOW — This somewhat parallels the situation in Ha-

wai where the Japanese there have been saying they have no problems; they're not that much of a minority, we're accepted, etc. But so long as the Japanese stayed in his place, they were accepted. And if they were out of line when they spoke, they were doing it as individuals they said, but this is what the young people have been saying that when we speak we shouldn't give a damn what other people think, that we want to be ourselves, fulfill our own destiny.

MATSUOKA — Eventually it'll be really hard to pick out the real Japanese with inter-Asian and interracial marriages booming across the country.

OSHIKI — I think if JACL continues to operate, it will be of necessity slowly more toward an Asian American-type group and the Planning Commission can recognize this without talking about merger or formal federation. We ought to recognize this direction as inevitable.

MATSUOKA — As for the commission, we should accept this mechanism as the direction we are heading for it will make it a lot easier for everyone else to accept.

SUGIYAMA — Looking at the Japanese population in America, we still have a big road to go within our own group, if we want to be more representative. Doesn't JACL have a responsibility here?

Work with Others

OSHIKI — So let's work with other Asian American groups and see what comes.

SUGIYAMA — It may accelerate the solidifying of other Asian groups into national bodies.

IWAMA — If we look at the younger groups, they are saying Asian American. They don't make distinctions — so let's not fight that trend.

OSHIKI — If we're interested in bringing in the younger Japanese groups, who don't have the hangups the older Nisei have, we'll have to recognize that. That's the way the game is going to be played.

SUGIYAMA — So we work with other groups. About these younger Asian groups, how permanent are they? We're more or less permanent.

OSHIKI — Yes, so JACL is a permanent organization but it's an organization which isn't growing. This is the reality we have to face — overall, there's a great inertia at the chapter level to participate and that in the long run will kill JACL.

Action-Oriented

SHIMASAKI — All this leads me to say three things: (1) We've got to address ourselves to be an action-oriented organization. We can't be talking about the things that should be done; we've got to be doing them. (2) We've got to get the involvement of a lot of people. The (Issei Health Project in Sacramento) involved a lot of people which helped to make it successful.

(3) And about the projects we carry on is because they are the right things to do; not because it is politically good for us or because we want to please someone, etc. I think the participants in the health project felt that way so they were able to bring it to a successful conclusion.

IWAMA — Yes, and a lot of new people joined JACL because of that. All these years, they said, I didn't know JACL was for this kind of activity. So we got about 25 or 30 more members, especially those who brought their Issei parents down.

One thing that should be noted is that the Nisei were raised up in the community to be afraid of failure. So some young guy comes in with a hot idea and the older Nisei say it's too much work and are cautious and feel it won't succeed — so the idea is dropped. Even I had some doubts as the older guys kept on doubting but when one of them said "OK, because if it fails it'll teach them a lesson". But as it turned out, it enabled us to raise \$1,500 instead. We need the guidance of the older Nisei, but so many of them are pessimistic and think it might fail.

SUGIYAMA — Sacramento has integrated the younger people into the chapter, like Frank here who epitomizes the change. Frank was chapter president last year. It's also happening in San Mateo.

SATOW — Along this same line, I've met with many chapter board and raising of quotas and the old timers are always saying how hard it is, what with other competing groups...

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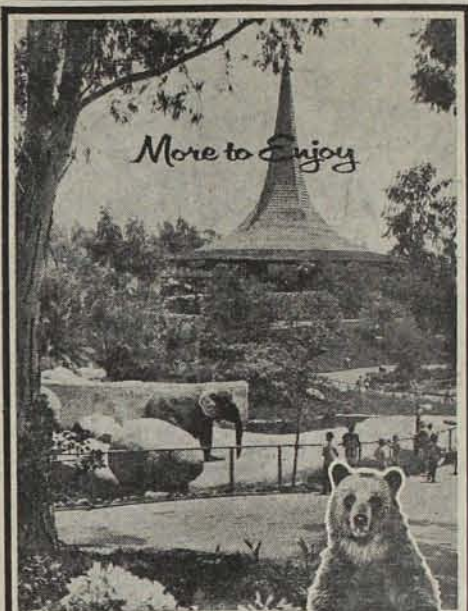
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