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KUMEO YOSHINARI ELECTED NAT'L JACL PRESIDENT

77 Chapters Present
For Election of
1964-66 Officers

DETROIT. — Kumee A. Yoshinari, vice-president in charge of production for Turtle Wax Co., Chicago, was elected national JACL president. He was the Midwest District Council candidate and has served as national treasurer for two terms.

The long-time JACLer, who came through the ranks beginning at 18 when he was charter president of the Mid Columbia chapter in 1932, defeated incumbent K. Patrick Okura, who was bidding for his second term.

Yoshinari, a strong advocate of the National Jr. JACL, will be assisted by:

National First Vice President: Jerry J. Enomoto, Tracy, Calif., NC-WNDC, Stockton Chapter;

National Second Vice President: Takeshi Kubota, Seattle, Wash., PNW-DC, Seattle Chapter;

National Third Vice President: Rupert Hachiya, Salt Lake City, Utah-IDC-SLC Chapter;

National Treasurer: Yone Sato, San Francisco, Calif., NC-WNDC, San Francisco Chapter;

National Secretary to the Board: Masaaki Hironaka, San Diego, Calif., PSW-DC, San Diego Chapter;

National 1000 Club Chairman: Joe Kadowaki, Cleveland, Ohio, MDC, Cleveland Chapter.

In the other contested position, that of 3rd vice president, Hachiya won over Kay Nakagiri of San Fernando Valley, the PSWDC nominee.

77 Chapters Present

The election tally committee agreed not to reveal the count. There were 77 chapters present and voting. Dr. Roy Nishikawa, as a past national president and a non-board member, chaired the election session.

The National Council instructed the Convention Secretary Mas Sato to show that unanimous ballots were cast for each position.

While there were no nominating speeches as in the past, each nominee was allowed two seconding speeches of not more than five minutes duration.

The nominations committee, chaired by Dr. James Taguchi of Dayton, proposed several constitutional changes with respect to the manner of nominations:

Another Office Asked

1—That nominations from the floor include a consent form with signature of the candidate.

2—That the position of a "president-elect" be added.

3—That nominations form include the signature of the district council nominations committee chairman to indicate DC approval.

The proposals will be studied at the next interim National Board meeting in 1965.

Where tallies were necessary, as each chapter was called the delegate cast his ballot in secret.

'60-'70 planning commission asked for updated report

DETROIT. — The National JACL Board, in reappointing Abe Hagiwara as a national committee chairman, will assess its 1960-70 Planning Commission report for the 1965 interim national board meeting, tentatively scheduled for Los Angeles again over the Washington holiday weekend.

Hagiwara was in charge of a special program to outline possible projects for National JACL, some of which have been implemented.

The planning commission's findings, now out of print, will be reprinted with up-to-date revisions. The new board hopes that other possible programs may be implemented in the second half of the '60-'70 period.

The National JACL Board at its July 4 meeting did not indicate what these programs might be.

THE MAN TO SEE—HE HAD 9 PROXY VOTES

(Special to Pacific Citizen)

DETROIT. — The man with the most proxy votes at the 18th Biennial convention was Dr. Frank Nishio, CDCC chairman, who came with nine: all of the CDCC chapters except for Tulare County, which was represented by Harry Kaku.



Henry Kasai (left) receives Nisei of the Biennium scroll from Frank Chuman, JACL recognitions chairman. —Gus Kinoshita Photo

1965-66 JACL Chapter Quotas

District Council (ch.)	'63-'64Q	'63 Perf	'65-'66Q
Pacific Northwest (7)	6,517	7,468	7,900
No. Calif.-W. Nev. (25)	36,029	36,560	38,300
Central Cal (10)	7,766	7,360	7,700
Pacific Southwest (21)	27,850	24,527	27,000
Intermountain (9)	9,977	9,360	9,400
Mountain-Plains (5)	6,303	4,625	5,000
Midwest (8)	15,388	13,741	14,400
Eastern (4)	5,170	5,189	5,300
	115,000	108,830	115,000

Figures in parentheses indicate Number of Chapters in the District Council. 1st Column of Figures — 1963-65 quotas, 2nd column — 1963 actual performances, 3rd column — 1965-66 quotas as adopted.

\$125,000 JACL BUDGET APPROVED; NEW QUOTA PROPOSALS SHELVED

DETROIT. — A \$125,000 budget for the coming 1965-66 biennium was adopted by the 18th biennial National JACL Convention delegates here last week without the verbal fireworks that have bedazzled previous conventions when the subject of quotas came upon the council floor.

All of the heat generated by the subject was dissipated during a five-hour session of the Budget & Finance Committee, chaired by Kumee Yoshinari as national treasurer.

It was easily the biggest working group of the six initiated for the 1964 convention. There were 20 members including five of the eight district council chairmen.

Of the \$125,000, the chapters will be expected to raise \$115,000—the same amount allocated for the 1963-64 biennium at the Seattle convention.

Rather than adhering to a hard and fast formula for allocation of quotas, the committee made district council adjustments as judiciously as possible. (The 1965-66 chapter quota table indicates where the adjustments were made.)

Satisfactory Formula

The quest for a satisfactory formula for allocation of quotas to the chapter failed as committee members presented their own proposals. There were too many variable factors, such as 1000 Club ratio within the chapter, locale,

Azumano elected Boys State governor

PORTLAND. — Jim Azumano, son of active Portland JACLers Mr. and Mrs. George Azumano, was recently elected governor of Beaver Boys State, which was held on the Oregon State University campus.

The Marshall High student was elected mayor of Portland at the gathering prior to his election to the top post. As governor, he will attend Boys Nation in Washington, D.C. More than 550 youth participated in the week-long program on citizenship training sponsored by the American Legion.

Last year, Jeremy Ota of Central Catholic High School was Beaver Boys State governor. (He is the 1964 National JACL oratorical contest winner and also a recipient of the National JACL supplemental scholarship.)

NAT'L JR. JACL PROPOSED FOR 1966 CONVENTION

Interim Youth Board
Headed by Portland
Jr. JACLer Paul Tamura

DETROIT. — A national youth organization composed of Jr. JACL chapters to be established at the 19th Biennial National JACL Convention at San Diego, Calif., in 1966 was proposed by representatives of 24 Jr. JACL and JACL-affiliated youth groups and unanimously adopted by the National JACL Council here last Saturday.

The resolution also proposed that Jack Mayeda, National JACL administrative assistant, be named the National JACL youth director with the specific responsibility of organizing within the next two years Jr. JACL chapters outside of the current District Youth Councils (No. Calif., Intermountain and Midwest) with the view of forming at least two more district youth groups.

The proposal calls for the formation of an interim National Jr. JACL council comprised of the chairmen of each organized district youth council or his appointee and where no district youth group exist, a representative by Jr. JACL chapters of the respective JACL district. The district youth council geographic jurisdictions are the same as the senior JACL.

The interim group will serve as the executive body until the formation of the national Jr. JACL in 1966.

Chapters Voting

Junior representatives casting "aye" votes came from:

NC-WNDYC — Berkeley, Sacramento, San Francisco, Sequoia; IDYC — Boise Valley, Idaho Falls; Mt. Olympus, Rexburg, Snake River Valley, Pocatello; MDYC — Chicago, Cleveland, Detroit, Milwaukee, St. Louis, Twin Cities.

(Other DC areas) PNWDC — Portland; PSWDC — HI-Co., Long Beach, Orange County, Venice-Culver; MPDC — Omaha; EDC — Philadelphia, Washington, D.C.

To head the interim organization, the youths elected Paul Tamura of Portland as its chairman. Ross Harano of Chicago was chairman pro-tem of the Youth Assembly sessions. Sharon Wakase was secretary pro-tem.

1962 Mandate

The JACL National Council at its 1962 convention approved the 1962 Youth Assembly mandate to organize a National Jr. JACL. The mandate was reaffirmed at the Salt Lake City youth meeting in 1963, although a "go slow" attitude was injected.

The fervor of the 1964 youth assembly at Detroit revitalized hopes of the 1962 mandate for establishment of a national Jr. JACL as soon as possible.

Any delay was deemed unnecessary and could mean a loss of continuity and momentum, according to youth delegates. The establishment of an interim group was regarded as a positive stand and an aid to coordinate existing Jr. JACL chapters and district youth councils.

There are 21 Jr. JACL groups (14 of them organized during the past biennium) and three district youth councils: NC-WN, Intermountain and Midwest.

\$3,000 Budgeted

To effectively carry out the 1964 mandate, the National Council approved a \$3,000 appropriation, which would include one youth commission session next year.

Jerry Enomoto, national JACL youth commissioner, addressed the opening session of the Youth Assembly, presenting the favorable views of the National JACL Board.

One of the social highlights of the Youth Assembly was the disc jockey dance after the testimonial banquet Friday when Marc Avery of station WJBK and Jay Saton of Detroit presided at the dance.

Dr. Scott Miyakawa, History Project director, addressed the Youth Banquet on Wednesday.

SAPPHIRE PIN GIVEN TO 6 MIDWEST JACLERS

DETROIT.—Six Midwest JACLers were honored with the JACL Sapphire Pin during the 18th Biennial National JACL Convention official delegates luncheon at the Sheraton Cadillac.

They are Esther Hagiwara (Chicago), Midwest Office regional secretary; Mrs. Kay Kusano and Tomo Kosobayashi, Twin Cities; Joe Kadowaki, Cleveland; Wallace Kagawa and Minoru Togasaki, Detroit.

The JACL Silver Pin was presented to Miss Rose Ogino of St. Louis, enroute to her original home in Seattle. It was the first time that a JACL Silver Pin was awarded at a national convention.

Fitting climax to Convention: Wilkin's challenge to Nisei

DETROIT.—It seemed made to order. It was the Fourth of July, the last day of the 18th Biennial National JACL Convention in a city which was celebrating International Freedom Days with its Canadian neighbors. The President had just signed the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Roy Wilkins, NAACP executive secretary, was the principal speaker. The eloquent spokesman for civil rights for all Americans addressed some 500 persons at the Sheraton Cadillac's Grand Ballroom on the Convention theme: Human Dignity—Our Challenge.

After quoting from the Declaration of Independence, Wilkins said: "Our forefathers proclaimed a democratic process to bring 'life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness' to the people. . . . We have met our challenge by the passing of the Civil Rights bill. It brings the Negro under the umbrella of constitutional citizenship because for many years he lived in a no man's land legally.

"The value of Civil Rights—1964 is its reaffirmation of the citizenship status of the Negro in making him once more able to compete on the same plateau with others."

Wilkins was among those invited by the White House to witness the historic signing of the Civil Rights Act by President Johnson July 2. He paused to add that the Convention theme was perfect for his historic day.

True brotherhood in action was demonstrated there as the coming days lay the challenge for compliance of this bill.

Explaining the philosophy of law, Wilkins said they outline and determine human behavior, some

prescribe and regulate but the duty for the living today is "to translate the Declaration of Independence off the parchment into our lives . . . and this must be done in our hearts."

"It is a matter of the heart—none is so poor that he does not have a heart; none is so rich that he can do without a heart," Wilkins declared, in urging everyone to work in their state, community and heart to bring about justice and hope to this land.

"This is a monumental task and only through leadership of groups like the JACL can the successful implementation of civil rights legislation be enacted."

He reminded in closing: "One year of hard work achieved victory but at the loss of a President." (In front of the Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel is a plaque marking the spot where President Kennedy made his last public appearance in Detroit on Oct. 4.)

Jr. JACLers Recognized

Splendor of gigantic fireworks lit the skies over Detroit but the convention banquet sparkled with glitter with the unexpected presence of Rep. Spark Matsunaga, whose every endeavor has promoted "Human Dignity—Our Challenge."

Alert to every situation and easily recognizing the many Jr. JACLers seated in the mezzanine, Matsunaga aimed his remarks at them:

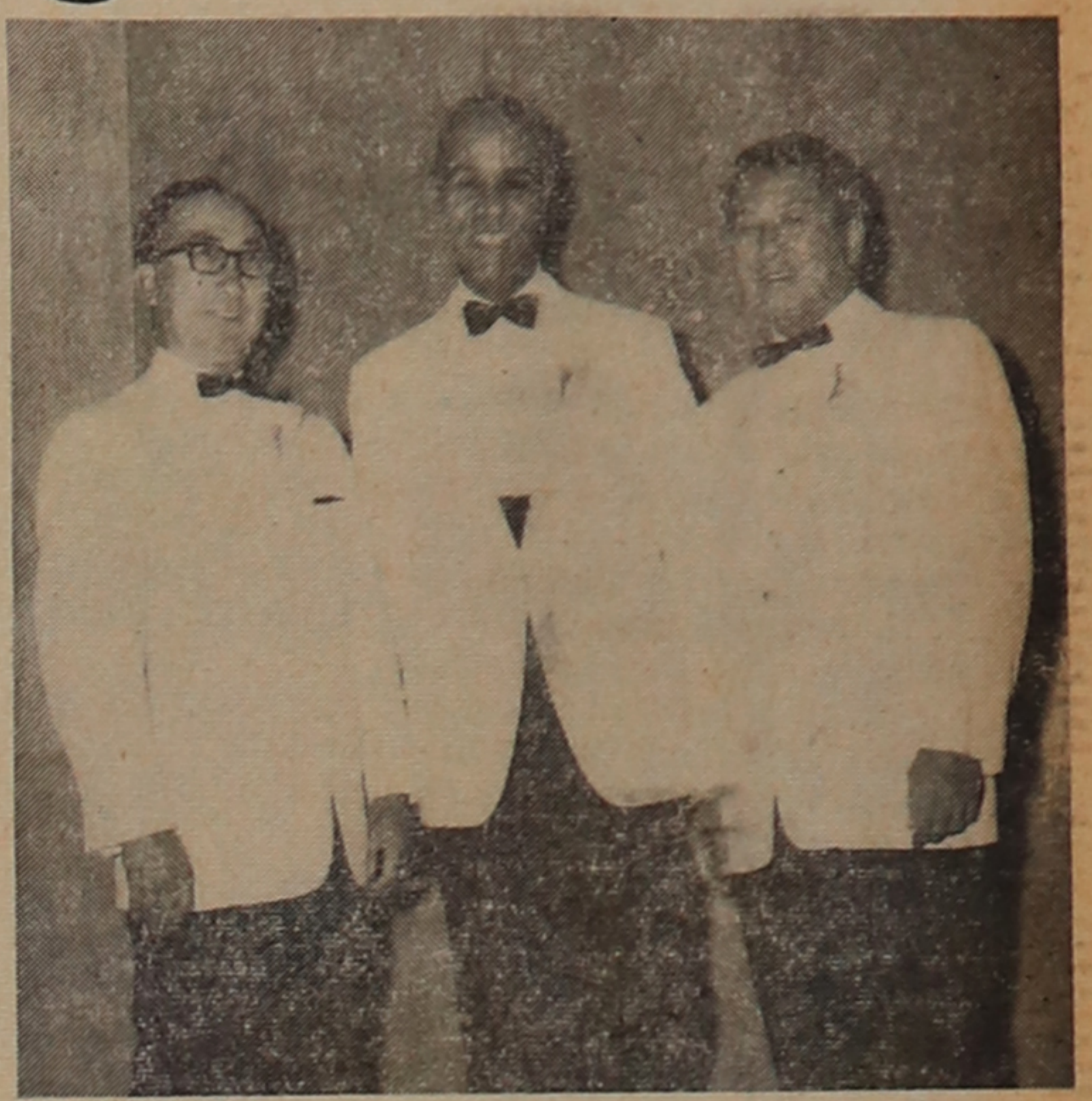
"Prejudice cannot be fought on the battleground alone, but must be done through education and by overcoming the hatred some Americans harbor today." He reminded them that "the greatest concept of living handed to us by our parents is—On wo Wasurenu (Never forget your gratitude to

Witnessed Signing

others.)"

Outgoing National JACL President K. Patrick Okura of Omaha summarized the convention as "stimulating and fruitful."

"Though we have matured and attained national stature as an organization, we must awaken our conscience to the civil rights effort," he added. "Our foregoing programs will be directed toward improving the positive image we



Kumee Yoshinari (left), newly elected National JACL president, and Pat Okura (right), outgoing president, welcome with NAACP Executive Secretary Roy Wilkins, main speaker, 18th Biennial National JACL Convention recognitions banquet. —Gus Kinoshita Photo

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Maryknoll padre's leadership merits JACLer of Biennium

DETROIT. — Downtown L.A. JACL president last year, Father Clement of Maryknoll, was honored as JACLer of the Biennium, 1963-64, at the recognitions banquet of the 18th Biennial National Japanese American Citizens League convention here July 4.

The award is made to the outstanding JACLer "who has contributed most to the growth and strength of the organization during the biennium." The general padre was cited for his inspirational leadership in the belief that the "National JACL is as strong as the individual chapter."

Presentation was made by Jerry Enomoto, National 1st v.p. (himself a JACLer of the Biennium). It was the convention's best kept secret—the decision having been made Tuesday afternoon. Father Clement was attending as the Downtown L.A. chapter delegate, hardly expecting to be so honored.

JACL honors Americans who fought for civil rights of Nisei

DETROIT. — Honored at the 18th Biennial National JACL Convention testimonial banquet July 3 here were six distinguished Americans who, during the trying years of WW2, stood up and made heard their voices calling for fair play and dignity for their fellow Americans of Japanese ancestry.

A grateful people thus paid tribute to Dr. Clarence Pickett representing the American Friends Service Committee and the religious faiths of America; Roger N. Baldwin, representing the American Civil Liberties Union and the "civil rights" of America; the Rev. John W. Thomas, representing the National Japanese American Student Relocation Council and the educators of America; Norman Thomas representing the Post War World Council and the private organizations of America; Mrs. Harry Kingman, representing the Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play and Americans of goodwill; and to Japanese Americans who served in the armed forces in WW2 and to ex-Sgt. Ben Kuroki, U.S. Army Air Force.

Honorees Respond

In their responses, the honored guests recounted some of the events of 20 years ago out of their close association with the JACL and persons of Japanese ancestry. They expressed their appreciation of the qualities of integrity and loyalty which made them, in turn, recipients of a truly fulfilling association.

Dr. Pickett said that among his memories of these years was the fact that "you never seemed to be afraid."

"Events have carried you far but there are still parts of our

Wears Decoration

Roger Baldwin declared: "It is an honor to the United States that the JACL exists to help put into effect those principles to which the nation is committed by its very constitutional origin."

Baldwin, who, by request, wore the decoration, the Order of the Rising Sun presented by a grateful postwar Japanese government for his work in legal democratic processes stated: "Ahead lies a great era of hope. We are participants in an effort for a world citizenship in which men and women will be recognized for what they are and accorded their merits regardless of race, religion, sex national origin."

Convention bids for '68, '70 accepted

DETROIT. — Unlike the lead years when chapters were reluctant to bid for a National JACL Convention, the 1966 National JACL Council accepted two bids which complete the schedule through the 21st Biennial in 1970.

The bid for the 19th Biennial was made in Seattle by San Diego and accepted two years ago.

Last week, the bid for the 20th Biennial in 1968 was tendered by John Yasumoto, NC-WNDC chairman, and accepted. No chapter was designated, but it was suggested that it would be held in an area ranging from the San Francisco Bay area to Reno. Last NC-WNDC chapter to host a national convention was Sacramento in 1958.

Lincoln Shimidzu of Chicago placed Chicago's bid for 1970 and it was accepted, unprecedented in JACL history for it allows a chapter to plan for six years ahead. Choice convention dates in big cities, he said, are scheduled as much as 10 years ahead.

There was unofficial support for a National JACL Convention at Washington, D.C., in 1968 but no bid was made since it might tax the many West Coast chapters in the wake of sending delegates to the Detroit convention last week.

Jerry Ota of Portland cops oratorical, Janet Okamura of Denver wins essay

DETROIT. — Jerry Ota, 17, representing the Pacific Northwest District Council (Gresham-Trousdale Chapter) was acclaimed National Oratorical Champion of the 18th Biennial National JACL Convention.

Six district finalists captured the standing room audience with their challenging elocutions in the Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel's Crystal Ballroom. Following the convention's theme, "Human Dignity—Our Challenge" the oratorical topic was "JACL and Civil Rights."

Second honors went to Dave Ushio, of Mt. Olympus, representing the Intermountain District Council. Third prize went to Miss Libby Matsuhiro of Detroit, representing the Midwest District Council.

Other finalists were Martin Kobayashi, PSWDC (San Diego Chapter); William Nagata, CDCC (Tulare Chapter); and Terry Taketa, NC-WNDC (Sequoia Chapter).

Jerry, a 1964 graduate of Central Catholic High School, Portland, Ore., impressed the audience not only with his poise and fluid delivery, but also with his poignant and thought provoking remarks.

Second place winner, Dave Ushio, traced how the Japanese, in a scant 20 years, advanced in position, responsibility and acceptance. "May not our experience be an assurance to others?" He urged mutual understanding, a voluntary meeting of hearts and challenged a new awareness of the unique role we can play. Eighteen year old Dave, a Univ. of Utah freshman, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Shigeaki Ushio.

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great American bridge to civil rights. The present generation, playing the role of the old man who built a bridge "for those who follow" must lay the strong foundation for the bridge—to unify and educate, for truth and moral strength, to give lasting strength.

"And long after the stone has crumbled and the steel has rusted, our bridge will continue to stand, strong and true, spanning the rivers of ignorance and bigotry—for those who will follow."

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GO DETROIT IN '64

Even with six pages this week, we shall not be able to capture in print all that transpired, all that inspired during JACL Convention Week in Detroit. All we can say is that "it was the best ever" . . . Hospitality overflowed; accommodations excelled; and the weather varied to meet every taste . . . It demonstrated what well-planned organization and unwavering personnel can assure.

To Frank Watanabe, an engineer by profession, who commanded the convention board of some 150 strong goes our salute of the biennium . . . To Kenneth Miyoshi, a history teacher, whose task was convention public relations and his capable crew goes our praise of the biennium (since we were involved in this phase most directly) . . . And to the other Detroit JACLers whose every effort spelled success for the 18th Biennial goes our esteem of the biennium.

About the only regrets we have is that more JACLers couldn't attend.

PC PICTURE FROM 1965

Two items directly affecting the operations of the Pacific Citizen were approved by the National Council. One was the constitutional change to have the PC Board Chairman as an "appointive" member of the National Board. The other called for continuance of the 51-issues per year publication schedule with Headquarters reimbursing PC \$2.50 instead of \$2 for each membership subscription.

It can now be revealed that the PC committee had also approved a reduced 45-issue schedule without changing subscription rates, provided the current PC reimbursement of \$2,700 to the National JACL budget was discontinued. But this alternate plan was not needed.

The two actions by the National Council, as well as recommendations from the PC Committee, indicate the internal public relations value the PC has come to enjoy under the PC with Membership policy that was singlehandedly advocated for adoption at the Sacramento convention by the new PC Board Chairman, Dr. Dave Miura of Long Beach.

While we heard the significance of PC in the homes of Nisei outside of the West Coast because it was the only tie with the Japanese American community at large, the same feelings were also expressed by JACLers living on the West Coast who not only appreciate the JACL chapter coverage but also news of Nisei interest.

For this reason, we are reinstating the complete obituaries column. When advertising income allows, we shall publish six-page issues more often than heretofore to chronicle a wider picture of Nisei activities and personalities.

In the interest of better press work, the PC will be happy to hear from readers by remitting to us their copy of a poorly-inked or off-folded paper. With evidence on hand, it can be called to the attention of the printers. Steps are also being taken to insure fewer interruptions in circulation and improve subscription service . . . And this policy of constant improvement of the paper is on-going, not one to be effective in 1965.

This convention, as do all conventions national or district, shows us which way the winds blow from the readers. And they come from both directions — laudatory and critical. We appreciate both — for any editor worth his salt should evoke comments.

Guest Columnist:

To See With Our Hearts

(The St. Louis JACL Newsletter editorial in the June issue is written by "Em Kayo", remembered as a winner of a James Sakamoto Memorial Award two years ago.)

BY EM KAYO

Not long ago I heard a true story so poignant that tears of guilt and humiliation filled my eyes. Blond and freckled Johnny, home from kindergarten, bounced happily into the house with this greeting, "Hi, Mom! I'm home and Brian came with me; he's my friend. Can he eat lunch with me?" Johnny's mother was cleaning an upstairs room.

"Of course, Son, but first we'd better call his mother to see if it's all right with her. What is Brian's last name?" Johnny's mother started to dial the number when a horrified look came over her face. As room mother at school she had seen all of the children in her son's room and suddenly remembered that Brian was a Negro boy.

"Hurry up, Mom! He's downstairs waiting," prodded Johnny. "But Brian is that colored boy, isn't he?" asked mother.

"Colored?" puzzled Johnny. "Yes, with black skin," said mother.

"I don't know," replied Johnny. "Just a minute and I'll go see," and Johnny ran to see with his eyes what he had apparently missed; for until now he had only seen Brian with his pure

not always remain that way! How sad that mature adult minds heavy with prejudice and hatred are the vehicles for introducing intolerance into the hearts of innocents. Whether we admit it or not, many of us are guilty of harboring feelings of mistrust of one sort or another.

With the heralded passage in the Senate of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, establishing that the law of the land and public practice require that every American be accorded the rights and privileges that are guaranteed every citizen by our Constitution, we are witnesses to a valuable chapter in our nation's history. We are proud of the vital role assumed by the JACL in this accomplishment. We trust that this gateway to justice and equality for all Americans will open the way for further legislation which will eliminate all traces of discrimination and intolerance. To this end, the fight for total victory for human justice must begin with each of us as individuals. We must not allow smug complacency to destroy the security implemented by the passage of laws. Rather, we can strengthen our security as Americans of one ancestry by freeing ourselves of prejudices against Americans of all other ancestries, creeds and colors.

Katherine Lee Bates, author of "America the Beautiful" was inspired by the beauty of our land. What a tragedy that here and when she wrote these lyrics, "America! America! God shed His



It Takes Coordination.

FITTING CLIMAX TO CONVENTION: WILKINS TELLS OF NEW CHALLENGE

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have established through the years."

Okura received the gratitude of the membership for his leadership and guidance during the dynamic fight for civil rights legislation. As toastmaster Roy Kaneko was moved to say: "We are indeed fortunate to have had the right person at the right time at the right places."

Installation

Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe, first constitutionally elected national JACL president in 1934, swore in the newly-elected national JACL board headed by Kumeo Yoshinari, 53, of Chicago.

Yoshinari expressed confidence in the progress anticipated by JACL in the next two years.

Then came the announcement of the "JACLer of the Biennium" with Fr. Clement of Maryknoll, Downtown L.A. JACL, named; and the "Nisei of the Biennium" winners—the gold medallion going to Henry Y. Kasai of Salt Lake City, the silver medallions to Rep. Spark Matsunaga and Dr. Tom Omori, Aerojet General executive now in Tokyo. All were on hand to personally receive the awards.

Father Clement was a little tongue-tied in accepting the award. Kasai reminisced at length for he had come as young lad of 13 from Japan in 1904 at San Francisco. A naturalized citizen, he declared he was "not physically a Nisei but was in spirit".

Testimonial

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west coast. Mrs. Kingman and her husband to this day are carrying on a citizens' lobby for fair play in Washington.

Kuroki's Slants

The dramatic turning point in the attitude, as existed in California in particular, was the appearance in 1944 of Ben Kuroki before the Commonwealth Club in San Francisco, which was arranged by Mrs. Kingman. The apparent hostility and indifference of much of the audience ended with a standing ovation for the much decorated war hero. The "Boy from Nebraska" spent his 59th mission on the home front fighting prejudice and hostility.

Since 1955, Kuroki has been owner and publisher of a weekly, Williamson Enterprise and Meridian News. "Human dignity and opportunity are open commodities in the American market. You get just what you deserve in your own initiative," he concluded.

The testimonial banquet, attended by some 450 delegates, was emceed by Peter Fujioka.

Henry Kasai, at 73, has daughter 2 years old

SALT LAKE CITY—A feature carried in the Deseret News for Father's Day had a human-interest story on Henry Kasai, 73, local JACL's nominee for "Nisei of the Biennium".

Henry is a father and a grandfather at the same time with six children, two of them married with five grandchildren, four of them older than his youngest daughter Lisa, who is 2.

Other children are Una, 26, in Washington, D.C.; Kimi (Mrs. Al B. Ju); Emi, 15; Henry Y. Jr., 14; and Hershey, 9.

grace on thee, And Crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea," is the closing line. National brotherhood need not seem so mythical if we would all learn to see our fellow Americans with our hearts.

Matsunaga admitted the honor topped his own feelings when asked to deliver the Washington Farewell Address in the House. Dr. Omori said the award recognizes the eminence of Nisei in the fields of science and engineering. Frank Watanabe, convention chairman, introduced Mas Hironaka, 1966 convention chairman. In his closing remarks, Watanabe charged the delegates and members to resolve, here and now, to meet again in San Diego in 1966. "We hope the success of our convention will be a continuing one."

Budget-Quota

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tional Council:

1—Acceptance of the 1965-66 budget.

2—Acceptance of the District Council allocations with further distribution to the chapters up to district councils in any manner that they see fit.

3—Further study be made during the next biennium for a more suitable method of distributing the load.

4—The Membership Chairman and the 1000 Club Chairman be reminded that a supreme effort on their part will be vital to the raising of necessary funds.

The committee further envisioned a \$1 increase in membership dues for the 1967-68 biennium. At the present time it is \$4 dues to National, "much too low for a national organization" when compared with other national groups.

1000 Club Life Members

The committee is also planning to study at length during this biennium the problem of 1000 Club Life members. (In the National Director's Report to the convention, the problem is explained in detail.)

Originally pegged at \$250, the first group of 1000 Club Life Members were enrolled in 1952. Money was placed in a separate savings & loans association to gain maximum interest with \$25 being withdrawn for each Life Member annually and credited to the respective chapter quotas. With accrued interest, the \$250 life membership would extend for 12 years.

Problem now is that for the first group, the 12 years are up this year and while JACL can continue to designate them as Life Members and absorb the PC subscription costs, it is no longer possible to credit their chapters with the \$25 amount after 12 years.

In 1958, the Life Membership fee was raised to \$500.

JACL now hopes 1000 Clubbers can be encouraged to continue payments even after 20 years when their membership technically becomes Life members by virtue of having paid in \$500.

Three JACL units organize Alameda County Jr. JACL

SAN LORENZO.—Forty-five high school and college age students met here June 25 and organized the Al-Co (Alameda County) Jr. JACL. It is under sponsorship of the Oakland, Eden Township and Fremont JACL chapters.

The new Jr. JACL officers: Kay Hisaoka (Fremont), pres.; Gordon Ide (San Lorenzo), v.p.; Lorraine Kitajima (Hayward), cor. sec.; Chris Tanabe (San Lorenzo), rec. sec.; Judi Minami (Hayward), treas.; Robert Kitajima (Hayward), pub. hist.; Mrs. George Minami, Mrs. Robert Kitajima, adv.

Washington Newsletter: by Mike Masaoka

Outstanding Convention

Without question, one of the outstanding JACL conventions of all time. This is the judgment of every delegate—official and booster—with whom we've spoken concerning the most successful and inspiring 18th Biennial National JACL Convention that was hosted by the Detroit Chapter Independence Day week July 30-July 4.

When one considers that there have been some 18 national convales and well over a hundred district council conventions in JACL's 40-year plus history, this is praise indeed, especially since it comes from many national officers and delegates who have attended at least all of the postwar national gatherings and from former chairmen and participants in other national conventions, all in communities with larger chapter memberships than Detroit's.

As a matter of fact, we heard that Detroit's efforts have put many of the larger chapters to shame, and that their signal success demonstrates that a "smaller" chapter can host an outstanding national convention just as well and better than the large ones.

Timely Theme

There was, of course, an historic timeliness about the Convention, its most appropriate theme, and its eloquent speakers that will probably never be equalled again. During the Convention, Congress completed its work on the most comprehensive and meaningful civil rights legislation in this century, and the President signed it into law. Among the speakers were the active leaders in that campaign that brought legal recognition to the rights and opportunities of all Americans.

The Convention theme—"Human Dignity—Our Challenge"—could not have better expressed the mood of the times and the headlines of the day. No more appropriate theme could have been selected even at the moment than the one chosen some two years ago.

Not only were the youthful champion orators articulate on the subject of the Convention but so were the guest speakers, who comprise without doubt the most distinguished panel of world and national leaders in the area of human relations and civil rights that have ever participated in any JACL convention.

The striking photograph, symbolizing mankind moving out of the darkness into the light, as in the historic March in Washington of last summer, depicted by a thousand hand crafted matchsticks, that graced the cover page of the Souvenir Program Booklet captured both the spirit of the Convention and the mood of the delegates more fittingly than could words.

The ever-increasing attendance at the various events indicated the success of the arrangements, for every major function had an overflow crowd even though the advance reservations might have suggested otherwise.

The idea of summarizing the citations and explaining the awards, to be presented at the several major events, was a pleasing innovation and made the printed program an even more valuable souvenir of the Convention.

The careful planning, the attention to details, the faithful implementation—all these attested to the professionalism in the organization and smooth operation of the many functions that have seldom been matched by any previous convention.

And, over-all, there was the friendly and helpful spirit of the members of the host chapter, and the cooperative attitude of one of the more knowledgeable group of official delegates to attend National Council sessions.

Sentimental High Point

We must confess that the sentimental high-point of the Convention to us was the Testimonial Banquet on the evening of July 3, when JACL cited six now distinguished Americans who 20 years ago assumed the leadership in the resettlement program for the evacuees and opened up the opportunities for those of Japanese ancestry in this country to regain our dignity and to discover greater chances for our future in every aspect of human endeavor.

It was with a catch in our throat that we lived through that grand reunion, of hearing once again Clarence, of hearing Roger Baldwin, Rev. John Thomas, Norman Thomas, Ruth Kingman, and Ben Kuroki as they remembered evacuation and relocation, and commented on the future.

Not again in our lifetime, we fear, will we be privileged to hear on the same platform such three great champions of human decency as the octogenarians Clarence Pickett of the American Friends Service Committee, Roger Baldwin of the American Civil Liberties Union, and Norman Thomas, the American Socialist who has seen many of his proposals accepted as commonplace and customary.

Even though that Banquet lasted until eleven that night, we have been told that even the Junior JACLers were thrilled and inspired by what they saw and heard. Certainly for those of us who experienced evacuation and are the beneficiaries of their activities that testimonial will live in memory as long as we remember those days of our travail.

Recognitions Stand Out

That Convention Banquet too will be one to be long remembered. That spirited contest between incumbent Pat Okura and treasurer Kumeo Yoshinari for the national presidency, especially Pat's eloquent testimonial to his belief in JACL after his defeat, was one of our organization's finest hours.

Then, the choice of JACLer of the Biennium, Father Clement of the Downtown Los Angeles Chapter, was a most popular and deserved one.

And, while the selection of Henry Kasai of Salt Lake City, Utah, as the Nisei of the Biennium came as somewhat of a surprise, as the first naturalized Issei to gain this coveted award he symbolizes the great and significant contributions that the Issei pioneers have made to the JACL and to our objectives.

At the same time, the distinguished achievements of Dr. Thomas Omori, now of Tokyo, and of Congressman Spark Matsunaga in bringing credit to those of Japanese ancestry in this country that earned for them silver medallions were popularly acclaimed by the capacity audience.

Roy Wilkins, long-time executive secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, delivered an extemporaneous address concerning the plight of the Negro Americans that provided most of our delegates with a new insight into the problem and renewed dedication to JACL's concern for the civil rights of all Americans. As one delegate told us, "Now we know why he is an outstanding Negro leader. And we know also that their leadership is in good hands."

Among Top Three

There were many other high-lights in last week's outstanding Convention, but time and space

will not permit comment on them in this Newsletter. Suffice it to say that to this observer who has participated in every National JACL Convention since that which was held in Los Angeles in 1938, the Detroit experience ranks among the three most inspirational and memorable ones.

The Detroit Chapter has attained a high level of excellence that will challenge San Diego in 1966 and the other host chapters to follow in trying to equal.

While President James Shimoura and his officers and the entire membership of the Detroit Chapter are to be congratulated and commended for making the 18th Biennial National JACL Convention such an outstanding one, we who attended cannot forego this opportunity to express thank the members of the Convention Board for their leadership and self-sacrifice:

Frank Watanabe, chairman, Peter Fujioka, Helen Fujiwara, Wallace Kagawa, Roy Kaneko, Sadao Kimoto, Walter Miyao, Kenneth Miyoshi, Miyo O'Neill, Shirley Satoh, and Min Togasaki.

Perhaps unfairly we would also like to single out the following chairmen who were not members of the Convention Board for their outstanding efforts: Toshi Shimoura, Convention Banquet and Sayonara Ball; Doris Fujioka, Testimonial Banquet; William Otsuki, Opening Ceremonies; Dr. Joseph Sasaki, Oratorical and Essay Contests; Richard Fujioka, Outing; Deko Ogawa, Official Luncheon; and Betty Mimura, Queen Committee.

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The Detroit JACLers who comprised the 1964 National JACL Convention Board are (from left to right): seated—Shirley Satoh, Miyo O'Neill, Frank Watanabe, chmn.; Helen Fujiwara; standing—Kenneth Miyoshi, Roy Kaneko, Minoru Togasaki, Walther Miyao, Wallace Kagawa, Pete Fujioka and Sud Kimoto.

Director's Report

BY MASAO W. SATOW

NATIONAL COUNCIL MINUTES (IN BRIEF OUTLINE)

ATTENDANCE: 46 Chapters represented by Official Delegates, 31 Chapters by proxy representation, and 9 Chapters absent.

Legislative-Legal

1. National JACL Civil Rights Fund

A—To be set up with \$2,000 annually from National budget, and this amount to be supplemented by voluntary contributions solicited by Chapters and District Councils. On such voluntary contributions solicited locally, up to one half may be retained for approved local civil rights activities.

B—Administration Committee of Fund: Chaired by JACL National President (Kumoe Yoshinari and including following: JACL National Treasurer (Yone Satoda); JACL National Director (Mas Satow); JACL National Legal Counsel (William Marutani); Chairman of JACL National Legislative-Legal Committee (Frank Chuman); JACL Washington Representative (Mike Masaoka); Immediate Past JACL National President (Patrick Okura); and a District Council Chairman to be appointed by the JACL National Board. (Dr. Frank Nishio of Central California District Council appointed).

C—Purpose of Fund:

1) To defray costs of any civil rights programs approved by the National Council at National Convention assembled for which specific sums have not been provided in the National budget, or to supplement such budgeted sums when deemed necessary by the Administrative Committee;

2) To provide expenses for attendance of authorized members at National, regional, or local conferences, conventions, or meetings on civil rights;

3) To make contributions to specific National, regional, or local organizations for specific civil rights activities, on a project by project basis.

4) To allow participation in rallies, demonstrations, and other direct action programs or a National or regional character, again on a specific project by project basis;

5) To permit intervention in litigation on a selective basis in civil rights cases;

6) To post bond and pay bail, and also to provide counsel, when and where necessary, for the protection of designated JACL members who are participating in specifically approved programs;

7) To authorize any special civil rights project that is approved unanimously by the Administrative Committee, or by two-thirds majority of the National Board as polled by letter, telegram, or telephone, by the National President or National Director. All other expenditures shall be by five of the eight members voting affirmatively, of the Administrative Committee.

2. Civil Rights Act of 1964

A—JACL continue its membership and participation in the National Leadership Conference on Civil Rights and its active cooperation with almost a hundred other national organizations, representing the religious, civic, labor, business, veterans, women, civil rights, and nationality groups of the Nation; to achieve not only better, broader, and more effective legislation at the appropriate opportunities but also to seek meaningful implementation of this and subsequent statutes.

B—National JACL initiate, or participate with other like-minded organizations, on a selective basis consistent with its budget, in approximate court challenges as to the constitutionality of its various sections, the meaning of certain provisions, and the authority to require compliance and acceptance of its titles.

C—JACL organize, on both the local Chapter and District Council levels, active and meaningful campaigns to bring about an understanding and an appreciation of this national code of public conduct and of community and individual compliance with its provisions and its opportunities, in the spirit and the intent of the law itself.

D—JACL should join with other like-minded organizations in a cooperative, coordinated community effort to bring about compliance and acceptance.

3. State and Local Civil Rights Laws

A—Where there are State and city laws and ordinances covering the same areas of concern as the national law, JACL, preferably in cooperative efforts with other like-minded organizations, take the leadership in assuring meaningful and honest compliance and acceptance.

B—Where there are no State or municipal laws or ordinances covering all or some of the constitutional rights included in the Federal statute, JACL assume the leadership in trying to secure the approval and or adoption of the needed civil rights laws and or ordinances. Where possible, a joint effort with other organizations is urged.

4. Immigration
A—JACL reassert its leadership in seeking revisions to the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 that will:

1) Repeal the National Origins System,
2) Eliminate the Asia-Pacific Triangle.

3) Liberalize the immigration quotas, with nonquota status to be accorded alien family members,
4) Humanize the exclusion and deportation provisions,
5) Abolish discriminations between naturalized and native-born citizens of the United States.

B—JACL's Washington Representative seek appropriate opportunities to testify as to JACL's interests and concerns to both the Senate and House Subcommittees and to otherwise act to secure corrective and remedial legislation which will further JACL's objectives in this field as described above.

C—JACL continue its membership and participation in the American Immigration and Citizenship Conference, and with other appropriate national organizations; provided, however, that JACL continue to seek its stated objectives in seeking revision of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

5. Yen Deposits
JACL will not intervene, or become involved, in the personal claims of any particular claimant or in this general question of yen deposits.

6. Misceregnation

The JACL National Legal Counsel and the National organization shall continue to seek an appropriate case to test nationally the constitutionality of the laws in the various states against misceregnation.

7. California Campaign Against Proposition 14

Amount of \$5,000 appropriated out of National JACL Reserve Fund for the campaign of the California JACL Chapters to defeat the initiative amendment against fair housing in this November election.

8. Washington Alien Land Law

Appropriated \$5,000 for the Washington State campaign to repeal the anti-alien land law through referendum in November 1966.

9. National Legal Counsel

Amount of \$1,500 placed in budget annually for expenses of National Legal Counsel.

Pacific Citizen

1. Continue PC with membership.
2. Continue March 31 cutoff date and mail campaign for renewal membership.
3. Encourage early Chapter elections.
4. Maintain closer liaison between PC and National Headquarters.
5. PC Board Chairman designated as appointed member of JACL National Board by Constitutional amendment.
6. PC to continue with 51 issues per year. National Headquarters to pay PC \$2.50 instead of \$2 as previously. \$6,000 per year placed in National budget as supplemental item to take care of this.

Membership

1. \$250 in annual budget for membership recognitions to Chapters.
2. \$250 in annual budget to continue direct membership appeal program in connection with PC March 31 cutoff date.
3. Membership graph in PC to be continued.
4. On group health insurance, no action nationally, but District Councils to give serious consideration to adoption of some kind of group health plan for their members.
5. JACL shall not drop or refuse the membership of any member simply because he or she may have been accused of subversive activities. This to be a general policy but not to be appended to JACL Statement Against Communism.
6. Basic National budget to be submitted to Chapters and District Councils prior to National Convention with supplemental budget items to be voted upon. Any supplemental budget items not submitted to Chapters and District Councils 30 days prior to the Convention will require three fourths approval of the National Council. This item incorporated into Constitution.
7. JACL National Nisei Bowling Tournament to be open to all JACL members who have been members one year prior to the Tournament.

Budget-Finance

1. Approved National annual budget of \$125,000 for the coming biennium, including basic budget of \$115,500 and the following supplemental items amounting to \$9,500: National JACL Civil Rights Fund, \$2,000; expenses for JACL (Continued on Page 4)

NAT'L SUPPORT OF JACL VOTE NO ON PROP. 14 GAINED

Anti-Housing Measure Poses Threat to All Civil Rights Laws

DETROIT.—The National Council of the Japanese American Citizens League July 2 went on record to campaign for vote "No on Prop. 14", the constitutional initiative to repeal California fair housing laws on the November general election ballot.

William Marutani, JACL legal counsel, said the constitutional amendment, if approved, poses "a real and direct threat to all Americans living throughout the United States in that its adoption in California may well be a springboard for similar action in other States and communities, and the beginning of a general effort to repeal all other civil rights statutes.

The three JACL district councils in California have already organized campaign committees and plans are underway to have the 55 JACL chapters actively carry out the National Council mandate.

July 12 Meeting

SAN FRANCISCO.—First of a series of JACL strategy meetings in support of "Vote No. of Prop. 14", the anti-housing initiative, will be held this Sunday at the Hilton Inn near the San Francisco International Airport, it was announced by Jerry Enomoto, nat'l JACL 1st v.p., who is statewide JACL coordinator.

Delegates from all three JACL district councils in California are expected for the one-day meeting.



HITO OKADA

Since this picture was taken, Hito has given up pipe-smoking.

JACL CREDIT UNION FOUNDER RECOGNIZED

DETROIT.—Hito Okada of Salt Lake City, chairman of the Utah Governor's Advisory Board on Credit Unions, was honored July 3 by the National JACL at its official luncheon of the 18th Biennial National Convention.

Okada founded the National JACL Credit Union in 1943, recognizing that Japanese Americans who had been evacuated from the West Coast had suffered great financial loss and would require some sort of credit and loans at reasonable rates to reestablish themselves.

Okada, who has administered the program since its founding to a \$750,000 operation today, was National JACL treasurer for eight years and National JACL president from 1946-50.

I Could Have Danced All Night

DETROIT.—The red carpet was rolled out in the elegant Woodward Room of the Sheraton Cadillac Hotel on July 3 for the 1000 Club members and their friends attending the 18th Biennial National JACL Convention.

For those who attended the gala event, which was held immediately following the Testimonial Banquet, the feelings seemed to be "I could have danced and sang all night." Vocalist Jaci Curtis, a la Marilyn Monroe, was a hit and Phil Gram and his Crestmen had the group well under control dancing and singing to their hearts' content.

National 1000 Club Chairman William Matsumoto from Sacramento delivered his hilarious message to begin the entertainment program. "America's Comet of Comedy" Paul Lennon confessed later to the committee that it was a tough act to follow.

A special golf trophy named the "Ichi Ban Goller" among 1000 Clubbers was presented to Joe

Resolutions comm. conditions improved

DETROIT.—The National JACL Resolutions Committee, chaired by Raymond Uno of Salt Lake City, has made it possible for the same committee to operate under improved conditions hereafter.

Because preparation of written words of appreciation, commendation and resolutions require time and thought, the Resolutions Committee will be appointed on the first day of the Convention.

Each national committee chairman will be responsible for providing the resolutions committee in writing and before the final day of convention any resolution, appreciation or commendation he desires to have approved by the National Council.

It was one of the four "special" resolutions adopted by the 18th Biennial convention. Others detailed the proper conduct of council sessions, the establishment of National JACL Committee on Agriculture, and further support of PL 414 by public and private groups.

Youth hear civil rights panelists at Convention

DETROIT.—One of the highlights of the Youth Assembly of the 18th biennial National JACL Convention was the panel discussion July 3 on the Convention theme—Human Dignity—Our Challenge.

Panelist Frank Chuman, immediate past National JACL president, related the effectiveness of human relations agencies in the battle of civil rights. He was chairman of the Los Angeles County Commission on Human Relations till recently.

Other panel members were William Marutani of Philadelphia, National JACL legal counsel, who described the Nisei attitudes on the question, and Raymond Uno, of Salt Lake City who commented upon the acceptance of Japanese Americans today in their respective communities.

Over 150 youth delegates registered for the convention.

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JACL IN 3D TRY TO REPEAL WASH. ALIEN LAND LAW

State Legislature To Be Asked to Place Initiative on Ballot

DETROIT.—Aware that the Washington state alien law is the last of such discriminatory, outmoded statutes on the West Coast, the Japanese American Citizens League will make a third attempt in 1966 to repeal the constitutional prohibition against ownership of land by "nondeclarant aliens".

The Pacific Northwest District Council and especially the four JACL chapters in the state (Seattle, Puyallup Valley, White River Valley and Spokane) will immediately plan to have the initiative placed on the ballot through the State Legislature.

Because of the defeats of 1960 and 1962, though the margin was cut down from 55 pct. in 1960 to 51 pct., a frank review of the campaign has been recommended by the National Council.

The recent defeat of fair housing ordinances in both Seattle and Tacoma also suggested the changing political atmosphere in the state and this must be realistically considered in the JACL campaign, the National Council added.

In 1962 the proposition was defeated 428,276 to 400,839 with only four counties (King, Pierce, Yakima and Kitsap) being recorded in favor.

Endowment fund earns \$14,286

DETROIT.—The National JACL Board re-elected Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa of Los Angeles to another six-year term as member of the National JACL Endowment Fund Committee.

Dr. George Miyake of Fowler will continue to serve as chairman for the next biennium. Net earnings to JACL for the past biennium was \$14,286.33. Total value of the JACL assets was \$364,489.39.

Streamlining JACL national council

DETROIT.—In the interest of economy of time and efficiency of procedure, the National JACL Resolution Committee's proposal to streamline national council and committee sessions was adopted by the 18th Biennial National Council here last week.

Steps which were described have been in practice in some districts but this is the first time it has been prescribed in writing. At future biennial conventions:

- 1—Each chapter and district council insure there delegates and national committee representatives be fully apprised of the problems and facts (in order to minimize unnecessary delays and repetition of questions) so that practical, workable solutions and proposals can be gained.
- 2—Each district council meet

Over 500 relax at Convention outing, biggest in Detroit history

DETROIT.—Never in the history of Detroit JACL has so many Nisei gathered at one time in this area. The July 2 outing at Pine Knob Lodge provided the setting for the gathering of some 500 JACLers, families and friends, including 120 Jr. JACLers. The 18th Biennial National Conventioneers were transported from the Sheraton Cadillac Hotel and the Glen Oaks Golf Club in over 100 private cars and two chartered buses.

The exclusive lodge and its spacious facilities at Clarkston, 50 miles north of here, were taken over entirely for the day by JACL. Afternoon activities included a treasure hunt, card games, ski-lift rides, horse shoe pitching, volleyball and badminton. The treasure hunt grand prize of a wrist watch went to Dr. Kiyoshi Sonoda of West Los Angeles.

In cool air conditioned comfort, diners feasted on a gourmet buffet dinner in two dining rooms. Each gave a panoramic view of the ski slopes. In this atmosphere the overflow crowd didn't seem to mind the long lines. Even the sudden thundershowers during the dinner didn't dampen the spirit of the outing guests. Emcee was Chuck Campbell.

MORE JAPANESE FARM WORKERS REQUESTED

DETROIT.—Continued support and expansion of California supplemental agricultural workers program, administered under Public Law 414, was urged by the 18th Biennial National JACL Convention here this past week.

PL 414 has permitted a small group of farm laborers from Japan to work on California farms, promulgated to promote President Eisenhower's People to People Program in 1956.

At the present time, the program which called for 1,000 supplemental farm workers per year is being limited to 300 workers per year. The resolution asks that the full complement of workers be allowed to learn American farm life and democracy.

Delegates were informed that workers who returned to Japan under this program were able to check Communist inroads in their respective prefectures.

Picked by Convention Queen Marilyn Nagano, the 1964 Thunderbird or \$3,655 was awarded to James Mine of Skokie, Ill. A \$50 prize went to the Chicago Nisei Post for selling the winning ticket. The 1964 Falcon winner, picked by Princess Sarah Shirane, is J. Kamen of Cleveland. Jr. JACLer Richard Shirasawa was awarded \$25.

The five recipients of \$50 savings bonds, picked by Princess Shirley Kinoshita are:

Ruth Finkle, Clovis, Calif.; Terry Kunihiko, Los Angeles, Calif.; T. Tashiro, Salt Lake City, Utah; A. Cashman, Hamtramck, Mich.; and Tino Elizondo, Royal Oak, Mich.

Committee members on Operation Thunderbird are:

Roy Kaneko, chmn., George Kubo, Ami Omura and George Otajui.

Following dinner, golf awards and prizes were given out by Queen Marilyn and attendants

Sarah and Shirley. Golf tournament committee members included:

Al Hatate, chmn., Peter Fujioka, Lloyd Joichi, Harry Matsumoto, Kay Mio, Fred Mita and Bill Otsuki.

With 2 orchestras playing simultaneously, conventioneers were able to dance in the outdoor patio or in the lounge. Music was furnished by Detroit's Blue Notes and Jose Grande Trio. A dance exhibition team, Pat and Jim Long, provided intermission entertainment. While the adults danced, supervised nursery care for preschoolers was provided in 2 private rooms.

Seeing to the comfort and enjoyment of all the delegates and boosters were:

Richard Fujioka, chmn.; Bill and Florence Adair, Kimi Campbell, Frank Fukuda, George Otajui, Eiko Takemoto, Claire and Tom Tanase and a group of about 60 people.

Detroit area residents who contributed to evacuees welfare remembered by JACL

DETROIT.—By special permission of the National JACL Board, the official luncheon of the 18th Biennial National JACL Convention was the occasion for special citations to Detroit area residents who made outstanding contributions to the welfare of Japanese Americans during and immediately following World War II.

Before a capacity audience, Detroit Chapter president James Shimamura made the awards to:

Mrs. William H. Adams, American Friends Service.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert Boltwood, volunteer advisers; Nisei Fellowship 1944-51.

Earl B. Brink, Earl B. Brink Insurance Agency.

William H. Brown, pres. Hoskin Mfg. Co.

Dr. Florence S. Cassidy, Nationality Dept., United Community Service.

Mrs. Fern S. Gunkel, former director, Group Work, Education and Recreation, International Institute.

Barney Hertzberg, Guardian Glass Co.

Louis Hopping, former U.S. attorney, Japanese Alien program.

Father James A. McCormick, Maryknoll Fathers.

Oran T. Moore, former head, Nationality and Citizenship Dept., Chrysler Corp.

Walter Reuther, pres. UAW; aided anti-ABC (bowling) restrictions.

August Scholle, pres. Michigan CIO.

National JACL sponsor. In attendance were a delegation of six officials of the Japanese Canadian Citizens Association, headed by National President Edward Ide of Toronto, Canada, who spoke briefly of the assistance given by Mike Masaoka during the formation of the Canadian association and the similarity of the problems facing both organizations.

National officers of the Japanese American Citizens League were recognized by the National Director Masao Satow.

Following the awards, National President K. Patrick Okura addressed the gathering in which he cited accomplishments of the JACL and some of the problems still facing the organization.

Sasamoto wins both ends of convention golf meet

DETROIT.—Tom Sasamoto of Holland, Mich., won both the handicap and informal golf tournaments—the two-in-one affair arranged for the National JACL convention golf enthusiasts July 2 at Glen Oaks Country Club.

Chairman Al Hatate was assisted by Convention Queen Marilyn and her princesses Sarah and Shirley in making the following awards at the Pine Knob outing:

HANDICAP TOURNAMENT

66—Tom Sasamoto
67—Yoshiro Ushiro, Det.
68—Lloyd Joichi, Det.
69—Jim Matsuura, Det.
71—Joe Kadowaki, Clev.

INFORMAL (Peoria System)

69 (Low Gross)—Tom Sasamoto
54 (Low Net)—Sus Hada, Det.
62—Joe Kadowaki, Clev. and Lincoln
63—Shimizu, Clev.
64—Yoshio Ushiro, Det.
64—Harry Matsumoto, Det.

SPECIAL AWARDS

Longest Drive—Hole 4, J. Matsuura; Hole 14, Edgar Oshika, Det.; Closest to Pin—Hole 3, J. Kadowaki; Hole 9, T. Sasamoto; Hole 16, L. Shimizu; Hole 17, Tas Yamada, Det.; Most Strokes on One Hole—Clarence Nishio, Or City; Highest Gross—C. Nishio.

Special trophies donated by Dr. Joe Sasaki, local 1000 Club chairman, were presented by Pete Fujioka, booster events chairman, to:

Masy Tashima, Clev.; Sats Nakahira, Milw.; Bill Matsumoto, Sac.; Takito Yamaguma, DTLA; Dr. John Kashiwabara, LB; Sam Sato, Sa. Fran.

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By Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

Tokyo, Japan

SWIFTLY, SWIFTLY — If you think things have been changing in your old neighborhood, you ought to take a look at Tokyo. In the four years since I was here last, the face of this capital has been altered radically, and you are entitled to your own opinions as to whether it's been for better or worse.

Tokyo is still in a frenzy of building for the Olympics, a project that has been adopted nationally as a matter of honor and pride. Streets are still being torn up, overhead highways are being constructed, the monorail is taking shape. The Olympics have been a convenient device for bringing the city up to 20th Century standards.

But it will be a long time before Tokyo solves its traffic problems. The city needs at least a half dozen Los Angeles type freeways, but the obstacles in the way of building them are nothing short of monumental.

NISEI — Back in the 'thirties a small number of Nisei came to Japan from the United States in search of the opportunity that seemed to elude them at home. In their native America a deep economic depression and firmly seated prejudices combined to darken their futures.

Most of these Nisei found Japan was not the land of promise, either. They encountered difficulty adjusting to Japanese living standards, and the demands and customs of the business world were strange. Some, disillusioned, went home to the states. Others were stranded by the war. Still others, determined to make good, made their peace with the land and decided here they would live, work and die.

These Nisei, now in or approaching their fifties, are generally no longer the English-speaking flunkies whose facility with the language was virtually their only asset. They are now holding positions of importance based on their other abilities.

Welly Shibata, who runs things at the English Mainichi, was talking about these matters over breakfast the other morning and wondered out loud why more Nisei and Sansei newspapermen don't come over here to work. He pointed out, however, that unless these persons could read and write Japanese, their future in this country would be severely limited. Without bi-lingual language facility, their position would be no different than that of Caucasians.

Since few Sansei speak Japanese or even care to learn,

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Oral History questionnaire drafted

DETROIT.—A format of questions to be used by JACL chapters to tape-record "oral history" of important and interesting Issei and Nisei was presented to the 18th biennial National JACL Convention by the Japanese History Project.

The "oral history" is another research project phase different from the systematic survey now underway in various American cities where there are large concentrations of persons of Japanese ancestry, according to Dr. Scott Miyakawa, who gave a progress report of the project.

"While news gets into the papers," Dr. Miyakawa pointed out, "events, successes, failures, ideas, conflicts, situations, family happenstances, adventures, etc., made by himself and friends are reported."

A three-page questionnaire (preceded by a one-page set of instructions and tape-recording hints) calls for vital statistics of the interviewee, his early years in America, his career or occupations, his marriage and family life, other experiences (such as Evacuation and Resettlement), religious and community activities, his cultural and recreation interests.

Summation

The final question asks for "summation." Rate the Nisei you know; their strong and weak points.

Why do you think delinquency among Sansei is supposed to be increasing?

What advice do you have for Nisei? Sansei? For Americans generally?

Why do you think Japanese things are popular in the U.S.? architecture, interior decorating, flower arrangement, design, kendo, judo, gah, paintings?

What makes you proud of these things?

If you were to begin over, what would you do differently?

Executive Report

Shig Wakamatsu of Chicago, chairman of the History Project JACL executive committee, reported that national Issei survey now underway (and he held up the 73-page questionnaire being used by bilingual interviewers) may eventually produce as many as 40 books.

The first scientific survey ever attempted on persons of Asian ancestry, Wakamatsu said that 800 Issei interviews needed for the definitive history would be completed by Dec. 31, 1964, and the Nisei interviews by April 30, 1965.

Writing of the history as the result of the interviews will not begin until the summer of 1965. The so-called "popular" history will not be available until after the definitive history is finished.

However, the JHP executive committee is planning to publish a pictorial history in the meantime — something new in the series of books contemplated by the research project.

With the addition of a project past biennium.

PNWDC accepts request to check JACL scholarships

DETROIT.—The Pacific Northwest District Council accepted the National JACL Board request to administer the JACL scholarship program for the 1965-66 period.

It has become a practice for district councils to secure judges and committeemen to handle this particular youth program through one of its member chapters.

The Midwest DC and its Chicago chapter were in charge this year.

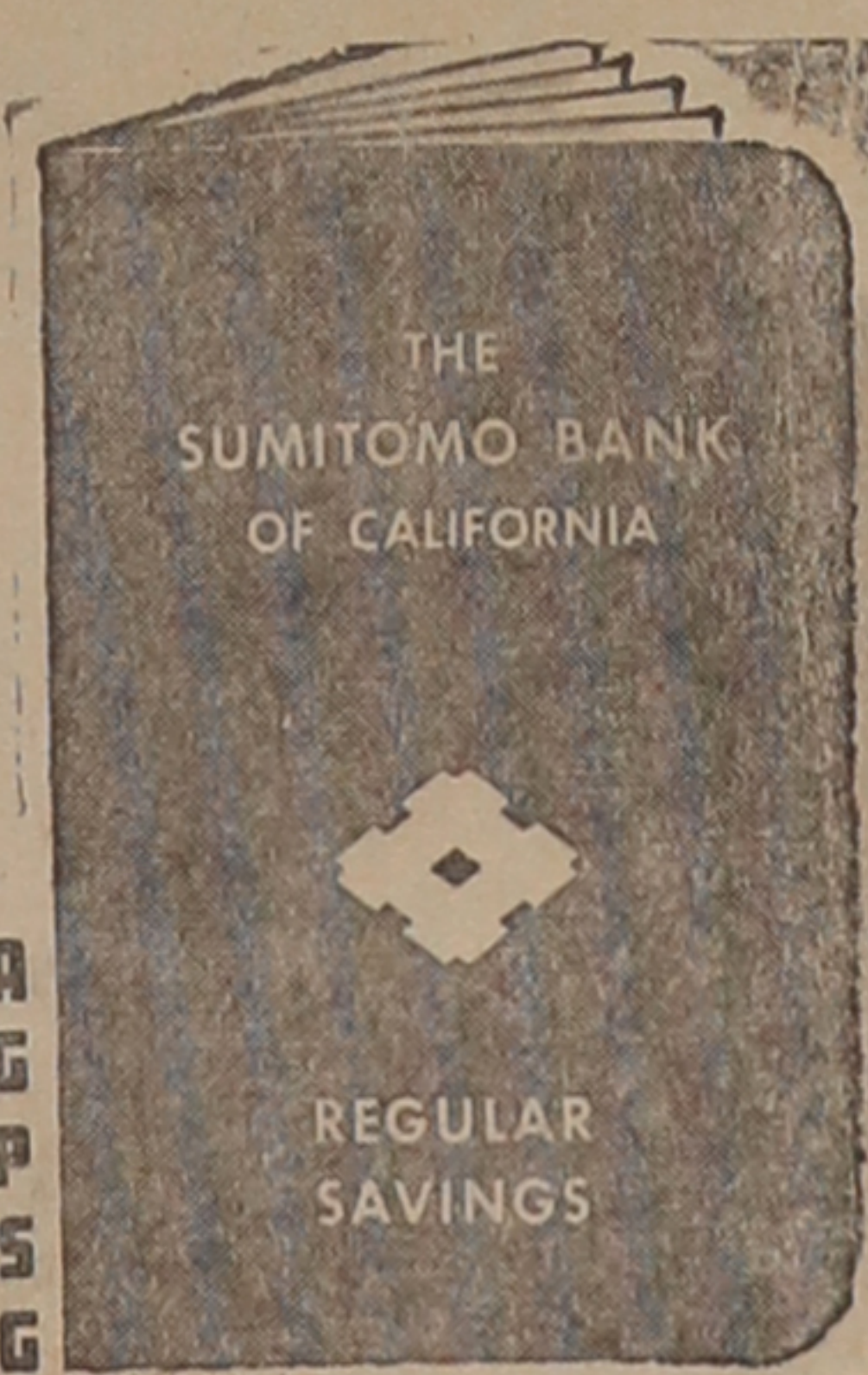
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National Legal Counsel, \$1,500; and Pacific Citizen subscriptions, \$6,000.

2. Accepted District Council National budget quota allocations totalling \$115,000 as follows (National to raise \$10,500):
Pacific Northwest\$ 7,900
Northern California 38,300
Western Nevada 7,700
Central California 27,000
Pacific Southwest 9,400
Intermountain 5,000
Mountain Plains 14,400
East 5,300
Local Chapter budget allocations to be decided within respective Districts.

3. Special National study Committee chaired by National Treasurer to be set up, to include representation from each District Council, to explore 1000 Club memberships, regular membership, national quota allocations; this Committee to report to the JACL National Board at its Interim meeting in 1965.

Youth

National Council supported Resolution of National Youth Assembly, which:
1. Established National Junior JACL interim organization composed of Junior JACL Chapters
2. With National Junior JACL Council composed of the Chairmen of each of the organized District Youth Councils, or his appointee. In Districts without organized District Youth Councils, a representative to the National Junior JACL Council will be elected by the Junior JACL Chapters of that District. A General Chairman of the National Junior JACL Council to be selected by and from the Council.
3. The National Junior JACL Council will serve as the Executive body for the National Junior JACL interim organization until the formation of the National Junior JACL organization at the 1968 National Convention.
4. The National Junior JACL Council will meet with the National JACL Youth Commission to set forth recommendations and policies to promote the growth of the Junior JACL organization.
5. The National Junior JACL interim organization shall be terminated upon the formation of the National Junior JACL at the 19th Biennial National Convention.
6. The JACL Administrative Assistant is to be named National JACL Youth Director with major responsibility to coordinate and administer the youth program. He is to stimulate the organization of Junior JACL Chapters and to organize District Youth Councils in at least two other District Councils not presently organized into Youth Yone Satoda.

Councils. (Present District with organized Youth Councils — Mid-west, Intermountain, and Northern California-Western Nevada).

National Officers

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1968 Convention Site

Accepted bid of Northern California - Western Nevada District Council to host 1968 National Convention.

1970 Convention Site

Accepted bid of Chicago Chapter to host 1970 National Convention.

By Resolutions
1. Set up a National JACL Committee on Agriculture to consider problems of common concern to JACLERS in agriculture.
2. That the program under Public Law 414 enabling a small group of farm laborers from Japan to work on California farms, be continued and expanded.

Nat'l Board Meeting
New National Board made the following appointments which have been confirmed:
National Legal Counsel—William Marutani, Philadelphia, Pa.
National Legislative-Legal Committee Chairman—Frank Chuman, Los Angeles, Calif.
Chairman, National Recognitions—Pat Okura, Omaha, Neb.
Past National President to serve on National Board—Hito Okada, Salt Lake, Utah. Will also serve as Chairman of the National Personal Committee.
Chairman, Pacific Citizen Board—Dr. David Miura, Long Beach, Calif.
National Membership Committee Chairman—Mas Hironaka, Los Angeles, Calif.
National Youth Commission—Jerry Enomoto
National Employment & Housing Committee Chairman—Takeshi Kubota
National Decade Planning Committee Chairman—Abe Hagiwara
Nat'l Scholarship Judging Committee to Pacific Northwest District Council
Reappointed Dr. Roy Nishikawa for 6 year term on JACL National Endowment Fund Committee
Chairman, Budget & Finance at least two other District Councils not presently organized into Youth Yone Satoda.

event or of community leaders are useful. They are invariably surprised when told their personal papers are equally useful.

Summation

A sampling of the kind of documentary material the project regards as useful was included to the History Project report to the convention.

The project has been concentrating its efforts the past year on:

- 1—Design of the nation-wide Issei survey questionnaire.
- 2—Compilation of Issei lists.
- 3—Oral history program.
- 4—Documentary materials, its location and availability for the project and then for permanent collection at the UCLA library.
- 5—Biographical data of Issei-Nisei history, including doctoral dissertations.
- 6—Contacts with various foundations for financial aid.
- 7—Contacts with smaller foundations and special groups for particular aid on studies in particular fields and special interests.

Dr. Masakazu Iwata

Prof. Masakazu Iwata of Biola College, a historian with background in Japanese and on Issei in American agriculture, will help this summer and fall to collect data for the monograph on Issei contribution to U.S. agriculture, horticulture and floriculture.

The first "oral history" interview of an Issei is being made this week in Chicago, according to Wakamatsu, who said Mrs. Haru Ishida, 105-year-old mother of Dixie Ishida, will be the subject. She is oldest living Issei in America.

The first Nisei to be interviewed under this program will be Mike Maseoka of Washington, D.C.

Spurs convene at Arizona State Univ.

TEMPE.—Christine Kajikawa, of Tempe, Ariz., president of the Arizona State University chapter of Spurs, sophomore women's honorary service organization, has had a busy month.

The national biennial convention of Spurs was held on the ASU campus June 15 to 18, and as president of the host chapter she was deeply involved in arrangements for the convention.

The convention program included lectures, workshops, business meetings and discussions, liberally laced with social and recreational events, such as a get-acquainted party, a barbecue on South Mountain, and a formal banquet.

Spurs, founded in 1922 at Montana State College, at Bozeman is dedicated to the motto "At Your Service." Colors are royal blue and gold—blue representing royal honor and devotion to ideals and gold representing the light of service.

Members are selected on the basis of participation in campus activities, dependability, personal integrity and service to others.

Miss Kajikawa, a recognized campus leader at ASU, has just completed her sophomore year. She is enrolled in the ASU College of Education, majoring in English.

Obon festival

FLORIN.—The 11th annual Florin Buddhist Church Obon Festival will be held this weekend, July 11-12, at the YBA Hall. Memorial services are scheduled in the chapel during the day with Obon dances on the street at night.

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(Special to the Pacific Citizen) LOS ANGELES. — More than 300 persons are expected to attend the Testimonial Dinner for attorney Saburo Kido at the Tokyo Kaikan Restaurant here on Saturday, July 25, it was estimated by Soichi Fukui, ticket chairman. The event is scheduled for 7 p.m.

The dinner, held in conjunction with the 35th Anniversary of the Downtown L.A. JACL Chapter, will attract numerous Southern California friends of the wartime national JACL president and now publisher of the New Japanese American News.

Mike M. Maseoka, Washington JACL representative, will participate in the program while George J. Inagaki, past national JACL president, will be toastmaster. It was revealed by Tats Kushiida, general chairman.

Contrasting entertainment will add color and atmosphere. The Kono Hawaiians who perform at Ken Kono's restaurant in Santa Ana, the Kono Hawaii, will provide music and dances as background to the dinner. Well-known instructor of the odori, Kanya Sanjo, will perform a classical ceremonial dance accompanied by Yajuro Kineya, ranking master in America

Minimum age dropped

ST. LOUIS.—The St. Louis JACL, sponsored by the JACL, has dropped its minimum age requirement for membership altogether but retained its ninth grade requirement.

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By Elmer Ogawa

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Irish Sweepstakes Winner

Consider it a trait of human nature, but most people, Nisei included, dream of the day when they are going to strike it rich—hit the jackpot, or by whatever other means. Such a deal came to be an actuality here in Seattle recently.

Kenny Arita, currently employed as a grocery clerk won \$140,000 in the Irish Sweepstakes, one of the millions in the United States who participate in the great charity lottery run periodically in Ireland.

To our knowledge, it is the first time that Nisei has ever won the big prize—so we feel that we should tell about it.

The story with pictures, was first page material in both of Seattle's Sunday editions recently. Only thing that we can add, it couldn't happen to a better guy.

So there we were, Kenny Arita relates the story of how a woman customer of the market where he works, pressured him to buy a ticket, and told him that he was a cheapskate if he didn't. So Kenny dug up his funds that he had for the day (to buy gas) and put up the two bills and the pair of 50 cents pieces to buy the ticket.

The lady customer was probably under pressure to sell the book before the deadline. Those of you who are well versed in these procedures know that the Sweep-12 tickets—ten are to be sold and the remaining two are the property of the book seller. To be sold or turned in as entries.

The woman seller who needed Kenny presented a book he had three tickets—of course he had his choice of which he should buy—he took the last one in the book.

Taiyo A.C. reunion among Seattle headliners Aug. 8

SEATTLE.—Add the Taiyo Athletic Club reunion to the many headline events scheduled for the first week of August in Seattle, the All Nisei Vets reunion, Seafair, and Pat Suzuki at the Aqua Follies.

At least 100 couples from California and the Northwest are expected to attend a dinner dance, Saturday, Aug. 8, at the new Edgewater Inn, Pier 67. A local name orchestra will play.

Reservations should be sent to Roy Sakamoto, 1265 S. King St., Seattle, Wash. 98144.

HOW CLOSE CAN YOU COME? It was only a month before the big race, but several days in advance Kenny received a telegram from Ireland which informed him that he had a horse running on his ticket. Poor reporter that I am I forgot to ask which horse—so when the newscast came in and announced that the winner was Santa Claus, Your Reporter wondered if that was Kenny's horse.

Sure enough, it turned out to be, because the first reports mentioned the horse only. Later it was said that 11 persons in the U.S. had won the big prize, in this 1964 race.

A few lines back, we said that this couldn't happen to a better guy. Because we knew Kenny since 1948 when this writing character first came back to Seattle, Kenny had troubles at the time, as we remember—marital troubles—he has since re-married, and has two daughters who are not quite teenagers yet, but a big part of the winnings will be put in a trust fund to provide for the girl's college education.

Kenny told me that he does not intend to quit his present \$140-a-week job as a produce clerk. On a family outing over this past weekend, an outing that was intended to "get away from it all", after finding cars doubled parked in front of his house just half hour after the news broke, Kenny came back to tell me this week that he had put six hours sleep in the last two days—because of the con-merchants who were tracking him down.

All this column can say is that Kenny's problem—and don't think that he has not had plenty of advice. But does he still believe in Santa Claus?

Colleen Tokuda choice

SEATTLE, July 7—Colleen Tokuda, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Tokuda of this city, was crowned Seattle's Miss Nisei at a coronation ball at the Olympic Hotel on June 27.

Queen Colleen will be the Japanese community's candidate in the annual competition for Seafair Queen this summer. She will also ride on the Japanese community's float in the various Seafair parades along with her two princesses, Eileen Suyama, 18, and Dorothy Harada, 19.

BILL HOSOKAWA: From the Frying Pan

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we agreed they posed an unlikely source of talent.

THE NATIVES — Meanwhile, the number of English-speaking Japanese is growing rapidly. Bright young men, already in positions of importance in their companies and destined to climb high, have been sent to the United States for a year or more of study in colleges and universities as part of their training. And most of them have learned well. They know Yankee psychology and customs as well as American idiom. Although I haven't met any personally yet, there are other young Japanese who have made a study of matters relating to Great Britain, or France, or West Germany, and they, too, will play a large part in their nation's future.

In the lobby of the Okura Hotel, where I am staying, are to be heard the accents of many lands, and the faces of many countries. Business, politics and cultural matters are being discussed, for Tokyo is now the hub of the Orient and one of the hubs of world activity. It will become even more important under the incredible vitality, energy and ambition of the Japanese people.

These are exciting times in an exciting country. It is almost unbelievable that less than two decades ago this land was a war-torn shambles, defeated, hungry and hopeless. One wonders whether Japan really lost the war.



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First Prize: JACL Oratorical Contest

Bridge to Freedom

Text of the speech of the 1st place winner in the National JACL oratorical contest held in Detroit last weekend.

BY JERRY OTA Pacific Northwest District Council

"A prophet is never loved by his own." Daniel was a prophet of the Old Testament. He spent his life preaching against sin and injustice. He told his people of a promised land where they would be free of such evil. And yet Daniel was hated. Eventually he was killed.

Today's integrationist leaders are prophets in their own right. Medgar Evers spent a great deal of his life preaching against prejudice and bigotry. He told his people of a day in the future when mankind would be free of the seeds of such hatred. And yet he too was hated. And one summer evening, Medgar Evers was killed.

What is civil rights? What magic is held in these two words that they have become the rallying cry of millions of Americans what mystical power in these same words brings looks and cries of intense hatred from millions more? The answer? Another question, one that can only be answered by each man, for himself. What magic is there in human rights, those inviolable rights given and guaranteed to all mankind by God? This is the question before us today. It begs for an answer.

JACL's Role

What is the role of the Japanese American Citizens League as an organization founded for a "greater American?" What is our

role as members of that organization? What must our duty be as citizens of this nation, and as members of the human race? These are the problems before us today. They too beg for a solution.

What the Japanese American Citizens League, what we must seek to do seems clear. Perhaps the point can be made with this story: An old man came to a rushing stream. After a bitter struggle, he finally managed to cross it. But once he reached the opposite shore he began to do a strange thing; he began to build a bridge back to the other side. Another traveler came along and he asked, "Old man, why are you building that bridge; you were already on the other side?" And the old man answered... "For those who follow."

Some bridges are built of stone and steel, but others are made of the courage and moral strength to stand up and fight for what you believe to be right. This is the bridge America must build.

And the Japanese American Citizens League must become one of the strongest planks in this great bridge, the bridge to civil rights. She must not head a fight for Japanese rights; she must organize and represent the Japanese American people in the struggle for human rights. For this is not a fight for Japanese rights or Negro rights. It is a war on hatred. To reach ultimate victory, the Japanese American Citizens League must unify and teach. For unity and education are our two great weapons. Unity is an indication of

strength, and strength can mean success. And education, education is the first great step toward understanding. With understanding comes acceptance.

Individual Responsibilities

But, as always, the real obligation falls on the individual; the single citizen, the lone man. For the group can do nothing without the cooperation of the individual.

And the Japanese American Citizens League must instill in the individual an idea of what the struggle for civil rights is. Every one involved must know that the struggle for civil rights is a struggle for the rights inherent to the very nature and dignity of man.

As Pope John XXIII said: "Every human being is a person; his nature is endowed with an intellect and a free will. By virtue of this he has rights and duties of his own, flowing directly and simultaneously from his very nature, rights which are universal, inviolable, and inalienable."

This carries another important idea, that of rights and duties. For rights are inseparably linked to duties. One man's rights correspond to another man's duties. Those men who demand the protection of their own rights and at the same time infringe upon those of others; those men who claim rights but do not perform duties, those men are the hypocrites who build the wall with one hand, and tear at the foundation with the other.

The sooner that Americans realize that in fighting for the rights of their fellow men they are performing the duties that protect

their own basic rights; that sooner will America be free.

In Finishing the Bridge

This then is the idea: The present generation play the part of foundation for the bridge. The Japanese American Citizens League must use her influence to unify and educate the new generations. For the truth and moral strength she gives to these new generations will finish this bridge, and give it lasting strength. And long after the stone has crumbled and the steel has rusted, our bridge will continue to stand. She will be strong and true, spanning the gulf of ignorance and bigotry... for those who will follow.

Our ultimate goal is clear, it was stated by the late President Kennedy when he said: "We must strive to make it possible for every American to enjoy the privileges of being American without regard to his race or his color." The path to that goal is opening before us. We must stand and let the world know where we stand.

We need a strong statement of belief and intention, using the words of our late President: "Let the word go forth from this time and place to friend and foe alike; that the torch has been passed to a new generation of Americans born in this century, tempered by war, disciplined by a hard and bitter peace, proud of our ancient heritage—and unwilling to witness or permit the slow undoing of those human rights to which this nation has always been committed."

Now the trumpet summons us again—not as a call to bear arms,

First Prize: JACL Essay Contest

That Day Will Come

FIRST PLACE WINNER Janet Okamura 4972 Fillmore, Denver, Colo. Mile-High JACL Chapter

Once there was a land, a far distant land where, reports said, freedom and equality were law, where opportunities were fair and abundant, where man could live as a human being.

In this land, a man was free to speak his mind, free to make his own decisions, free to live where he pleased, and free to attend the church and worship the God of his choosing.

This was the legendary land people called "America" and to her shores came those sought a better life, a chance to become what they could, an opportunity to live under justice and equality. When they go to the land called "America" they found the freedom and equality about which they had so often heard, but also found that it was restricted to only a certain group—to those whose race, color and creed were in compliance with the majority.

For the Negro whose skin was a darker shade than the majority's there were no civil rights, no equality; for the Jew whose religion was different from that of the majority there was no freedom; for the Chinese and the Japanese who were victims of the "yellow peril" hate campaigns there was no equality.

Theirs it was to suffer the physical and vocal attacks of prejudice and discrimination. In particular, the Japanese who arrived on the western coast almost immediately stepped into irrational race prejudice and injustices and indignities.

Turning Point

The great turning point for the Japanese American came in 1930. Insignificant as it may have been then, an event was occurring which was later to prove an invaluable weapon in fighting the hatred and prejudice to which the Japanese was subjected.

In that year an organization named the Japanese American Citizens League was founded by a group of Nisei meeting in Seattle, Washington. The purpose of the organization, better known simply as JACL, was first of all to encourage America's Japanese to help their own cause by furthering their Americanization, and secondly to gain for the many Japanese in America the full opportunities for citizenship and economic and social development.

As each successive week passed, the undying spirit and work of the JACL continued and ordinances and laws once directed against the people from a little island in the East were repealed or invalidated and new dignity, respect and acceptance were built and firmly established.

Today, the Japanese is an accepted and respected citizen in the American community. He is looked upon by nearly all as an industrious, hard-working, honest American. He is admired and considered a valuable contributor to America's society of workers, scholars and citizens.

The JACL's work, past and present, is living proof to all people that the democratic way is the best way—where the individual is valued on the basis of his complete record and of his individual merit, not race, color, creed or national origin. He is important and valuable to a society because he is an individual human being, possessing his own unique characteristics, talents and cultural contributions.

Situation Today

Today we are again faced with a similar situation where a minority group must face prejudice and discrimination because it is a minority whose skin color is darker than that of the majority.

The American Negro has had to suffer the prejudice and hatred of race-conscious Americans for some 200 years as compared to the relatively few decades that the Orientals have been buffeted by racial prejudice. 1963 was a big year for the Negro—it was the year of his civil rights revolt, exactly a century after the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation.

Emancipated they are on paper, but not so yet in the minds and hearts of many Americans who harbor hatred and discrimination.

On June 11, the late President John F. Kennedy told the nation in a televised address that the United States faced a "moral crisis" because of a "rising tide" of Negro discontent. He called for Congress "to join with the executive and judicial branches in making it clear that race has no place in American life or law."

The administration's action was precipitated by the Negro revolution which had broken out in urban centers of the North, as well as the South.

Negroes conducted non-violent sit-ins and picket lines to dramatize demands for equal treatment. More than 200,000 Negroes and white supporters joined in an orderly march on Washington on August 28.

Death of Medgar Evers

There was violence too. Medgar Evers, Mississippi field secretary for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, was shot in the back and killed outside his home. Four Negro girls were killed and 23 persons injured when a church in Birmingham, Alabama, was dynamited on a Sunday morning.

As a result of the civil rights issued a newsletter by Mike Masaoka appeared in the June 28, 1963, Pacific Citizen, stating: "The fact is, as every JACLer should know, that the JACL from its very inception has had a forthright, comprehensive, and unequivocal policy on this vital issue, for the JACL has always known that without meaningful and enforceable equality of opportunity and consideration for all Americans, without regard to race, color, creed or national origin, the civil rights of those of Japanese ancestry are in jeopardy."

It has been on this philosophy

that the JACL based its foundations for action.

JACL is not an organization which represents the Japanese only, but serves as an example through its work and untiring actions for all people. It has shown the American people whether Caucasian, Mongolian or Negroid that responsible and well-planned actions are the keys to the success for the civil rights for which it has fought since 1930.

Sit-in demonstrations, picket lines and marches for freedom are not enough.

What is most vital is an organized and purposeful plan which demonstrates to the American society a sincere and worthy desire for equality and equal rights.

JACL and Civil Rights

The effort to show the nation that it is ready for equality, for equal rights and privileges is the convincing step. Once this has been established an organized committee or group of interested and well-qualified citizens can begin the work toward legislation which will bring the lawful rights which it deserves. The JACL organization has proven this.

The JACL and the civil rights

issue cannot be questioned. Because the League was founded for that very specific purpose—for the purpose of obtaining the lawful rights for all Japanese people as they deserve them—its position on the very controversial issue is determined.

JACL fully supports every action that the Negro leaders may promote providing they are lawful, purposeful and peaceful.

The JACL position is clearly stated in the statement issued by the special National JACL Committee on Civil Rights:

"As Americans of Japanese ancestry who, just 20 years ago, suffered unprecedented deprivation of

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Pasadena co-eds earn scholarships

PASADENA.—Community scholarships, co-sponsored by the local JACL chapter, were presented last week to Donna Akira and Eleanor Takata, who ranked high in their 900-member graduating class at John Muir High School.

Eight organizations contributed to the eighth annual awards of \$100 each, Ted Tajima, committee chairman, announced. A seven-member committee judged the winners on the basis of their high grade point ratios, leadership in school and community, service, and college intentions.

Eleanor, daughter of 1000 Club member Al and Mrs. Takata and this year's Pasadena chapter nominee for JACL scholarships, edited her school's year-book, in addition to registering a 3.77 grade point ratio and earning California Scholarship Federation Sealbearer standing. Her numerous awards included being Girls State delegate in 1963, winner of DAR and American Le-

ague Awards, and a choice for the AS distinction, given for outstanding service and won by only 15 of the 900 seniors in school. She was also active in Quill and Scroll journalism society, U.S. year-book Workshop, the prom, homecoming and philanthropy committees, Aquacade, Inner literary magazine, youth council newsletter staff, and Z (honorary) M Girls, Girls Athletic Assn., Tennis and Adelphi clubs. She was also class treasurer, prom chairman and "Senior of the Month."

Eleanor will enter Stanford on English major this fall. Donna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Akira, registered a 3.92 grade point average out of a possible 4.00, was a California Scholarship Federation Sealbearer, and will enter UCLA with Honors at Entrance. She is a liberal arts major.

Her school affiliations include GAA, the Alumni, French and Tennis clubs, Adelphi's service club, M Girls class council, and the prom, homecoming, senior activities, and publicity committees.

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JAPANESE AMERICANS AGAINST PROP. 14 COORDINATE EFFORTS

LOS ANGELES.—Japanese Americans Against Prop. 14 will form a coordinating committee tonight at the meeting to be held at the Hollywood Independent Church, 4527 Lexington Ave., it was announced by Wallace Tashima and the Rev. George Aki, co-chairmen. The meeting starts at 8 p.m. Californians for Fair Housing will send a representative to give the keynote speech and provide facts on Prop. 14, which if passed, will seriously limit housing opportunities of Japanese Americans.

HENRY OHYE CROSSES PACIFIC SOLO, FIRST NISEI TO ACCOMPLISH FEAT

TOKYO.—California-born Henry Ohye arrived July 7 in his small single-engine plane to become the first Nisei ever to fly solo from California to Japan. The 54-year-old auto salesman arrived at Tokyo International Airport at 2:18 p.m. PDT from Naha, Okinawa—the last leg of his trans-Pacific flight. He took off from Oakland June 22, making stops also at Honolulu, Midway, Wake Island and Guam. Ohye described his flight as a goodwill gesture. He carried messages from 17 American cities to their sister cities in Japan. A battery of photographers greeted the Californian when he stepped out of his single-engine aircraft. Ohye, wearing an open-collared white shirt and grey trousers, read a brief statement, first in Japanese and later in English.



HENRY OHYE Safe in Japan...

Calendar

- July 10-11 San Francisco - Benefit movies, Kinon Hall. July 11 (Saturday) Philadelphia - Picnic, Friends Central. July 12 (Sunday) Twin Cities - Community picnic. Pasadena - Steak bake. Contra Costa - Picnic, Wildwoods Gardens, Moraga. July 13 (Friday) San Francisco - Bridge club, Christ Episcopal Ch. 8 p.m. July 18 (Saturday) French Camp - Community bazaar, French Camp Hall, 4 p.m. Orange County - JAY's 10th anniversary dinner, Disneyland Hotel, Mike Masataka, spk. July 19 (Sunday) Twin Cities - Community picnic, Golden Park, St. Paul. Payall Valley - Picnic. Seattle - Golf tournament, Allenmore, 9:30 a.m.; Jefferson courses, 11 a.m. July 20 (Wednesday) Venice-Culver - Dodger Night, Dodger Stadium. July 25 (Saturday) Downtown L.A. - 35th Anny. and Saburo Kido testimonial dinner, Tokyo Kaikan. San Diego - Chapter awards dinner, Miyako Restaurant, 7 p.m. July 26 (Sunday) Twin Cities - Fishing derby, Smith's Bay, Lake Minnetonka. Downtown L.A. - Chapter golf tournament, Fox Hills West, 10:30 a.m. Aug. 2 (Sunday) Milwaukee - Family picnic, McGovern Park. Aug. 7 (Friday) Chicago - Jr. JACL meeting. Aug. 9 (Sunday) West Los Angeles - Auxiliary's Nisei Week fashion show-luncheon, International Hotel. Philadelphia - Outing, Clementon Lake Park, N.J. Aug. 14 (Friday) San Jose - Baseball Night (Giants vs. Braves), Candlestick Park.

DEATHS

Kiichi Tashiro, 88; Father of former Nat'l 1000 Club chairman Kenji Tashiro, of Orosi, on April 29 at Kumamoto while visiting Japan. A pioneer farmer in the area, he was one of the first to grow and market tomatoes and other vegetables successfully. His citrus plantings there were also among the first. He was known to his neighbors for his scientific approaching to farming.

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Michigan's 1st Lady keynote theme in welcome address

DETROIT.—In behalf of the Governor and 9 million Michiganders, Mrs. George Romney, the vivacious First Lady of Michigan, in a moving and stirring address, welcomed the JACL delegates to the 18th Biennial National JACL Convention at the opening ceremony held in the Crystal Ballroom of the Sheraton Cadillac Hotel July 1. Mrs. Romney, in citing the convention theme, "Human Dignity—Our Challenge," placed emphasis on the human side of the civil rights struggle. The welcoming message of the Mayor of Detroit was delivered by his charming wife, Mrs. Jerome P. Cavanagh, who also extended an invitation to the delegates to attend the Detroit-Windsor Freedom Festival occurring concurrently with the JACL National convention.

Greetings from the President Lyndon B. Johnson was read by the master of ceremonies, William Otsuki. Special greetings were presented by Frank Watanabe, convention chairman, James N. Shimoura, Detroit chapter president, Dr. James Takao, MDC chairman and the Convention Queen Marilyn and her court, National JACL President K. Patrick Okura responded. Mrs. Shirley Bradley, soloist at St. Paul AME Church, gave a thrilling rendition of the JACL Hymn, as well as the National Anthem. The Rev. Arthur K. Beumler of Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church gave the invocation. The colors were posted by the Troop 584 of Dixon School.

Essay Contest - (Continued from Page 5)

civil rights and loss to property solely on the basis of our ancestry, we support the present struggle for human dignity now being dramatized by Negro fellow Americans. The JACL therefore endorse intensified participation in responsible and constructive activities to obtain civil equality, social justice, and full economic and educational opportunities as a matter of fundamental right for all Americans regardless of race, color, creed or national origin.

Hope for Future As illustrated by this official statement, it is the hope and the prayer of the JACL organization and all its members that someday all American citizens will share the equality and civil rights accorded the people of the American Union. The nation of the American United States was founded on the principles of justice and equality for all. The period which the people of Japanese ancestry had to face during the war years, the period which the Negro today is facing illustrates the fact that the democratic way is the best way. It proves that ours is a democracy, but still a young and imperfect democracy which admits of mistakes and allows for the correction of abuses and wrongs. The day is yet to come when all peoples will be judged on individual merit; when color, creed,



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1964 NATIONAL JACL scholarship committee members and judges, recently meeting in Chicago, are (from left): Front—Dr. Robert J. Marshall, Rev. Gyomay Kubose, Alden G. Barber, Mrs. Sanford Rose, Jesse Owens, Norman Nowicki, judges; Back—Kumeo Yoshinari, Mrs. Mary Koga, Hiro Mayeda, Mrs. Sumi Miyaki, Dr. Frank Sakamoto, Dr. Victor Izui and Jack Nakagawa. — James S. Ogata Photo

Nisei urged to help stamp out poverty

DETROIT.—Japanese Americans were urged last week to do their share in stamping out poverty, racial and religious discrimination and to promote equal opportunity for all. The speaker, John W. Yoshino, deputy director, field services, the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity, of Washington, D.C., addressed the opening session of the 18th biennial National JACL Convention. "The guarantee of equal opportunity for all Americans," Yoshino said, "is the cornerstone of our democracy." He also cited the appointment of Tak Kubota of Seattle as chairman of the JACL Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity. With the Convention honoring several outstanding Americans in appreciation for their courage to speak up for Japanese Americans during the hysteric war years, Yoshino said, "They set examples that inspired others to do likewise. We as Americans today can do no less in doing our part."

1000 Club Notes

June 30 Report: The 1000 Club report as of June 30 shows 1,652 current members including the following received during the last half of June: FOURTEENTH YEAR Venice-Culver - George S. Mikawa TWELFTH YEAR Orange County - Hitoshi Nitta TENTH YEAR Long Beach - Dr. Leo Nakayama (formerly San Francisco) Orange County - Minoru Nitta, Mitsuo Nitta, Sam Shouike Nitta NINTH YEAR Philadelphia - Tomomi Murakami EIGHTH YEAR Long Beach - Dr. Haru Ishida, Dr. Kaizumi Izumi St. Louis - Fred K. Oshima DOWNTOWN L.A. - Jerry S. Ushijima SEVENTH YEAR Downtown L.A. - Tom K. Taira SIXTH YEAR Long Beach - Dr. Y. Fred Fujikawa Philadelphia - Mrs. Mary D. Murakami STOCKTON - Arthur K. Nakashima CINCINNATI - Kaye Watanabe FIFTH YEAR Stockton - Chester Fukuhara, Roy S. Nakashima, William U. Nakashima CINCINNATI - Kaye Watanabe FOURTH YEAR Orange County - Dr. Steve N. Asahio Portland - Dr. George S. Hara Chicago - Karl Nakamura Marysville - Henry Oji Sacramento - George Otani Seattle - Mrs. Toshie Suyama DOWNTOWN L.A. - Kakuo Tanaka THIRD YEAR Twin Cities - Mas Harada Orange County - Fred M. Nishio Placer County - Kunio Okusu, Koichi Uyeno SECOND YEAR Berkeley - Dr. Roy S. Hamaji Sacramento - Robert M. Ikegami Detroit - James C. Shimoura KAWAII YUENO - Yosh Nakazawa

Community leaders

Detroit: Dr. Joseph D. Sasaki, Optimist International, Michigan district lt. gov. EVERY CHAPTER should see that every eligible citizen of Japanese ancestry in the community is a registered voter. VOTER REGISTRATION campaign must not be confined to only the JACL members, but to every eligible voter of Japanese ancestry in the entire community.

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Japanese press hails passage of U.S. Civil Rights Act

TOKYO.—The Asahi Shimbun, one of Japan's largest newspapers Sunday hailed passage of the U.S. Civil Rights bill but pointed out the law itself would never eliminate racial discrimination, prejudice or inequality. "This is particularly true in the U.S., especially in the deep south where prejudice against Negroes is so deep-rooted that it cannot be wiped out overnight," the newspaper's editorial said. "The law will have attained its purposes only when every U.S. citizen, from the standpoint of justice, makes active efforts to bring about true racial equality. In this sense, enactment of the new civil rights law does not mean that a true racial equality or equal opportunity for all races now exists in the U.S. But it does mean that a new beginning has been made to attain these ideals." The Sankei Shimbun said: "Praise is due the U.S. Congress and administration for their efforts. The U.S. will surely gain world confidence through the enactment of this law."

Chicago delegation leads

DETROIT.—Largest delegation, comprised of 30 persons, attending the 18th Biennial here came from Chicago. NATIONAL Headquarters acknowledges JACL supporting memberships individually, indicating a stated portion has been retained also by the local chapter for its program.

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KENT KOBUCHI NAMED SAN FRANCISCO JACL SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

SAN FRANCISCO.—Kent Kobuchi, 18, honor student at St. Ignatius High and the son of Tom and Leatrice Kobuchi of San Francisco, has been named winner of the 1964 San Francisco JACL Scholarship Award, according to scholarship committee chairman Eugene S. Sasai. While at St. Ignatius, Kobuchi received, among others, awards from the Bank of America, the California Scholarship Federation and the National Honor Society. He was a member of the track team and production manager of the school magazine. Outside school, Kobuchi has been active in prior years in the Pop Warner Football League and as a member of Scout Troop 58. Kobuchi plans to use his \$250 award to aid in his studies at the Univ. of Santa Clara, where he plans to major in engineering. It is believed that he is the first Nisei Catholic student to receive the award since its inception in 1959. Sasai thanked all participating students, teachers, and friends for their interest and cooperation in the program. He hoped that the San Francisco Chapter would soon approve recommendations made by the Scholarship Committee to revise the present award system so to benefit more students in the future.

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Mt. Olympus JACL Lagoon Night: Both senior and junior JACLers of the Mt. Olympus chapter will frolic on Lagoon Night at the North Terrace on Monday, July 13, 7 p.m., starting with dinner. Program was postponed from July 6. Ken Nodzu, chairman, is being assisted by: Jimmy Yamasaki, Joyce Akiyama, Heiko Watanabe, Jerry Endo and Naomi Terashima assisting. Contra Costa JACL Chapter Picnic: The annual Contra Costa JACL picnic for members and their guests this Sunday at Wildwood Gardens, Lafayette, features a club house for dancing, swimming pool and spacious grounds for a pleasant summer day. Chapter is also culminating a fund drive the same time, proceeds of which will be used for chapter programs. In charge of the fun-filled day are: Yoshio Hotta, gen. arr.; Joe Oishi and Yoshio Hotta, prizes; Virginia Hotta, Grace Goto, races; Richard Yamashiro and Kunio Shibata, door prizes; Sam Sakai, sound system; Kunio Shibata, music; Joe Oishi, Mas Iwahara, refs. and donations; Sachu Yamada, adult's games; clean-up, Board members.

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