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JERRY ENOMOTO, State Chairman— Japanese American Voice Rings Loud and Clear in This Campaign

Prop. 14, the California Real Estate Assn's "segregation amendment", has served one useful purpose.

Seldom has an issue so moved and mobilized the Japanese American community, Christians and Buddhists, Chambers of Commerce, service clubs, fraternal groups and groups representing a wide cross section of our communities, have gone on record for "No on 14".

Our group has traditionally not been aggressive in matters of this kind, and our collective voice has not been loud. It is being heard loud and clear now.

A large number of new voters have been registered throughout the State by the concerted effort of many. It is significant that chapters of the JACL played leading roles in this maximum effort.

Heartwarming might best describe the picture of so many community elements teaming up in a common cause. The presence of 1,400 Californians at the \$50-per-plate dinner on Sept. 29 in San Francisco was perhaps the most living testimonial to this. Thirty-five Americans of Japanese ancestry were conspicuous by their presence.

Also of significance was the presence of a number of real estate people.

Floyd Lowe, a past president of the CREA, gave us a moving account of the feelings of those of his profession who stand for true "freedom" and place human values over property values.

A number of letters have been received from people who are strangers in one sense, but who are unmistakably friends in the sense of kinship on this issue. Notable was one from a real estate man who, like Mr. Lowe, condemned the actions of the top level leadership of CREA and those local realtor boards who have knuckled down to their pressure.

An interesting sidelight was the comment regarding assessments made of members for a "discrimination" fund on behalf of Prop. 14.

At a community meeting in Tracy, at which 150 people appeared, a Catholic priest and Methodist minister addressed themselves against Prop. 14. Amidst a predominantly hostile audience, an individual arose to support Prop. 14.

Aside from the fact that his participation exposed the opposition reasoning and made our stand more effective (probably the last thing he wanted) I found his remarks tragically without merit. They were typical of the propaganda of the "Yes" proponents, and laced with such words as "lies," "communists," etc.

A Nisei from Washington wrote of her deep concern about Prop. 14 and assured me of the efforts of her church to educate people on their stake in this fight.

Although this is gratifying, it also leads me to point out that concerned people like this, outside of California, have generously donated funds.

As State chairman of the campaign, I urgently ask fellow California Nisei, JACLers or not, to give what they can now. The expenses of a fight like this (TV, radio, ads) are tremendous. Send your bit to JACL headquarters and/or your local committee—wherever it goes, it will work to beat Prop. 14.

We are in the home stretch. Each of us needs to commit ourselves as much as we can to this effort.

If the least that you can do is to talk to your friends and give them the word on Prop. 14, you will have done something.

I invite all Americans of Japanese ancestry to remember one thing, if nothing else, the California Real Estate Assn. is behind Prop. 14. This is the outfit that has traditionally done its best to capitalize on every means to make Japanese Americans second class citizens, in the business of housing. I for one will be happy to give them a kick in the teeth.

Japanese can't buy or rent anywhere in San Francisco; two experiences offered

(Special to the Pacific Citizen)
SAN FRANCISCO — A realtor speaking for Prop. 14 declared that persons of Japanese ancestry can rent or purchase housing "anywhere in the city of San Francisco."

"But it has been the personal experience of John Yasumoto, of 2060 Greenwich St., that it is otherwise and cited two examples. "I called a real estate office about a flat that was for sale. After giving me information about the building, he proceeded to say, 'You know, it is nice out here because you tend to get away from the bad elements.'"

Away from 'Bad Elements'

"Then, I asked, 'What do you mean by bad elements?'" "He said, 'You know, there are no Negroes and Orientals—Japanese and Chinese—in this neighborhood.' I then identified myself; he was embarrassed and unable

to give me a satisfactory explanation. "Another recent experience in housing discrimination was when I called, for my own information, several rental apartments that were listed in the newspaper. These apartments were in above-average neighborhoods. "After getting some information about the apartment, in each case, I asked if it made any difference to them because I happen to be a person of Japanese ancestry."

Devious Explanations

"Three out of five did not say 'no' but gave me what I considered phony excuses, such as, 'Oh, one party has made an appointment to see this apartment in the morning so I would not be able to commit myself until tomorrow.' "The above are just two of my personal experiences. Now I ask you, how can I help but vote No on Prop. 14?"



EDMUND G. BROWN
GOVERNOR
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

September 25, 1964

Mr. Masao Satow
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Dear Mr. Satow:

I am glad to know how much our citizens of Japanese ancestry are doing to combat Proposition 14, and happy to have this opportunity to thank you. Of course, remembering the past, your activity is not surprising.

We must make clear by our NO vote on 14 on election day that California has rejected the whole pattern of second-class citizenship which sometimes shows itself in efforts to prevent some of our people from owning land, and sometimes in an attempt, such as Proposition 14, to prevent the Legislature from protecting the right of all people to own a home.

Please extend my thanks to all members of the JACL.

Sincerely

EDMUND G. BROWN, Governor

Housing in So. Calif. still unequal for Nisei, despite 'buyer's market'

BY KATS KUNITSUGU
(Special to the Pacific Citizen)

LOS ANGELES—The furor over Prop. 14 is focusing some attention on the housing market in Southern California in terms of the Nisei buyer. Just how much discrimination exists against Japanese Americans who are in the market for homes in the Southern California area?

Needless to say, an authoritative answer to that question would require at least a \$100,000 grant from the Rockefeller foundation and a leave of absence for Dr. Harry Kitano over at UCLA or something.

This article, being written by someone whose credentials are nowhere near Dr. Kitano's, will not pretend to be an exhaustive study but will be a subjective comment on the subject, bolstered by several interesting telephone interviews with Nisei realtors (yes, there are Nisei members of the California Real Estate Assn. through membership in local boards).

Buyer's Market Today

To begin with, the consensus among Nisei real estate brokers seems to be that it is a buyer's market. That is to say, the supply is adequate, if not actually exceeding the demand. Particularly when the current market is compared to the Fifties when an overwhelming demand for a plot of ground and a building (2 bdrm., 1 bath) to call home created a situation in which everybody seemed to be in the market for homes and every other body seemed to be in the real estate business, the current picture is a good deal more serene, and the buyer can more or less pick and choose.

The picture is a rosy one in terms of sheer numbers—that is, with \$5,000 cash clutched in his hot little hands, and a job that brings in something in the neighborhood of \$10,000 per annum, a Nisei home buyer doesn't have to jump for the first home with a for sale sign and the number of rooms he's looking for.

He can get choosy about the neighborhood, he can haggle about the wall-to-wall carpeting and drapes, he can look at the barbecue patio with a critical eye even though he may feel that a swimming pool in the back yard may be asking a little too much.

Does this mean that as far as the Nisei are concerned, Southern California is an open housing area? The answer to this is simple. No, it is not. Even the most persistent optimist will agree that given a Caucasian family and a

Nisei one with economic circumstances exactly alike, the same family size, the same educational background, the Nisei family will not have the same opportunities that the Caucasian family does.

Some Brokers Hold Back

To begin with, the Nisei will bump into brokers who are polite, even friendly, but who, upon hearing what you are looking for, regrettably shake their heads and say that unfortunately, in the area that you want to look in, he doesn't have anything available for you. One acquaintance of ours told us that one realtor simply refused to show her any properties in the Los Feliz area. Another, gave her the polite run-around, showing her homes which were patently unsuitable. However, she persisted in looking and found another broker who was downright sympathetic and went out of his way to help her acquire her present home.

A crucial question at this point would be, did she live happily ever after? She said she had a Jewish next-door neighbor who was rather unfriendly—in fact, she dumped garbage in her yard. I forget how she said she managed to discourage this woman or whether they finally moved away. But my friend said she considered her a minor nuisance anyway. So, really, she was invited to join luncheon groups and card groups in the neighborhood, and was quite happy with her new home.

Her situation points out something which I feel is true—that if you are determined to live in a certain area, you can probably find someone willing to sell, a broker (non-Nisei) that is friendly and the neighborhood generally congenial.

Unfortunately, not many Nisei are willing to "pioneer" in this manner. I'm not using the word "pioneer" in the sense of "first of many" but in the sense of simply breaking new ground. Most Nisei take the attitude that they don't want to live where they are not wanted, and the fact that an area has very few Japanese Americans living there is proof enough to them that they are not wanted there.

Role of Nisei Brokers

Instead, they go to Nisei real estate firms who will be sure to show them homes in areas where Japanese Americans are tolerated if not welcome. This will usually mean that the homes available are not new, and that the down payment demanded will be quite substantial, as compared to those for



Education will beat 14

LOS ANGELES—As the fight to defeat Prop. 14 steps into the final rounds, it becomes more evident by the day that the key to victory is "voter education"—phase II of the statewide campaign of the Japanese Americans Against Prop. 14.

A few months ago, before the statewide JACL Committee Against Prop. 14 first met in San Francisco the first Sunday after the National JACL Convention in Detroit last July, pollsters predicted an overwhelming victory for the proposition.

Now the informal polls tell a different story. In Northern California the race is about even and in Southern California the percentage of no votes are drawing closer to the percentage of yes votes every day.

Experts agree that a large percentage of the voters did not understand the true implications of the initiative when it qualified for the ballot and many still do not.

A recent story in Time Magazine noted:

"When pollsters from California's Opinion Research Inc. asked Negroes whether they approved the amendment, 59 pct. said that that was just what they had been wanting all along. But when the pollsters told the same Negroes what the practical effects of the amendment would be, 89 pct. were against it."

This is the evidence that urges the JACL Statewide Committee Against Prop. 14 and other similar organizations throughout the state to spare no effort to defeat the proposition through voter education.

tion between now and Nov. 3.

As the remaining days are crucial, "immediate action" can be exerted by every JACLer by:

1—Volunteering to help the local Committee Against Prop. 14, be it the JACL Committee or the community group.

2—Writing a note to everyone on your greeting card list, telling why you are voting against Prop. 14, asking them to do the same.

3—Phoning at least 10 of your friends.

4—Inviting small group of neighbors in for coffee klatches to discuss the pro's and con's of Prop. 14. JACL Committees can supply a speaker if needed.

5—Making use of news media, by writing letters to the editors of metropolitan and local newspapers.

Nisei realtor convinced Prop. 14 would jeopardize future as he recalls how discrimination have deterred in the past

BY CLARENCE NISHIZU
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Anaheim

Since I am a property owner and would be faced with the identical problems other property owners have, there was much research and soul-searching for me to decide on which side of the Prop. 14 fence I should stand.

(National Director Mas Satow had asked Nishizu to write this article from a Nisei realtor's stand. Nishizu was in San Francisco attending the convention of the California Real Estate Assn., co-sponsor of Prop. 14.)

In effect, Prop. 14 seeks to nullify portions of existing laws (such as the Rumford and Unruh Acts) which deal with racial and religious discrimination by property owners and their agents, to guarantee them the ability to reject applicants for any reason including race and religion, and to remove from governing bodies the ability to pass laws against housing discrimination.

Picture in Orange County

Racial discrimination has acted in the past as a deterrent upon the security and economic progress of Japanese Americans in California. Today, there are some 20 millionaires of Japanese extraction in Orange County as a result of their lands rising in value due to the population influx. There would be 50 or more Nisei millionaires if it were not for the fact that discrimination under the Alien Land Law kept the Issei generation from owning land.

The Issei were even denied the right to lease land. And the Japanese fishermen in San Pedro at one time were denied the right to own their own fishing boats.

Hence, the Nisei and Sansei have accordingly lost the opportunity they otherwise would have if discrimination did not prevail in the early '20s.

Turned Down in Fullerton

Japanese Americans returning to Orange County after WW2 were treated with more dignity, thanks to the heroism of the Nisei GI. But in 1961—over 30 years after the heat of discrimination against Japanese Americans—I was denied the right to purchase a lot upon which to build a home in Vista Hills of Fullerton.

My attorney had submitted an offer to purchase in accordance with the terms of the listing, but the owner refused to sell because of my ancestry. I consulted Superior Court Judge Morrison (who has taken great interest in JACL), County Counsel and now Superior Court Judge Stephen Tamura and past National JACL President Frank Chuman.

Even with the aggregate of such legal talent, nothing could be done to force the sale since the owner had the sole right to discriminate. The broker as agent of the seller could not be held. As a last resort, I met the seller in person, explaining to him of my qualifications and desire to build a house that the area would be proud to have. But I was flatly turned down because of my ancestry. He was afraid it would jeopardize the sale of the rest of his lots.

More than ever, I realized that without government, without law, without courts to enforce them, I had no legal rights.

Rights Obtained

When the State Legislature passed the Rumford Act in 1963, these legal rights became a reality.

But Prop. 14 would rob the courts of their right to protect the individual and give owners "absolute discretion" as to their disposition of property without regard to race, creed or color.

More recently, in October 1963, a Nisei couple was shown a house in the Beverly Garden Estates in Garden Grove. A broker friend of mine, after returning to his office with the buyer, received a call from the seller stating his neighbor objected to having a Nisei live next door. The broker asked how he felt about it. He replied that he felt the same way, canceled the listing and removed the property from the market.

Though we are citizens by birth, we have still to enjoy the same rights and privileges guaranteed other Americans, who happen to be Caucasian. The Declaration of Independence stipulates that "all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; that, to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men . . ."

Are Japanese Americans not entitled to equal rights in the "pursuit of happiness?" Discrimination, as mentioned, has convinced me that JACL and similar type organizations should be supported to the fullest extent to protect our rights as citizens, to educate our fellow Americans that we have earned the full rights and privileges as Americans and that we deserve to be treated with the utmost of human dignity.

Uphill Battle Against Bigotry

BY LARRY TAJIRI

Denver

The profiteers in bigotry—the California real estate interests who seek to perpetuate racial discrimination for reasons of profit—apparently are succeeding in working their sucker play on a segment of the Japanese American population in California.

There apparently are some Nisei, blinded by reasons of selfish advantage, who have fallen for the cynical campaign of the proponents of Prop. 14 on the California state ballot in the November elections. That campaign proposes that Prop. 14 will grant "freedom of choice" for the individual to sell or rent housing to whomever he pleases. What Prop. 14 actually means is that it will grant the individual the right to discriminate.

Prop. 14 would nullify sections of the state housing laws, specifically the Rumford Act against discrimination in housing and would forbid enactment of future fair housing legislation. The issue is primarily one which concerns Californians, but in a larger sense it affects the citizens of the other 49 states as well.

Prop. 14 is a frontal attack against the civil rights revolution of this current generation which has seen the enactment of state and federal legislation to widen the area of equality and opportunity for Americans, regardless of race, color or religion.

Should the proponents of Prop. 14 succeed in their endeavor, all civil rights legislation would be imperiled, for their triumph would embolden bigots elsewhere in these United States. That is why, as California's Governor Edmund G. (Pat) Brown noted in New York the other day, that the fight against Prop. 14 in California is the proper concern of all Ameri-

I further believe that it is imperative the Sansei be educated so as to inculcate in their minds the sense of awareness and the value of organization and unity for their own future in America.

Realty Board Session

Every Wednesday I usually attend the Anaheim Board of Realtors meeting. Some time ago, a petition was circulated among the membership to qualify the now Prop. 14 on the ballot. It was quite embarrassing to me to be the only one not signing the petition when the rest were signing it. We were further asked to hustle for signatures at shopping centers.

As a member of JACL, which fought for equal rights, I could not in my right mind sign the petition. How could I ask others to sign when I had been a victim of housing discrimination.

And the theme of the CREA convention in San Francisco was "Preservation of Freedom"—i.e., freedom to discriminate. Those in favor of Prop. 14 regard the Rumford Act as "forced housing"—in effect, to "license the minorities in their asserted right to acquire property to pillage and rob the mass of the people of their basic rights of choice in renting or selling their property."

Yet this Act concerns homes and multiple-dwellings which were financed by funds which come from all the people, regardless of race, religion or national origin. Where is this "justice for all" if public funds are used for the selfish advantage of those who want the

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cans who believe in equal rights for all.

Progress of Nisei

Americans of Japanese ancestry have made giant strides since that sorry day in 1942, in the wake of the shock of Pearl Harbor, when the civil rights of the Nisei were set aside temporarily in the name of military expediency. The mass evacuation of Japanese Americans on grounds of race alone stands today as one of the most shameful chapters in American history.

The Nisei were able to prove that the bigots were wrong, and the feeling of mass guilt felt by so many of their fellow Americans who accepted the mass evacuation edict without protest has contributed to the eventual rapid re-acceptance of the Japanese Americans into the mainstream of American life.

Nisei today have achieved a high degree of acceptance—in the political and social affairs of their communities, and in the areas of education and employment. But there still exists pockets of discrimination against Japanese Americans, on racial grounds, in housing.

The Prejudiced Nisei

Those Nisei who favor Prop. 14 or drag their feet in the fight against this anti-democratic measure are betraying the long and good fight which so many Japanese Americans have waged for the extension of their own civil rights and those of other minorities as well.

Yet it cannot be argued that there are no bigots among the Japanese American population. The proportion of the prejudiced—those who would deny other minorities access to equal housing and

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ALL SHOULD BE CONCERNED

Since the first weeks of August, the Pacific Citizen has devoted perhaps an aggravating amount of column inches on the Prop. 14 campaign. This issue figures to be the height of JACL's role in the statewide effort to defeat the constitutional amendment that would (if passed) disarm the local and state governments from efforts in promoting the common good in the field of housing.

This issue is under care of Tad Masaoka and Mas Satow, special editors who asked the writers to contribute their pieces to publicly show Japanese Americans are involved in the "No on 14" fight.

Let there be JACLers who feel aloof of this campaign, we need only to remind ourselves of the action of the National JACL Council at the Detroit convention, which deemed this important enough to appropriate \$5,000 out of the treasury. The National Council represents the collective voice of every one of the chapters and spells out our policies.

It ranks as one of the most crucial campaigns JACL has ever participated in cooperation with other statewide and local groups in the cause of mankind.

In its report to the National Council, the legislative-legal committee said: "JACL recognizes this constitutional amendment as a threat to the civil rights of all Americans everywhere in the nation, and particularly those of Japanese ancestry. . . JACL commends, endorses and supports in every reasonable way possible, including a National Council supporting resolution, the plans and programs of the JACL district councils and chapters in California to campaign against acceptance by the voters of California of this initiative constitutional amendment against fair housing."

The resolution reads:
"Whereas, in November 1964, there is to appear on the California ballot an initiative constitutional amendment designated as Prop. 14, which would operate to nullify the Rumford Fair Housing Act as well as certain portions of the Hawkins and Unruh Civil Rights Act;
"Whereas, said Prop. 14 would further operate to undermine the very foundations of our democratic system of government by paralyzing the executive, legislative and judicial branches of the California state, county and local governments insofar as meeting the issues of religious and racial discrimination in housing, and
"Whereas, Prop. 14 presents an insidious threat not only to our established system of government and to our constitutionally guaranteed rights, but also said Proposition presents a challenge to basic human dignity and to man's fundamental God-given rights;
"Now, therefore, be it resolved that this assemblage of the Japanese American Citizens League of 83 chapters from throughout the United States . . . does hereby commend, endorse and shall continue to support the campaign to defeat Prop. 14, particularly the campaign plans and programs of the JACL district councils and chapters in California."

There is no question but that JACL chapters should be in the forefront of leadership in this campaign against Prop. 14. And this week's PC is a testimony of this effort and a testimonial to those who have contributed their efforts.

RUMFORD ACT—ONE YEAR EXPERIENCE

The one-year case report of the Fair Employment Practices Commission with reference to the Rumford Fair Housing Act shows that individual homeowners were virtually untouched by the FEPC in disposing their homes.

Of the 192 complaints of housing discrimination filed during the year ending Sept. 19, 1964, 150 (or 78 pct.) concerned apartment rentals, 13 cases relating to sales by tract developers, 12 home sales in which practices of the brokers were at issue, 6 concerning house rentals, 7 involving miscellaneous transactions such as the sale of lots, financing and trailer site rentals, and 4 over individually owned homes for sale.

This almost negligible amount of four individually-owned homes for sale shows that the hue & cry of so-called "home protection" by Prop. 14 sponsors grossly misrepresents the situation under our fair housing law.

It is evident that the great majority of California's homeowners will not be materially affected, one way or other, by the outcome of Prop. 14 because privately financed home are not covered by the Rumford Act, while those with FHA or VA financing are for the most part under federal non-discrimination requirements which would still apply even if Prop. 14 were adopted.

The report also shows 129 cases have been closed and 63 pending as of Sept. 19. Sixty per cent were settled through conference, 44 dismissed after investigation. A single case went to public hearing, resulting in a Commission order to avail to Negro complainants the next vacancy in a San Fernando apartment house.

Of the four individual home cases, one resulted in sale, two in bona fide negotiations but no sale, and one case is still pending.

The FEPC works in a constructive way to secure equal access of housing to all, regardless of race, creed or color. If the law perfecting, it should be through the legislative halls—not by a constitutional amendment for the many reasons stated elsewhere in this issue.



'Y' mean—THAT little ole thing is causing all that commotion?

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE: Opposes Prop. 14

(Letter by Jerry Enomoto to the Stockton Record appeared in its Sept. 16 issue. It elicited an amazing number of responses from strangers—all positive, Jerry says, as well as from his friends. Nisei are urged to express their opinions on why they are voting "No on Prop. 14" to editors of their local newspapers.—Ed.)

(From the Stockton Record)
Editor Record: Much has already been said and written about Prop. 14 and much more will undoubtedly be said and written before election day. As an American citizen of Japanese ancestry, and a national officer of the Japanese American Citizens League, I find myself becoming increasingly disturbed by the kind of thinking that leads people to support Prop. 14.
Recently the chairman of "California for Prop. 14" made a public statement, defending a "Yes" vote on the basis of "freedom." Freedom to do what? To give tract developers and apartment owners the freedom to deny housing to me because I am Japanese? To a fellow worker because he is a Negro? To a friend because he is Catholic or Jewish? To give "freedom" for all time to those bigots who wish to practice housing discrimination, by tying the hands of our lawmakers from ever passing laws to correct these evils? This is precisely what passage of Prop. 14 will do.
I have joined with many fellow Californians in speaking out against this proposition because it is not only morally indefensible, but it is also a bad law. I have attempted to approach this issue objectively and coolly on the premise that one can indeed become too involved emotionally, because of its implications. However I am now beginning to feel that the issue properly arouses feelings, and that we need not apologize for them.

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Nisei newspaper

Editor: There is a need for an English newspaper for the Nisei in general, which the Pacific Citizen does not fill. As long as it remains a club newsletter with trivial social items and "columnists" writing about their vacations, most of your subscribers will remain lukewarm toward your publication.
The Nisei have led a hard and interesting life—let's hear about some of them.
MOREY EGUSA
French Camp JACL

(Latest tabulation of the PC Readership Survey indicates this reader may be correct. "General Nisei News" has been checked more than other types of news carried in the PC in which readers are interested. But should the PC be the newspaper for the Nisei in general?—Ed.)

State Supreme Courts uphold constitutionality of anti-bias laws in housing; property rights subject to police powers

In the last seven years, 13 states and 12 cities have adopted anti-discrimination laws affecting private housing.
Four other states and some 50 cities have measures applying only to publicly assisted housing.
Where the constitutionality of such laws has been tested, they have been upheld by the state supreme courts almost invariably. But no case has reached the U.S. Supreme Court.
In 1959, New Jersey's anti-discrimination law affecting publicly assisted housing in the Levittown development was upheld. "Freedom with regard to property is not inviolable," the New Jersey Supreme Court ruled. "It is subject to the reasonable exercise of the police power."
Washington State Opinion
In 1961, the State of Washington's law barring discrimination in publicly assisted financed housing was declared unconstitutional in a 5-4 decision. Three of the five

Prop. 14 Implications

WASHINGTON — When Americans of Japanese ancestry in California go to the polls Nov. 3, they may well cast their most important ballot in many years. Not only will they vote for whom they prefer for President and Vice President, as well as for United States Senator and United States Representative, but they will also vote on Prop. 14, the constitutional amendment that in reality would legalize racial discrimination in housing.
Housing has already been written and said regarding Prop. 14 and its deep significance for Japanese Americans, and much more will be written and said about it in the final weeks and days before the Nov. 3 general elections.
And, since we are in Washington, we have been asked to comment on some of the national and international implications of this Prop. 14 in this special issue of the Pacific Citizen.

The history of fair housing legislation in this country shows that more laws have been enacted in this specific field in less time than for other civil rights legislation, such as employment and public accommodations.
The first law barring racial and religious discrimination in private housing was adopted by New York City in 1957. Within less than seven years, 26 governmental jurisdictions have approved measures affecting private housing: 13 states, 12 cities, and the Virgin Islands. Four additional states have general non-discrimination laws that cover housing at least in part and some 50 additional cities have ordinances or policy resolutions which apply to publicly assisted housing.

Over 40 pct. of the total population of the United States, and at least one-fourth of the nation's non-white citizens, including more than 90 pct. of those of Japanese ancestry on the continental Mainland, reside in the states and local jurisdictions that prohibit discrimination in housing at this time.
Prop. 14 involves California statutes that bar racial discrimination in both public and private housing, as well as housing under urban renewal and FHA (Federal Housing Administration) and VA (Veterans Administration) programs. Moreover, real estate agents, mortgage lenders, and those involved in housing advertising are required to practice non-discriminatory practices.
If Prop. 14 is approved at the polls next month, it will not only invalidate the state's fair housing laws but authorize real estate agents, bankers and others who

provide mortgages or loans on homes, and advertising people to discriminate against the Japanese, as well as against other non-white persons. It will deprive the people of the state, white and non-white alike, federal funds that currently enable the FHA and the VA, as well as urban renewal, to operate in California. It will mean the loss of hundreds of millions of dollars from the Federal Government that go into housing but indirectly contribute to the economy and growth of California, thereby affecting every individual Californian without regard to his race, religion, color, or national origin.
More than this, Prop. 14, if successful on Nov. 3, will signal the beginning of concerted efforts by the historic anti-white and anti-Oriental elements in California to repeal other civil rights laws, such as those involving fair employment practices and public accommodations. It will mean, also, renewed efforts to rewrite into California law and its constitution such outlawed discrimination as the so-called alien land laws, the prohibition against using public facilities, and the denial of licenses to engage in certain professions and businesses.

Nationally, a successful Prop. 14 campaign will encourage all of the bigots and the racemongers throughout the country to attempt to repeal state and local laws against fair housing.

Simultaneously, organized attempts will be launched to have the comprehensive and meaningful Civil Rights Act of 1954, passed by the Congress only this past summer after a determined Dixiecrat filibuster had been broken, reconsidered, rescinded, and repealed.

Taus, in a real sense, the total civil rights progress of the nation in the past century is at stake in California's Prop. 14.

If Prop. 14 is upheld by Californians voters next month, it will mark the beginning of a campaign back to the racist era when property rights were superior to human rights, when exploitation and slavery were the accepted practices of society, when decency and opportunity were reserved for only the privileged few.

Internationally, the pretensions and pronouncements of America, and the democratic way, are at issue.
Our adversaries and our critics in other lands have for too long questioned the sincerity of our motives and our purposes, in spite of the great and real progress that we in the United States have made in the cause of human rights and dignity over the years, and especially recently.

Should Prop. 14 receive the support of the majority of Californians, those in other lands who have condemned our racial practices as the true index of our inclinations, will be given added evidence that their contentions are correct, and that our professions

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By Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

*"T was brillig, and the slithy toves
Did gyre and gimble in the wabe;
All mimsy were the borogoves,
And the mome raths outrabe.*

*"Beware the Jabberwock, my son!
The jaws that bite, the claws that catch!
Beware the Jubjub bird, and shun
The frumious Bandersnatch!"*

The nonsense above is from the "Jabberwocky" poem that Alice, of Wonderland fame, discovered in the Looking-Glass House. After Alice had read the poem, which goes on for seven verses in equally nonsensical rhyme, Author Lewis Carroll has her say:

"It seems very pretty, but it's rather hard to understand. (You see she didn't like to confess, even to herself, that she couldn't make it out at all.) Somehow it seems to fill my head with ideas—only I don't exactly know what they are!"

Lewis Carroll died in 1898, a half century before Americans became aware of civil rights as a national issue. But what he wrote could well apply to the innocuously labeled Prop. 14. Shorn of its jabberwocky, Prop. 14 is an effort to legalize housing discrimination in California by amending the state constitution. But you wouldn't recognize it as such by reading the proposed amendment. In fact, the one-sentence amendment is so long and confusing that it discourages both reading and understanding. For the record, here it is:

"Neither the state nor any subdivision or agency thereof shall deny, limit or abridge, directly or indirectly, the right of any person, who is willing or desires to sell, lease or rent any part or all of his real property, to decline to sell, lease or rent such property to such person or persons as he in his absolute discretion, chooses."

"Curiouser and curiouser," cried Alice, and all thinking Americans could well echo her concern. If the California Real Estate Association, prime instigator of Prop. 14, had wanted the people to understand what this proposal was about, it could have phrased the amendment in just 12 words: "Californians have the basic right to discriminate in the matter of housing."

In essence, that is what Prop. 14 says. But to put it so bluntly would be to doom it from the beginning, so the strategy was to confuse the public. Prop. 14 has, in Time Magazine's words, "a sort of anti-officialdom, let-freedom-sound-to-it." So do the mis-labeled "Right to Work" proposals which are in effect anti-union measures, and "Fair Trade" laws which are a price-fixing subterfuge. Any more, one needs a Philadelphia lawyer to explain documents that ought to be written in basic English with no sentence running longer than 10 words.

The matter of legalizing discrimination by an amendment to a state constitution is such a serious one that it demands discussion purely on its issues to maneuver for the passage of such a measure by deliberately confusing its intent is immoral. If I were a Californian, I would resent these tactics as an insult to my intelligence and vote against the proposal regardless of my position on segregation.

Let's clarify Prop. 14. It would give prejudices of every kind legal status in California. It would legalize discrimination at a time when the rest of the country is trying to outlaw it. Prop. 14 is a dangerous law. It deserves to be buried under an avalanche of "No" votes.

TAD MASAOKA, No. Calif. Chairman—Common Practice for Japanese

SAN MATEO—Last year my family wanted to move into the Hillside area of San Mateo from adjacent Belmont because of its walking distance to all schools for our children, because of its sidewalks and well-kept streets, and because the homes were attractive and in the price range (lower middle income) I could afford. The dozen or more minority group families including Japanese, Chinese and Negro, residing in the area also enhanced the neighborhood by its apparent integration characteristics.

I first approached a " Realtor" neighbor whose children occasionally played with ours and we had from time to time visited with each other. After showing one home in the Hillside area, he told us "When I find another house in Hillside that meets your needs, I'll be sure to get in touch with you." I saw him—several times later, but he never found another house in this 40-block area.

I telephoned a half dozen other "Realtor" companies with Multiple Listing Service and with advertisements in the local newspapers. In every case they asked me for my name and the secretary or salesman told me that they had nothing beyond the listed advertisements to show me in the Hills-

dale area. Elsewhere yes, but not there. No one firm suggested an appointment to look at homes.

Finally in November 1963 we located one real estate saleswoman whom my wife knew through her church activities and who agreed to show us homes in Hillside. For the next two and a half months, she must have shown us through 50 homes there.

And, in January of this year, we selected a good home, but somewhat over priced. Our real estate agent negotiated with the owner for us and with our approval concluded the sale at an acceptable price.

It took a lot of effort, but it was worth it. We like it here even though the area may not yet be considered as available for minority groups.

Confusing proposition

SAN FRANCISCO—Brent Abel of the San Francisco Bar Assn. described Prop. 14 as a confusing measure which would create legal problems which would swamp the courts for years to come.



Young adults to meet on Prop. 14 slated Sunday

LOS ANGELES—The Rev. Charles Doak from the Univ. of Southern California will be guest speaker this Sunday, 2 p.m., at Maryknoll Auditorium at a young people's "No on 14" meeting.

The program will stress what youth as individuals can do in the remaining weeks of the campaign, according to Lloyd Ishimaru and Alan Kumamoto, meeting co-chairmen. A question and answer period will be included.

500 endorsements secured for leaflet

LOS ANGELES—An attractive six-panel leaflet prepared for the statewide committee of Japanese Americans Against Prop. 14 was distributed this week throughout California, according to Frank Chuman, in charge of the leaflet committee.

The leaflet made its initial appearance Wednesday at the So. Calif. Japanese Americans Against Prop. 14 fund-raising dinner here at which Gov. Edmund G. Brown was principal speaker.

Main theme, as developed by leaflet designer John Miyauchi, advertising art executive with Carson and Roberts Agency, urges "Vote NO Now for Your Children," Chuman said.

"If Prop. 14 passes, it would deprive Japanese Americans today and in the future of their rights to purchase or rent a home or an apartment where they please and at a price they can afford," Chuman continued.

The JACL-designed "Vote No . . . on Prop. 14" button with the Kanji character for "house" is also depicted in the leaflet, which is being directed to all Japanese American voters.

The committee is dispatching 20,000 copies for Northern and Central California distribution and retaining 30,000 here for Southern California use. One panel is blank to permit local committee mailing.

Along with the listing of principal organizations endorsing "No on 14," the leaflet includes nearly 500 individual names of Japanese Americans throughout the state.

Among them are:

- Rev. George Akita, Atchafalaya, Atty. Eric Abe, Dr. Charles and Michi Asawa.
- Lee Kusuda Boyer.
- Fr. Clement, Atty. Frank F. Chuman, George Chogyo.
- Sami Furuta, Jugo Fukushima, Mr. and Mrs. Di H. Fujioka, Soichi Fukui.
- Frank Hirata, Rev. Dr. Masaya Hirano, Atty. Kenji Ito, Rev. Edward Iwamoto, Atty. Robert Iwasaki, Hideo Izumi.
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SAN JOSE
As Supervisor for the Japanese American campaign against Prop. 14 for Santa Clara, San Benito, Salinas and Monterey Counties, the recent campaign efforts of these various areas are worthy of mention.

The San Jose JACL and the Japanese American Committee against Prop. 14 in Santa Clara County conducted a registration campaign with 19 Nisei registrars and was concluded successfully under committee chairman Phil Matsumura. Both organizations are actively engaged in an educational program and providing speakers services for various groups who are interested.

The Japanese American Committee against 14, headed by committee chairmen I.K. Ishimatsu and Dr. Lee M. Watanabe, both old time Nisei residents, prepared a letter with local endorsements to precede the mailing of the JACL brochure mailings, urging "no" vote against 14, implementing the JACL campaign.

Other committee heads are finance: Y. Ando, Grant Shimizu and Peter Nakahara; publicity and endorsements: Norman Y. Minejia. Ishimatsu and Mineta have reported a tremendous response to endorsements against Prop. 14 by local Nisei and organizations. They also noted that further implementation to the JACL program will be made by an ad in the largest local paper in the morning and afternoon edition just prior to the election for the most impact.

Salinas Valley Reports

Ted Ikemoto, president of the Salinas Valley JACL, reports that 90 pct. of the eligible Japanese American voters have been contacted. Recently, at their dinner honoring the pioneers of that area, Prop. 14 was discussed. Tad Masooka was invited to speak, and it has been indicated that the response was very strong against 14.

At the present time, an education drive is being conducted by Ikemoto and assisted by Lefty Miyayana with good results.

The Salinas chapter will join with the local Citizens Committee in placing an ad in the local paper urging a vote no on 14.

Ikemoto indicates that by and large the Japanese American community is against 14 and hopes that the education drive and the ad in the paper before election will swing the doubtfuls and un-

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In addition, both groups are cooperating with the local Citizens Committee against Prop. 14 and hope to assist the Committee with financial contributions in recognition of their tremendous effort to carry on this expensive campaign.

Tsuae Kamimoto reports the San Benito chapter has been very successful in their registration drive and educational program, and he estimates that practically all of the Japanese community has been registered and informed about 14 and also believes that the endorsement against 14 is overwhelming.

Monterey Peninsula JACL campaign, headed by Mike Sanda and assisted by Jackson Nishida, Rev. Shimozono and Yo Tabata, is reported to be waging a very successful campaign in their community against 14. They have been working very closely with the local Citizens Committee against 14, and Sanda states that they have contributed to the local committee.

They have also been encouraged by the fact that some influential members of the majority community have offered their support and help in defeating 14 and from all indications the Japanese community is aware of the dangers of the passage of 14 and has responded tremendously in their efforts to campaign against 14.

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Following refreshments, Dr. Oji will preside over the election of officers for 1965. A slate of officers will be presented by the nominations committee composed of: Ritsuko Kawakami, Mable Yoshizaki, Sam Furuta, Henry Onodera, Akira Hasegawa.

League of Women Voters president explains stand

PALO ALTO — Mrs. William Irvine, president of the California League of Women Voters, charged that Prop. 14 is "an irresponsible approach" to problems affecting "all the people of the state."

It is the position of the League of Women Voters that the Legislature absolutely must retain the power to regulate the sales and rentals of residential property to prevent discrimination, she pointed out. "Prop. 14 would cut off debate on fair housing legislation with drastic finality."

Livingston-Merced JACLer heads Prop. 2 committee

LIVINGSTON — Buddy T. Iwata, active JACLer, is chairman of the Merced County Citizens Committee for Yes on Prop. 2, the \$300,000 bond issue to build junior college, state college and university facilities (70 pct.) and facilities for the care of the mentally retarded, mentally ill, veterans affair, correctional and forest fire fighting.

California may become 'political disaster area', if Prop. 14 carries on Nov. 3

LOS ANGELES—Speaking at a West Los Angeles rally, Lt. Gov. Glenn Anderson declared "California would become a political disaster area" if Prop. 14 carries on Nov. 3.

"If Californians will vote their principles instead of their prejudices, Prop. 14 will be defeated," added Anderson, who believed that most Californians preferred the principle of equality embodied in the state fair housing laws.

"The issue is not who we want living next door. The issue is what kind of society we want to live in: one based on the traditional American ideal of equal justice under the law, or one based on ignorance and contempt for our fellow citizens."

Prop. 14 debate slated at East L.A. Oct. 21 meet

LOS ANGELES — The first general meeting of the fall for the East Los Angeles JACL will feature a discussion on the controversial Prop. 14 with both sides of the issue to be aired, according to Dr. Robert T. Obi, chapter president.

Open to the public, the meeting is scheduled for Oct. 21, 8 p.m. at International Institute, 435 S. Boyle Ave.

Robert Takasugi, senior partner of the law firm of Velarde and Takasugi, will speak for "no" and John Royer, engaged in industrial development and a member of the "yes" on Prop. 14 speaker's bureau, will speak for the proponents. Each speaker will be allotted 25 minutes with 5 minutes for rebuttal after which questions will be taken from the floor, according to Roy Yamadera who will serve as the moderator.

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Humphrey urges California to retain fair housing law

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HAWAII VOTERS 4 TO 1 FOR LBJ; MINK GOP TARGET

Rep. Moss Coy With
Hawaii Republicans
Mum On Goldwater

BY ALLAN BEEKMAN
(Special to the Pacific Citizen)
HONOLULU—At a reception in his honor at the Honolulu International Center Assembly Hall, California Congressman John E. Moss Saturday night said, "I understand that there are very few Republican candidates who have indicated any interest in the support of the candidacy of Barry Goldwater."

"This is not being honest with voters. Each of these Republicans will on Nov. 3 cast his vote for their President. Will it be for Lyndon B. Johnson or Barry Goldwater?"
Gov. John Burns, who, with the entire Democratic Party's statewide ticket, was on hand for the occasion, had previously stated publicly that a reliable poll showed that 78 percent of Hawaii's voters will vote for Lyndon Johnson.

Turning for the seat now held by Sen. Hiram Fong, Rep. Tom Gill complained that Fong will not debate him. Mayorial candidate Masato Doi complained that Republican Mayor Neal Blaisdell refuses to debate.
The apparent animosity of the Republican Party has alarmed the politically active ILWU. They seem to believe that with no opposition party, the Democrats might be less responsive to the aspirations of labor.

ILWU chiefains have endorsed Hiram Fong and are hovering about the stricken Republican Party. But it is doubtful if the rank and file of the ILWU can be persuaded it is profitable to play nurse to a patient who seems to have lost the will to live.

House Race

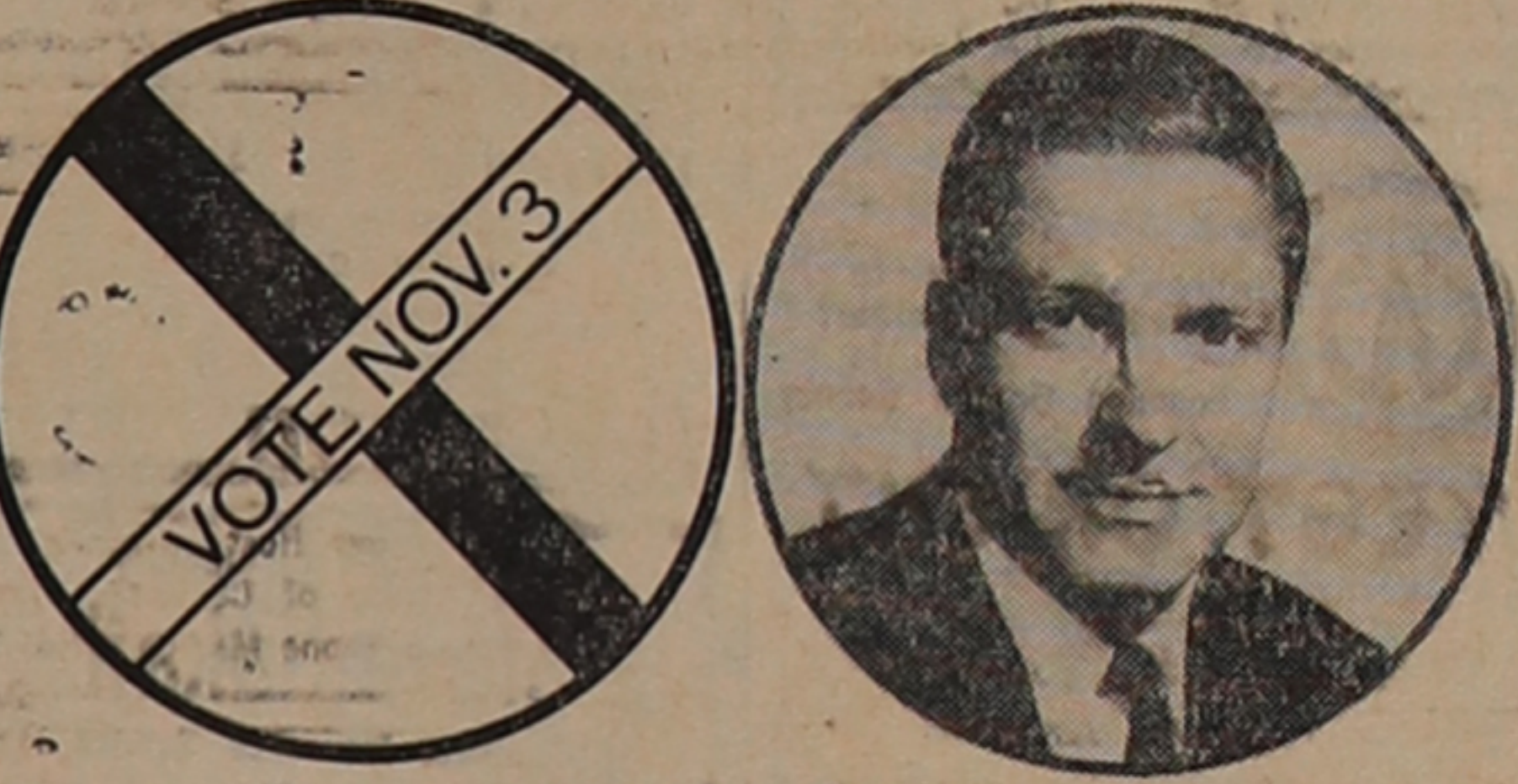
Only in the race for the U.S. House is a Republican pulse beat discernible. Though the most rash Republican would not suggest it is possible to prevent the re-election of Sparky Matsunaga, some entertain a wistful hope of edging out his running mate, Patsy Mink.

The weapon that will be used against Patsy is the charge that to elect her would be to send to Washington a delegation that is "racially unbalanced." Official Hawaii has labored hard and long to teach the descendants of Hawaii's immigrant groups to distrust each other and abhor being identified as Americans. A "racially unbalanced" Congressional delegation would violate Hawaiian tradition.
Nevertheless, Patsy is expected to receive the endorsement of the AFL-CIO and has the edge in this race. The ILWU has declined to commit itself, approving the record of both Patsy and that of John Michigan, the Republican candidate who appears to have the better chance to "racially balance" Hawaii's representation to Congress.

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Youth groups are invited to submit separate pieces for this year's Holiday Issue.

ADVERTISING DEADLINES

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(Space shall be reserved until Dec. 7)

Denver commission on community relations reviewed

DENVER—As vice chairman of the City-County Commission on Community Relations of Denver, Min Yasui summarized its program of the year in a Sept. 30 report to Mayor Thomas Currgan.

Also appearing on the program were Eiji Horiuchi, representing the Mile-Hi JACL, Canon Russell Nakata of St. John's Episcopal Cathedral and Robert Y. Uyeda from the city auditor's office.

The commission, which meets monthly and on call, is concerned with improving meaningful communication among the various ethnic groups within metropolitan Denver, education, race and religion, employment, housing and public accommodations.

It also has maintained liaison with various national organizations, federal, state and local public agencies. It has conducted workshops, housing studies and is completing an American Indian census. Richard E. Young is commission chairman.

KEEP CALIFORNIA FAIR WEEK—OCT. 18-25—SET

LOS ANGELES—Protestant clergymen against Prop. 14 have proclaimed the week of Oct. 18-25 as "Keep California Fair" Week.

Dr. Myron C. Cole, president of the So. Calif. Council of Churches, said, "Prop. 14 contradicts the teachings of the church and our belief in the brotherhood of man."

The Rev. George Aki of Hollywood Independent Church is an executive board member of Clergy Against Prop. 14.



Sparky's Friends start final push

WASHINGTON—With three weeks till election day, the national effort to help re-elect Rep. Spark Matsunaga of Hawaii by the Bipartisan Mainland Nisei Committee has entered its final stages, coordinator Mike Masaka announced.

Many friends and others who have benefited from Matsunaga's activities in the Nation's Capital are expected to send in contributions immediately to "Sparky's Friends", Rm. 205, 918-18th St. NW, Washington, D.C. 20006, so that such Mainland funds may be used most advantageously.

Nisei who first relocated in the East and Midwest should not forget that Sparky spoke to more than 800 groups, urging them to welcome the evacuees, to assist in their housing and job opportunities.

"All of us are better accepted and enjoy brighter opportunities because of Sparky's many and great contributions before and after his election two years ago to Congress," Masaka said. "We cannot afford to lose such a spokesman and advocate for our rights and opportunities."

News Deadline: Tuesday

Though youth has no vote, they can aid to defeat Prop. 14 in a variety of ways

BY ROY IKEDA
NC-WNYDC Chairman
San Francisco

To encourage its members to join others in combating prejudice and discrimination and other forms of undemocratic practices."

The above is one of the objectives taken from the constitution of the National Jr. JACL. Its application can never be put to better use than in the fight to defeat Prop. 14.

To the youth, this issue is especially important because it would threaten the right to rent or to buy the property of our choice in the future.
The dark reality of the restrictive covenants, closed neighborhoods and discriminatory clauses in contracts that plagued the human rights of American citizens in the past will once again be unleashed to rear its ugly head to our generation.

It is the responsibility of every American citizen to uphold the ideals of human rights and there-fore to do his utmost to see that this Proposition is defeated.

Many of us, however, find it difficult to "Stand up and be counted" because we are too young to cast our vote at the polls, but we can do our part in the campaign during the crucial days left until the election.

As individuals we can work at our local "No on Prop. 14" headquarters, volunteering our services in any capacity that we may be able to fill.

As a Jr. JACL group we can give a dance to raise money, have a car wash to distribute literature and bumper stickers, present a speaker before the community, or carry on a host of other projects instrumental in the fight to defeat Prop. 14.

This is, by no means, limited to chapters within the state of California. Jr. JACL groups throughout the nation may show their concern by raising money to send to the "No on Prop. 14" headquarters. The call is out... our duty is clear. Let us not shirk from our responsibilities and watch the processes of social change as a bystander. Let us plunge deep into the struggle and work to bring the American dream of equality a step closer to reality.

Q. I own my own home so why can't I have the right to sell to whom I please, including only to Japanese?

A. You can if you own and occupy a single family or duplex home and if you are not subsidized by a public agency in the buying or financing of it. The Rumford Fair Housing Act covers housing when it is in the business of housing (apartments and multiple housing units) or if public funds have been used to help build or buy it.

Q. Does Prop. 14 restore property rights?

A. No. Article 1 of the California State Constitution has for over 105 years stated that citizens have the right to acquire and enjoy property. Prop. 14 is designed to replace the existing property right with the legal power to discriminate. It is not a "right" but a "power" that the Realtor seeks to control residential areas.

Q. Right now a person who feels that he is discriminated against can go to the courts or to the FEPC for a determination of the facts, what recourse would I have under Prop. 14?

A. None. Another evil of Prop. 14 is that it boxes people in. If a person feels that he is discriminated against under Prop. 14, all he can do is accept it or demonstrate or riot. It provides no legal channel for the redress of grievances.

Q. If Nisei do not use the legal safeguards of the Rumford Fair Housing Act, what good is it to them?

A. Nisei get a great deal of good out of the Rumford Act even though they are reluctant to directly use it. Fair housing laws establish a legal and moral climate in the community. This moral climate holds back the marginal bigots who are now afraid to discriminate against the Nisei because they feel the community sentiment is against discrimination. If Prop. 14 is passed, regardless of the legal outcome, these marginal bigots will believe that they are in the majority and become bolder and bolder in their desire to oppose civil rights.

Q. Is the whole Japanese community against Prop. 14?

A. Yes. The Japanese community throughout California is united as never before in its opposition to Prop. 14. The Buddhist and Christian churches are working together against it, as are Japanese businesses, civil, fraternal and social groups and clubs.

Q. Are any leading Nisei for Prop. 14?

A. No Nisei has come out publicly for Prop. 14 to the knowledge of the Statewide Nisei Committee Against Prop. 14.

Q. Who supports Prop. 14?

A. The California Real Estate Assn. is its sponsor and spent more than \$150,000 to get it on the ballot. It is actively supported by the John Birch Society, White Citizens Councils, the American Nazi Party and the extreme right of the California Republican Party—the Central Republican Assembly.

Q. Have any of the sponsors of Prop. 14 ever supported the property rights of a white person to sell or rent to a racial minority family in an all-white neighborhood?

A. No—except in block-busting—profit-making tactics. Until several years ago, the California Real Estate Assn. could expel a member for aiding in the sale or rental of property to a racial minority family in an area not racially integrated.

Q. Do Nisei face discrimination in housing?

A. Yes. It varies from place to place and most Nisei seek housing where they know there is no significant amount of discrimination against them. Most discrimination against Nisei occurs in the rental of middle-income priced apartments in an all-white complex. A close second is in middle-income priced new tract sale housing in white suburban areas. Keep in mind that new sale housing is "cheaper" than used sale housing because of lower down payments and lower monthly mortgage charges—due to better credit terms on all new housing.)

Some Questions & Answers on Prop. 14

Q. What would Prop. 14 do?
A. At a time when the nation is moving ahead in human rights, Prop. 14 would declare, in effect, that elective officials of the state, cities and counties, shall never have the right to legislate for equal opportunity in housing. And, further, that all present local and state laws in this area shall immediately become null and void.

Q. How does it affect me?
A. It turns over to real estate interests the power to decide where people shall live. Its real purpose—to take away your rights to buy or rent the home of your choice—is deliberately hidden in its tricky language. And it gives realtors the power to "blockbust," creating panic selling for huge profits by speculators and unscrupulous real estate operators.

Q. What laws would it kill?
A. All present laws affecting the rights of all Californians to buy real property. But the major targets of Prop. 14 are the Rumford Fair Housing Act and portions of the state Civil Rights Acts.

Q. What is the Rumford Act?
A. It declares equal opportunity in housing to be the policy of the State of California. It became effective in 1963 after receiving overwhelming majorities in both the state Senate and Assembly.

Q. What does it require?
A. That owners of property built with public funds or who have five or more units in a single development must apply the same standards to all applicants who want to buy or rent.

It does not, as backers of Prop. 14 want you to believe, affect the owner of a single family residence built with private financing. There is nothing in the Rumford Act that requires the owner of property to sell or rent to another person who does not meet the owner's standards so long as the owner does not switch grounds because of the applicant's religious beliefs or race. The law simply says the same standards of selection must apply to all.

Q. Does the Rumford Act work?
A. Yes. Since it has been in effect, all the complaints but one have been dismissed or are being settled by conciliation. Ten other states have similar fair housing laws and 22 states have fair employment laws and all are operating successfully and without hardship for business or property owners. Never, in all of the cases here and in other states, has anyone gone to jail for violating the equal opportunity laws.

Q. What's the effect on home values?
A. In every state the selling price of homes has gone up, not down, after enactment of fair housing.

Q. Are there other dangers?
A. Yes. With housing discrimination the official policy of this state, California could no longer qualify for hundreds of millions of dollars in federal funds for various construction projects. This would cause wide-spread unemployment and force higher taxes in California for slum clearance and other urban projects.

Four-chapter area in San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Merced counties sees Nisei combine push with local CAP 14

BY GEORGE MATSUOKA
San Joaquin Valley Area
Supervisor

TRACY—The San Joaquin Valley area is composed of four JACL chapters: Livingston-Merced and Cortez chapters in close proximity to the south in Merced and Stanislaus counties, and the Stockton and French Camp chapters closely allied in San Joaquin County to the north where reside a significant number of Nisei voters.

Our campaign officially "broke ground" in the last days of July with a joint meeting of the four chapters at Calvary Presbyterian Church in Stockton. At that meeting we mapped our plans, and our decision was not to work as one large committee but to separate our efforts to the north and to the south, recognizing the distinct geographical separation and also the need to encourage local group participation.

Each chapter assumed the responsibility of widening the scope of the campaign in their particular area by soliciting the active support of other organizations and individuals within the Japanese community and by encouraging the identification of some Nisei with the CAP 14 committees of the given areas.

Although the emphasis, as JACL recommends, is on alerting and bringing an effective message before the Japanese community, it seems, we could not justify our effort and concern, in smaller communities particularly, without lending active support to the greater community which we are a part of everyday of our lives.

Task Ahead

Though we have yet to "reach" all Nisei voters of this area, I have unwavering confidence, as we enter these crucial weeks of the campaign, that they will overwhelmingly "fall in line" with our cause.

Of course, we must with some misgivings discount those Nisei, some prominent, suffering from certain myopic visions or some lapse in memory.

From immediate personal experience I don't share the confidence that we could "shake up" too many of those conservative and "entrenched" good friends of the general community. The continuing task of the broad cross-section of the Nisei, once informed, is to let those friends know where we stand, and why, and that we are against prejudice applied to others as to us.

The following lists our committee and outlines our campaign:
Livingston Merced
Jake Kiri-hara, chmn.; Frances Kiri-hara, Frank Suzuki (Chapter Pres.), Marjory Suzuki, Kazuo Masuda, Tom Nakashima, Buddy Iwata, S. Kishi. Associated Organizations—Grace Methodist Church, Livingston—Commission on Social Concern, Members of the Board.

Livingston area shows almost 100 percent in Nisei registration. JACL buttons proved to be a selling out, \$25 was forwarded to the Merced County CAP Committee in which the Kiri-haras are active supporters.
Mrs. Marjory Suzuki represented the committee before several groups including WSCS.

News ads space have been purchased from local papers and articles covering activities have appeared in previous edition of the PC.

Cortez

Mark Kamaya, chmn.; Kaname Miyamoto (Chapter Pres.), Peter Yamamoto. Associated Organizations—Cortez Presbyterian Church, Cortez Buddhist Church, North Merced County Democratic Club.

Cortez area also can boast nearly 100 percent Nisei registration. It is well to note that this small chapter sent two of their members to the Sept. 23 "Fairmont Hotel dinner" at \$50 per plate.
Cortez is also making substantial contributions to the County Committee and has purchased ad space on the Turlock paper, which incidentally is yes-14.

On Oct. 10 the Chapter joined a fund raising "Horse Show" at the Turlock Fairgrounds.
On the evening of Oct. 24, an open meeting will be held and will be labeled "Canvass and Prop. 14 Night".

Stockton-French Camp

Dr. Kenjo Terashita, chmn. and Chapter Pres.; George Baba, Dr. Kenneth Fujii, Dorothy Baba, George Matsumoto, Henry Kusama, Gary Y. Hagi, Mita Baba, Fred Dobana, Harry S. Hayashino, Mas Ishihara, Tetsuo Kato, Jack Matsumoto, Joseph Onachi, Tom Okamoto, Dr. K. Onizuka, Teddy Saki, Frank Shinoda, James Tani, Lou Tsunekawa, Dr. M. L. Yamaguchi, Ruby Dobana, Mr. & Mrs. Dick Fujii, Frank Iwanaga, Ted T. Ishihara, Mrs. George Matsumoto, Dr. James N. Morozumi, Dr. K. Oshidari, John I. Okamoto, Henry Nishiohka, Bill Shima, Yukie Shinoda, Dr. K. Takei, Elmer Tsunekawa, Dr. John K. Fujimori.

Associated Organization with both chapters—Calvary Presbyterian Church—Members of the Board, Rev. Aron Sato, Board Members, Stockton Buddhist Church, Rev. Laverne Sasaki, Rev. T. Shibata.
Tracy Nisei Club—Wayne Mizuno, pres.
Linden Area—Harold Aoyama, Lead Area—Don Morita, Sam Furumura, Tsugio Kubota.

FRENCH CAMP

Bob Tomingata, chmn. and Chapter Pres.; John Fujiki, George Komure, Tom Natsuhara, Frank Kosugi, Bob Takahashi, George Matsuoka.

Both Stockton and French Camp went on concerted registration drives. In French Camp it was gratifying to note the results of the efforts of Bob Tomingata and Tom Natsuhara which show from nearly 25 percent lack in registration last year to 99 percent registered this year.

Stockton with telephone canvassing and several "Registration Nights" at the Buddhist Hall and Calvary Church, made a significant dent in the sometimes lagging position of the Nisei.

Both Lodi and Linden areas made continuing individual contacts to encourage registration. The County reports the highest registration level in history. We are satisfied that our efforts added to the sum total.

Both chapters have conducted telephone campaigns to reach those Nisei "unavailable" at meetings. Answering the appeal of the San Joaquin CAP 14 Committee, the Stockton Chapter forwarded the sum of \$500. This was a most generous amount coupled with other campaign costs anticipated.

However, a benefit movie held at the local Buddhist Hall on Oct.

3, emphasizing the needs of our campaign, brought enthusiastic support. The committee was gratified with the communities' response; the contribution will go a long way in the campaign. French Camp will contribute \$100 to CAP 14.

George Matsumoto represented Stockton at the Fairmont Hotel dinner. Both chapters had representatives at the Oct. 14 Dick Gregory Show at Stockton at \$25 a ticket.

Both Rev. L. Sarajid of the Buddhist Church and Rev. Aron Sato of the Calvary Presbyterian have continued to speak out to their congregations in strong support of our cause. Fellow like Dr. Terashita and George Matsumoto have participated at San Joaquin CAP 14 meetings, as have your state chairman, Jerry Enomoto, Rev. Sato and this writer.

Of course, we here are fortunate in having our State Chairman at our doorsteps for advice, consultation and support.
Jerry served as MC at a recent mass rally in Tracy which was jointly sponsored by Catholics, Protestants, Jews, as well as the local CAP 14 Committee. The audience of over 200 represented a broad cross-section of a small town like Tracy. I believe it was a most successful meeting as a number told me they've been "converted" including our local Judge. Jerry as a "neutral" MC capably gave a strong appeal to climax the evening.

The Stockton Chapter had planned an Oct. 23rd rally. However, at the Oct. 6 meeting of Nisei representing San Joaquin County, we have usurped their plans to include San Joaquin County Nisei Against Prop. 14. Our featured speaker is to be State Sen. Allan Short, whose support of our position is well known and can ably and objectively articulate it.

Profits only motive or realtor support of Prop. 14: Wilkins

LOS ANGELES—NAACP executive secretary Roy Wilkins, in a recent press conference here, said the real estate industry's craving for profits was "the only reason for its support of Prop. 14."

"The homeowners and property owners of California did not ask for this constitutional amendment. The real estate industry couldn't care less about the property owner. It is interested only in one thing—profit—and that's why it has engineered and financed the campaign for Prop. 14," Wilkins said.

He saw Prop. 14 as nothing more than "legalized discrimination no matter how much the real estate industry professes to make it an issue of 'property rights.'"

Jr. Matrons

CLEVELAND—Toshi Kadowaki and Sachie Tanaka are the new co-chairmen of the Jr. Matrons club.

Prop. 14 called national in scope

LOS ANGELES—Saturday Evening Post columnist Stewart Alsop has called Prop. 14 "national in scope" in the Oct. 10 issue.

"The basic issue involved in Prop. 14 goes to the heart of the racial crisis with which this country is now seized," Alsop writes. "Either the Negro will be admitted to full citizenship with the right to buy whatever he has the money to pay for, or there is much worse trouble to come."

Alsop also quoted Los Angeles realtor Robert Rowan, a staunch Republican and strong opponent of Prop. 14, who said:
"The question is whether the Negro population is going to be trapped for all time in the cities, like an angry animal in a cage."



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JACL HISTORY PROJECT STAFF MEETS WITH BRAZIL CENSUS MAN

LOS ANGELES—America's loss has been Brazil's gain, according to Dr. Teitzi Suzuki, whose committee has concluded a 7-year census of the Japanese in Brazil.

Letters from Osaka orphan 'adopted' by San Francisco JACL temporarily halted

SAN FRANCISCO — With the recent passing of Katsue Kobashi, director of the Hakui-sha Orphanage in Osaka, correspondence of Noboru Miyamoto with his California sponsors, the San Francisco JACL, has been temporarily halted.

In the last letter, which included seven written in Japanese to children of a local Gakuen class, Noboru said: To all my friends in San Francisco:

Calendar

- Oct. 17 (Saturday) Long Beach — Youth Awards Night, Harbor Community Center.

Chapter Call Board

- West Los Angeles JACL 1965 Cabinet: The West Los Angeles JACL Auxiliary presents its slate of 1965 officers at the regular monthly meeting Oct. 19, 7 p.m., at the Queen's Arms Restaurant in Encino.

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Sonoma County 'CL' elects Dr. Okamoto as '65 president

SANTA ROSA—Dr. Roy Okamoto was elected as president of the Sonoma County JACL Chapter for 1965 recently. He served as its president in 1961 and was vice president for two years.

The membership campaign was also gotten underway with Dr. Okamoto, George Shimizu and George Yokoyama serving as co-chairmen. Deadline of Dec. 31 has been set for the 1965 membership.

(This being the first of the 1965 chapter officers to be elected, the complete roster of officers will be found under the heading of "1965 Officers", which shall appear from time to time.)

On Prop. 14

The chapter's campaign against Prop. 14 entered its final phase. Jim Murakami and George Hamamoto, co-chairmen, assisted by some ten members of the chapter board, the final educational campaign letters to members are being mailed.

Jim Miyano, chapter president, said proceeds from the Japanese benefit movies held last week-end of September will enable the committee to complete various objectives as planned.

James Murakami, member of the Sonoma County Executive Board Against Prop. 14, and Mrs. Murakami were among the hosts and hostesses greeting the many visitors at a campaign committee open house.

Florin JACLer negotiates \$3 million warehouse deal

SACRAMENTO — Local investor and real estate man George Takahara recently acquired a 15-acre lot near Pacific Growers in San Leandro that included a 230,000 sq. ft. warehouse complex and office space and restaurant facility capable of providing 300 persons.

Lil' Tokio Nihongo class to start in Sun Bldg.

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Businessmen elect Umejiro Okamoto, proprietor of Kongo Shokai, was elected president of the Lil' Tokyo Businessmen's Assn. last week, succeeding Takeo Taiyoshi.

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Patsy Mink may be first Nisei woman elected to Congress, on same ticket with Spark Matsunaga facing two Republicans

HONOLULU — The nomination of Patsy Mink on the Democratic ticket for one of the two available U.S. House seats will test the theory advanced in Hawaii that "racially unbalanced" tickets cannot win.



Patsy Takemoto Mink

This team will face two Caucasian Republicans in the general election Nov. 3. In official Hawaii, race is synonymous with nationality.

Patsy was born 36 years ago in the village of Paia, Island of Maui, where her father, a graduate of the Univ. of Hawaii, was a surveyor. Perhaps it is easier to develop qualities of leadership on the outside islands.

Patsy distinguished herself early, graduating from Maui High School as class valedictorian and student body president. She graduated from the Univ. of Hawaii in 1948 and from the Univ. of Chicago Law School in 1951.

Her political career began about the time she hung out her shingle in Honolulu. She organized the Young Democrats of Hawaii. She successfully ran for the Hawaiian House of Representatives in 1956.

In 1959 after Hawaii was granted statehood, she ran for the U.S. House of Representatives. And in this contest she met her first major setback, and under especially trying circumstances.

Dan Inouye had previously announced his candidacy for the U.S. Senate. As the strongest contender for the House, Patsy seemed a sure bet to win the nomination and the election.

Patsy has never publicly manifested any bitterness over the circumstances surrounding this defeat, but it must have been a cruel disappointment to her.

Small, demure, feminine, her round face seeming to reflect a Malay strain, though her skin is fair, she makes a graceful, persuasive figure on the platform. In private life she seems to prefer

Church lay leader OAKLAND—Ken Matsumoto, who served as a National JACL vice-president during the war years, was elected president of the Oakland Assn. of America Baptist Men recently. He will serve a two-year term of the group which embraces 85 churches.

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to listen rather than talk. Though she makes no attempt to discredit the racist theories of official Hawaii, she evidently has no place for prejudice in her private life. She is married to John Mink, a Caucasian geologist, who is acting as her campaign manager.

She also has imagination and courage. For example, at a time when it was extremely unpopular to do so, she publicly advocated ending atomic testing. She replied with calm reason to emotional, personal attacks upon her.

Especially among the Aborigines, in Hawaii one meets with a strong feeling of resentment against the political domination of Hawaii by the Nissei. "Too many Japanese," is the refrain of many of them, "Soon there will be nothing left for us."

Exposed as they have been to the propaganda of official Hawaii, it is natural that the Aborigines think as they do. And since they are a privileged group, it is natural that they are jealous of their

Sen. Inouye speaks at Watsonville tonight WATSONVILLE — Sen. Dan Inouye (D-Hawaii) makes his first appearance in Santa Cruz County tonight at a Johnson for President rally at the local Buddhist Church. The dinner meeting is being sponsored by the local county committee for Johnson. Tak Higuchi is dinner chairman.

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privileges. During his campaign, Walter Heen, one of her opponents, who is officially classed as "part Hawaiian" referred to the Aborigines as "my people." It is understandable if they voted for him.

But even if all the votes given to Heen in the primary were to be diverted to the Republican candidates for the House, it seems unlikely that it will win the election for either of them.

The Republicans need a much stronger gimmick than a protest against a "racially unbalanced" ticket to keep the team of Sparky and Patsy from Congress.

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