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WARREN'S 1942 STAND DEMANDING EVACUATION HIT

Calif. Young Republican Convention President Leads in Attack

MILLBRAE — The California Young Republicans, at its annual convention here this past weekend, assailed the U.S. Supreme Court and its chief justice, Earl Warren, for their landmark decision outlawing compulsory school prayers and the role played by the then Attorney General of California to place Japanese Americans in internment camps during World War II, respectively.

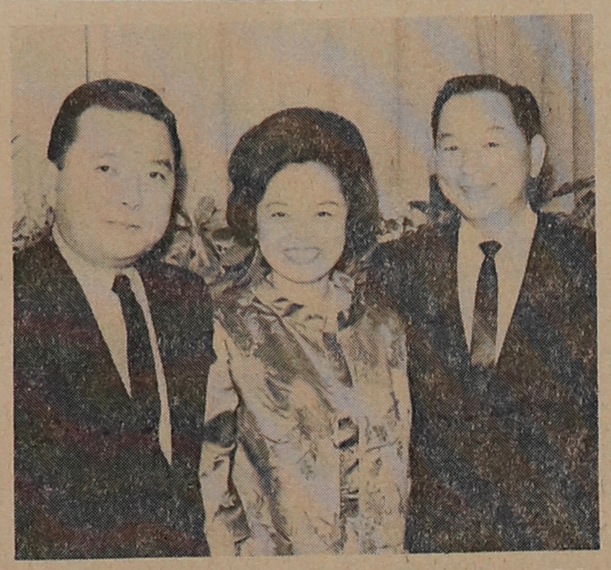
John Gromala, a Fortuna attorney and outgoing CYR president, personally led the attack on the chief justice, charging that at the outbreak of World War II, Warren had "without any evidence before him, slandered Japanese American citizens by saying that they were most dangerous than aliens".

Gromala declared it was time to point out "that this man who is now all-out for civil rights was something else in another time". He said Warren "went along with the mass hysteria of the times.

"But our Mr. Republican—Sen. Robert Taft of Ohio—didn't panic. He defended Japanese American citizens and said they were entitled to due process of law."

Gromala's resolution then called upon Congress "to develop protective legislation to protect all Americans from similar encroachments under civil rights and to prevent minorities from having their liberties encroached upon."

The resolutions committee first rejected a demand in the Gromala proposal that Warren apologize publicly and that he "prove his remorse by rendering a new decision reversing that infamous case". But Gromala rushed back into the resolutions committee and persuaded the group to approve "compromise" language stating that Warren "having been swept along with the general hysteria without any evidence before him, slandered these citizens by saying that they were more dangerous than aliens."



NISEI ON CAPITOL HILL—Present at the recent Washington, D.C., JACL installation dinner are the three Nisei elected legislators from the State of Hawaii (from left): Sen. Daniel Inouye, Rep. Patsy T. Mink, who gave the principal address; and Rep. Spark Matsunaga.

REP. MINK URGES NISEI-SANSEI TO ASSUME COMMUNITY RESPONSIBILITY

BY GRACE WATANABE
(Special to the Pacific Citizen)

WASHINGTON—"We have made giant strides in our assimilation into the total life and community of this Nation. We have achieved high posts in the business world, in the sciences, in the arts and music, in literature, and in government.

But "let it never be said that we do not care about what happens to others; that we rest content with our own achievements; that our preoccupation with ourselves sets us apart in any way from the problems of America.

"Let us take a leading role in seeing that all Americans, of whatever background, have the education they need to live and work in comfort and dignity.'

So spoke Rep. Patsy Takemoto Mink of Hawaii to the members of the Washington, D.C. JACL at the annual installation dinner-dance held Jan. 30 at the Cameron Station Restaurant in nearby Alexandria.

EDC Chairman Kaz Horita of Philadelphia, installed Key K. Kobayashi as president for the second year, as well as other officers of the local chapter. The occasion also marked the first installation of a panel of officers headed by Jane Yoshihashi as president of the newly formed Junior JACL in the D.C. Chapter.

Toastmaster Dr. Ray Murakami introduced Sen. Daniel K. Inouye and Rep. Spark M. Matsunaga of Hawaii, who extended their greetings to the Chapter members and friends. The Rev. Chikara Ose gave the invocation and the benediction.

Speaker of the evening was introduced by Mike Masaoka.

Good Education

Congresswoman Mink addressed herself to the theme of the dinner, "A Great Society Through Equality" and also added a few comments on the "Sansei Coming of Age".

In directing special emphasis to the youth of the group, Mrs. Mink said:

"Now a new generation of Americans is coming of age. I am confident that they know and appreciate their place in this society and that they will assume greater responsibility in the affairs of our country. That they will participate in the discourse involving basic moral and philosophic questions, I have no doubt.

"With your guidance and counsel, I know that they will lead the fight for greater equality and justice for all Americans within this country."

Noting the primary importance of a good education, she cautioned: "Consider that one out of every three persons now in the fifth grade will drop out of high school before finishing. Almost a million young people a year will be doomed to a life of poverty and ignorance unless we reverse this trend . . . We have for years believed that education has offered us the best route to equality and social justice. And we have proven this to be true for ourselves.

"Let us help in this fight to give every child in America at least a chance at happiness and success instead of a life of drudgery, poverty, and despair."

Kobayashi spoke on activities of the chapter during the past year and plans for the future. He then introduced the following recipients of the Silver Pin: Don Komai, Ruth Kuroishi, Hisako Sakata, Ira Shimasaki and Tsugi Shiroishi.

A special certificate of appreciation for her long and valuable service to the chapter was presented to Mrs. Eiko Mitoma.

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Youth Program Speaker

WASHINGTON — Rep. Patsy T. Mink was principal speaker this past week at a Capitol Hill luncheon for some 100 delegates to the third annual Youth Program, sponsored by the William Randolph Hearst Foundation to witness government in operation.

Canada author hits churches for apathy of JC evacuation

TORONTO—Pierre Berton's latest book, "The Comfortable Pew", should not be too comfortable reading for many devout Anglicans and other Protestants in Canada.

Accusing the church for its apathy, non-commitment and "outright opposition" in regards to mankind's struggles for racial equality, author Berton highlighted the World War II treatment of Japanese Canadians as an example.

"A more clear-cut racial crisis occurred in Canada in 1941, when a large number of Canadian-born citizens of Japanese descent were stripped of their rights, plundered of their worldly goods and herded against their will to detention camps away from the Pacific coastal strip.

"There is little on the record to indicate that the churches in British Columbia took a militant stand against this racial bigotry," Berton charges.

"It is to the credit of the church in Canada, however, that some time following the Japanese relocation, some of its leaders made an effort to do something, especially through the National Inter-Church Advisory Committee in Toronto.

"They tried to deal ethically with the problem, to prevent the disfranchisement of Japanese Canadian citizens.

"It is a measure of the church's impotence that, though it probably had some influence in preventing the government going to further extremes, its efforts met with general failure at the parish level . . ."

The book was published jointly by McClelland-Stewart Ltd. and the General Board of Religious Education of the Anglican Church.

East L.A. JACL awards scholarship to Sansei

LOS ANGELES—Carol Shimano, 19, daughter of Cr. and Mrs. Nori Shimano, 3215 E. 3rd St., was given the East Los Angeles JACL Scholarship Award for a deserving Sansei at Roosevelt High School honor assembly last week.

Ozawa re-elected

NEW YORK—Jack Ozawa was re-elected chairman of the New York JACL board at its recent executive meeting here.

Attorney Kasama heads Fremont JACL

BY KEN A. TASHIRO

FREMONT — Local attorney-at-law Frank A. Kasama was installed as Fremont JACL president with other members of his cabinet at the International Kitchen here Jan. 29.

Dr. Tom Taketa, NC-WNDC chairman, of San Jose administered the oath of office and gave the principal address, "Your Health", which explained the DC's group health insurance plan.

The National JACL membership Performance Award for attaining an all-time high (94) last year was presented to Frank Nakasako, outgoing president, and Ray Kitayama, outgoing membership chairman.

Mrs. Kiyo Kitayama publicly thanked the members on behalf of the Tosh Nagata family for the 29 pints of blood donated when John Nagata had to undergo surgery. She in turn was thanked by Nakasako for heading the blood donor's drive.

Kasama recently announced his association for the general practice of law here with Joseph P. Haley.

Placer County CL elects new board

BY ROY YOSHIDA

PENRYN — Dick Nishimura of Loomis was elected chairman of the newly created Placer County JACL board of directors Feb. 1 at the Foothills Motel in Auburn.

Outgoing chapter president Harry Kawahata presided at this initial board meeting, which reviewed events for the coming year. Standing committee chairmen will be announced.

More important were the opinions expressed on how the chapter could rekindle membership interest and streamline the organization. It was unanimously agreed that the need and continuance of the local chapter was to serve as a guardian of Nisei interest and welfare.

To combat membership apathy, the board felt chapter programs should be expanded with emphasis on more membership activities.

To encourage younger members to accept positions of responsibility, some changes in chapter policy were in order. The board also felt that present public acceptance was lulling younger Nisei into forgetting their cultural heritage.

JACLers assist in Omaha-Shizuoka Sister City fete

OMAHA—Assisting in the Omaha-Shizuoka Sister City festivities here recently welcoming visitors from Shizuoka were local JACLers who arranged the dinner at the Gas Lamp. Some 45 persons attended the no-host affair.

Noriaki Okada, representing the chapter, extended words of welcome and Bob Nakadoi was toastmaster. At the civic luncheon the following day, K. Patrick Okura represented the chapter. Mr. and Mrs. Kazuo Takechi and their son Richard were on the welcoming committee and served as interpreters for the following:

Fumio Suzuki, managing director, Shizuoka Chamber of Commerce; Yutaka Goh, pres., Shizuoka City Assembly; Kunisada Takeuchi, chief, planning dept., Shizuoka C. of C.

Agricultural exploits of early day Issei in San Luis Obispo, Watsonville, role in Monterey fishing told History Project

OCEANO — Early Issei farmers grew bush peas on the hillsides of nearby Pismo Beach in the early 1900s and being criticized for soil erosion, they moved toward the flatlands and cultivated sweet peas on poles.

By the 1930s it became a specialty of the Issei farmers of San Luis Obispo county and the prices remained at a profitable level through the depression era for the tender sugar-sweet peas.

Today, Nisei farmers have taken over and have on the average about 50 acres per family, according to oe rant Masaoka, History Project administrator, who came here to brief local interviewers.

The spring-like coastal climate here allows three crops a year—such as two harvests of romaine lettuce and a winter harvest of cauliflower—on the same ground. However, improved seeds of all vegetables now enables farmers in other parts of the U.S. to raise rops which, because of the climate, were best raised commerially on the west coast in years past.

It was reported that Evacuation of Japanese from the west coast gave impetus to such out-of-California produce farming.

The pioneer Eto family of San Luis Obispo had the distinction of having a street named after them, but like the Japanese garden in Golden Gate Park of San Francisco, it was a World War II casualty.

Local residents present at the Feb. 3 JHP session were:

Ben Fuchiwaki, Hito Fuchiwaki, Ken Kitasako, Saburo Ikeda, Seirin Ikeda, Ed Nakamura, Ayako Saruwatari, Kay Sato, Skip Sato, Yoshiko Shishido, Mrs. Kofuji Fukunaga, Mutsuko Kitatako, JHP co-directors.

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Nimble Fingered Issei

WATSONVILLE — Nimble fingers gave the early Issei pioneers of Watsonville a "nest-egg" to start in farming and business, the History Project was informed this past week.

The early Moravian apple orchardists had many Issei picking and packing the crisp, juicy Newton Pippins for the American table. It was in later years that the superior color of the Washington and Oregon apples attracted more consumers.

During the winters, the early Issei engaged in lumbering in the nearby coastal ranges.

Soon after their local advent, the Issei turned to growing the famed Watsonville strawberries. Prices have been poor in recent years but an improvement was noted last year. It is now believed that with the end of the bracero program, family-size strawberry growing operations may boom again, despite the growth of frozen berry operations in Mexico last year.

Attending the Feb. 4 briefing session for History Project interviewers here were:

Kenji Fudenna, Tak Higuchi, Shig Hirano, Tommy K. Kadotani, Takeshige Koizuka, John Kurimoto, Tom Nakase, the Rev. Junzo Tsumura; Fred Nitta, (Santa Cruz County), Kay Yamaoka (San Benito County), JHP directors.

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Nisei Heads C. of C.

MONTEREY—Believed to be the first Nisei ever elected to the top chamber of commerce post of a major city, Kay Nobusada, partner

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Great lack of communication between Nisei and Sansei noted by psychologist

LOS ANGELES—Speaking on Nisei and Sansei traits, Dr. Steven K. Abe, clinical psychologist at Metropolitan State Hospital at Norwalk, said there is a great lack of communication between Japanese American parents and children.

He was the main speaker at the Hollywood JACL installation dinner held Sunday at Rudi's Italian Inn, where Mrs. Ichiro Watanabe, 1965 president, and her cabinet were installed by Kats Arimoto, PSWDC chairman.

Dr. Abe blamed family and social structure, heredity, culture and the fatalistic attitude of "shikataganai" for the breakdown of intra-familial communication. He said the Japanese fall short on sociability and understanding of Caucasians because of these factors.

The coveted Frank Chuman Member of the Year award was presented to Fred Taomae for his service during the past year. The award was instituted in 1961, the past winners being:

1961 — Mrs. John Fukushima, 1962 —Danar Abe, 1963 — Miwa Yanamoto.

The National JACL Outstanding Membership Performance scroll was presented to Charles Kamayatsu for leading the chapter to an all-time high of 218 members from a previous high of 200. The presentation was made by Dr. David Miura, who as national membership chairman last biennium established the award program.

The past president's pin to Mrs. Charles Kamayatsu and scrolls of appreciation to her and the 1963 chapter president, Mrs. Henry Miyahara, for excellent leadership were also presented by Arimoto.

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Kitano to Address East L.A.

LOS ANGELES—A study of the Issei, Nisei and Sansei with relationship to community, family, crime and delinquency is the topic of Dr. Harry Kitano's address Feb. 23, 8 p.m., at the East Los Angeles JACL meeting at International Institute, it was announed by Hiro Omura, chapter president.

Having completed his book on "Japanese, Crime and Delinquency in the U.S." and author of an article on Evacuation and the subsequent Nisei success story in the February issue of Bronze America, Dr. Kitano will explain some of his findings, particularly that pertaining to crime and delinquency.

Dr. Kitano is associate professor of social welfare at UCLA.

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Membership Award

TACOMA—Dr. John Kanda, PNWDC chairman, presented the National JACL Outstanding Membership Performance Award to the Puyallup Valley JACL at its January membership meeting here for attaining an all-time high of 155 last year.

Joe Kosai, chapter president last year, accepted the scroll on behalf of the cabinet. He is also general chairman of the PNWDC convention to be hosted by the local chapter at the Winthrop Hotel on Dec. 10-11.

FRENCH CAMP CHAPTER SWEARS IN NEW CABINET AT NEWLY BUILT HALL

FRENCH CAMP—In the newly constructed French Camp Hall, the 1965 French Camp JACL officers led by president Yoshio Itaya were installed Jan. 23 before a group of 150 persons. Jerry Enomoto, nat'l 1st v.p., was the installing officer.

The local women's Auxiliary arranged the potluck dinner and the local Japanese American Youths participated in a major role with Gerry Ito leading the Pledge of Allegiance and others providing much of the evening's entertainment. Bob Takahashi was toastmaster.

Guests included:

Walt Neely, pres.; French Camp Chamber of Commerce; Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hoover, past pres., local C. of C.; Atty. and Mrs. Joseph Omachi, Stockton; Dr. Kengo Terashita, pres., Stockton JACL; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Enomoto, Tracy.

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JAYs Elect Officers

FRENCH CAMP — Dale Masuda was introduced as the newly elected French Camp JAYs president at the French Camp JACL New Year dinner held here Jan. 22 attended by some 200 members and their families.

The group has planned a snow outing this week by chartered bus leaving the Japanese Hall at 7 a.m. Lunches will be provided, Masuda stated. Others on the outing committee are:

Jerry Ito, transp.; Jenny Nishida, Kathy Kenamoto, refr.

CLOSER WORKING PACT BETWEEN U.S. & JAPAN FOR S.E. ASIA SOUGHT

HONOLULU — The United States looks for a closer working agreement with Japan in the economic development of the lesser southeast Asian countries, Dr. Edwin O. Reischauer said here last week.

No definite agreements for the development have been reached, the U.S. Ambassador to Japan said, but he appeared highly optimistic.

Enroute from Washington to Tokyo following the state visit of Japanese Prime Minister Eisaku Sato to the U.S., he said the principal purpose of this trip was to seek a closer working relationship between "us and the Japanese".

He showed no signs of the limp which was visible at the time he left here for Japan in July following a 49-day convalescence for a stab wound inflicted on his right thigh by a deranged Japanese youth last March 24.

Ex-Seattle mayor Clinton cited by CL

SEATTLE—Former Mayor Gordon S. Clinton and two JACLers were honored at the Seattle JACL installation dinner Feb. 2 at Bush Gardens.

Clinton was presented the National JACL Certificate of Appreciation for his "outstanding contributions to welfare of persons of Japanese anestry in Seattle" during his eight years as mayor. Fred Takagi, Imperial Bowl proprietor, was awarded the Sapphire Pin and Elmer Ogawa, PC columnist, the Silver Pin.

Dr. Terrance M. Toda, who was re-elected president, and his cabinet were installed. The Rev. Dale E. Turner, pastor of University Congregational Churh, was guest speaker.

FONG-MATSUNAGA BILL FOR OKINAWA POSTWAR CLAIMS INTRODUCED

HONOLULU—Completing a three-week trip to the U.S. as guests of the Dept. of the Army and the High Commissioner of the Ryukyu Islands, Akio Nagamine hopefully predicted passage of a $22,000,000 Okinawa claims bill for postwar damages caused by the U.S. military between 1945 and the Japanese Peace Treaty of 1952.

Nagamine, speaker of the unicameral Ryukyuan legislature, explained the Okinawan claims bill has been introduced in this session of Congress by Sen. Hiram Fong (R-Hawaii) and Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii), who maintain that the military took over private properties without paying any rentals, besides damaging other properties.

Nagamine indicated this was true and added that many inhabitants have been run over, shot and killed or injured by carelessness on the part of members of the Armed Forces.

Asked about the return of Okinawa to Japan, Nagamine said, "Eventually, yes. It's a matter of time."

QUESTIONS ON 1000 CLUB DUES BEFORE BOARD

Proposal Made Chapters Be Allowed to Keep $5 for Local Program

CLEVELAND—Two questions concerning 1000 Club membership dues will be presented by its national chairman, Joe Kadowaki, at the forthcoming National JACL interim board meeting at Los Angeles.

First deals with either raising the dues to $30 a year with $5 retained by the chapter or retaining the present dues of $25 a year with the chapter permitted to retain $5 and the remainder going to National Headquarters as "unrebateable".

Second deals life memberships, which under current policy considers all 20-year 1000 Club memberships as "life".

(National Director Mas Satow, in his Jan. 29 column in the Pacific Citizen noted that the life membership plan may be solved, thanks to a plan devised by Tad Hirota, NC-WNDC 1000 Club chairman, which will be explained in detail at the interim board session.)

Original Intent

While the original intent of the JACL 1000 Club founded in 1947, was to secure 1,000 JACLers who would contribute $25 each year toward support of National, Kadowaki noted that this thinking has changed considerably and called for recognition of this attitude.

"Many (1000ers) are interested in local chapter welfare and want a portion to remain locally," he explained. The chapters are in need of operational expenses, incurred to keep the 1000 Club member on the local chapter roster and mailings.

In recommending that chapters be allowed to retain $5 of the

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JACL publishes public relations leaflet to urge use of 'Nisei' instead of 'Jap'

SAN FRANCISCO—A simple, but solid plea to eliminate the use of the term "Jap" from the written and spoken English language is contained in a new leaflet published this week by the Japanese American Citizens League, according to Akiji Yoshimura of Colusa, national chairman of the JACL public relations committee.

Leaflet carries "Please don't" on the red-white front panel and inside continues with "Don't use the word 'Jap' for several reasons:

1—It is offensive to many Americans.

2—It is derogatory in the same sense as "kike, wop, chink and nigger".

3—Right - thinking, fair-minded Americans do not use such expressions.

4—They are a shameful remnant from an earlier era when our country was made up of many unassimilated immigrant groups. But that era is gone, and we are all Americans proud of our backgrounds and entitled to dignity.

Leaflet also explains why "Jap" is not a nice word, noting its history when as used by bigots and racists intent on ridding the West Coast of the fictitious "yellow peril" and "Jap" became a symbol of hate and contempt.

"Those days are gone forever, but the expression—no matter how innocently used—still stings like a whiplash," the leaflet adds.

Three major dictionaries are also quoted:

"An opprobrious usage," says Funk & Wagnalls. A shortened term often expressing contempt," says Webster's New World Dictionary. "Often used disparagingly," says Webster's Third International Dictionary.

'Nisei' Preferred

As a positive guide to those in the communications media in need a short, accurate, descriptive term of the Japanese America, the leaflet suggests "Nisei", which has by common usage become applicable to all Americans of Japanese origin.

"JACL is printing 25,000 copies of this leaflet for distribution to all communications media and through human relations and teacher groups," Yoshimura declared.

Members of the nucleus public relations group met Sunday in Sacramento to discuss the most effective means of distribution.

Yoshimura revealed that Bill Hosokawa prepared the final text of the leaflet; the typography by 1000 Clubber Willie Hoshiyama. Members of the nucleus group are:

Yas Abiko, Steve Doi, Jerry Enomoto, Tad Masaoka, and Norman Mineta; Mas Satow, consultant.

ALAN KUMAMOTO NAMED PSW YOUTH COORDINATOR

LOS ANGELES—Appointment of Alan Kumamoto, active Hollywood JACLer, as youth coordinator for the National JACL youth commission was announced this week by So. Calif. JACL regional director Isaac Matsushige.

Kumamoto, retained on a part-time basis, has met with the NC-WNDYC at its first quarterly session last Sunday at Sacramento and has met with the San Diego youth and their leaders to organize a Jr. JACL.

Employed by Mitsui & Co., Kumamoto is currently a candidate for a master's degree in sociology at USC. He is a 1962 graduate of Loyola University, was Hi-Co chairman in 1963 and two-term president of the Maryknoll Young Adults.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Kumamoto, active Hollywood JACLers.

California Nisei VFW reunion plans finished

SAN FRANCISCO — The Golden Gate Nisei Memorial Post reunion committee will host the 15th annual Nisei VFW Reunion here Feb. 20-22 at the TraveLodge Motel by Fisherman's Wharf.

Events open to the public include the Sunday memorial service with the Rev. Takashi Tsuji of the Buddhist Churches of America officiating, Sunday dance at the Village and Sayonara banquet Monday at the Four Seas restaurant in Chinatown.

State Attorney General Thomas C. Lynch is the banquet speaker. Shig Miyamoto is reunion chairman.

Chapters request loan of 'Nisei: Pride & Shame'

SAN FRANCISCO—Requests from three chapters for loan of the CBS-20th Century TV film, "Nisei: the Pride and the Shame", have been received this past week at National JACL Headquarters.

A request to purchase a copy of the TV program shown nationally on Jan. 31 has been made by JACL, but it may be not available for several weeks, Sato explained.

Prudential Insurance Co., sponsors of the program, has included this title in its film-lending library. Requests may be made through their agents at least three weeks in advance.

Requests to Headquarters have come from Fresno American Loyalty League for its March meeting; from Pasadena JACL, for its April meeting; and from Philadelphia JACL, for the EDC-MDC joint convention over the Labor Day weekend.

NAT'L JACL BOARD INTERIM SESSION AGENDA RELEASED

25 Expected for Meeting Feb. 19-21 in Downtown L.A.

LOS ANGELES—Agenda for the fourth biennial interim meeting of the National JACL Board convening Feb. 19-21 at the Hayward Hotel here was disclosed today.

"While it does not appear exhaustive, the general membership should have some knowledge of some of the matters to be discussed and understand the overall view of the meeting," National Director Masao W. Satow of San Francisco explained in announcing the three-day agenda.

All members of the National JACL Board and staff are expected to be present.

Friday, Feb. 19

8 p.m.—National Personnel Committee meeting.

10 p.m.—National Quota Allocation Plan: Yone Satoda, nat'l treas., with all District Council chairmen.

Saturday, Feb. 20

First Session (9 a.m.)—Report by Kumeo Yoshinari, pres. "Status of JACL"; 1964 financial report; legislative-legal matters: 1—Immigration bill, 2—Washington Alien Land Law repeal campaign, 3—Prop. 14 follow-up, 4—National Civil Rights Fund, 5—Francis Walter Memorial Fund; distribution of "Please Don't" leaflet and other public relations matters.

Second Session (1:30 p.m.)—National Recognitions; national quota formula; 1000 Club items; status of Endowment Fund; Pacific Citizen; district group health plans.

Third Session (7:30 p.m.)—National Nominations Committee; 1966 National Biennial Convention; National Essay-Oratorical Contest themes; National Convention guide book.

Sunday, Feb. 21

Fourth Session (9 a.m.)—National youth program; National Personnel Committee report; proposed office of National President-elect; JACL policy on Tours; policy

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Utah governor signs mixed marriage bill

SALT LAKE CITY—Gov. Calvin Rampton on Feb. 5 signed HB 59, legalizing mixed marriages which had been contracted before repeal of the anti-misegenation law in 1963.

Measure is intended to remove the legal cloud which has hung over the parties to marriages of this type and their children. Rep. M. Phyl Poulson (D-Salt Lake), who authored the bill, explained.

Present at the signing were Poulson and two JACLers, Henry Kasai, Salt Lake JACL public relations chairman, and Kenneth Hisatake, Mt. Olympus JACL president.

Japan-born scientist wins Academy position

NEW YORK — Dr Minoru Tsutsui, of the faculty of the School of Engineering and Science Research at New York University, was elected vice-president of the New York Academy of Sciences. He is the first Japanese to serve in this capacity since the Academy was founded in 1817.

The Japan-born scientist was elected a fellow of the academy in 1962. He is major interests are in organometallic chemistry, catalysis and reaction mechanisms.

Placer County grand jury

AUBURN — Ellen Kubo, only woman president of the Placer County JACL and well known among Northern California Nisei for her active interest in JACL, was selected to serve on the Placer County grand jury this year. District Attorney Daniel J. Higgins said their first meeting was slated this week to draw committee assignments.

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A Backward Glance

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(Perhaps the only major daily publication to comment in depth on the Jan. 31 presentation of CBS-20th Century's "Nisei: the Pride and the Shame" appeared in Terrence O'Flaherty's column appearing in the Feb. 3 San Francisco Chronicle.—Editor.)

BY TERRENCE O'FLAHERTY
San Francisco Chronicle

"THE NISEI: The Pride and the Shame" did more than merely uncover a disgraceful chapter of our recent history. The documentary was a demonstration of the awesome inroads that fear can make into the thinking of our leaders and opinion makers. The pride was theirs, the shame America's.

In addition, the "Twentieth Century" program was a long overdue salute to the Japanese American 442nd Regimental Combat Team which wrote a record of its loyalty to the United States in blood, first at Salerno and right through to the German-Italian defeat.

There is a whole generation of Americans who do not know—and others who have forgotten—how 112,000 Japanese Americans, on the West Coast most of them American citizens, were dispossessed and herded into "relocation camps" after the attack on Pearl Habor. They had committed no unlawful acts and no aid to the enemy homeland was proved then or later.

The CBS News program spared no big names in quotations taken from the time: "American-born Japanese are even more dangerous than foreign-born Japs" (Earl Warren) . . . "They should all be imprisoned and to hell with habeas corpus" (Westbrook Pegler) . . . "The fact that they have been so quiet and orderly for so many years is an indication that their homeland has trained them to rise when they are told to" (Walter Lippmann).

President Franklin Roosevelt recommended the evacuation and the Supreme Court passed on its legality.

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"WE WERE GIVEN THREE DAYS and three nights to stop our lives, pack our few belongings and store the rest," remembered artist Mine Okubo. The films of their uprooting and their farewells were heartbreaking. "We were searched for contraband—knives, straight razors and liquor—and put on buses. I remember we crossed the Bay Bridge in silence . . ."

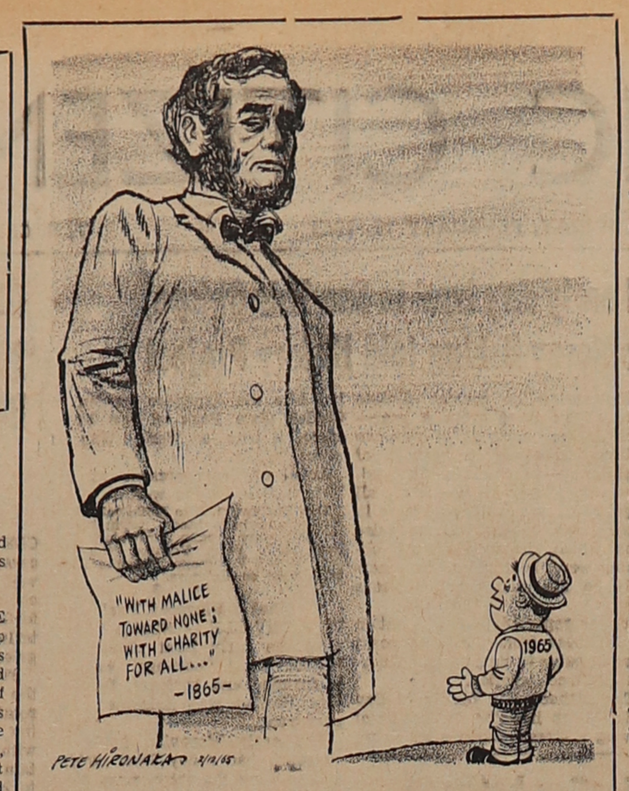
Narrator Walter Cronkite observed: "In Hawaii, which was 3,000 miles closer to the enemy and where one-third of the population was of Japanese descent, no such thing happened."

The Nisei were described by Cronkite as the best educated and most intelligent minority per capita in the United States. Surely they were the most artistic, and later—when the men were allowed to volunteer—they were to prove they were among the bravest of American fighting men.

It will remain one of the cruel paradoxes of the war that while the men of the 442nd were dying for their country their parents were living in prison camps.

The legal implications go far deeper than the evacuation itself, as pointed out by Eugene V. Rostow, dean of the Yale Law School: "These people were PRESUMED to be disloyal because of their descent, while the law says only ACTS are punishable—not parentage, thoughts, ideas or hopes. They had no jury, no due process of law."

Concluded Cronkite: "It established the government right to imprison any citizen if declared to be a military need—even if civilian courts are open and functioning. The Supreme Court refused to declare it unconstitutional and it is still law . . ."



'We need more time . . .'

Northwest Picture: by Elmer Ogawa

SJR 20: To Repeal Alien Land Law

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Seattle

Here we go again! Senate Joint Resolution 20 was introduced at the State legislative session at Olympia last Friday, Feb. 5. Introduced by State Sen. Ed Riley (D) of Seattle and 10 others, it is a bill to repeal portions of the state constitution which prohibit land ownership by aliens. Senator Riley is the one and same person who made the kickoff on the bill which was defeated by a less than 2 pct. majority in the 1962 election.

From here, the new bill goes to the constitutional committee, and once approved, it will go to a vote on the floors of both houses, and if approved by a two-third vote in both houses, then it will go on the ballot in November, 1966, for passage by a popular majority vote. In the 1960 and 1962 attempts to repeal the discriminatory land law, the vote in the legislative sessions was either unanimous or nearly unanimous in each house.

Toru Sakahara and Jim Matsuoka are co-chairing this "third strike" attempt to repeal the constitutional provision dating back to 1889, while Tak Kubota stays on the job as Olympia contact man—a sort of state level Mike Masaoka, as it were, and already Seattle chapter president Terry Toda marvels at the time and energy and patience that Tak puts into the job.

Well, with two strikes on us as of this date, this third attempt has all the possibilities of the Babe Ruth incident when he pointed to the spot in the bleachers where the ball would go on the next pitch, and there it went while the Babe pranced around the bases.

This corner has the feeling that the undertone of doubt and reluctance to go all-out in this third attempt, which has been observed, will now disappear under the urgency for a unified effort.

Your reporter was permitted to eavesdrop (with his tin ears) on one comment. It went like this. "After we emerge victorious from the polls, some may be embarrassed because we won the victory without their help. If we lose, it will be by ever so small a margin, the same people will be embarrassed for not lending their aid."

Three Votes Per Precinct

Well, the JACL amateur political analysts and mathematicians (amateur?) up here in the Northwest figured out the three more votes in each precinct in the State of Washington would have won the repeal referendum in 1962. We hope that the Northwest reader will become aware that an all-out effort is called for.

The following comment is directly related to the land law repeal effort, though it may not seem to be so at first glance. So to put it this way: As an national group, the Japanese have always seemed to be the worst publicists in the world. Your reporter became painfully aware of this while trying to sell Japanese apparel to the department stores and apparel shops of the nation while the Chinese war was going on.

"Virtue will find its own reward" seemed to be the motto while engaging in warfare to build the "Greater East Asia Co-prosperity Sphere". The public became too much aware of how 10,000 Nips were slaughtering 100,000 Chinese,

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– Letters from Our Readers –

Chapter with a Heart

Editor:

In these days when one hears much talk of noninvolvement, lack of participation in community affairs and other lackadaisical attitudes, a short note of a more positive nature might be enlightening.

In the past when a series of misfortunes struck a JACL relative's family involving great financial loss and heartaches, many Fremont JACLers and friends aided the family to recovery.

More recently, one of their teenage sons (John Nagata), after a serious illness of heart infection, underwent major corrective heart surgery requiring replacement of 44 pints of blood. Responding to the call, members of Fremont JACL immediately pledged and replaced the required amount.

These deeds by Fremont JACL are only isolated cases close to my own impressions. The chapter conducts many other public services in welfare, public relation and social recreation. For example, during the last general election many members opened their homes for stimulating discussions on campaign issues with prominent, informed speakers for greater voter education.

With St. Valentine's Day so near, I'm sure John, who is now fully recovered, will be the first to agree that Fremont JACL is "the chapter with a heart". Among our outstanding citizens, I should mention the endless heartwarming efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kitayama and Frank Nakasako who (along with other members of the chapter) maintain the highest ideals in citizenship, brotherhood and charity in the great American tradition.

A JACL MEMBER
Fremont JACL

Nice & Respectable

Editor:

Ken Kuroiwa seems to have changed the connotative meanings of such words as "nice" and "respectable" in discussing the Free Speech Movement controversy (PC Jan. 29). Is it true that it is no longer respectable to be respectable and no longer nice to be nice?

In Kuroiwa's column, cutely entitled "Mampitsu," I get the impression that it is respectable to become bearded, long-haired impostors who demand more of what they already have, that being free speech. I also interpreted from his column that it is nice to disrupt the peace, promote vandalism, destroy private property, and impede the progress of education. If this is what is required to become a more respectable and wholesome person, then I must congratulate Mr. Satan for the marvelous job he is doing spreading goodness throughout the world.

Kuroiwa is correct in calling his column "Mampitsu," meaning random thoughts, stray notes, and fugitive essays, for that is exactly what it is and nothing more.

CHRIS K. FUJIMOTO
Berkeley Jr. JACL

1000 Club –

(Continued from Front Page)

present fee schedule, Kadowaki said a concentrated drive should be pursued to recruit additional members to meet the chapter quota for "if chapters are permitted to retain $5, the 1000 Club revenue in the chapter quota will be not included in the present rebate system".

While some have suggested 1000 Club dues be raised to $30, Kadowaki asked: how many will drop out because of the increase and would the increased income of remaining 1000 Clubbers balance the dropouts?

For 1966 Consideration

The same proponents also pointed out that unless 1000 Club dues are raised, an additional 425 members must be enlisted above the present membership to replenish the sum depleted from National income if $5 is retained by the chapters.

Any changes in the quota rebate system, if the $5 retention of 1000 Club dues by the chapter as recommended by Kadowaki is adopted by the JACL board, will necessitate National Council approval, it was pointed out.

DEATHS

LOS ANGELES

Chomori, Kinsaku, 87: Gardena, Jan. 16—s Masuo, Tsuneo, Shigeo, Ben, Ray, d Yoshie Iwata, Hideko Sakamoto, 19 gc, 4 ggc.

Kamatani, Mrs. Korie, 72: h Shimahiko, s Masaru, d Yoneko Ikeda, Hideko Hirami, Yoshiko Matsuda, 9 gc.

Kanda Toyosaku, 73: Jan. 18—s Yoshihiko, Tadashi, d Teruko Murakami, 5 gc.

Kato, Mrs. Ume, 71: Fountain Valley, Jan. 17—s Hitoshi, Masaru, Tetsuo, Tatsuo, d Fumi Tanaka, Yasuko Ota, 23 gc.

Kogachi, Janet Sumie, 36: Dec. 31 — h Robert S., d Lisa, bro Lloyd (Denver), Kaneo (Japan), Larry and George Shinsato (Dallas), sis Misao Kaneshiro, Sally Morimune (New York).

Koyama, Tatsuji, 84: San Gabriel, Jan. 17—w Yoshi, d Yuriko Yamanaka, Asako Nishi, Teruko, Ikeda, 6 gc, 1 ggc.

Matsuhara, Chotaro, 94: Pasadena, Jan. 2.—w Yukiyo, s Frank, d May Yamasaki, Beulah Yoshihara, 5 gc, 1 ggc.

Nagafuchi, Taro, 78: Gardena, Jan 9 —s Sumito, Dabo, John, d Marye

Naruko, Mrs. Kotake, 58: Jan 18—h Yoshinobu, s Yoshio, Osamu, Setsuzo,, Noboru, d Jeanne Akemi, Yoshiye Morita, 9 gc.

Okamoto, Toshiaki, 70: Jan. 8— w Chiyoko, s Frank Oda, d Grace Tanaka, Yoshiko Muranaga.

Otsuji, Mrs. Mitsuko, 39: Venice, Jan. 2—h Ted T., s Randy.

Shigihara, Charles, 66: Jan. 1 — w Toyo, s Ernest, Harold (Sacramento), Walter, d Sheila (Honolulu) Sylvia Fujitsubo, Shirley J. Ishibashi.

Wada, Kengo, 74: Gardena, Jan. 4—w Suma, s Hideo, Joe, Kei, Teruhisa, d Shigeko Naritoku, Masako Okura, 12 gc.

DENVER

Matoba, Harry G., 65: Jan 17 — w Matsuno, s Takashi, Kaoru, d Miye Hamamura, Teruko Hara.

MICHIGAN

Sano, Kumao, 74: Ann Arbor, Dec. 29 —w Sakae, s Masao, Michio, Yasuko.

NEW YORK

Tsunawaki, Masujiro, 88: Lake Grove, Dec. 29—d Chizuko Yamaguchi, Masumi Ishihara.

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Rev. Furuta, Chiyokichi, 72: Jan. 20 —w Fumi, s Yuji (Denver). (Formerly with Salt Lake City Church or Christ).

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Washington Newsletter: by Mike Masaoka

'Nisei: the Pride & the Shame'

Washington

On Sunday evening, Jan. 31, CBS' prize-winning series "20th Century" featured a documentary entitled "The Nisei: The Pride and The Shame". Sponsors of that program and of the series is the Prudential Insurance Company of America.

To that generation of Americans who have never known or forgotten and to another generation of Americans born since World War II, it summarized the epic of the Japanese Americans, the pride of our democracy in that they accomplished what they have done in spite of unprecedented hate and hysteria within the framework of our governmental system, and the shame of America in the injustices and hardships visited upon them simply because of an accident of birth.

But more, it warned all Americans that the decree of the United States Supreme Court upholding that military judgment is still in force and effect, hanging over our country and the civil rights of all our citizens like a sword of Damocles.

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To Japanese Americans who lived through the travail of Evacuation in 1942, it brought back memories—some bitter, of course, but mostly of pride that they as a nationality minority were able to withstand the kind of racemongering and illtreatment accorded no other group in American history, write one of the most gallant chapters in the annals of American arms, and earn the acceptance currently awarded them as an integral part of American society.

Aside from the "sour grapes" that a few always have to offer, most Nisei welcomed and applauded the showing as probably the finest national exposition of their wartime treatment ever shown to the general public. Naturally, having lived through that tragic era, many Japanese Americans had suggestions as to what might better have been portrayed. But few, if any, would argue that the half-hour documentary was not a hard-hitting, honest, and comprehensive outline of what happened to those of Japanese ancestry some two decades ago.

And, according to early reports received by CBS, many millions who saw the program, including editorial writers and commentators, praised not only CBS and the sponsor but also the subject matter as few recent documentaries have been commended, for the Evacuation of the Japanese Americans is one of the little known yet more significant incidents in the history of the United States.

We trust that CBS and the Prudential Insurance Co. will see fit to show the program again and again.

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While it is no secret that the JACL cooperated closely with CBS and supplied much of the information, material, and documentation that went into this major public information effort, it should be noted that, as always, CBS alone was responsible for the selection of the materials and of the film and pictures, the aspects to be featured, the general tone and objective, and the editorial and other comment. Indeed, only a few Defense Department officials were privileged to see a special advance screening.

It may be of interest that when the JACL was first involved in the project almost a year ago, the emphasis was on the postwar recovery of the Nisei after their wartime adventures. At the same time, we agree that the challenge that remains today to all Americans because of our treatment was most dramatic and inspired, especially in the context of the great civil rights movement in this country.

Also, though Senator Daniel K. Inouye, Yale Law School Dean Eugene Rostow, General Mark Clark, immediate past National JACL President K. Patrick Okura, artist Mine Okubo, and Washington JACL Representative Mike Masaoka, were each interviewed about their respective experiences for an hour or more, each appeared for only a few minutes. And, none knew in advance what parts of their long interviews would be used in the actual telecast.

That so much could be said and shown so well in less than 30 minutes is a tribute to writer Earle Luby and his associates. The show itself attests to their social conscience and was, we believe, truly in the national public service.

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Since this Newsletter writer happened to be the only "witness" who named names in the documentary, and since those whom he named had major roles in the Evacuation drama, he has been requested by a number of listeners and others interested in the saga of the Nisei to cite the sources for his "testimony" which, by the way, was from memory only at the time of the CBS interview in New York last summer.

For the record, this is being done.

The reference to now Chief Justice of the United States, then Attorney General of California, Earl Warren is taken from pages 11014 and 11015 of Part 29 of the San Francisco hearings, February 21 and 23, 1942, of the Hearings before the Select Committee Investigating National Defense Migration, 77th Congress, 2nd Session, House of Representatives, on the "Problems of Evacuation of Enemy Aliens and Others from Prohibited Military Zones".

Members of that Select Committee were Democrats John H. Tolan of California, John J. Sparkman of Alabama, and Laurence F. Arnold of Illinois, and Republicans Carl T. Curtis of Nebraska and George H. Bender of Ohio. Robert Lamb was the staff director.

Twenty-three years ago, then California Attorney General Warren testified in part as follows:

"I want to say that the consensus of opinion among law enforcement officers of this State that there is more potential danger among the Japanese who are born in this country than from the alien Japanese who were born in Japan . . .

"While I do not cast reflection on every Japanese born in this country—of course we will have loyal ones — I do say that the the groups by and large there is more potential danger to this State from the group that is born here than from the group that is born in Japan."

In answer to the question by Congressman Arnold,

"Do you have any way of knowing whether any one of this group is loyal to this country or loyal to Japan", the then Attorney General replied:

"Congresman, there is no way that we can establish that fact. We believe that when we are dealing with the Caucasian race we have methods that will test the loyalty of them, and we believe that we can, in dealing with Germans and Italians, arrive at some fairly sound conclusions because of our knowledge of the way they have lived for many years in the community.

"But when we deal with the Japanese, we are in an entirely different field and cannot form any opinion that we believe to be sound. Their method of living their language, make for this difficulty. Many of them who show you a birth certificate stating that they were born in this State, perhaps, or born in Honolulu, can hardly speak the English language because, although they were born here, when they were four or five years of age, they were sent over to Japan to be educated and stayed over there through their adolescent period at least, and then they come back here thoroughly Japanese."

In his syndicated column dated Feb. 12, 1942, the then and now respected dean of political commentators Walter Lippmann, wrote that California's danger was "very serious and very special", with the State threatened by combined attack "from within and from without".

The fact that no sabotage had occurred to that date was "not . . . a sign that there is nothing to fear". Rather, analysed the columnist, "it is a sign that the blow is well organized and that it is held back until it can be struck with the maximum effect."

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The never-to-be-forgotten bigotry of Lt. Gen. John L. DeWitt, Commanding General of the Western Defense Command, was revealed in his testimony on April 13, 1943, before a House Naval Affairs Committee in San Francisco.

"A Jap's a Jap. It makes no difference whether he is an American citizen or not. I don't want any of them. We got them out. They were a dangerous element. The West Coast is too vital and too vulnerable to take any chances. They are a dangerous element, whether loyal or not. It makes no difference whether he is an American citizen.

"Theoretically, he is still a Japanese and you can't change him. You can't change him by giving him a piece of paper . . ."

The dangerous precedent established by the U.S. Supreme Court alluded to in the Jan. 31 documentary was the Fred Toyosaburo Korematsu case, decided Dec. 18, 1944.

In a split 6 to 3 opinion, Associated Justice Black spoke for the majority.

"We uphold the exclusion order as of the time it was made and when the petitioner violated it. In doing so, we were not unmindful of the hardships imposed by it upon a large group of American citizens. But hardships are part of war, and war is an aggregation of hardships."

"All citizens alike, both in and out of uniform, feel the impact of war in greater or lesser measure. Citizenship has its responsibilities as well as its privileges, and in time of war the burden is always heavier.

"Compulsory exclusion of large groups of citizens from their homes, except under circumstances of direct emergency and peril, is inconsistent with our basic governmental institutions. But when under conditions of modern warfare our shores arre threatened by hostile forces, the power to protect must be commensurate with the threatened danger . . .

". . . We cannot—by availing ourselves of the calm perspective of hindsight—now say that at that time these actions were unjustified."

Of the three eloquent and reasoned dissents, by Associate Justices Roberts, Murphy, and Jack-

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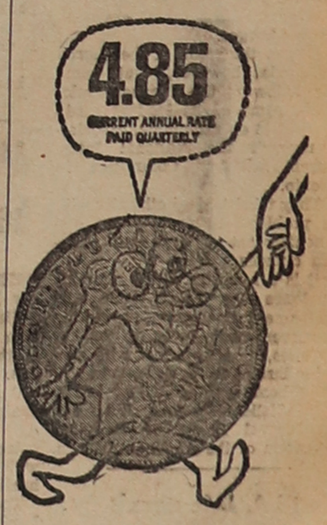

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By Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

CAPTAIN QUEEG — One of the more memorable, and pitiful, characters of postwar American fiction is Captain Queeg of Herman Wouk's masterfully told story of the mutiny aboard the U.S. destroyer Caine. You may recall Queeg, played by Humphrey Bogart in the movie version of the Caine Mutiny. Queeg is essentially a weakling, overburdened by the responsibilities of running his ship. He seeks refuge and support in the Navy's regulations, enforcing them to the letter, performing like a tyrant, and perpetually fearful that an error of judgment will be detected and entered on his record. It is altogether possible that you've encountered Queegs of various types in your everyday lives.

Well, I got to thinking of poor old Captain Queeg the other Sunday afternoon while watching the Columbia Broadcasting System's "Twentieth Century" program about the Great Evacuation of 1942. That was the occasion, as some of us may recall, when a preoccupied nation accepted the idea some of its citizens could be tossed into concentration camps without being charged or tried of any crime, simply because they happened to have the wrong kind of ancestors. I thought about Captain Queeg and came up with an idea for somewhat similar novel, but different enough so that it wouldn't be directly identifiable with the Caine Mutiny story.

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This novel would be set on the Pacific Coast of the United States in December, 1941. Our principal character would be a military commander charged with the defense of the western United States. Suddenly he is faced with the fact of Pearl Harbor, and he realizes that it might have been the coast of California or Oregon or Washington that could have been attacked on Dec. 7. This scares the dickens out of him because he realizes his command was no more prepared to meet attack than were the luckless forces in Hawaii. So, to make up for lost time he hastens to do everything possible to insure that his command will not be caught with its collective pants down.

About this time one of his aides points out that the "Japanese" on the West Coast are potential saboteurs and espionage agents, a mighty dangerous Fifth Column. This aide, according to my idea for the novel, has his reasons for hating the "Japanese". Maybe one of them got better grades than he did in high school and became the valedictorian, or maybe he lost out in the all-conference wrestling meet to a sneaky little judo expert named Watanabe. It would be easy to build up this part of it.

At any rate, this aide keeps warning the commander that he would be guilty of dereliction of duty unless he takes every precaution to safeguard the West Coast, and that he faces a great unfathomable hazard in the inscrutable "Japanese" who are demonstrating their treachery by buying war bonds, trying to enlist in the Army, cooperating with local authorities, denouncing the attack on Pearl Harbor, and refraining from committing sabotage.

This commander, as I see him, is a pretty decent sort of fellow at heart, but like Queeg, he's frightened. He's afraid of what might happen if he doesn't listen to his aide, and he's afraid of what will happen. And so, like Queeg, he's torn by his fears until he almost goes out of his mind, partly because he's read something somewhere about the Bill of Rights.

In the end, he decides that the aide is right—he just cannot take a chance—and so he orders the Great Evacuation. And just as he expected, his order is approved right up the line because all his superiors are so desparately involved with the Big Decisions of fighting the war that a basic breach of civil rights somehow escapes their attention, and a great tragedy is approved.

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Well, that's the idea, and since I haven't copyrighted it, it's free for anyone to pick up and develop into a best seller, maybe.

Seeds from Okei's gravesite growing in Japan nursery

BY TAMOTSU MURAYAMA

TOKYO — Reports reaching here from Aizu-Wakamatsu, birthplace of Okei, the first Japanese girl to be buried in the United States at Gold Hill, Calif., in 1869, revealed that seedlings of Oregon pine, Douglas fir and other trees are being grown at the municipal nursery there.

These young trees will be distributed to some 40 junior and senior high schools and 26 primary schools in Aizu-Wakamatsu along with stories of Okei.

These seedlings were sent to Japan by Soichi Yamazaki, who took the seeds from trees nearby the Okei grave in Placer County.

Hundreds of school children have contributed their allowances to reconstruct Okei's gravestone in Aizu-Wakamatsu two years ago. She is regarded as a heroine in her native town, although she was unknown for almost a century.

It was Bunjiro Takeda, Nichibei correspondent in Sacramento, who made the first report and complete research of Okei. Subsequently, others have appeared on the scene claiming to be the "original" founder of the Okei grave and of her connection with the first Japanese immigrant group to California.

When the Okei story was introduced several years ago in Japan, fiction prevailed and the Kabuki Theater version was far from the truth and a pitiful production.

JAPAN OLYMPIC COINS SKYROCKET ON MARKET

SAN FRANCISO — Two silver coins issued by Japan last year to commemorate the Olympic Games are worth five times more than the face value, according to Ichiji Motoki, local Issei coin collector.

A set of the ¥1,000 ($2.80 US) and ¥100 (28c) were priced at $17.25 at the Emporium coin shop and there was a report that a Kansas ity dealer was offering them at $28.

Katayama moves to new Bank of Tokyo bldg.

SAN JOSE—Yoshio Katayama, active JACL 1000 Club member, tax attorney, accountant and formerly of Salt Lake City, announced the opening of his tax consulting office in the new Bank of Tokyo Bldg. in San Jose.

Katayama comes with 23 years of experience in the tax accounting field, having practiced before the Internal Revenue Service, U.S. Tax Courts, and the state taxing agencies in the six Western states.

He is the first and only Nisei attorney restricting his practice to the tax field. His background includes six years of employment with a CPA firm from 1942-48, and subsequently established a tax consulting office to assist businessmen, attorneys, CPAs, and accountants.

Katayama will continue to confine his practice to corporate and individual tax matters including income tax, gift and inheritance tax and estate tax planning. He will have one attorney to handle general cases and one CPA to handle accounting matters. He resides with his wife in Sharon Heights, Menlo Park.

OPTOMETRIST NAMED REEDLEY'S OUTSTANDING MAN OF THE YEAR: 1964

REEDLEY—Dr. Akira Tajiri, an optometrist, was named Reedley Jr. Chamber of Commerce's Outstanding Man of 1964, citing his appearance last December at Columbus, O., explaining his discovery for relieving hyperforia, a misalignment of the visual axis of the eyes that causes dizziness, headaches, head-tile neck, shoulder soreness and nervousness.

In making the award, the Nisei was also praised for providing numerous pairs of glasses to underprivileged children at little or no cost.

Born in Dinuba, Tajiri attended schools in Santa Maria and received his bachelor of visual science degree at the Univ. of California at Berkeley. He did graduate work at the Los Angeles College of Optometry, where he received his doctor of optometry degree. He has been practicing here since 1951, is a past president of the Central California Optometric Society and has addressed numerous service clubs. He is also vice-president of Sequoia Contact Lens, Inc., and heads the Visual Products Co. of Reedley.

His two main hobbies are golf and flying. He is married and has five daughters. He is also an active Reedley JACLer.

Nursery manager named Auburn man of year

AUBURN—Receiving heavy credits for his work in bringing about projects of a lasting nature, Ray Yamasaki, manager of Yamasaki Nursery on Hwy. 49, was selected recently as Auburn Jr. Chamber of Commerce's Young Man of the Year.

He was chosen for his extensive work in helping to beautify Auburn in general and the Auburn Fairgrounds and Hwy. 49 in particular.

He is active with the Auburn Fair Boosters, Kiwanis and Placer County JACL. Yamasaki is now entered in the California Jaysee contest in which five outstanding young men will be named for national's 10 outstanding young men.

Mt. Olympus JACLer named figure skating judge

SALT LAKE CITY — Mrs. Ida recently appointed gold dance judge by the U.S. Figure Skating Assn., the only judge of such rank between Denver and the Pacific coast.

To reach this level, the active Mt. Olympus JACLer spent years of study and trial judging in various events. In 1962, she was made national figure skating judge.

D. Tatsuno picked world Y delegate

SAN JOSE—Local Nisei businessman and JACLer Dave M. Tatsuno will be one of 25 U.S. delegates to the fourth World YMCA Council meeting to be held in Japan this summer. He was also an American delegate to the third council convened in 1961 at Geneva.

The coming session will be held Aug. 8 to 14 at Gotemba, near Mt. Fuji.

Conference theme will be "Variety of Service—Only One Lord."

Tatsuno, who began active participation in YMCA work as a youth in San Francisco at the Japanese branch YMCA, has served as head of the local YMCA board and president of the Pacific Southwest YMCA which includes those in California, Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico and Hawaii.

Pres. Johnson's favorite Nisei lensman

FASHINGTON — Yoichi R. Okamoto, President Johnson's favorite government photographer, is snapping pictures of the President again—but not on a full-time basis.

Okamoto, employed by the U.S. Information Agency, had a full-time assignment at the White House during the first two months of Johnson's administration but was hustled back to USIA after getting publicity which Johnson considered unfavorable.

The bespectacled photographer reappeared at the White House recently, taking candid pictures of President Johnson's meeting with Prime Minister Harold Wilson of Great Britain.

Okamoto later spent the Christmas holidays at the Johnson ranch in Texas, taking more photos. And he showed up again recently during the visit of Japanese Prime Minister Eisaku Sato.

President Johnson sent Okamoto packing early last year after Newsweek magazine reported the photographer had snapped 11,000 pictures during the President's first few weeks in office.

Athlete of Asia

LOS ANGELES—Yukio Endo, 27, winner of two gold medals as a gymnast in the 1964 Tokyo Olympics, was recognized as the Helms Athletic Foundation athlete of Asia recently. He is 5 ft. 6 and weighs 140 lbs.

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CALIFORNIA TEXTBOOKS SHOULD BE REVIEWED REGULARLY FOR BIAS

BERKELEY — Every textbook used in California schools should be reviewed in a continuing effort to eliminate racial prejudice, Thomas W. Braden, president of the State Board of Education, declared Saturday.

Changing of what he called opinionated, prejudiced texts takes time in California, Braden explained, because in California books are adopted for eight-year use and changing them is expensive.

Braden was speaking to a community assembly on Negro history and literature here, adding that "the No. 1 problem in education in the state is elimination of prejudice . . . Education is an absolute failure if it turns out a prejudiced person."

Tokyo High Court rejects ex-Canadian repatriate claim for evacuation losses

TOKYO—The Tokyo High Court on Jan. 30 rejected an appeal by a Tokyo couple seeking restitution for property lost in Canada as a result of the San Francisco peace treaty.

Mr. and Mrs. Fujimoto Akiyama of Setagaya, Tokyo, who sued the Japanese government for property losses in Canada, were teaching Japanese since 1928 in Vancouver, B.C. When repatriated to Japan after the outbreak of World War II, the Canadian government seized their financial assets of some $14,000.

After Japan concluded the peace treaty with Canada, their private properties were permanently forfeited by Canada. Thus, the Akiyamas demanded the Japanese government payment of ¥4,384,000 as compensation.

Judge Riichi Okuno found the government was theoretically responsible for the damage but added there is no legislation to provide legal basis for such a demand.

"The plaintiffs lost their personal properties as a result of an action taken by the Canadian Government but not by the Japanese Government," the court said.

The court, however, said the Japanese Government, when it concluded the peace treaty, accepted the condition that all overseas properties of Japanese citizens will be taken over by the allied powers as part of war indemnity.

"It is reasonable to think the outcome is almost identical with the government appropriation of private properties for public purposes. So, the Government is responsible for compensation as safeguarded by the Constitution," the court said.

However, the court added, there is no legislation to provide legal basis for the demand for damage compensation as in this particular case.

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Interim Meeting –

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on political involvement.

Fifth Session (1:30 p.m.)—Completing unfinished business; status of Japanese History Project; and other general matters as time permits.

Board Members

The interim board sessions will be chaired by Kumeo Yoshinari, nat'l pres., of Chicago. Others expected to be present are:

Jerry Enomoto of Tracy, Calif., nat'l 1st v.p.; Tak Kubota of Seattle, nat'l 2nd v.p.; Rupert Hachiya of Salt Lake City, nat'l 3rd v.p.; Yone Satoda of San Francisco, nat'l treas.; Masaaki Hironaka of San Diego, sec. to nat'l board; Joe Kadowaki of Cleveland, nat'l 1000 Club chmn.; William Marutani of Philadelphia, leg. counsel; Dr. David Miura of Long Beach, Pacific Citizen Board chmn.; Patrick Okura of Omaha, imm. past pres.; George Inagaki of Venice, past pres.

DC chairmen: East — Kaz Horita of Philadelphia. Midwest — Dr. James Takao of Cincinnati; Mountain-Plains — Lily Okura of Omaha; Intermountain — Kiyoshi Sakota of Rexburg, Ida.; Pacific Northwest — Dr. John Kanda of Sumner, Wash.; No. Calif.-W. Nev. — Dr. Tom Taketa of San Jose; Central Calif. — Bob Okamura of Selma (with Dr. Frank Nishio of Fresno); Pacific Southwest — Kats Arimoto of Canoga Park.

Mike Masaoka, Washington rep.; Frank Chuman of Los Angeles, chmn., nat'l legis.-legal comm.; Dr. Roy Nishikawa of Los Angeles, chmn., '60-'70 Planning Commission; Harry Honda of Los Angeles, PC editor; Isaac Matsushige, So. Calif. Reg. Dir.; Alan Kumamoto, PSWDC youth coordinator; Mas Satow of San Francisco, nat'l dir.

The so-called interim board meetings were authorized at the 1958 national Biennial convention, beginning the following year at San Francisco. Since then, on the odd-numbered years, the interim board meetings have been held in Los Angeles.

The board meets to assess and review current JACL policies and their implementation, bring board members up-to-date on various JACL programs and consider matters likely to come up for attention of delegates at the next national convention.

Calendar

Feb. 13 (Saturday)

Berkeley—Installation dinner, Berkeley House Motel, 6:30 p.m.

San Diego — Membership dance, Buddhist Church Social Bldg., 8 p.m.

Alameda — Installation dinner, Red Lamp Restaurant.

French Camp — JAYs snow outing.

Fowler — Benefit Japanese movies.

Feb. 14 (Sunday)

Stockton — Jr. JACL meeting, home of Aeko Yoshikawa, 1225 N. Hunter.

Pasadena—PSWDC quarterly session Pasadena Athletic Club, 425 E. Green St.

Feb 19 (Friday)

French Camp — C P S Enrollment Night, French Camp Hall, 8 p.m.

San Francisco — JACL Bridge Club, Christ Episcopal Church social hall, 8 p.m.

Feb. 19-22

Los Angeles—Interim National JACL Board meeting, Hayward Hotel.

Feb. 23 (Tuesday)

East Los Angeles — General meeting, International Institute, 8 p.m.; Dr. Harry Kitano, spkr., "Issei, Nisei, Sansei".

Feb 24 (Wednesday)

West Los Angeles—Dinner meeting, Williamsburg Inn, 6:30 p.m.; Capt. Lou Richie, LAPD, spkr., "Sansei and Juvenile Delinquency."

Feb. 26 (Friday)

San Diego — Board meeting, JACL Office, 2636 National Ave.

Philadelphia — Board meeting, Herb Horikawa's home.

Feb. 27 (Saturday)

D.C. — General meeting, Takoma Recreation Center, Takoma Park, Md., 8 p.m.; Atty. Paul S. Berger, spkr., "Importance of Preparing a Will".

Detroit — Installation dinner dance, Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel, 7 p.m.; Kumeo Yoshinari, spkr.

Portland — Get-together, Nichiren Church, 7:30 p.m.; TV Film "Behind the Gothic Line."

Feb. 28 (Sunday)

Stockton — Installation dinner, Pacific Bowl, 6 p.m.; Jerry Enomoto, nat'l 1st v.p., spkr.

Chicago—Brotherhood Dinner.

Sequoia — Installation dinner, Brave Mar. 5 (Friday)

Chicago—Jr. JACL meeting. Mar. 8-13

Denver—National JACL Nisei Bowling Tournament, Celebrity Sports Center.

March 9 (Tuesday)

Pasadena — Board meeting, Kimi Fukutaki's home.

March 11 (Thursday)

East Los Angeles — Board meeting.

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in the Ginza Restaurant, assumed office this year.

He and his partner, Ken Sato and Frank Manaka, operate Consolidated Factors, importing and shipping frozen fish for the San Francisco and Los Angeles market.

Joe Grant Masaoka, History Project administrator here this past week for a briefing session of interviewers, learned of the community regard for local Issei and Nisei.

The early Isseei engaged in sardine fishing along with the Italians. The Issei at one time had three purse seiners and operated a cannery but Evacuation and disappearance of the sardines from Pacifi Coast waters sounded the death knell of this industry. Issei also used compressed air diving suits to pioneer in abalone catches for the market.

Since Monterey is a traditional retirement community, Issei from the San Joaquin valley and other areas have come in recent years, working as part-time gardeners. Reportedly, the Issei community is not dependent upon public aid.

Those present at the Feb. 5 briefing were:

George Esaki, Eiji Hashimoto, Mitsuye Hashimoto, Mamie Honda, Mickey Ichiuji, John Ishizuka, Hideo Ito, George Saiki, Yoshio Satow, Jim Tabata, Clara Takigawa, George Uyeda, Tajuro Watanabe, Mas Yokogawa, Barton Yoshida; Dr. Clifford Nakashima, director.

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West German TV Cameras

SEBASTOPOL—Shooting a documentary series on the Orientals in the United States, the West Germany TV Channel 2 completed its camera work on the Japanese American Research Project while on location here Jan. 22.

Its crew has taken scenes of the Project staff at UCLA and Washington correspondent K.M. Eckstein was interested in learning of the wartime Evacuation of Japanese from the West Coast. Dr. George E. Mowry, project executive committeeman and dean of the social science division, said that "in the United States, we also had psychological ovens for our people".

The TV cameras took scenes of the Project administrator briefing local interviewers at the Emmanji Buddhist Temple here. In the audience were:

Takeshi Kameoka, Mrs. Y. Kameoka, the Rev. Mr. Nagafuji, Frank Oda, Kay Oda, Dr. Roy Okamoto, George Shimizu, Eiichi Yamamoto; Henry Shimizu, director.

Ogawa—

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according to the propaganda which came out from the Chungking bureau. No rebuttal was ever made.

Almost never were our parents, ever aggressive, publicity wise. Guys like Albert Bonus were their spokesmen, to mention just one.

But now comes the report from Olympia and guess through what channels—a number of legislators there, in rural counties and districts, where there is no JACL chapter to observe the change—these legislators say that the Japanese farmers and small town businessmen, once maligned as beasts who carry their babies on their backs while working in the fields, are now popularly regarded as highly respected members of the community of American citizens.

Hard work, frugality, diligence with all its attendant virtues, honesty in business dealings, and a personal pride in the cultural background which once used to be called evidence of "cockiness" now attains recognition according to the old formula.

Said philosophy is terrifically slow in gaining some sort of stature in the community and nation, but it seems to work after its own fashion, and will undoubtedly be a factor when the votes are counted on the repeal of the discriminatory alien land law.

Fowler JACL benefit set for chapter funds

FOWLER — To raise operating funds for the chapter program this coming year, the Fowler JACL is sponsoring a Japanese movies benefit tomorrow. Main feature is "Young Matchmaker", starring Kojiro Hongo and Yukio Hashio, plus a chambara. Dick Iwamoto is movie chairman.

At the January membership meeting presided by Bill Hashimoto, president, the chapter outlined its program for the year to include:

March — dinner meeting; April — picnic, scholarships; October — Fowler Fall Festival; November — Elections; December — Christmas party.

Fowler JACL's current membership drive also features group health insurance. The chapter also acknowledged contributions from: Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mayebo, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Yosako.

NISEI, POLITICIAN QUITS AFTER 6 YEARS IN OFFICE

CRESTON, B.C. — Tak Toyota, elected with the largest majority six years ago as a councilman here, was honored this past week by his colleagues upon retirement from office because of business commitments. He was vice-chairman of the council, headed the airport committee and connected with the street maintenance and subdivision committees.

Detroit CL beckons Midwesterners to Feb. 27 installation

DETROIT—The Detroit JACL installation dinner-dance will be held on Saturday, Feb. 27, at the English Room of the Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel, site of the highly successful 1964 National JACL Convention. The newly elected 1965 officers will be installed by Dr. James Takao, MDC chairman, of Cincinnati.

National President Kumeo Yoshinari of Chicago will be the main speaker. Local civic dignitaries are being invited.

Dinner is scheduled for 7 p.m. with dancing to the music of Jerry Glow and his orchestra to follow, dinner chairman Richard Fujioka announced.

Superb cuisine, provocative program, enjoyable entertainment and excellent music have been promised to interest Midwest JACLers to journey to Detroit for the occasion.

Reservations at $7 per person ($5 for Jr. JACLers) for the dinner-dance, and $3.50 per couple ($2 per single) for dance only are being accepted by:

Yoshiko Inouye, Faye Doi, Miyo O'Neill, Virgiina Otsuki, Hifumi Sunamoto, Mary Togasaki.

On the committee are:

Bill Otsuki, gen. arr.; Miki Fujii, fin.; Doris Fujioka, p.r.; Faye Doi, flyers; Eiko Takemoto, dinner arr.; Claire Tanase, George Otsuji, host & hostesses; Bill Adair, orch. and entertainment; Tom Hashimoto, photog.; Jim Shimoura, guests; Miyo O'Neill, prin. spkr.; Fred Mita, tickets; Yoshiko Inouye, reserve.; Pete Fujioka, toastmaster; Min Togasaki, adv.

Portland Jr. JACLers start fertilizer sale

PORTLAND — Program for the coming year was discussed by Portland Jr. JACL at its first meeting of 1965 on Jan. 30 at Timber Lane Bowl with Curtis Onchi, president, in charge.

Repeating a successful venture started last year, the Juniors will initiate its annual spring fertilizer sale this month.

Evening concluded with 50 members participating in a Scotch doubles tournament and joining the Wah Kiang, local Chinese American youth club, as guests at their dance.

Alameda JACL scholarship winner announced

ALAMEDA—Gordon Tsuchiya, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Tsuchiya, former residents who are members of the local chapter, was named winner of the Alameda JACL scholarship by Shiro "Jug" Takeshita, chapter president.

The winner is a graduate of Oakland High School and is currently a freshman at U.C. Berkeley. Presentation of the $100 award will be made at the chapter's installation dinner tomorrow at the Red Lamp, according to Haruo Imura, scholarship chairman. On the judging panel were:

Donald Bell, principal, Encinal High School; William Eskes, principal, Alameda Christian Grammar School, and Mrs. Kay Yoshimura, Oakland Skyline High School teacher.

Stockton Jr. JACL to select first cabinet

STOCKTON — The recently organized Stockton Jr. JACL will meet this Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Yoshikawa, 1225 N. Hunter, to elect its officers and discuss programs for the year.

At its initial meeting Jan. 30, Dr. Kengo Terashita, chapter president, and George Baba, Jr. JACL adviser, spoke on what the JACL has accomplished and what it intends to do in the future. Jean Hisaka is the other Jr. JACL adviser. Aeko Yoshikawa presided as temporary chairman.

The new officers will be installed with the senior chapter officers Feb. 28, 6 p.m. at Pacific Bowl. Jerry Enomoto, nat'l 1st v.p. and associate superintendent at Deuel Vocational Institution, will be the main speaker.

The Jr. JACL here is open to all students, 14 and up.

West L.A. Chapter's 1965 program adopted

LOS ANGELES—A program for the entire year as outlined by George Kanegai, program chairman, was adopted by the West Los Angeles JACL board at its first meeting of the year, which met Jan. 27 at the home of Takeo Susuki, chapter president.

Steve Yagi, membership chairman, reported nearly 40 pct. of last year's total have already renewed, indicating another record membership year for the chapter. Last year, it was 381.

A special youth projects were included in the '65 calendar under chairmanship of Mrs. Toy Kanegai. First will be the "New Approach to Japanese" to be discussed by Dr. Mieko Han of the USC East-West Language School, on Mar. 19 at Stoner Ave. Playground. A sports night and a college advisory panel are also in the planning stages.

The 1965 chapter program:

Feb. 24—Dinner meeting, Capt. Lou Richie, LAPD, spkr. "Sansei and the Juvenile"; Mar. 24—Selection of West L.A. Nisei Relays queen; Apr. 28 — City Politics; May 16—West L.A. Jr. Track Meet, University High; May 26 —Selection of Miss West L.A. for Nisei Week; June 5 — West L.A. Queen's Ball; June 6— Nisei Relays; July — Bowling Tournament; August — Board party; Sept. 22—Nominatioins for new cabinet; Oct. 16 — Japanese play: Urashima Taro; Oct. 27 — Election meeting; Oct. 30—Hallowe'en Party, Stoner Playground; Oct. 31—Nisei GI Memorial Service; November—Installation dinner; Dec. 1 — Christmas party.

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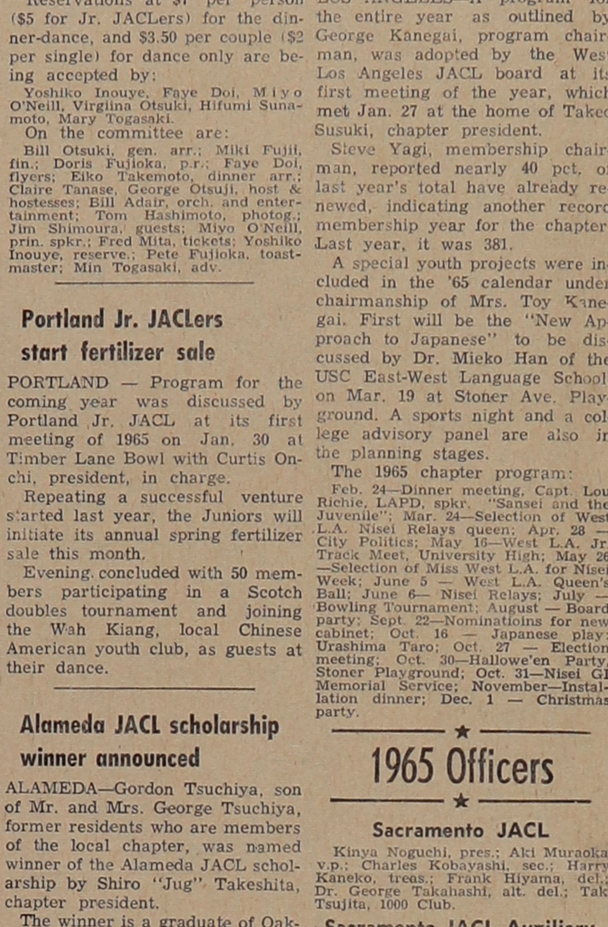

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French Camp JACL

CPS Enrollment: So that French Camp JACLers can enroll in the recently adopted NC-WNDC group health insurance plan underwritten by CPS-Blue Shield before the effective date, the chapter will have an enrollment night on Friday, Feb. 19, 8 p.m., at the French Camp Hall.

Haruo Ishimaru, DC group insurance coordinator, and a CPS representative will explain the program, which has been enthusiastically endorsed by the local JACL committee.

San Diego JACL

Speaker's Club: A speaker relating the values of a Toastmaster Club will highlight the San Diego JACL membership meeting Feb. 26 at the Buddhist Church social hall.

If sufficient interest is aroused, the JACL may organize a speaker's club.

Jr. JACL Dance: The San Diego Jr. JACL holds its first dance this Saturday at the Buddhist Church from 8 p.m. till midnight with the Nobles providing music.

Sequoia JACL

Installation: Robert Wendell, former Menlo-Atherton High basketball and baseball star who served as advisory coach to the Japanese Olympic basketball team, will be guest speaker at the Sequoia JACL installation dinner, Feb. 28, 6:30 p.m., at the Brave Bull Restaurant, 4390 El Camino Real, Los Altos.

Wendell will show films and speak of his experiences during the recent Tokyo Olympics.

Fujio Kuwano of Belmont, manager of the Japan Air Lines passenger terminal at San Francisco International Airport, will be installed as president.

Portland JACL

"Get Together": Feb. 27 is the date for the annual Portland Chapter "Get Together" according to Tom Sono, chairman. Participation is not restricted to merely new and old members of the chapter, but other members of the community are welcome.

Program will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Nichiren Church. Rather than the usual potluck dinner, which has been the highlight of the event in previous years, this year the main attraction will be a TV movie about the 442nd entitled "Behind the Gothic Lines."

Games are also scheduled and novel door prizes such as dinner for two at some of Portland's leading restaurants and also a night for two at the Multnomah Hotel will be awarded.

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son, the dissenting opinion of the latter is the one most often quoted with approval by constitutional lawyers and other students of government.

". . . if any fundamental assumption underlies our system, it is that guilt is personal and not inheritable. Even if one's antecedents had been convicted of treason, the Constitution forbids its penalties to be visited upon him, for it provides that 'no attainder of treason shall work corruption of blood, or forfeiture except during the life of the person attained'.

"But here is an attempt to make an otherwise innocent act a crime merely because this prisoner is the son of parents as to whom he had no choice, and belongs to a race from which there is no way to resign. If Congress in peacetime should enact such a criminal law, I should suppose this Court would refuse to enforce it . . .

". . . Much is said of the danger to liberty from the Army program for deporting and detaining these citizens of Japanese extraction.

"But a judicial construction of the due process clause that will sustain this order is a far more subtle blow to liberty than the promulgation of the order itself. A military order, however, unconstitutional, is not apt to last longer than the military emergency. Even during that period, a succeeding commander may revoke it all.

"But once a judicial opinion rationalizes such an order to show that it conforms to the Constitution, or rather rationalizes the Constitution to show that the Constitution sanctions such an order, the Court for all time has validated the principle of racial discrimination in criminal procedure, and of transplanting American citizens.

"The principle then lies about like a loaded weapon for the hand of any authority that can bring forward a plausible claim of an urgent need. Every repetition imbeds that principle more deeply in our law and thinking and expands it to new purposes.

"All who observe the work of courts are familiar with what Judge Cordoza described as 'the tendency of a principle to expand itself to the limit of its logic.' A military commander may overstep the bounds of constitutionality, and it is an accident. But if we review and approve, that passing incident becomes the doctrine of the Constitution. There it has a generative power of its own, and all that it creates will be in its own image . . .

"I should hold that a civil court cannot be made to enforce an order which violates constitutional limitations even if it is a reasonable exercise of military authority. The courts can exercise only the judicial power, can apply only the law, and must abide by the Constitution, or they cease to be courts and become instruments of military policy . . ."

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The UCLA-JACL Japanese American Research Project will, of course, go into a far more definitive examination of the Evacuation, its causes and its principal proponents, but these few footnotes to history at this time may serve to remind all Americans again that the "price of liberty is eternal vigilance".

Teaching in Peru

FT. LUPTON—Robert Watada of Ft. Lupton, now with the U.S. Peace Corps, has been assigned as instructor at a Peruvian agricultural college in Chiclayo, about 450 miles north of Lima on the coast, his parents here were informed this week.

Prior to his departure for assignment last month, he had indicated the hope of being assigned to work with the agricultural extension service or cooperative.

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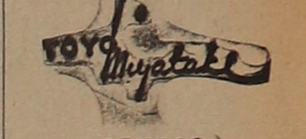

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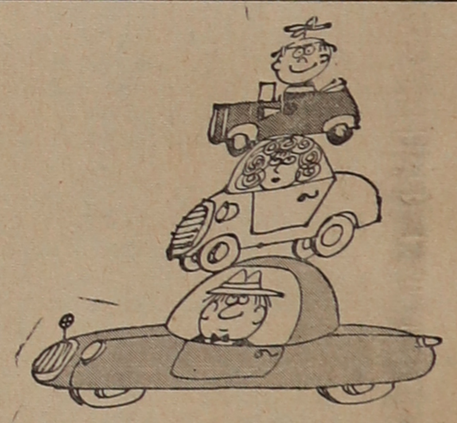

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