

# Calif. Supreme Court voids Prop. 14

By the Board: Jerry Enomoto

## Youth in JACL

Sacramento Prospects for a real live scene in San Diego look very good, as JACL youth all around the country get ready for their own convention. It appears that the issue of youth interest in some form of national organization, first raised at Seattle in 1962, will be resolved.

Interest in identification with a national body, exchange of program ideas and problems, more support for large scale projects, more understanding of, and meaningful participation in, JACL increased knowledge of things Japanese, etc., are some aspects of this move toward a national organization.

Current trends among the thinking of the youth leadership seem to show a shift toward a loosely structured "council" type of national organization, flexible enough to encompass and consider the unique problems and characteristics of certain areas.

Notwithstanding the understandable interest of JACLers in seeing the new generation "pick up the JACL ball", the fact is that this idea was born and nurtured within the youth leadership. This fact speaks well for the idea, and is a healthy sign.

### PROBLEMS

Nothing worth very much is easily attained, and the JACL youth program is no exception. There is no shortage of problems.

First and foremost is the transitional nature of the program—youth don't stay youth forever. New leaders emerge as old ones fade out. This constant turnover is a reality that adult advisers find difficult to work with.

Imaginative programming, a problem for many JACL chapters, is another major headache to the program. Age old questions of "too many socials", competition with other clubs, not enough money, how to get more members, etc., continue to be raised.

The wide disparity in age of many youth groups from high school freshman to college freshman necessitates a diversified approach to programming that is often difficult to achieve. It also opens up an area of challenge to most chapters. The "Jr. JACL" program presumably ends for a youth who passes his 21st birthday. Most of these youth fade out of the picture, and never return.

The answer seems to lie in the fact that there is a program vacuum between the end of Jr. JACL and the entry into JACL. The more effort is made by chapters to include the youth leadership in their "inner councils", the more payoff there should be in increased youth "graduation" into chapter activities and leadership.

On a bigger scale, the vacuum applies to the general age range between 21 and 30, where we probably find fewer JACLers, than any other

LOS ANGELES — State Atty. Gen. Thomas Lynch intends to immediately start enforcing the state's anti-discrimination laws nullified by Prop. 14.

While it's likely the matter will be carried to the U.S. Supreme Court, Lynch said only private litigants can appeal the decision.

"If the Supreme Court takes jurisdiction, I will file a brief," Lynch added, upholding the law of California. If the FEPC brought an action for racial discrimination in a housing transaction, his office would represent the FEPC under the Rumford Act.

While reactions to the supreme court decision were greeted with enthusiasm by minority group leaders, those who had favored Prop. 14 were generally cautious in their appraisal. The California Real Estate Assn., chief proponents, said the 26-page opinion would be studied in full before issuing a comment.

Gov. Brown and Mayor Yorty both hoped the decision frees \$120 million in federal funds for urban redevelopment, which was halted by enactment of Prop. 14.

It was the second 1964 ballot proposition to be invalidated by the court this year. Prop. 15, which sought to outlaw pay-TV, was thrown out as being a violation of free speech.

Whether we "seniors" like it or not, the present crop of youth ask questions and defy tradition. They get involved. They go to Mississippi to right age-old wrongs, they join the Peace Corps, they work in VISTA, they question U.S. policy in Vietnam, they defy college administrators—they do things we sometimes wish they wouldn't do, because many of us are comfortable with the Japanese trait of "enryo".

However, if we expect youth to "stay in their place" (wherever that might be), and do nothing to "rock the boat", we may be in for a rude shock. We recognize that the essence of our democratic system is the right to dissent. We are also aware that youthful zeal sometimes can use guidance and direction. In this knowledge and spirit, we in JACL should be prepared to take full advantage of the creativity and aggressiveness of youth, tempered with some ingredients of the unique formula that has so far enabled JACL to represent the interests of Japanese Americans so well. This combination cannot help but maintain the bright image that JACL has projected, as a minority group organization.

Such JACLers as Ted Tsukahara, Kay Nakagiri, Akira Takeshita in the PSW, plus an active San Diego Jr. JACL under President Martin Koba's leadership, do a lot to insure a fruitful confab in July.

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San FRANCISCO — The California Supreme Court, in a 5-2 decision Tuesday, ruled Prop. 14 unconstitutional.

Prop. 14 was the initiative adopted by a 2-1 margin nullifying the fair housing provisions of the Unruh and Rumford Acts in November, 1964. JACL was among those organizations against Prop. 14.

The majority opinion, written by Justice Paul Peek, said the state court was bound by recent rulings of the U.S. Supreme Court. "It is now beyond dispute that the 14th Amendment, through the equal protection clause, secures the right to acquire and possess property of every kind" without racial or religious discrimination, the court said.

Supremacy Clause The opinion said the supremacy clause of the U.S. constitution requires the state constitution to conform to federal standards, no matter what the people decide.

Prop. 14 violated the U.S. Constitution because it "significantly involved" the state in private acts of discrimination.

"We cannot realistically conclude that, because the final act of discrimination is undertaken by a private party motivated only by personal economic or social considerations, we must close our eyes and ears to the events which purport to make the final act legally possible," the court said.

"Here the state has affirmatively acted to change its existing laws from a situation wherein the discrimination practiced was legally restricted to one wherein it is encouraged," the court continued.

The historic ruling was made in the case of Mulkey vs. Reitman from Orange County and also applied in six companion cases. JACL was among several organizations which had submitted amicus briefs.

While the approval of Prop. 14 was JACL's greatest disappointment in the 1964 election, this week's decision vindicates the hope of the three JACL district councils in California which met in early 1965 to void Prop. 14 through the courts.

Federal Housing Bill WASHINGTON—The May 10 decision may bolster enthusiasm of some Northern Democrats in Congress for fair housing provisions in President Johnson's third civil rights bill introduced Apr. 28. There had been some reservations because of the overwhelming margin registered in the California Prop. 14 vote.

Sen. Everett Dirksen (R-Ill.) has branded the fair housing section of Johnson's 1966 civil rights bill as "unconstitutional". The section would ban racial and religious discrimination in the sale, rental and financing of housing.

A Justice Dept. spokesman later pointed out interstate movement of building material, of funds for housing, interstate travel of the individual buyer and any severe disturbances resulting from housing segregation all come under the interstate commerce clause in the Constitution.

Not Strong Enough On the other hand, the National Committee Against Discrimination in Housing has objected to the Administration bill as being "totally inadequate" since no administrative enforcement is provided but relies on the individual to take legal action to attack discrimination.

President Johnson's latest (Continued on Page 2)

Selection of 10 Nisei songleaders at school objected PASADENA — Some students at Washington Jr. High last week strongly objected to the faculty selection of 10 Nisei, three Negro and one Filipino girl as songleaders.

There were also allegations that derogatory remarks were made by a faculty member when a student petition charged discrimination in the choices.

Local firemen and police officers were called May 3 to check racial tension which appeared imminent. Last Saturday, school officials met with parents to prevent a recurrence. Less than 1 pct. of the students were involved, according to George Norene,

asst. school superintendent.

Of the school's 1,225 enrollment, 70 pct. are Negro, 13 pct. Caucasian and 17 pct. other minorities.

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# Issues facing Convention aired by Planning board

great amount of loyalty and devotion from its older members who are familiar with its history and accomplishments, conditions have changed and many youth and younger Nisei are expressing doubts about JACL meeting their needs and interest.

It seems evident that National JACL will have to come out with a clear sense of direction and with specific goals if it is to be attractive to those who follow us," Dr. Nishikawa added.

The commission recommends all JACL leaders give their best thinking to this question.

Special Meeting Asked Second item asks for confirmation from the National President and for arrangements by the convention board to have a special meeting of the Planning Commission in San Diego, July 24, to resolve through national committees all of the recommendations on hand and to try to develop future programs in concrete fashion for JACL.

This meeting would precede the National JACL Board and Staff session slated for Monday, July 25, at El Cortez Hotel.

To facilitate convention proceedings as well as prepare adequately for the special commission meeting planned for July 24, it was further requested that each national committee chairman review their activities and include recommendations in a report to be submitted by June 1.

"The membership would thus be advised as to the kinds of problems that may arise at the national convention," Dr. Nishikawa added.

The report may be brief but it should cover: 1—Purposes and goals of the Committee 2—Progress during this past

biennium. 3—Problems remaining to be solved. 4—Would additional staff or finances help solve these problems? 5—Long-range outlook. 6—Specific recommendations. Requests for the reports have been made of:

Mas Satow, communications; Frank Chuman, Mike Masaoka, legislative-legal; Mas Hironaka, membership; Dr. David Miura, Harry Honda, Pacific Citizen; Jerry Enomoto, Alan Kumamoto, youth; Yone Satoda, personnel, budget-finance; Tad Masaoka, geriatrics; Aki J. I. Yoshimura, Harry Honda, public relations; Rupert Hachiyu, program and activities; Tak Kubota, alien land law; Roy Nishikawa, PSW Office advisory, planning.

Betty Yumori of Venice-Culver, newly appointed member of the PSW Office Advisory Committee, reported a growing impatience with the situation brought about by the absence of a regional director. She felt that the chapters are suffering from lack of staff assistance.

JACL Staff Dr. Nishikawa, as PSW Office advisory chairman, reported several applicants with varying qualifications and talents had applied during the past year but the better qualified immediately lost interest when the salary range was revealed.

The problem seems to be that if JACL wants to accept someone for performance of routine duties, then applicants are plentiful and the salary offered is adequate. But if JACL wants an individual with higher qualifications, then a much higher salary range would have to be provided through proper budgetary channels.

The advisory committee will continue to seek a regional director pending a salary study and possible changes in the salary structure for all

JACL staff. On the problem of re-evaluation of Washington Office, the commission felt the study should be broadened to include the entire staff in the light of current and future programs, staff and salary. This aspect is expected to be covered in depth at the July 24 meeting, if authorized.

Constitutional revisions for nomination and election of national officers have been urged by Bill Marutani, legal counsel, who was present at the meeting here. The commission also accepted his proposal that every elected and appointed board member summarize in writing his experience, job description and recommendations, if any, for the benefit of his successor.

Mas Hironaka of San Diego suggested some district councils have become too large and called for splitting to improve efficiency. He cited the case of the Los Angeles chapter which subsequently split into five local units. While the commission was divided as to the necessity of redistricting at this time, it is recommending that matter to the National Board and district councils for further study.

(A special PC study on this question of redistricting is being prepared.—Editor)

Recommendations of that meeting will be reported by Chuman.

The commission also urged a clarification on procedures within JACL, especially when responsible board officials, national committee chairman or staff fail to follow through on certain assignments or if correspondence goes unanswered.

"What is to be done?", Dr. Nishikawa asked. "This raises the question of who is running JACL? While the Constitution states the National Board is the executive body with the president as the chief executive officer, the realities of the situation do not always make this possible.

Membership Alan Kumamoto is suggesting four different categories of membership: youth, single group between 21-30, married group between 21-30, and those over 30. Considerable discussion ensued on the question of forming separate chapters.

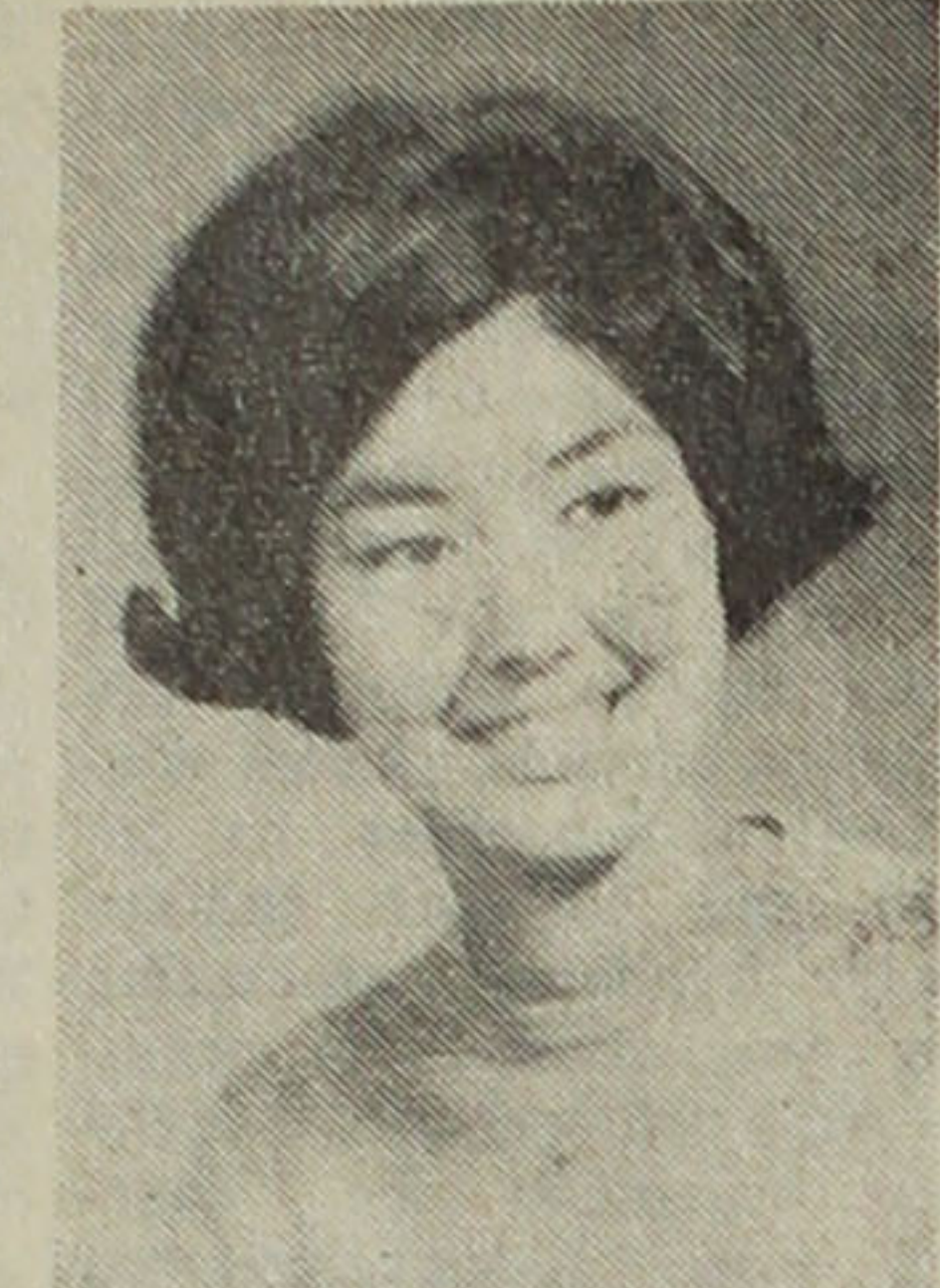
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Final rites held for Fred Tayama LOS ANGELES—Fred M. Tayama, 60, died May 9 after a prolonged illness. Final rites were held Wednesday.

A 1000 Club Life member and prewar JACL Southern District Council chairman, the Hawaiian-born Nisei businessman had been active in the Rotary this past decade and was the unanimous choice this past week for district governorship covering California and Nevada.

He had just concluded his term as president of the So. Calif. Floral Assn.

He is survived by his wife Chiyo, daughter Mrs. Marianne Kimura, three grandchildren, brothers Harry, Tom, Jimmy, and sisters Sen Iseki, Mary Kashiwada, Bessie Yamanaka and Margaret Otsuji.



Tertia Toyota, 17, Miss Portland Jr. JACL

## Portland to bid for '72 confab

PORTLAND—Portland JACL at its Apr. 19 board meeting voted to bid for the 1972 national JACL convention at the San Diego parley, it was announced by Walter Fuchigami, president.

If accepted, each chapter president until 1972 would serve on the convention board of standing committees.

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## Fiesta in San Diego: Connie Yamaguchi: Youth Prepping for San Diego

San Diego It looks like we, in PSW-DYC, are going to be ready for the convention in July. At any rate, we're going full steam ahead in the remaining weeks.

It was really great to see our friends from all over the district at our recent pre-convention rally in Long Beach. We had everyone from our Long Beach DYC secretary, La Dene Otsuki, to our faithful Arizona delegation out there working.

Although there were slight difficulties in the pre-planning and communication, everything went off very smoothly. The latest revised revision of the convention agenda was presented. Here it is again for those of you who missed it and or wish it for reference. (Hope you have your scissors hand, La Dene!)

The convention schedule: YOUTH SESSION (Revised: May 1966) 19th Biennial Nat'l JACL Convention El Cortez Hotel, San Diego, Calif.

MONDAY — July 25 6:30 — 8:30 p.m.: Adviser Workshop (Adult) 8:30 p.m. on: Interim Council Meeting (Youth)

TUESDAY — July 26 8 a.m. — 5 p.m.: Registration 9 a.m. — 12 n.: Joint Session - Sr. and Jr. JACL. 12 n.: Youth Delegate Luncheon 2 - 5 p.m.: Youth Delegate Session 6:30 p.m.: Opening Ceremony and National Oratorical Finals 9:30 p.m.: Youth Opening Mixer (Carnival)

WEDNESDAY — July 27 8 a.m. — 5 p.m.: Registration 9 a.m. — 12 n.: Youth Session 12 - 2 p.m.: Official Delegates' Luncheon 2 - 4 p.m.: Youth Session 4 - 5 p.m.: Adviser Workshop (Adult) 6 p.m.: Youth Banquet (DYC Queen

to be crowned) 9 a.m.: Youth Dance THURSDAY — July 28 (Open Day) 8 a.m. — 5 p.m.: Registration 8 a.m. — 5 p.m.: Fishing Derby and Golf Tournament 9 a.m. — 12 n.: Volley Ball Tournament (Mixed Team) 12 - 3 p.m.: Ladies Fashion Show Luncheon: Dancing, Swimming & Relaxing at El Cortez Terrace

FRIDAY — July 29 8 a.m. — 12 n.: Registration 9 a.m. — 12 n.: College Bowl 9 a.m. — 12 n.: Youth Session 12 - 2 p.m.: Saburo Kido Testimonial Luncheon. 2 p.m.: Convention Outing, Derby & Golf Awards Dinner at Outing, Youth Talent Show at Rohr Park, Chiu Vista

SATURDAY — July 30 8 a.m. — 12 n.: Registration 9 a.m. — 12 n.: Youth Session 2 - 4 p.m.: Final Youth Session 4 - 5 p.m.: Adviser Workshop (Adult) 4 - 5 p.m.: Joint Nat'l Bd Mtg. 6 - 9 p.m.: Convention Banquet 9:30 p.m.: Sayonara Ball (Youth) \* Denotes: Together with adults

San Diego brought the convention brouhaha, Kay Ochi and attendants, Darlene Fujino and Doreen Hamaguchi. We had lovely accommodations at the Edgewater Marina Inn, however the full schedule kept us from spending but a few hours in the rooms (Right, girls?)

Our DYC candidate for Miss Jr. JACL was selected in Pati Ito and our district oratorical contest winner also chosen. Our district reportedly made a little money on the dance co-sponsored by Long Beach Jr. JACL. Virginia Owashi, our hootenanny planner, managed to find some more talent. I had the pleasure of meeting PC editor Harry Honda, the man who graciously manages to find space for my column each

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to the 19th Biennial Nat'l JACL Convention July 26-30: El Cortez Hotel, San Diego

11 weeks to go



Ye Editor's Desk

NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING

Someone has said that in many businesses, the day ends at 5 o'clock; but those bent on success make the day last from yesterday right through tomorrow.

In discussing the merits of advertising in a newspaper, we are often shown as being selfish or self-serving. Yet the need and benefit of advertising are easy to prove.

One of the prime reasons is the rapidly shifting and growing population in the community—especially in Southern California. The reputation that an organization or business has built in the past can deteriorate rapidly unless it keeps its name and activities in the public eye, especially the newcomers.

A practical example occurred recently when the Pacific Telephone appeared before the Inglewood Chamber of Commerce board of directors to explain plans for revision of its telephone directory.

Some directors appreciated the change to eliminate listings from Long Beach, Bellflower and similar distant communities but the reaction to the proposed name was red-hot.

In the course of discussion, Centinela Valley was suggested. But one director opined that Centinela Valley doesn't carry sufficient identification.

The answer is advertising to keep newcomers and young people aware of places, people and businesses.

The Pacific Citizen, which has national circulation principally among persons of Japanese ancestry, has helped to make products, services and businesses a "household word."

We invite our own JACLers to make use of our columns. There is the business-directory section on Page 2 (\$25 for three lines in for a half year), classifieds and display.

By supporting the PC through advertising, we only hope to add more pages to benefit the entire membership and readership.

CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY

It has been said that some citizens avoid registering as voters because of the liability (as they see it) of jury service.

From time to time I have read criticisms of judges and their decisions by people like ex-Gov. Knight and lately Mayor Yorty and certain members of the public.

It was perhaps a little boring at times due to the repetition of evidence, but when the outcome is considered as it affects the litigants, I can assure you that my appreciation of the machinery of the law was the better for my having served.

Any previous conception of our judges was soon changed after we had worked with them. Their patience and understanding to both litigants and their counsel left us in no doubt that these men are much maligned.

Perhaps I see this from a different point of view as I am only a citizen of some five years. However, as a word of advice to the critics of our judicial system, and also to those who tell you how you can get out of serving, better you should serve when called upon rather than leave it to your neighbors to do your work, for only in this way can we ensure better decisions and a greater respect for law.

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'But, Al, you told us to get as much publicity as possible.'

Ole '66: by Elaine Yamada

Chicago. Okay Jrs., we have a national—or at least will have in San Diego. But where do we go from there? Basically, we have a name, a few nascent programs (Peace Corps, newsletter) and a handful of prospective committees.

Structure is the tricky question now. What kind of structure will we have? Basically, it should facilitate the work that the organization sets out to do.

Convention

(Continued from Front Page) week. On top of all this, the girls in my room, even if it was inconveniently early, had "Good morning to you" sung to us over the telephone!

All in all, we had a great time. It was sort of like the national convention on a small scale. If this was an indication of how it'll be this July only in a grand, expanded style—WOW!!

Fashion Show

One of the events that will be of interest to us young people at the convention is the Ladies Fashion Show. Although it is scheduled for the free day (July 28) and is not included in our Package Deal, many of us will ultimately find ourselves there and be glad of it.

Much of the fashions shown will be aimed at the college and high school set. The new fall fashions for school should be enough to interest all the young girls and that should be enough to interest the young fellows.

There will be door prizes awarded and a zoo trip in the afternoon for those interested in visiting the world-famous site. Since this is not included in the Package Deal, you will have to make arrangements to attend on your own. Tickets and further information for the event will be sent to chapter presidents soon.

DYC Meeting

San Diego Jr. JACL is looking forward to hosting a PSW-DYC meeting here on June 19. This is our opportunity to go over some of the last minute details for the convention. We are planning to have a good representation from the entire district for a really top business session and hashing out of vital issues.

The great beach weather and vacation atmosphere in San Diego will provide us with a wonderful opportunity to show you a preview of what to look forward to this July. We hope for a large turnout because we're already getting some big ideas.

Housing

a law to reform federal criminal statutes to better protect Negro civil rights workers, a law to reform the jury selection system to prevent discrimination in the choosing of both federal and state juries, and a law to give new power to the attorney general to bring suits to desegregate schools and public facilities without the necessity for a complaint.

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American Indian Problems

Washington. In the current civil rights revolution and the Great Society programs, the desperate plight of the American Indian has been largely ignored, perhaps because there has been so little publicity concerning his "poor" and "neglected" status.

The American Indian today is truly "the forgotten American," for some of their problems and much of their living conditions are even more shameful than those of the Negro and other disadvantaged Americans. And, the conscience of America that has been so aroused to the wrongs done the Negro, and rightly so, remains apathetic and ignorant as to the only "true Americans."

The 110,000 evacuees of Japanese ancestry who some 20 years ago were detained in war relocation camps, most of which were on Indian reservations, should know the harshness of those lands and the sordid conditions under which the Indians must live.

In any event, in mid-April, President Johnson upset a long-established precedent and nominated Robert L. Bennett, an Oneida Indian from Wisconsin, as Commissioner of Indian Affairs. The Senate confirmed him recently as the first Indian to be Commissioner in the past century, and only the second ever to hold this responsible post in the Department of the Interior.

For more than a quarter of a century, Mr. Bennett has been an employee of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, finally rising to the post of Deputy Commissioner under Phileo Nash, also of Wisconsin, whom he succeeded as Commissioner this past month.

Americans of Japanese ancestry may remember Phileo Nash as President Truman's Special Assistant on Minority Problems, who, cooperated with the JACL in securing such legislation as the suspension of deportation for Japanese aliens whose treaty or other status was disrupted by World War II and the Japanese American Evacuation Claims Act of 1948, under which some 37,000 evacuees were paid some \$40 million in partial compensation for their evacuation property losses.

Other Commissioners of Indian Affairs who are well-known to Japanese Americans include Dillon S. Myer, War Relocation Authority Director, and James Collier, a WRA Director at the Poston, Arizona, camp.

Late last month, Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall, who long has had a special interest in Indian matters as a Democratic Congressman from Arizona, convened a special field meeting to plan a major reorganization of the 142-year-old Bureau of Indian Affairs in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

He was acting under prodding from Henry M. Jackson, the Democratic Senator from Washington who is also Chairman of the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee.

This Committee, which has jurisdiction over American Indian problems, expressed "strong dissatisfaction" with the pace of progress in elevating the American Indian to a level of parity with other citizens of the country. The Committee was "shocked" that with billions of dollars in appropriations and a staff of 22,000 serving the needs of the 380,000 reservation Indians, "poverty and squalor continue to plague many reservations."

Ninety percent of the Indians under Bureau supervision live in substandard housing, much of it worse than the worst slum dwellings. The median annual family income is \$1,500, which is less than a third earned by the individual Japanese American. Last year, 8,000 Indian children between the ages of eight and 16 could not go to school at all because of the lack of facilities. Only half of the Indian work force of 100,000 is employed, as against almost 99 percent for Japanese Americans.

The Committee naturally called these conditions "inexcusable" and directed that Commissioner Bennett, in recommending his confirmation to the Senate, report within 90 days on steps taken to alleviate them. The Committee urged that the agency strive to end its reason for existence by bringing tribes to the point of self-sufficiency and capacity for assimilation into the larger society.

What the Committee urged is generally described as the "termination policy" under which the reservations established by treaties as the home of the Indians are closed and primary government responsibility for their welfare is ended.

At the historic meeting, which did not permit representatives of either the National Congress of American Indians, the major association of Indian tribes, or individual Indian leaders to even sit in as observers, Secretary Udall announced that the Bureau of Indian Affairs would be upgraded to provide greater educational opportunities to Indians and to give Indians greater freedom in managing their own affairs. He promised that comprehensive legislation removing the "shackles" on self-management would be introduced next January, and that efforts to provide better educational facilities would commence right away.

While stating that the Secretary's pronouncements were along the lines that the Indians have been demanding right along, Velma Deloria, Jr., a Sioux, executive director of the NCAI, declared that because similar promises have been made so many times in the past, the American Indian would watch and see whether this time the promises are carried out. "We want the right to plan and program for ourselves. But if we see the old bureaucrats showing up on the reservations again with Indian programs mapped out in advance—no dice."

Earlier, the Indian spokesman had reported that several Indian tribes had begun to receive poverty program funds and has experienced "spectacular success" with such ventures as the Head Start plans for pre-school education which are being administered by tribal councils elected by Indians. "For the last hundred years, the Government has been doing things for us and telling us what is best for Indians... Of course, there has been no progress. No people can progress when a bureaucracy is making all the decisions for them."

He explained that the American Indian is weary of paternalism, not only in the Bureau but also from church and private groups interested in Indian affairs. "We want the right to talk to people as equals. We want to be free

to go to all Federal departments, including Agriculture, Labor, and Commerce for technical help with programs we can develop ourselves."

While expressing great admiration for the new Commissioner, the NCAI was fearful about how much freedom he would have to effect a practical overhaul of the long-established system, which goes back to the days when individual Indian tribes were considered as separate and sovereign nations. The Indian organization also announced that it would present Congress its own legislative recommendations.

Perhaps we are being unrealistic or impractical, but it often occurs to us as we participate in the deliberations and lobbying activities of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights that such disadvantaged minorities as the American Indian and the Spanish-speaking Americans might well join in the national efforts to secure a greater measure of democracy for all Americans, including themselves, rather than trying, more or less, to go it alone.

By joining with the mainstream of the less fortunate, it would seem not only that the grievances of their respective minorities but also their strength in votes and resources could be added to make more effective and meaningful the common goal of all Americans for equality, opportunity, and dignity.

In retrospect, JACL would have been delighted had there been such national organizations as the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights and the National Civil Liberties Clearing House in the pre-World War II era, for JACL might well have joined with them and been able to demonstrate such massive combined strength and influence that such wartime travail as the Evacuation could not have taken place.

Planning - (Continued from Front Page) ters for each category within the area, voting rights, uniformity of dues, etc.

The commission referred this proposal to the membership committee for further study.

Something concrete on possible federal grants to JACL through the National Institute of Mental Health has been requested by the commission from Kumamoto.

The commission also expects a preliminary report on geriatrics to be published, a brochure from the Pacific Citizen on how to organize, finance and distribute chapter newsletters, and a redefined PC editorial policy.

With the planning commission now organized to include district planning chairmen, the district representatives have been urged to organize sub-groups within their districts and to enlist young people for ideas.

A staff man to implement planning commission recommendations was also proposed and welcomed by Dr. Nishikawa. If new personnel is retained in the future, part of his time might be devoted to helping this commission.

The PSWDC resolution proposing a 10 pct. allowance of 1000 Club membership dues by the chapter was referred to the 1000 Club chairman and national budget-finance committee.

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By Bill Hosokawa  
**From the Frying Pan**

**ORDER OF THE RISING SUN**—We'd been talking about casual matters for perhaps a half hour when Kiyoshi George Togatashi happened to mention, almost apologetically, that he had been awarded one of Japan's highest decorations, the Order of the Rising Sun, third class. One could see he was very proud of the honor, yet it was obvious he felt that to bring up the matter himself was just a little unseemly. That's the kind of person George Togatashi is, a quietly retiring doer of good deeds whose many, many accomplishments will be remembered long after he is gone.

"It was very nice to be recognized," Togatashi acknowledged. "But I just happened to be at the right place at the right time, so that I was able to do a few things that helped Japan, and Japanese relations with the United States."

Togatashi made a 24-hour stop in Denver to take one last look at preparations for the Rotary International convention here next month for which he is general chairman. Then he flew on to other duties in the East, and a long visit with his son Bob at Harvard, before returning to Denver early in June.

**RING FOR THE STEWARDESS**—People who fly Pan American have become accustomed to seeing Sansei stewardesses, but on other lines they are scarce enough to catch the traveler's eye. Thus we were pleasantly surprised to be greeted aboard a United Air Lines eastbound flight by a very attractive young lady who obviously was Sansei.

She turned out to be Myrna Fujimura whose family lives in Honolulu. Myrna has been flying as a stewardess since the first of the year, hopes to go back to school, and serves a mighty fine lunch. She also made passengers wish the flight to Chicago wasn't such a short one.

**VIA THE MAINICHI**—This column's "reach" sometimes surprises even its conductor, although in this case the Mainichi Daily News provided some unsolicited assistance. Some months ago it was reported in this space that one Lester D. Friend, a retired Army colonel, was trying to locate a Nisei who had befriended him on a trip to Japan. Last week Colonel Friend wrote saying that he had heard from the young man's father, Harry Naka, in Osaka. A friend of the Naka family saw the column which had been reprinted in the Mainichi Daily News, and showed it to Harry Naka who recognized the young man as his son, Kent. Colonel Friend reports he is planning another trip to Japan this summer and is looking forward to meeting Harry Naka.

**FAMILY REUNION**—Our Mike, who now teaches and lives in Portland, Ore., flew to Baltimore last week for a conference, and then dropped in on his folks in Denver en route home. This was reason enough to drive up to Boulder, Colo., and pick up our Susan who is finishing up her senior year at the University there.

Suddenly the house was filled with all of us once more. Where we had been four, now we were six again. And although all four of the offspring are adults or near-adults, it was as though time had been turned back. The rooms were filled with happy chatter, although I don't remember very much of what we talked about.

For dinner, we sat around the kitchen table, just as we used to do. Every seat was filled, as in the old days, and the mounds of food that Mom spread out made the table look more crowded than ever. We kidded Mike about the 196 pounds he now carries on his very ample frame, making him the largest of us, and we watched the two boys stow away the calories while the girls ate more modestly as becomes young ladies.

That night, we put Mike on a plane for his own home and drove Susan back up to Boulder, and abruptly the house was a more subdued place with the four of us just sort of rattling around in it.

**ROLE OF SIT-IN, BOYCOTT TOPIC OF SEATTLEITES**

Jackson St. Council Director Resigns for Commerce Dept. Job

BY ELMER OGAWA  
SEATTLE — Kenneth Latcholia, who took over Phil Haysaka's post as director of the Jackson Street Community Council when Phil resigned almost two years ago to head Seattle's newly formed Human Rights Commission, has now resigned the Jackson Council to work for the Dept. of Commerce.

At present on a 30-day indoctrination course in D.C. he is expected to be relocated in this area and give a spare time hand with the local community problems.

The work of the JSSC, however, goes on as usual. This coming Tuesday a community discussion will be held under the sponsorship of the JSSC and the Urban League—the question is the provocative one:

Should children be used in civil disobedience? By picketing, boycotts, sit-ins and marches, can children be taught to both respect and challenge the laws of our society?

The Urban League has declined to participate, as a matter of policy, during the recent school boycott protesting de facto segregation. The Human Rights Commission has also declined to take a stand on the matter of being pro or con for the boycott action.

Upon the recommendation of the Human Rights Commission, and with the enthusiastic cooperation of the JSSC, the Seattle Job Market, Inc. was activated right in our own community early in April and reported some 75 to 100 interviews the first couple of days. If only in race track parlance, there was no lack of early foot to get off and running.

**Over at Boeing**  
The industrial and employment situation is booming beyond all expectations. While Boeing was making a couple of felts at considering a location for their new 747 assembly plant in California, the news comes out that they are now all set to settle in a location near Payne field, over the Snohomish County line near Everett.

The land speculators are in a tizzle, and residents of the Snohomish county area are happy over the big industrial expansion they feel sure is to be an actuality.

In the meantime, the Interstate Commerce Commission denies the appeal of many years standing, for the Great Northern, Northern Pacific, Burlington and couple smaller railroads to merge. Special impact to this area lies in the fact that some 500 jobs in the N.P. shops of Auburn will not be terminated in that JACL farmer area where the White-Green River valley Nisei farmers are already beset with problems about inflated land values and assessments attendant to rezoning.

In the face of this kind of booming progress, perhaps better to just make a middle aged start on a rhubarb farm somewhere else.

**NEED MORE HISTORY PROJECT INTERVIEWERS**

LOS ANGELES — Bilingual interviewers for the JACL-UCLA Japanese American Research Project are needed to visit respondents in San Fernando Valley, Long Beach, Orange County and West Los Angeles, according to staff administrator Joe Grant Masaoka.

The project is undergoing an extensive second phase of the Issei survey, asking questions on immigration, personal background, economic history, attitude, acculturation, opinion and organizational items. All Issei replies are kept in strict confidence, Masaoka added.

Interviewers are compensated at \$20 per interview. The session lasts about 5 hours. Potential interviewers should call Keiko Watanabe, project secretary (BR 2-8911, ext. 3085), to report for a briefing planned May 14, 10 a.m., at the UCLA project office.

**Hiraide bids for state assembly**

GARDENA — Nisei attorney Toshiro Hiraide will face seven other candidates for Democratic nomination of the 67th Assembly District seat, an area which includes the cities of Gardena, Lawndale, Hawthorne, and Redondo Beach.

The Fullerton-born Nisei, a Democrat, cited his platform for the race.

Hiraide said he will strive for the following:

More state aid to education and less reliance on real property taxes for financing; improvement of taxing system to reduce load on property owners; crash program to reduce traffic problems; more direct intervention of the state toward eliminating smog; more effective smog control laws; study and possible enactment of laws to deal with auto insurance rates, laws to improve living and working conditions of agricultural workers and implementation of equitable and workable civil rights acts in jobs, education and housing minorities.

Facing Hiraide will be: A. Anodaca, Floyd C. Townsend, Pete Jensen, Berrien E. Moore, John F. Mulvihill, Gordon C. Phillips, Lawrence C. Townsend, (Tom R. Tomlin is the only Republican seeking nomination).

All are seeking the seat left vacant by incumbent Clayton Dills who announced that he would not seek re-election.

**Three mothers honored at DTLA-ELA dinner**

LOS ANGELES — Three mothers were honored by the East Los Angeles and Downtown L.A. JACL at a Mother's Day fete last week. They were Mmes. Ike Fujitubo, Toyo Miyatake and Eiji Tanabe.

Mrs. Fujitubo, president of the Nanka Kumamoto Kenjin Fujinkai, is the mother of three sons and two daughters. Mrs. Miyatake is the mother of three sons and a daughter. Mrs. Tanabe is the mother of three sons. Mitsuhiro Shimizu, Downtown L.A. president, awarded the trophies.

Frank Omatsu and Mable Yoshizaki starred in a pantomime sketch of Shastin Kekkou that was the evening's entertainment highlight.

**CRCS to mark 20th anniversary at May 22 fete**

LOS ANGELES—The Community Relations Conference of Southern California holds its 20th anniversary dinner on Sunday, May 22, 6 p.m., at Rodger Young, 936 W. Washington Blvd.

This group was founded to assist returning Japanese evacuees to Southern California, combatting the prejudice and hysteria which still was active right after the close of World War II.

As that problem minimized, the group expanded its community relations concern to help other minorities.

Serving as honorary dinner chairmen are the past chairmen of the CRCS:

George Thomas, Dr. W. Henry Cooke, Kenneth Hahn, Edward W. Mehren, Mrs. Georgiana Hardy, Joseph D. Shane, David D. MacFarlane, Mrs. Ruth Kodani and Bill Stout.

JACL and the Japanese Chamber of Commerce are among the founding members of the organization. Dinner is \$7.50 per person and reservations are requested by May 17 through CRCS, 2400 S. Western Ave., Los Angeles 18.

At the annual delegate's nomination meeting last week, JACL was represented by PSWDC chairman and Mrs. Akira Ohno and JACL youth director Alan Kumamoto.

**Mrs. Yoshie Ishida, 105**

CHICAGO—Mrs. Yoshie Ishida, who would have been 105 in the fall and believed to be the oldest Japanese resident in the U.S., died April 30. She had been ill for only a short time.

She came to this country at the turn of the century to join her husband, a cotton broker in Birmingham, Ala. She is survived by her son Dixie and three daughters Mary Hashimoto, Rose Blair and Starr Lesser and several grandchildren.

**Tokuichi Nomura, 74**

SACRAMENTO — Tokuichi Nomura, 74, who served in the U.S. Army in the first World War and a naturalized citizen for over 30 years, died of heart attack here May 6.

After WW2, he established the Nomura & Co., sole distributors of Kokuhō Rose rice and Takara Masamune, a Hawaii sake, in San Francisco. He is survived by his wife Haruya, sons Haruto, Tokuo and daughters Yoshiko and Toyomi Okamoto.



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**Deadline May 20 for S.F. Olympics**

SAN FRANCISCO — Deadline for competitors in the 14th annual San Francisco JACL Nisei Olympics is Friday, May 20, according to Yukio Isoye and Mas Yanase, co-chairmen. The meet is slated June 5 at Kezar stadium.

Open and lightweight (high school students under 130 lbs.) division is open to JACL chapter sponsored amateur teams. Junior (12-15 yrs.) and Pee Wee (9-11 yrs.) division is open community organization teams.

Entry fees are \$2.50 per contestant in the upper division and \$1 per Junior or Pee Wee entrant, payable to San Francisco JACL, 1759 Sutter St., San Francisco. Schedule of events are:

Open—100, 220, 440, 880, mile, 180 low hurdles, 70 high hurdles, broad jump, high jump, pole vault, 12 pound shot put, discus and 880 relay.  
Lightweight—50, 100, 660, 120 low hurdles, broad jump, high jump, 8 pound shot, pole vault and 440 relay.  
Junior—50, 100, broad jump, high jump, baseball throw and 440 relay.  
Pee Wee—50, broad jump, high jump, baseball throw and 220 relay.

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Orange County—Meeting, Buddhist Church, 7:30 p.m.; Steve Abe, spkr.

NEWS CAPSULES

Business

Raymond Ickes, son of wartime Sec. of Interior Harold Ickes, succeeded George Kilian as president of American Pacific Far East Lines.

Awards

Robert F. Kojima, formerly of Los Angeles, was posthumously cited Apr. 6 by the Secretary of Interior for 19 years of distinguished service in the department.

Sports

Gordy Kono of Berkeley Hills shot a brilliant 73 and 74 to win the 1966 NoCal Nisei Golf open at Pasatiempo.

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SILVER STAR AWARDED FOR VIETNAM HEROISM

HONOLULU — Sgt. Hachiro Imae, 41, of 1128 Berkeley Pl., was awarded the Silver Star for valor in South Vietnam near Chu Chi this past week.

Nisei Week names parade marshal

LOS ANGELES — Dr. Morinosuke Kajima, scholar, industrialist and active Japanese government leader, was named grand marshal of the 1966 Nisei Week Festival parade Aug. 21.

Jr. track meet at Venice Hi May 22

VENICE — Under joint sponsorship of Venice-Culver and West Los Angeles JACL chapters, the annual Junior Track Meet will be held at Venice High on Sunday, May 22.

Golden wedding

FRESNO — Mr. and Mrs. Shunsuke Uchiyama, parents of former CCDC chairman Mikio Uchiyama, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Apr. 24.

Housewife slain

LOS ANGELES — An unknown assailant raped and fatally shot Mrs. Akie Kishimoto Sterling, 35, at her home at 6002 Fifth Ave. on May 4.

Churches

The Japanese Methodist Churches in the western states have endorsed the request of the National Council of Churches for the reappraisal

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HONOLULU — Charles Ushijima is the new president of the Honolulu Japanese Junior Chamber of Commerce, which sponsors the annual Cherry Blossom Festival here.

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