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JACL brands Japanese American students smart, affluent a myth

LOS ANGELES—A statewide JACL campaign to dispel the myth Asian American students are self-sufficient academically or financially was initiated this past week in the wake of recent action by JACL's Pacific Southwest District Council, which called for:

1—Community support to have the Bank of Tokyo and Sumitomo Bank in California adopt and promote the Federal Insured Student Loan program.

2—Expansion of the High Potential program for Asian American students at UCLA.

Adopted last Feb. 14 by the PSWDC, the resolutions were published last week. Copies were forwarded to other 50 JACL chapter in the state as well as district council governors in Central and Northern California.

Bank Silent

The two Japanese community banks were approached by Edison Uno last summer, the FISL program explained to the bank presidents, both of whom reside in San Francisco, but neither has made a commitment, according to Dr. Roy Nishikawa, author of the PSWDC resolution and chairman of the National JACL Stdent Aid program, instituted last year for worthy students in need of funds to continue with their education.

"There is a definite but erroneous tendency among many college administrators and bank officials to believe that most Japanese Americans are self-sufficient financially," Dr. Nishikawa charged. "Some may be overlooked or even eliminated as applicants for fellowship, scholarships, awards, grants and loans."

JACL believes the FISL program, if adopted and promoted by the two Japanese community banks, will benefit in the long run not only the financial institutions but the general Japanese community, the resolution pointed out.

FISL Program

The FISL program, in existence since 1966, provides student loans up to maximum of $1,500 a year without colleteral, the government paying interest while the borrower is a student. Nine months after graduation, the student assumes the loan with 10 years to repay the loan at 7 per cent simple interest. All loans are fully insured by the government.

Congress last year added an incentive interest of 2 per cent in order to compete with the current prime interest, providing banks, credit unions and other lending institutions a total of 9 per cent interest to be paid by the government while the student is in school. During the repayment period, the interest rate reverts to the 7 pct. level.

In view of the exceptional growth of the Japanese community banks in California, their noncommittal has been regarded as "ignoring the tremendous financial needs of Sansei student" though the JACL resolution does recognize gratefully the support both banks have displayed with reference to goals and aims of JACL.

The JACL resolution was also addressed to the many who enjoy business relations with both banks, bank personnel, their respective advisory board members, the vernacular press and other community organizations.

'High Potential'

The other resolution, petitioning UCLA Chancellor Charles Young, to continue and expand the High Potential program for Asian Americans, was motivated when a cutback from fall 1970 was indicated.

At present, 25 Asian American high school graduates are being tutored at UCLA in the High Potential program to make up scholastic deficiencies incurred during high school to qualify as full-time college students. Up to 50 were being sought for the next cycle. Application deadline was March 1.

"Our investigation (shows) that there are many students of Asian ancestry in need of help such as provided by UCLA's High Potential program now," Dr. Nishikawa pointed out.

National JACL Field Director for Youth Services Ron Wakabayashi is representing JACL in implementation of the resolutions.

Perspectives

By JERRY ENOMOTO
National JACL President

I think that the automobile license plates of Colorado say something like "colorful Colorado", or some such chamber of commerce-like advertisement. Last weekend I found beautiful spring-like weather in the Rockies that confirmed the license plate legend.

Upon the invitation of Roy Inouye of the San Luis Valley Chapter, I flew to Denver from whence I was chauffered some couple of hundred miles to the town of Alamosa. The San Luis Valley lies in southwestern Colorado and is primarily an agricultural community. The drive was a pleasant one,—mostly over a high speed freeway which passed very close to the U.S. Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs. It also went through Pueblo, a steel mill town, whose air was the only reminder of California pollution that I saw in Colorado.

Colorful Colorado

My trip to Alamosa was by courtesy of Jiro Wada, the stepson of Dr. Tak Mayeda, Mt. Plains DC Governor. Jiro and his girl friend, Kathy, were very pleasant companions. It turned out that he was a student at Adams State College in Alamosa, with a student body of some 5,000, before he transferred to the University of Colorado campus at Boulder. If you want to concentrate upon the books, said Jiro, the place to go is Adams State, because it's a good school, located in an area where all you can do is study.

We had some interesting discussions about what's happening in the world today. Jiro labelled himself a "right winger," politically speaking, but I told him that was like a liberal calling himself a "left winger." In my estimation he appeared to be a young man who hadn't come to the conclusion, for himself, that all liberal solutions to problems were necessarily logical, including that concept (or misconcept) that "raising hell" against the Establishment is acceptable. His life style might be called "conservative," at least for today, and that is not necessarily a bad world. It certainly reflects the reality that the youth scene in Colorado can not be evaluated by California standards. Where it's at in Denver, is not always where it's at in L.A. My thanks to Jiro and Kathy and, through them, to Dr. Mayeda for the courtesies.

ALAMOSA

There was a large and enthusiastic crowd, over half of them Caucasian, at the Chapter banquet. I was supposed to give them a shot in the arm, but actually it was the other way around. Not being used to the audience, rising upon my introduction, or a substantial part of the crowd individually saying nice things to me after I finished talking, I thought about moving to the town.

Upon reflection I soberly decided that my "life style" couldn't be changed at this point, and I couldn't get by on the JACL National President Emeritus role alone.

Seriously, I would like to congratulate Mrs. Mary Hayashida and her officers upon their election, and wish them good luck. In an area where occasional support of a National JACL project, is the only practical reason for membership (other than as a part of the local community), it is gratifying to see the chapter active. The clear evidence of respect and good feelings towards the JACLers by the community is even more satisfying.

We had a chance for some informal and serious talk at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Shiro Enomoto about JACL. Admittedly there have been some differences of opinion among us about what JACL's role ought to be. I hope that our talk, unfortunately too short, clarified, if not solved, some of the differences.

DENVER

Spent an evening with some of the Denver JACLers, including a group of Colorado University students, enroute to Alamosa. Former Mt. Plains Youth Commissioner Tom Masamori and Min Yasui were among those present.

Am indebted to Bill Hosokawa for the experience of dining in the low key and class atmosphere of a private dining room in the legendary Brown Palace Hotel. Both the food and the company were excellent, to coin a cliche. It was good to hear that Bill's book is doing great.

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Asian Americans protest attitude of Area Crusade

SAN FRANCISCO — Chinese, Filipino and Japanese Americans have long sought to involve the Asian American community in decisions regarding the $16 million that the United Bay Area Crusade raises each year.

The criticism is part of the nation-wide disenchantment of various local United Funds in resolving social problems.

Corporate contributors are said to have become increasingly uneasy about the program as urban crisis worsens and minority community protests continue to mount.

More recently, the Pittsburgh Fund allocated $600,000 to a black council with a totally black board in response to the criticism. In Detroit, the Fund raised $2.5 million separately for its black-oriented New Detroit organization.

Chinatown Plea

The Chinatown-North Beach District Council here has paced the efforts to seek a "Fair Share" (UBAC's favorite fund-raising slogan) of financial assistance, pointing out that last year less than 1½ pct. of the $16 million goes to meet the needs of the Asian American community while its population in the Bay Area is over 5 pct. and over 11 pct. in San Francisco.

"UBAC's unresponsive and cumbersome funding procedures have been such that an agency as firmly established as the Chinese Hospital has been turned away," declared Moon Eng, chairman of the research ad hoc committee organized last December by the Chinatown-North Beach district council.

This past Tuesday, Mar. 24, a coalition of Bay Area organizations headed by Gordon Lau, attorney, were to have met with UBAC president Robert C. Harris here to recognize the harsh problems confronting the Asian American community and take immediate action to increase its funding from its present less-than-1½ pct. to 5 pct.

Mrs. Mary Ann Takagi, Oakland JACL president, and Phillip Nakamura, San Francisco JACL civil rights committee chairman, were among the community spokesmen meeting with Harris.

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Philadelphia to host EDC meeting at Valley Forge

PHILADELPHIA — The Eastern District Council will engage in a panel discussion, "The Future of JACL", at its quarterly session being hosted by Philadelphia JACL Saturday, Mar. 28, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Holiday Inn of Valley Forge, 260 Goddard Blvd., King of Prussia.

Dr. Warren H. Watanabe, past EDC governor and member of the National Planning Commission, will moderate the discussion by youth, young adult and older members of JACL.

In the evening, the Philadelphia chapter will hold its installation dinner-dance in the Frederick the Great ballroom from 5:30 p.m.

The Jr. JACLers are participating in the dinner with Marcus Marutani as toastmaster, the JACL Hymn being sung by the Juniors, the flag salute being led by another Junior, the Creed being read by another and the table decorations being arranged by them.

F. Hilary Conroy, Ph. D., Univ. of Pennsylvania professor of history, will be the main speaker. His topic will be "Reflections on Japanese-American Relations."

David Yoshioka will be installed as the 1970 president, succeeding Albert B. Ikeda. Special guests include the June graduates and the following:

Mike Masaoka, Kumeo Yoshinari, Mrs. Michiyo Inouye, Dr. Joseph Stokes, Masatake Kaihoko and the Rev. Joseph L. Jensen.

The "13th Nights' will play for the dance.

Garment workers in 1-day walkout

NEY YORK — Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America staged a one-day walkout last week (Mar. 19) to protest the "flood" of low-cost imported clothing they claim is now entering the U.S. from the Far East, particularly Japan and Korea.

Some 400,000 members in cities across the country participated in the demonstrations against the rise of clothing imports.

Jacob Potofsky, union president, blamed the import problem on low wages, ranging from 7 cents an hour in Korea to 37 cents an hour in Japan to $2.01 an hour in the U.S. for shirt workers.

Hosokawa to address Portland Japan Society

PORTLAND—Bill Hosokawa, associate editor of the Denver Post and author of "Nisei: the Quiet Americans," will address the annual dinner of the Japan Society here Mar. 27 at the Sheraton Inn.

TITLE II REPEAL HEARINGS OPEN

Goldberg calls it unconstitutional

By ROSS HARANO
(Special to the Pacific Citizen)

WASHINGTON — Reminding that all branches of the government, the executive, legislative and judicial, have the responsibility to uphold the Constitution, former associate justice Arthur J. Goldberg told Congress that a law permitting the government to detain citizens under emergency conditions is unconstitutional.

The distinguished statesman, diplomat, jurist and liberal was the lead-off witness testifying on behalf for repeal of Title II of the Internal Security Act of 1950 last week (Mar. 16) here before Chairman Richard Ichord (D-Mo.) and his House Internal Security Committee.

The hearings opened with Ichord summarizing the content and background of the Act and efforts to repeal it. After Goldberg's testimony, Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii), co-author of the House bill to repeal Title II with Chet Holifield (D-Calif.), spoke. Length of Monday's session prevented Holifield from testifying but his prepared statement was submitted for the record.

The following day, four more members of the House appeared, each urging repeal of the 1950 law authorizing the establishment of detention camps for suspected subversives. They were Reps. Charles Gubser (R-Calif.), Brock Adams (D-Wash.), Patsy T. Mink (D-Hawaii) and Shirley Chisolm (D-N.Y.).

Session No. 3

Thursday's session opened with Philip M. Glick, who was solicitor for the War Relocation Authority. He described some of the legal and administrative aspects of Evacuation, mentioning that seeing loyal citizens being evacuated has given him an aversion to preventative detention as authorized by Title II.

Although a member of the committee and thus free to comment at will, Rep. Louis Stokes (D-Ohio) presented a formal statement in favor of repeal, noting the racial aspects of Evacuation.

The next witness was Edward Hunter, expert on psychological warfare, who implied that pro-communist forces had waged a propaganda campaign which resulted in many groups backing repeal of Title II. He warned against hasty and unwise action in this mood of hysteria.

Clarence Mitchell of the NAACP concluded Thursday's tesetimony, emphasizing the repeal of Title II would quiet rumors that blacks are going to be rounded up and placed in concentration camps. Ross Wilbur of American Friends Service Committee was scheduled to testify but lack of time rescheduled him to a later date. Sen. Hiram Fong (R-Hawaii), unable to appear, asked that his statement be placed in the record.

Ichord's Statement

Many of the opinions expressed during the week were on issues posed by the chairman, who had earlier asked:

Was not Title II passed to prevent the Japanese evacuation of 1942? Ichord termed Title II, passed during the Korean conflict, was aimed at hard-core pro-communist activists in the U.S. and not at any racial or religious group.

Ichord noted that such liberal legislators as Sens. Kilgore, Douglas, Humphrey, Kefauver, Lehman, Graham and Benton were instrumental in drafting and sponsoring the original bill. Were not these men whose liberal intentions cannot be questioned, tempered by the 1942 Nisei experience to, perhaps, pass Title II to prevent such an event from happening again?

Title II, by providing an orderly method of detention, specifically places a limitation on the wartime powers of the President. Without Title II, contends Ichord, "wouldn't we be back in the same vacuum situation as in 1942 when there were no restraints placed upon the President?"

Ichord expressed puzzlement as to why Nisei are so involved in the repeal movement since Title II had not existed in 1942 and has nothing to do with the Evacuation.

Throughout the hearing, he implied through questions that the Nisei would have been better off had Title II been in effect in 1942 for at least the Nisei would have been entitled to a hearing.

Wartime Powers

Ichord said that repeal is not the simple solution to the problem of the President's wartime powers. It is apparent that he and some members of the committee would like to amend Title II or recommend new legislation which would specifically define the wartime powers of the President. Because of this slant, mention of the tremendous "grassroot" support for repeal may not be a dominant factor of the hearings.

By far, most of the testimony has been in favor of repeal for many reasons. Detention of the Nisei during World War II was frequently labeled the "black day" in American history and everyone seems to agree it was unnecessary action, considering how loyal the Japanese Americans are.

Many lauded the Nisei. Many regretted what happened. Many feared Title II would not be used against communists as intended but rather against identifiable racial or religious groups.

The committee invited "experts" on internal securityand subversion to testify last Monday (Mar. 24), the five-member JACL panel and Dr. Dorothy Swain Thomas on Tuesday and representatives from other interested organizations on Thursday.

Goldberg Testimony

In urging repeal of the Emergency Detention Act (Title II), the former associate justice of the U.S. Supreme Court cited said the Nation has the right and duty to protect itself from acts of espionage and sabotage as well as attempts to overthrow the government by force.

But the Nation may not employ any means which it chooses, Goldberg continued. There are "procedural safeguards" but not what transpired during World War II when 110,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry living on the West Coast were incarcerated. It "represents a black page in our history and one that must never again be repeated.

"The fact that we made that mistake and that a majority of the Supreme Court at the time failed to condemn the mistake does not warrant our permitting its repetition," Goldberg declared.

The former United Nations ambassador and labor lawyer from Chicago, in citing the procedural safeguards, said that under the Constitution a person may not be taken or imprisoned until after conviction in court by a jury of their peers. "We do not imprison Americans because someone in Washington or in the state house or in city hall or in police headquarters believes they may sometime in the future commit a crime," he explained.

The minor exceptions to this rule, as provided by the Constitution and legal tradition, Goldberg added, are that courts may take necessary steps to insure a person accused of crime will attend his trial.

Title II Unconstitutional

Turning to the principles of the Emergency Detention Act, which he firmly believed to be unconstitutional, unnecessary and imprudent, Goldberg discussed how the Act would operate.

Enacted over the veto of President Truman and against advice of the FBI, Title II provides in effect "for the in-

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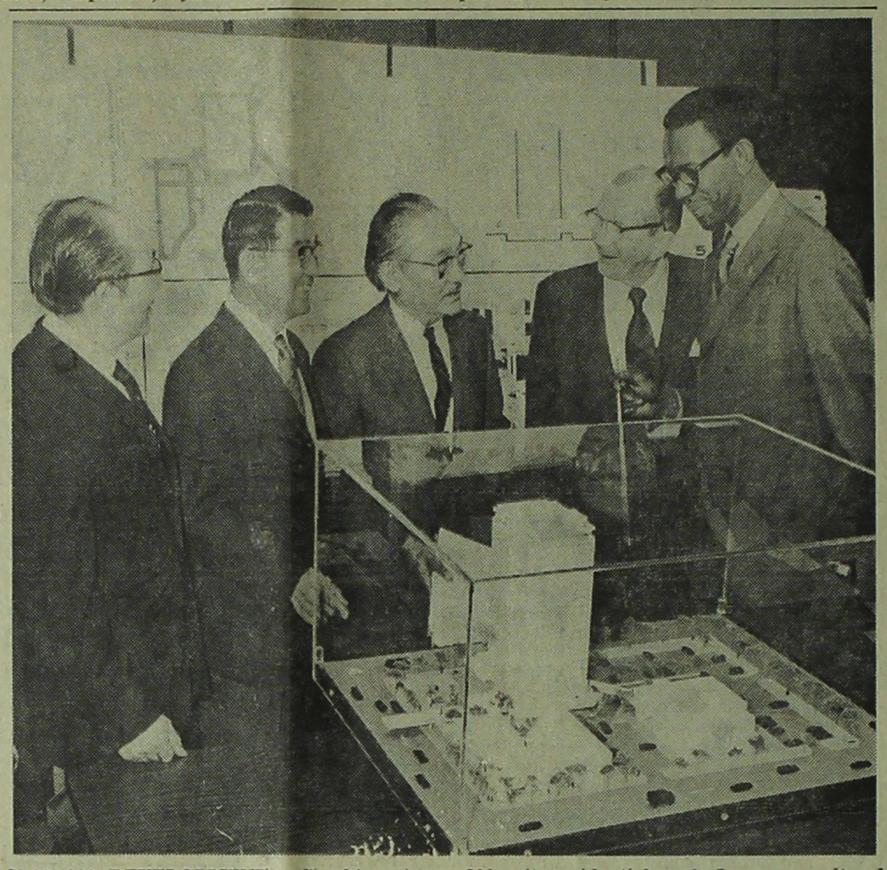


$3,000,000 DEVELOPMENT — Checking the model of Tri-State Buddhist Church's development in downtown Denver are (from left) Kenzo Fujimori, church pres.; Jimmie Kanemoto, pres., church's building corporation; attorney Minoru Yasui; Bob Rosenheim, chmn., Denver Urban Renewal Authority; and architect Betram A. Bruton, AIA. The church will build a combination 200-unit residential and Japanese cultural center, connected to present chhurch, which will be extensively remodeled. Church was awarded the land by DURA Feb. 26. TSBC was the only group in the 38-block Skyline Urban Renewal Area that commissioned a black architect for its planning. Completion by summer 1972 is envisioned.

CHICAGO CONVENTION—July 15 (Wed.)

Slight Changes in Oratorical Contest

CHICAGO — Minor changes in the National JACL oratorical contest were announced this past week as chapters an district councils received an "information kit" concerning the biennial speechfest from contest chairman Karen Suzuki, 3100 W. Carmen, Chicago.

As the contest has been a vehicle for youth to express himself before a national JACL convention, the eligibility rule this year has been amended to read a contestant being under age 22 during the calendar year. There is no minimum. In the past, orators ranged in age between 16 and 21.

As in the past, contestants must be sponsored by a JACL chapter, win in district competition to become a national finalist. Contestants entered in the oratorical contest are not eligible to compete in the National JACL essay contest.

Length of the speech is now 10 minutes maximum without a minimum. Previously it ranged between 8 and 10 minutes.

Contest theme (which is the same as the essay contest) is: "Understanding: the Basis for the Changing JACL."

The kit spells out the contest procedures, to be followed in district and chapter competitions as well. Timers will use stop watches. Contestants will be introduced by number and title of the speech. Audience is requested to refrain from applauding. A microphone or podium may be used by speakers.

A contestant is entitled to use a single 4x6 card for notes but must submit a typewritten manuscript to local or district contest chairmen before hand.

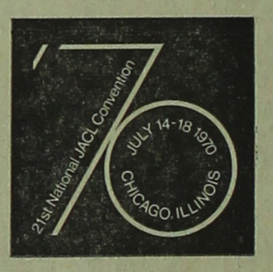
National finalists are to submit a biographical sketch along with the text of the speech to Miss Suzuki immediately after the district competition.

The judges will score on a 110-point system: 10 for personal qualities, 60 for content, 30 for delivery and presentation, 10 for overall effectiveness. Overtime speeches will be penalized 5 points but at the discretion of the judges.

Another change will be the composition of the judging panel, which was unstipulated heretofore. The 1970 panel will be Nisei and Sansei "in equal proportion, well versed in public speaking and active in JACL."

While chapter and district prizes vary, finalists will receive round trip transportation to Chicago with housing and convention package deal. Three prizes are awarded: $300, $150 and $75 in U. S. Savings Bonds. Winner's name is engraved on the Dr. Roy Nishikawa perpetual trophy.

16 WEEKS 'TIL



CHICAGO CONVENTION—July 16 (Thu.)

Mike Masaoka testimonial committee launches nationwide campaign tonite

CHICAGO — The Mike M. Masaoka testimonial dinner to be held on July 16 in conjunction with the 1970 National JACL convention here (July 14-18), will culminate Masaoka's 30 outstanding years of continual service for the welfare of Japanese Americans.

Spark M. Matsunaga, Congressman from Hawaii, has accepted the invitation to be the toastmaster of the dinner which promises to be the all-time highlight of any Japanese-American gathering.

In order that Chicagoans, the convention hosts, be properly appraised of the tremendous undertaking, Kumeo Yoshinari, chairman of the testimonial, and his committee have invited the public to a kick-off rally on Friday, March 27 at the Court of Lions (formerly the Town House), 6935 N. Sheridan Rd.

A cash bar cocktail hour at 6 p.m. and a buffet at 7 p.m. (on the committee) will proceed an announcement of plans of a national fund drive for the testimonial. Pledges for support to kick off the drive will be made. Harry Mizuno is the chairman of the nation-wide fund raising drive.

Many other Chicago area people serving on the testimonial committee include Noburo Honda, the chairman of the dinner program. He is being assisted by Kay Yamashita. Dr. Thoma Yatabe is compiling the Testimonial Album with the assistance of Ruth Kumata. Shig Wakamatsu is serving as public relations chairman.

The budget chairman is George Tanaka and the treasurer is Ariye Oda. Banquet Chairman Dr. Joe Nakayama will be assisted by Fuki Odanaka and Helen Hori. Tom Okabe will be in charge of general arrangements. The program booklet for the testimonial is being prepared by Mas Nakagawa and Maudie Noma. Esther Hagiwara and Sumi Shimizu are serving as co-secretaries.

FDA now checking out saccharin-cancer link

MADISON, Wis.—Dr. George T. Bryan, Univ. of Wisconsin professor of surgery who played a key role in having cyclamates banned by the Food & Drug Administration, last week (Mar. 17) reported there may be a link between saccharin and cancer.

Results of the test are now being reviewed by the FDA. Bryan said he and two other researchers, Dr. Erdogan Erturk from Turkey and Dr. Osamu Yoshida from Japan, implanted pellets containing saccharin in the urinary bladders of female mice. Cancer occurred in 47 to 52 per cent of the animals, he said. However, more research is needed, he said, to determine the biological effects on man.

Nisei seaman abandons 'Columbia Eagle' at sea

PORTLAND—Fred Morishige of Los Angeles, a seaman aboard the SS Columbia Eagle, hijacked while enroute to Thailand, was among 24 crew members who abandoned ship while at sea, it was announced Mar. 16 by Columbia Steamship Co.

He was rescued eight hours later by the SS Rappanhannock. The Columbia Eagle was transporting munitions and given sanctuary in Cambodia.

San Diego upsets wartime stand for Title II repeal

SAN DIEGO—The City Council has reversed a stand taken during World War II and voted support for repeal of parts of the federal detention act.

Councilmen voted unanimously Mar. 10 to urged Congress and the President to enact and sign legislation to repeal provisions of the act which allow mass detention of persons suspected of sabotage or espionage.

The council in 1942 approved the removal and interment of Japanese Americans. In 1944, the council voted opposition to the return of Japanese Americans to the coastal areas.

Don Estes, president of the local chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League, said the council's action in asking repeal of the federal provisions was "an opportunity to right a constitutional wrong."

Estes said that bipartisan support for the repeal of the internment provisions of the Internal Security Oct had developed.

The city councils of San Francisco, Los Angeles, Sacramento and San Jose are among proponents of the repeal, Estes said.

Other Laws Available

Councilman Sam Loftin, questioned the advisability of the repeal of the internment powers, commenting that he "wouldn't want to deprive the President of any rights he might need in a national emergency."

City Atty. John Witt said other existing laws were available to safeguard internal security.

Isao Horiye asked the Council who was he threat to, when he was evacuated in 1942 and then only 5 years old. Councilman Mike Shaefer, at this point, delivered strong support for JACL's position. Councilman Leon Williams, lone Negro member who was approached last July by JACL for city support, reminded the council it had been discussed in conference definite detention, of persons whom the Justice Department believes probably will some-

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MORE CASH FOUND IN HOMES OF JAPANESE

BERKELEY — A gang of young thieves caught by police here said they specialized in burglarizing homes of Japanese and Chinese because they kept more money at home.

Berkeley police, in warning Oriental American residents to refrain from keeping money around the house, reported some thieves were caught carrying private address books stolen from homes. In one case, a home listed in one address book was burglarized.

Washington Newsletter

by Mike Masaoka

Title II Hearings

Last week, the House Internal Security Committee (HISC) began its public hearings on bills to repeal the Emergency Detention Act, Title II of the Internal Security Act of 1950, the so-called concentration camp authorization law.

Three mornings of testimony were taken last week, on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, March 16, 17, and 19, respectively.

Ross Harano, chairman of the Chicago JACL Chapter Board, was good enough to audit the hearings last week and to report them to the Pacific Citizen.

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Lead-off witness was Arthur Goldberg, distinguished former Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, former American Ambassador to the United Nations, former Secretary of Labor, etc., and just announced candidate for the Democratic nomination to be Governor of New York State.

His testimony was so impressive and informative that we hope that the Pacific Citizen will be able to reprint it in full in a future issue.

As might be expected of the Justice who resigned his seat on the nation's highest tribunal to serve at the United Nations, a seat that was filled for a short time by Justice Abe Fortas and to which Judge G. Harrold Carswell now aspires, his testimony provided the legal and constitutional background for the repeal effort.

He acknowledged the principle that the "Constitution of the United States is not a suicide pact", that Congress has the right and the duty to enact laws for the protection of the country from espionage and sabotage, etc., but he insisted that "it may not employ any means which it chooses". He cited the Magna Carta as the authority for the great American tradition that no free man was to be "taken or imprisoned" or otherwise punished "except by the judgment of his peers and by the law of the land". He quoted from the landmark Ex Parte Milligan Civil War case that "The Constitution of the United States is a law for rulers and people, equally in war and in peace, and covers with the shield of its protection all classes of men, at all times, and under all circumstances."

He referred to the World War II evacuation experience of Japanese Americans, saying that "most lawyers believe that the wartime decision to evacuate and incarcerate nearly 110,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry living on the West Coast represents a black page in our history and one that must never again be repeated. But the fact that we made that mistake, and that a majority of the Supreme Court at the time failed to condemn that mistake, does not warrant our permitting its repetition."

Justice Goldberg declared that he believes Title II to be unconstitutional, and—without regard to its constitutionality—"both unnecessary and imprudent". He explained the workings of the Emergency Detention Act, and suggested "That this statute might conceivably lead to a repetition of that tragic mistake (of evacuation) should be reason enough to strike it from the books. But while the Act does not provide per se for the detention of groups, racial or otherwise, it does permit incarceration for reasons not unlike those employed against Japanese Americans."

He noted that "Bad laws have sometimes been enacted in the nearly 200 years we have been a nation, but for insensitivity to our legal traditions and for potential abuse, this aspect of the 1950 Act is truly remarkable."

He mentioned the pragmatic arguments favoring repeal, that "its very existence has caused needless controversy and fear. Others will apprise this Committee of the passionately held views of our Japanese American citizenry to this Act, with its reminders of what happened to them nearly 30 years ago, is an insult and must be repealed as quickly as possible. The least we can do for them, and we owe them much, is to repeal this statute."

In concluding, he alluded to some of the international implications involved, saying, ". . . as one who has represented the United States in the concert of nations and has urgently condemned forced labor camps in the Soviet Union and in other totalitarian states, I can tell you from personal experience that the mere existence of this statute is a grave embarrassment to us as a people. If we are to practice the freedom we profess, this statute must be eliminated."

During his testimony, Justice Goldberg revealed that he had had as an employee a Nisei secretary who was arrested right after the outbreak of war. He noted that he helped arrange her release, and that she had volunteered for and served in the WAVES, with the Navy. He remembered that he had moved her admission to practicqe before the Supreme Court, since she had studied law on a part-time basis, while both of them were wearing uniforms of the United States Navy in World War II.

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The first of the congressional witnesses was Spark Matsunaga of Hawaii who, with Chet Holifield of California, has sparked the drive in the House that has resulted in 130 Congressmen co-sponsoring legislation to repeal Title II.

In his usual eloquent and persuasive manner, he called upon the Committee to repeal the Emergency Detention Act. His testimony too should be reprinted in the Pacific Citizen as soon as possible, as an expression of Nisei sentiment against this grim reminder of evacuation and detention in World War II.

To evidence the national support for repeal, the Hawaiian Congressman introduced for the record the names of all the Congressmen who are supporting repeal legislation and the hundreds of resolutions from organizations and individuals calling upon Congress to erase this un-American proposition from our law books.

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As the general JACL statement is being completed, to be presented to HISC on Tuesday, March 24, it is clear from the early questions asked by the Committee members, and particularly its Chairman, that the Committee is worried about the internal security situation if Title II is repealed and no law is enacted right away to protect against internal subversion and espionage and sabotage in critical times.

Often too questions were asked as to whether it might not have been "better" for Japanese Americans in World War II to have had the procedural safeguards, weak and inadequate as they might be, of legislation such as Title II than to have had to rely on Executive Orders of the President as Commander-in-Chief.

JACL witnesses are expected to be the personally most knowledgeable of all the witnesses on concentration camps, American style, so the public hearings on Tuesday may be among the most important of the series that may extend into mid-April.

Kashiwa files first anti-pollution suit by Federal gov't

WASHINGTON — Assistant U.S. Attorney General Shiro Kashiwa on March 13 filed for the Federal Government its first anti-thermal pollution suit.

Acting for the Department of Justice, the Nisei attorney brought the suit to stop the present and future thermal pollution of Biscayne Bay by the Florida Power & Light Co.

The suit alleges that the heated water, now being discharged from two power plants, is rapidly ruining marine life in the Bay, including an area encompassed by the Biscayne National Monument—and that the damage will be even greater when two planned nuclear power plants are installed at the existing sites.

On the application of Kashiwa, who is in charge of the Lands and Natural Resources Division of the Justice Department, the government filed a motion for a preliminary injunction asking that the power plant be permitted to operate but to modify its operations which result in thermal pollution discharge.

Title II repeal —

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several times to force the issue for a vote—when it appeared in the item might be tabled agin.

Santa Barbara 7-0

SANTA BARBARA — The City Council of Santa Barbara unanimously adopted a resolution urging repeal of Title II signed by Mayor Gerald Firestone, the Santa Barbara JACL reported this past week. The city council voted last Aug. 26.

Supportive Actions

RIVERSIDE—Though there was one no vote, the Riverside City Community Relations Commission on Mar. 12 declared its opposition to the Emergency Detention Act.

Action came when Dr. Junji Kumamoto, appointed to the commission last month, pointed out the dangers of Title II and reminding the commission is committed to the principles of individual dignity and constitutional liberties.

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MINNEAPOLIS — The suburban St. Louis Park Human Relations Commission saw the "ominous implications for racial and ethnic communities because of past history" in Title II and called for its repeal.

Tomo Kosobayashi and George Ono, Twin Cities JACLer, had related their experiences in relocation camp and expressed concern over Title II before the commission.

About 20 Japanese American families reside in St. Louis Park, perhaps the "largest" concentration of Japanese in the state.

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SACRAMENTO—The student-faculty group at Sacramento State College, the Asian Americans for Action branded Title II as a "repugnant law" and urged its repeal.

Tohru Yamanaka, director, Asian American Ethnic Studies on campus, said the group was most responsible for having Asian studies integrated into the regular college curriculum.

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SAN FRANCISCO — The American Federation of Teachers local here went on record for repeal of Title II on Mar. 2. It not only urged its members to write but asked AFT's Washington representative to appear before the House hearings on the bill.

Carson Favors Repeal

CARSON—The city council of Carson (between Gardena and Long Beach) unanimously voted to pass a resolution in support of repeal of Title II on Feb. 16.

The decision came after a presentation was made by Helen Kawagoe, Gardena Valley JACL president, and other Carson residents: George Mizuguchi, Ruth Sakamoto and Tak Kawagoe.

The chapter also announced similar presentations were to be made before the city councils of Redondo Beach, Torrance, Hawthorne and Compton.

Deaths

The Rev. Jyotetsu Ohno, 69, of Los Angeles died Mar. 12. He served the Buddhist Churches of America since 1939 at San Francisco, Los Angeles, Sacramento, Tacoma and Arizona. He retired from the active ministry in 1960 because of illness.

Army Sgt. Rocky Yukio Hirokawa, 20, second son of the Ichiro Hirokawas, 16421 Kashmir St., Gardena, was killed in action Mar. 8 in South Vietnam—a week bofere he was scheduled to leave for rest in Tokyo. Born in Denver, he lived with his grandfather, Kokichi Nakamura, of Watsonville and was graduated from Torrance North High. He volunteered for the Army and was sent to Vietnam last August, where he won the Bronze Star for bravery.

NEWS CAPSULES

Churches

The first Mormon Stake in Asia was established Mar. 15 in Tokyo with **Kenji Tanaka,** district president in recent years named as president. Changeover from a mission to a stake was formalized at Tokyo's North Branch Church. The first Mormon missionary came to Japan in 1901. About 12,000 Japanese Mormons reside in the Tokyo area.

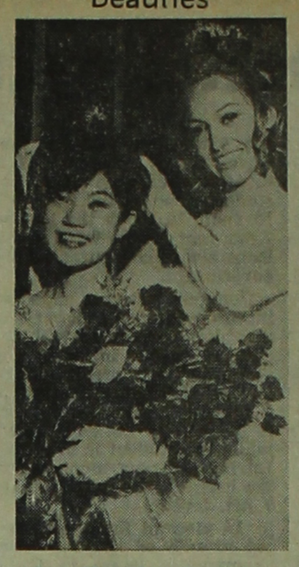
At the same time, Fukuoka was designated as the center of the new Japan West mission; while Sendai or Sapporo will be the center for the Japan East mission. Hawaiian-born **Russell N. Horiuchi** of Orem, Utah, was named president of one of the new missions.

The Bowles Buddhist Church near Fresno conducted its mortgage burning service, honored its Issei pioneers and remembered the dead at special services Mar. 14. **Rinban Gibun Kimura** and the **Rev. William Masuda** officiated. **Dr. Kikuo Taira,** chairman of the Fresno Betsuin board of directors, was main speaker.

Sister Cities

The Glendale City Council contracted the architectural services of **Eijiro Nunokawa** of Kajima Associates, Los Angeles, to design the Japanese garden and teahouse at Brand Park. The project has been a Sister City Committee program for the past two years. Glendale is affiliated with Higashi-Osaka, Japan... The **Rev. LaVerne Sasaki,** asistant minister of the Stockton Buddhist Church, was re-elected first vice-chairman of the Stockton-Shimizu Sister City Commision. The 1,000-ton stone lantern which arrived as Sister City gift from Shimizu Mayor Torajiro Sato will be erected in the Buddhist Church garden.

Beauties



Ann Hayashi, 18, (left) is being crowned Miss San Joaquin County by Jeannie McGill, 1969 Miss San Joaquin County. The Sansei daughter of the retired Army Captain and Mrs. Richard Hayashi is 5 ft. 2, a senior at Stagg High, Stockton, and plans to major in mathematics and computer science either at UC Riverside or Stanford. If selected Miss California this June at Santa Cruz, Miss Hayashi will compete in the Miss America Pageant at Atlantic City. (Photo by Stockton Record.)

Courtroom

Sharon Furutani, 20, Hawaiian-born Univ. of Washington student, was fined $24 and sentenced to 30 days in jail, suspended on condition she limit her protest activity to nonviolent demonstrations, by U.S. Commissioner Walter J. Reseburg Jr. of Seattle on Mar. 13. She was among a pair arrested Feb. 17 for failing to disperse at the U.S. Courthouse demonstration. She contended she was moving away when officers told her "I was not moving fast enough". She admitted wearing the Seattle Liberation Front arm-band and knew its goal in the demonstration was to interfere with the federal court system.

Medicine

Dr. Nobuyuki Kawata, diplomate of the American Board of Internal Medicine, is president of the Daniel Freeman Hospital medical staff in Inglewood. The internist has been on the staff since 1958.

Dr. William Sato was elected president of the Los Angeles Japanese American Medical Assn. Its women's auxiliary is chaired by **Mrs. Robert Watanabe.** The association will honor Nisei interns and residents at various hospitals May 17 at the Lobster House in Marina del Rey.

Flowers-Garden

Henry J. Ishida of Gardena was elected international president of the International Plant Propagators Society at New York. Also active with the Calif. Assn. of Nurserymen, Ishida served as IPPS western region president, was instrumental in organizing the Gardena Valley Nursery Growers, only wholesale nursery marketing cooperative in the U.S. and serving as its president. IPPS is divided into eastern and western regions in the U.S., with a third region covering Great Britain and Ireland. IPPS will have its first international meeting Sept. 9-12, 1970 at St. Paul, Minn.

Business

Harold Iwamasa of San Francisco Imperial Imports has signed a $7 million agreement to distribute water-filled vinyl bumpers and related highway safety products to be made in Japan. A Chicago firm possesses the patent on "safety bumper," currently being used by taxicabs. Insurance rates are said to be reduced in some cases because of this unique device, which has strong shock absorbing qualities.

Walter Funabiki, Stanford graduate in civil engineering, was promoted supervising gas engineer, the No. 2 man in Pacific Gas & Electric's gas distribution department, San Francisco. He joined the firm as field engineer in 1949, hails from Mountain View. PG&E serves 37 northern and central California counties. . .The U.S. Dept. of Commerce barred five Japanese merchants and an electrical firm from buying U.S. goods because they were sold to Communist China, contrary to law forbidding sale of a long list of strategic goods to mainland China without the department's permission.

CHINA FILM, 'THE ARCH', IN EXCLUSIVE BILLING

LOS ANGELES—"The Arch," the first internationally acclaimed film from China, opened an exclusive engagement last week at the Los Feliz Theatre. Lisa Lu, who has appeared in many American films and TV programs, stars in this beautiful and sensitive motion picture, written, directed and produced by Shu Shuen.

Miss Shuen is a lovely 25-year-old Chinese girl who was born in Hong Kong and then came to Los Angeles to attend the Cinema Department at USC.

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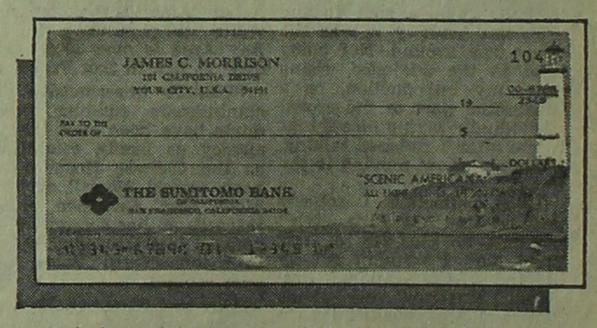

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From the Frying Pan

Omaha, Neb.

NO ORDINARY CHAPTER—The strength of the JACL, like the strength of the United States, must be found in the diversity of the various components that make up the whole. There is, for example, the San Jose, Calif., chapter whose membership consistently tops the thousand mark. There is the San Luis Valley chapter in south-central Colorado where Caucasians nearly outnumber the Nisei members. And then there is the Omaha chapter.

The retiring president is Noriaki Okada, a gentle, nese immigrant who filled the post in such a conscientious manner that he was elected for two terms. And the incoming president is a Caucasian who as a serviceman married a Japanese girl.

The retiri ngpresident is Noriaki Okada, a gentle, soft-spoken architect. How he came to Omaha, on the Missouri river in the American midlands, makes an interesting story. Soon after the end of World War II he went to work for the U.S. Navy at Yokosuka, not far from Tokyo, as a draftsman. Before long he was the senior Japanese in the office. A series of American bosses came and went, and one day he got a letter from one of them. Would he like to come to Omaha to work in an architectural office? Okada allowed as he would. He put in his application as an immigrant, and he and his wife set out for the new world and a new life.

That was 15 years ago. Okada is head of the drafting department of the firm of John Latenser & Sons, Inc., architects and engineers. He became an American citizen, and he considered it a rare privilege to serve as president of the JACL chapter.

Okada's successor is Walter Allen, a Southerner who enlisted in the Air Force, found it to his liking and made it a career. During a tour of duty in Japan he met, wooed and won a girl named Miki. When the Allens were transferred to Offut, the Strategic Air Command base near Omaha, Allen sought out the Japanese American community to help ease his wife's adjustment to American ways. Membership in JACL came as a natural next step. The welcome they found was so warm and sincere that when retirement time came, the Allens decided to remain in Omaha. They bought a home and Allen found a civilian job. All the while he had been in uniform, Allen worked for the JACL chapter in many small ways. When he was finally asked to serve as its president Allen did not think the request strange or odd. He was just one of the fellows, and he was deeply moved and honored by his election.

Lawrence C. Krell, presiding judge of the district court and a member of the Omaha chapter, installed Allen and his fellow officers one recent Sunday afternoon. The installation dinner was held at world-famous Boys Town and its director, Monsignor Nicholas H. Wegner, was on hand to give the invocation. It was an appropriate locale, for many Nisei and their families found shelter and opportunity as members of the Boys Town staff during the evacuation years. Father Wegner remembers them with warmth and affection. Chief among the staff alumni is Pat Okura, a psychologist and man of all work for something like 17 years before he left Boys Town for other challenges.

Okura was the Omaha chapter's first president, in 1948 and 1949. He went on to become national president. His, wife, Lily, never served the chapter as president, but she is a past governor of the Mountain-Plains district. (In a small community, there's a need to fill offices by playing musical chairs. Among other past presidents are Robert Nakadoi, his wife Masako, and her brother Manuel Matsunami.)

Among his other responsibilities, Pat Okura now is serving his community as president of the Urban League. Omaha has had some ugly racial incidents, but the tension has been easing thanks to some dedicated and quietly-executed behind-scenes efforts by Okura, working with key members of the Establishment. When the full story is ready to be told, it will be the story of a Nisei who made a niche for himself in a relocation community, and how he contributed his energies and talents toward making it a better American city.

ASIANS PICKET SEATTLE NVC FETE AT ELKS CLUB

Quiet Demonstration Against 'White Only' Elk Policy, Patronage

SEATTLE — Dr. Joseph Okimoto, spokesman for the Asian Coalition for Equality, said this past week the group plans to join future demonstrations against the Elks Club because of its restrictive membership policy.

About 25 coalition members and 10 members of the East-side Human Rights Council picketed Elks Seattle Lodge No. 92 at 2040 Westlake Ave. N. on Mar. 15. There were no incidents, Dr. Okimoto said.

The demonstrators protested the Elks "white only" policy and also patronage of the club by the Nisei eVterans Committee, a Japan-American organization.

The Nisei Veterans held its 25th annual dinner-dance at the club by the Nisei Veterans the coalition, Okimoto said.

"Our feeling is that minority organizations should not use facilities that discriminate against them," Okimoto said.

Okimoto said the demonstrators carried signs but did not try to block the entrance to the Elks building. He said a number of Nisei veterans did not attend the event, apparently out of sympathy for the demonstrators' views.

The coalition appealed to the Nisei veterans to cancel plans to use the club facilities, but members voted against a change in plans, Okimoto said.

(PC correspondent Joe Hamanaka reports that had the NVC been notified several months earlier, rather than two weeks prior, it may have considered a switch. The banquet chairman apparently was not aware of the "whites only" clause in the Elks membership policy and regarded the facility as a suitable and different place to celebrate its silver anniversary.—Ed.)

Okimoto said he felt that the demonstrators had achieved their purpose in the Asian community "by bringing a stand into the open."

The coalition includes Chinese, Filipino and Japanese. Its members are excluded from joining the Elks and other private clubs. The chairman of the coalition is the Rev. Mineo Katagiri, senior minister of the Ecumenical Metropolitan Ministry.

Brazilian Nisei among 5 swapped for Japan official

MEXICO CITY—Among five Brazilian political prisoners released in exchange for Japanese Consul General Nobuo Okuchi to arrive here Mar. 16 was Mario Shizuo Ozawa, who had led a group which took over a suburban Sao Paulo radio station last year to broadcast an anti-government manifesto.

Ozawa was arrested Feb. 27 after a car accident.

Jiji Press in Sao Paulo reported one of the two main suspects as the leader of the terrorists that executed the kidnapping of Okuchi on Mar. 11 was also of Japanese ancestry.

A tall blond, bearded youth stopped the limousine Okuchi was riding enroute home at the time of the kidnap.

Survey underway for housing plans

LOS ANGELES — Thousands of bilingual questionnaires were distributed this past week to Southern California Buddhist and Christian churches to initiate a massive survey for the proposed senior citizens housing project in the Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project.

Senior Citizen task force of the Little Tokyo Community Development Advisory Committee met Mar. 16 to review and coordinate the survey. Mori Nishida, task force chairman, presided.

The survey attempts to set the special ethnic requirements of the Issei housing project, Nishida explained.

About 5,000 questionnaires were distributed. Individual answers will be confidential; names and addresses of those responding are to be eliminated from the forms.

The survey is expected to be completed by the end of April. It was emphasized that development of the housing project itself would require more than three years to complete in view of the administrative details, architectural design, Federal approval of financing and construction.

Pioneer Project

LOS ANGELES — Items for the Pioneer Project rummage sale scheduled May 2-3 will be collected by calling either Mrs. Fujimori (935-4292) or Herb Wakamatsu (836-4943 after 6 p.m.) Proceeds will be used for pioneer citizen programs, Okei Memorial child care center soon to be established, and sending clothes to the Indians living at Alcatraz.

Title II hearing opens

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time in the future commit or conspire to commit espionage or sabotage".

The law may be invoked by the President in any of three circumstances: (a) invasion of U.S. or its territories, (b) declaration of war, (c) domestic insurrection allegedly "in aid of a foreign enemy".

But the Constitution provides (in Article I, Section 9) that habeas corpus may be suspended "when in cases of rebellion or invasion the public safety may require it", Goldberg continued. "But the conditions set forth in (Title II) do not track those permitted by the Constitution."

Title II may be put into motion should "one of our far-flung possessions be invaded, although no threat to our public safety is raised.

"It may be invoked should Congress declare war, even with respect to an area on the other side of the globe. These triggering provisions not only far exceed those permitted by the Constitution, but bear no relationship to any emergency condition which might justify the severe remedies provided."

Goldberg emphasized there was no theory or precedent in law for permitting incarceration for reasons stated in the Emergency Detention Act —that the Justice Department can act against persons, if it believes, they will probably engage in acts of espionage or sabotage.

"In my judgment the constitutional right to due process of law precludes incarceration on the basis of the alleged probability of some future action," Goldberg declared.

Other Deficiencies

Deficiencies in the Detention Act do not stop here, Goldberg added. It permits warrants to be issued by Justice Department officials rather than the court, he pointed out, contrary to the system that prosecutors do not issue warrants for arrest.

When an accused is charged with violation of law, he is entitled under Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure and legal decisions to prompt arraignment to test the validity of his arrest. But under this statute, an arrest need not be reviewed as promptly.

Whereas the accused has the right to test the validity of his arrest before an impartial judge, not subject to political removal, under this Act the accused must submit to a "preliminary hearing officer" appointed by the prosecution.

No provision is made for appointment of counsel, should the accused lack funds to retain a lawyer.

The accused would get no chance to challenge "faceless informers" with respect to the grounds for his arrest. And should the accused seek an appeal beyond the preliminary hearing officer, it is not in court but before a detention review board, which may delay the hearing for as much as 45 days.

And the Attorney General need not furnish evidence whose disclosure he believes would be dangerous to security, Goldberg said. Further, the appellate court would be bound by the facts of the hearing board rather than the trial court's.

"It is no exaggeration to say that there is hardly a sentence contained in the statute which can pass constitutional muster. The tragedy which might result from failure to repeal this legislation is that in order to establish the act's invalidity, large numbers of Americans could be incarcerated for months and even years while the legislation is tested in the courts," Goldberg concluded.

"The time to get rid of this statute is now, before anyone feels the brunt."

Exen the Senate has repudiated this law and it is also the position of the Justice Department, he said.

Reminding the committee of what happened 25 years ago to Japanese Americans, this Act is an "insult" to them and must be repealed quickly. "The least we can do for them, and we owe them much, is to repeal this statute . . . The fear generated by this statute is corrosive of the people's confidence in our society and in our government. To this extent the statute itself contributes to disorder and lawlessness."

Matsunaga Testimony

Testifying as a principal witness, Rep. Matsunaga declared Title II "violates the constitutional and judicial traditions that are basic to our American way of life and probably would not be supheld by the courts if invoked.

"The elementary safeguards guaranteed by our federal and state constitutions and our judicial practices to the most hardened of criminals and the most dangerous of traitors are denied to the most innocent of our suspected citizens under the Emergency Detention Act.

"Under Title II, the detention of a person is authorized not on the basis of an overt act committed in violation of law, but on the basis of mere suspicion that he may commit a crime."

As an example of what might happen if Title II were ever invoked, Matsunaga cited the evacuation of Japanese in 1942. While authorized under an executive order, it was later called "the most striking interference since slavery with the right to physical freedom" by President Truman's Civil Rights Commission.

The Hawaii lawmaker urged the Committee on Internal Security to "prove that it can and will act to insure individual freedom wherever the occasion presents itself" by favorably reporting the Senate-passed bill to repeal the Emergency Detention Act to expedite final action.

Matsunaga also submitted a list of organizations endorsing repeal of Title II, the names of 127 co-sponsors of the House bills.

Holifield Testimony

Dean of the California congressional delegation and co-author Chet Holifield of the bill to repeal Title II recalled the evacution of Japanese Americans, who were removed the basis of mere suspicion.

"I believe that all men should be free to walk the earth unless proved to be danger to society," Holifield said. "This principle goes back more than 700 years . . . to the Magna Carta, which provides the basis for the due-process and jury-trial clauses in our federal constitution.

"In my view, we, in Congress should not leave patently unconstitutional laws upon the books awaiting action by the judicial branch. Congress should take the initiative and correct its own mistakes," Holifield urged.

Holifield had opposed the Emergency Detention Act when it was enacted in 1950. "My reasons for opposing it then are identical to my reasons for supporting a bill to repeal it," he said.

Of the Evacuation, which Holifield saw as a freshman congressman from Los Angeles, he clearly remembered the systematic round-up of his Japanese American neighbors. It was incredible to him that this nation while at the time was calling itself the "arsenal of freedom" would imprison 112,000 of its own residents and citizens without trial.

"We know now that the irreparable damage done to the rights of Japanese Americans was useless. Only a handful were tried for disloyalty (they spent the war in Japan). On the other hand, those Japanese Americans who resided in Hawaii, and who remained free, distinguished themselves as Americans doing war work and work in the armed forces," Holifield cited.

In urging repeal of Title II, Holifield appended statements of the California legislature and the governor of California supporting his bill as well as the list of governmental bodies, organizations, public medias and churches on record for repeal of Title II.

Gubser Testimony

As the first congressman to introduce legislation to repeal Title II in September, 1968, a few weeks after the National JACL at its convention in San Jose called for repeal of Title II, Rep. Gubser said he saw "no compelling reason for keeping it on the books".

"We know the Act has been subject to misinterpretation by many groups across the country," the Gilroy Republican continued. "I personally find it offensive to the principles of free government."

As one who taught naturalization classes, Gubser noted that subversion will always be a threat but so is the erosion of personal liberty. Solutions to the problems of internal security must tend away from provisions as that contained in Title II, he declared. "Detention camps are not the answer to social ills . . . constitutional government has no need of such devices."

As a student during the time of the Japanese Evacuation, Gubser recalled his Nisei friends being taken away. Today his Nisei neighbor keeps an eye on his farm while he is in Washington, he disclosed.

"I have never known them to harbor bitterness and Japanese Americans today constitute a group of our most talented, industrious and valuable citizens," Gubser continued. "America is fortunate that these people retained their confidence in our nation."

Patsy Mink's Testimony

While delving into the legislative history of the Emergency Detention Act (S. 4130, introduced by Sen. Kilgore), Rep. Mink testified, "As long as the Emergency Detention Act stands on the books, there will be fears among our people that the government will repeat its massive error of World War II against Japanese Americans . . . This action should never be repeated in our country."

The Hawaiian Nisei congresswoman said, "The mass detention which took place in World War II is the only such tragedy in our nation's history and the proud fighting record of these Americans during the war along with all other experience with these citizens conclusively demonstrated the error of this detention.

"There is no justification for the Emergency Act on constitutional, national security, moral or other grounds. Now is the time for calm courage and the complete and permanent repeal of this unconstitutional law," she urged.

"Moreover, our act in repealing the law would serve strong notice on the President and future Presidents of the disapproval and renunciation by Congress of any such detention. It would be a positive step by Congress to prevent a repetition of the Japanese American Evacuation."

Adams Testimony

Seattle Democrat Brock Adams told of the growing support for repeal of Title II, referring to letters and resolutions he had received and a petition containing more than 7,000 signatures gathered by the Asian Coalition for Equality.

Adams pointed to the Inouye bill, which had been passed by the Senate judiciary without hearings and passed unanimously on the floor without debate or recorded vote. Adams also pointed to the support of the Administration.

"Its repeal would demonstrate good faith of the House in upholding equal rights and assuring due process for all persons, regardless of race, creed or national origin," he declared.

Chisholm Testimony

The most vocal opposition to retention of Title II came from Rep. Chisholm, the Brooklyn Negro Democrat, who charged that although it had never been used, "its mere presence on the books is an offense, especially to Americans of color".

During World War II, it was not the Italians or Germans, the Nazi Bundists, who were rounded up but the Japanese Americans who were easily identifiable because of their skin, she said.

"Today, it is not the Ku Klux Klan or the syndicate whose doors are being kicked in, it is the Black Panthers. Skin color . . . makes us special targets.

"And if we are seriously concerned about seeking a de-escalation of violence, we must deal with its causes . . . There can be no law and order without justice and human compassion. We must bind the wounds and restore the faith of the young, black and brown people of this country in 'the system' by changing 'the system'. One of the places where we can start is with the repeal of the Emergency Detention Act," Mrs. Chisolm concluded.

She also recounted harrassment against the Black Panthers, referring to the Nation, July 28, 1969, article, "Out to Get the Panthers" and subsequent press reports, and saw in the present Emergency Detention Act a ferment of alienation of not only blacks and youth "but alienation of all people whose views are different from this administration".

On the other hand, she felt the KKK and Minutemen "were left relatively alone" despite their activities of storing arms and violence.

Now that the first week of hearings is over, what is the prospect? The testimony has been overwhelmingly in favor of repeal, and from what can be determined at this time, it will continue to be this way. The hearings are scheduled to last until the end of April which, in itself, is an indication that The fight for repeal of Title II is in for some tough going.

Statements Filed

National JACL President Jerry Enomoto, in a letter to the committee chairman, urged the Title II repeal bill be favorably reported out. "Your support in insuring the elimination of this kind of law will undoubtedly contribute to restoring and maintaining the

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ORIENTAL BANKS IN STATE RAPPED OVER JOB POLICY

San Francisco Negro Weekly Condemns Discriminatory Policy

SAN FRANCISCO—The hiring practices of Oriental banks operating in this city and elsewhere in the state were the subject of a highly critical editorial in a recent issue of the Sun Reporter, a San Francisco Negro weekly.

An editorial in its March 7 issue read:

"For the past few years we have been closely observing the Oriental banks of San Francisco, namely the Bank of Tokyo, Sumitomo Bank, the Bank of Trade and the Bank of Canton, which continue to violate both federal and state statutes on the question of fair employment practices.

"The Oriental business community—Japanese and Chinese—is usually considered a closed shop, excluding other members with the exception of their own racial groups and employing in some small instances white Americans.

"The management of the Oriental banks of San Francisco, and I am sure their branches throughout the state, must be severely condemned and criticized for their failure to have an open, non-discriminatory hiring policy.

"On several occasions this matter has been brought to the attention of these banking institutions, to no avail.

"It is regrettable that the state and federal fair employment practices services have not quietly, over the years, reduced this festering sore of racial discrimination.

"In the event these banks refuse to follow this mandate, steps should be then taken, through the federal regulatory agencies, to implement the federal equal opportunity employment statutes."

YELLOW BROTHERHOOD COMMUNITY FUND

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LOS ANGELES — Close to $5,000 has been received in pledges and contributions for the Yellow Brotherhood community fund drive as of Mar. 15, kick-off date of the campaign, according to George Izumi, campaign chairman.

Four organizations which have contributed $500 each to launch the camp are JACL, Japanese American Community Service, So. Calif. Japanese Gardeners Assn. and the Westside Optimists. Other contributions include:

ORGANIZATIONS

$100—Montebello Women's; Hatco International; Barlett Hall.
$70 — Centenary Methodist Church.
$50—Sumitomo Bank; Bank of Tokyo; Classic Caterers; Centenary Methodist Church Issei Division.
$35 — Centenary Methodist Church Women's Society.
$25—442nd "I" Company Veterans; Holiday Bowl.

INDIVIDUALS

$200—Hideo Morioka.
$150—Carl Tamaki.
$100—Ray Kaneko, John J. Saito, John Ty Saito.
$50 — Dr. Kenneth Nagamoto, Sam Takeuchi, Dr. Sanford Koyama, Dr. Ron Matsunaga, Rev. Yosh Tatsuyama.
$25—Ralph Nakasuji, Frank Y. Nakano.
$20—Walt Tatsuno, Harold Takashima, Minnie Osaka, George Ono.
$15—Dr. Harry Kitano.
$10—K. Kunisuye, A. Masumiya, R. Hashiguchi, Frank Tanamachi, Masami Mayeda, Pattie Akune, Dr. Paul Sunahara, Isaku Maruno, Henry T. Teragawa, Royal F. Morales, William Shigeta.
$5—Katsuya Fukui, Richard Mori, Joe Tani, Paul G. Kanow, Henry S. Tamaki.

PLEDGES

$600—Ray Kaneko.
$120—Fred Ota, Dick Yoshioka, Theodore Teraoka.
$100—Dr. Tosh Tatsuyama.

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Strictly Marginal — Roy Sano

Sansei on Pollution

Oakland

The Oakland Museum Pollution Show, Jan. 11-Feb. 15, set precedence in a number of ways. They called it the first pollution art show in the United States. It was the first time in over five years when artists organized other artisans on the west coast to present a show at a major gallery. It was one of the few art shows picked up by UPI and given international coverage. Finally, the organizers included two very interesting Sansei.

Gordon K. Yamamoto, 25, an Oakland resident, served as director of the show. Robert Onodero, 32, wro operates his own graphic and industrial design studio in San Francisco, worked on the organizing committee and prepared the catalogue.

The idea for the show grew out of a conversation between Don de Diveiros and Gordon Yamamoto after a seminar on the philosophy of art at the California College of Arts and Crafts (CCAC) in Oakland. For his class presentation, Don merely read off facts. He decided not to offer an esoteric and erudite statement on his theory of art. He stunned the seminar with such words as "garbage, smog, oil slick, sewer, dying trees, etc."

Gordon and Don talked about these facts and the ecological crisis we face. They decided to do something about it. "I know I am not a speaker or a politician. I am an artist. I began wondering what I could do as an artist. After we talked, Don and I decided to organize a show lifting up environmental concerns and communicate them to the community."

Don and Gordon invited Robert Onodero to join them. The three formed the committee which worked from May, 1969 to January, 1970 before they presented the works of 70 artists.

The show is now history. An approximately 150,000 persons visited the exhibit. Bus loads of students from elementary schools and high schools came to view the paintings, sculptures, photographs and movies with sound tracks. Several of these groups returned to their homes and organized ecology clubs, sponsored their own pollution shows, wrote letters and generally spread the alarm.

Many, like the middle aged white woman who dragged along her children, walked up to the catalogue sales desk and asked for a petition to sign their name. "The direct and positive action of children, youth and adults who came to the show was proof positive that we accomplished our ends," Gordon Yamamoto said.

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Robert Onodero said, "We agreed very early that art was a communicative device. We weren't looking for pieces which tried to confine themselves to the idea of 'art for art sake.' We had to turn down several works of named artists because they were pretty in an apolitical sense. Because they did not say anything we passed them up."

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Robert has since become active in other works which grow out of social conscience. His office is in what he calls the "Gaza Strip" between the San Francisco financial district and Chinatown. He has come into contact with third-world oriented Chinese students.

Out of this association Robert has begun work on a movie dealing with the quest for ethnic identity in Chinatown. "The quest for ethnic identity is quite new to me. I was born and raised in Honolulu and we did not feel the problem as intensely as people now feel it in ethnic communities on the mainland," Robert explained.

Robert received his training at the University of Hawaii, the University of Illinois, the Art Institute of Chicago and CCAC, where he is also now serving as a lecturer in industrial design. His current work in movies grew out of a cinematography class at UC, Berkeley. He worked in Los Angeles and Pasadena before moving to the Bay Area. His prizes includes the Industrial Design Magazine: Annual Design Review, 1967; New York Times Sunday Magazine and Brooklyn Museum show, 1968; the California Design Ten, Pasadena, 1968; and the Westcon Award of Merit, 1968.

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Gordon Yamamoto also received his training in art at CCAC where he received his bachelor and master's degrees. His media has included leather, zipper, brass screws and chrome holders for toilet paper. One of his shows effectively spoofed the double standards in social life, evoking hilarity and ribald comments from viewers and reviewers.

Gordon has since explored other media, while retaining the wit demonstrated in his early works.

The team does not plan to present their show elsewhere. They are pursuing a number of other projects. A book publisher has approached the team concerning the possibilities for a book on pollution. The threesome have an impressive record. They form part of the artistic community who have a social conscience. They are a welcome breed.

1000 Club Notes

Mar. 13 Report

A total of 137 new and renewing memberships in the 1000 Club was acknowledged by National JACL Headquarters during the first half of the month as follows:

23rd Year: San Francisco—Masao W. Satow.

21st Year: Downtown L.A.—Sho Iino; D.C.—Ira Shimasaki; Salt Lake—Roy Tachiki.

20th Year: San Diego—Tom Kida.

19th Year: Mile-Hi—William K. Hosokawa.

18th Year: Chicago—Harvey N. Aki.

17th Year: Twin Cities—Thomas T. Kanno; Delano—Dr. James Nagatani; Seattle—Theodore T. Nakamura, Dr. Kelly K. Yamada; Eden Township—Tetsuma Sakai; Sacramento—Wataru Dubby Tsugawa.

16th Years: San Diego—Dr. Shigeru Hara; San Francisco—Dixie Hunt; Stockton—Henry Kusama; Livingston - Merced — Samuel Y. Maeda; Prog. Westside—Hank I. Masaoka; Ben Lomond—Tomio Yamada; East Los Angeles—Cy Yuguchi.

15th Year: Chicago—Max J. Jo-ichi; Delano—Paul H. Kawasaki; Detroit—W. James Tagami; Ft. Lupton—Dr. George H. Uyemura, Mrs. Margie Uyemura.

14th Year: Sacramento—Edward Hayashi, Masao Nishimi; San Fernando Valley—Mrs. Michi Imai, Tom Tamotsu Imai; Mt. Olympus—Yukus Inuoye; San Diego—Dr. Masato Morimoto; Chicago—Mitchell Nakagawa.

13th Year: Chicago—Calvin Ishida; Eden Township—Tom Kitayama; Ventura County—Akira Kurihara; Sacramento—Tom Sato; Mile-Hi—Yutaka Terasaki; Clovis—Tokuo Yamamoto.

12th Year: Seabrook—Robert S. Fuyuume; Long Beach—Minezo Miyagishima; Reedley—Tak Naito; Eden Township—Yoshimi Shibata.

11th Year: Snake River—George Hashitani; Seattle—Fred Y. Imanishi; San Francisco—Hideo Kasai, Dr. Clifford I. Uyeda; Clovis—Yoshito Takahashi.

10th Year: D.C.—Frank S. Baba; Clovis—Hifumi Ikeda; Sacramento—Kazuma Ishihara; Alameda—Ichiro Isokawa; Long Beach—Dr. George Kawaichi; Philadelphia—Dr. K. Stanley Nagahashi; Sequoia—Yosh Nishimoto; Snake River—Louis J. Yturri.

9th Year: Twin Cities—Sadao Akaki; Gresham-Troutdale—Kazuo Fujii; San Diego—Masaaki Hironaka; Philadelphia—Charles S. Kambe; Livingston-Merced—Yo Kuniyoshi; Contra Costa—Meriko Maida; Stockton—Dr. John Morozumi; Snake River—Arthur Sugai; Pocatello—Masa Tsukamoto; Spokane—Edward M. Tsutakawa.

8th Year: Seattle—S. George Kashiwagi; Venice-Culver—Jack S. Nomura; Salt Lake—Floyd Okubo; Gardena Valley—Robert Tarumoto; Portland—George Tsugawa; Monterey Peninsula—Masao Yokogawa.

7th Year: Sequoia—Ryuji Adachi; Philadelphia—John K. Endo, K. David Yoshioka; Snake River—Dr. George Y. Iwasa; Puyallup Valley—Frank Komoto; Salt Lake—Dr. Jun Kurumada, Raymond S. Uno; D.C.—Mrs. Claire Minami; Chicago—Fred Odanaka, Mrs. Fuki Odanaka; Portland—Nobi Sumida.

6th Year: Berkeley—Hiroshi Kanda; Boise Valley—George Kawai; Oakland—Dr. Ikuya Kurita; Orange County—Dr. Stanley T. Marubayashi; Milwaukee—Taka Naruo; St. Louis—Dr. Ted Okamoto; Alameda—Yosh Sugiyama; Stockton—Dr. Katsuto Takei.

5th Year: Orange County—Joe S. Akiyama; Dayton—Ray E. Jenkins, Mrs. Lily Y. Yamasaki; Santa Maria—Isamu Minami; San Francisco—George C. Nakamura; Chicago—Wilfred T. Shoda; Arizona—Tom T. Tanita; San Benito—Ryo Terasaki.

4th Year: Chicago—Willie Aki, William H. Matsumoto; Sacramento—Tom Fujimoto, George Matsui; Venice-Culver—Frank K. Harada; San Jose—Tomoo Inouye, Kay Kawasaki; Berkeley—Roy Kurahara; San Francisco—James M. Nakamura; Orange County—Dr. Karl K. Nishimura; Spokane—Dr. James M. Watanabe; Marysville—George Yoshimoto.

3rd Year: Snake River—Arthur Hamanishi; Philadelphia—Albert B. Ikeda; Hollywood—Walter Imai; Ventura County—Dr. Stanley I. Kimura; D.C.—Rep. Patsy T. Mink; Twin Cities—Carl Nomura; Gilroy—Lawson Sakai; Seattle—Shosaku Suyama; Sacramento—Kiyoshi K. Tamano; Long Beach—Dr. Francis M. Wachi.

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1st Year: Reedley—Dr. Kanji Asami; Chicago—Shiro Katagiri; Philadelphia—Nobu Miyoshi; San Diego—Alan Obayashi; Salt Lake—Mrs. Yukie Okubo; Placer County—Mrs. Helen Otow; San Mateo—Dr. Mitch Wakasaki; Gilroy—Ray Yamagishi.

1000 Club Tickle

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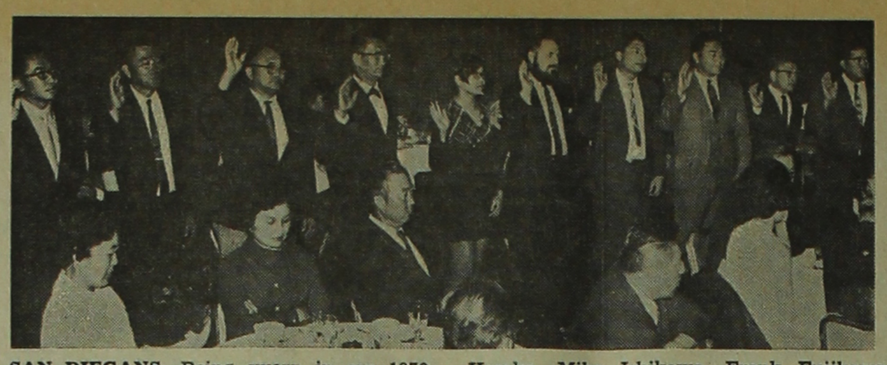
Mar. 28 (Saturday)
Philadelphia—Installation dinner-dance, Holiday Inn, King of Prussia, 5:30 p.m.; F. Hilary Conroy, spkr., "Reflections in Japan-America Relations".
Mar. 29 (Easter Sunday)
Orange County—Egg hunt, Irvine Park (east-end), 12n.
April 3—5
MDC—Pre-convention rally, Milwaukee JACL hosts: Plankington Hotel.
NC-WNDYC—Presidents' workshop, Lake Tahoe.
April 4 (Saturday)
West Valley—Potluck supper.
April 5 (Sunday)
San Francisco—Issei Appreciation talent show, Buddhist Church, 3:30-5 p.m.
April 7 (Tuesday)
Gardena Valley—"Meet the Cadidates", No. Gardena Methodist Church, 7 p.m.
April 10 (Friday)
Fresno—New Memb Welcome potluck supper, Buddhist Church Annex.
April 11 (Saturday)
San Jose—Scholarship potluck dinner and oratorical contest, Buddhist Church Annex.
April 13 (Monday)
West Los Angeles—Bd Mtg, Capitol Life Ins Bldg, 7:30 p.m.
April 16 (Thursday)
East Los Angeles—Gen Mtg.
April 17 (Friday)
Orange County—Qtrly dinner mtg, Water Wheel Restaurant, Anaheim; Warren Furutani, spkr.
April 19 (Sunday)
Dayton—Japanese cooking demo, YWCA, 1:30 p.m.
San Jose—Jr JACL "Shibui" cultural show, Kelley Park.
Placer County—Community picnic, JACL Recreation Park, Penryn.
Monterey—Spring potluck dinner.
April 23 (Thursday)
Portland—Election rally.
April 24—26
Sonoma County—Japan Culture-Trade Show, Sonoma County Fairgrounds.
May 3 (Sunday)
Dayton—Culture of Japan Festival, YWCA.
Portland—Graduates dinner, Sheraton Motor Inn.



SAN DIEGANS—Being sworn in are 1970 San Diego JACL officers: (from left) Tsune Kaneko, Tom Uda, Mas Hironaka (also PSWDC governor today), Tom Kida, Susie Kastelic, Don Estes (chapter president) Roy Hosaka, Mike Ishikawa, Frank Fujikawa and Harry Kawamoto. Two past presidents seated in the audience are George Kodama and Abe Mukai and their spouses.
—San Diego JACL Photo

PULSE ON THE CHAPTERS:

Wilshire urges 'no' on Judge Carswell

Wilshire JACL

LOS ANGELES — The Wilshire JACL chapter, by a majority vote, went on record Mar. 9 against confirmation of Judge G. Harrold Carswell to the U.S. Supreme Court.

In telegrams sent to the President and to senators from Hawaii and California, the text in part read:

"As citizens concerned with preservation of freedom and extension of guarantees of full participation in all facets of democracy to all Americans regardless of race, color, creed, national origin or sex, we are aware that Carswell's record indicates insensitivity to human and civil rights. America cannot afford racist attitudes on its highest tribunal which injure harmony and unity of our nation. The fine ideals of America's judicial system will suffer. We urge negative vote on Carswell.'

The chapter also voted to support Calif. AB 22, authored by Charles Warren, to include "sex" to the nondiscriminatory clause of the state Fair Employment Practices Act.

Mrs. Toshiko Yoshida, chapter president, said,

"The Wilshire Chapter is greatly concerned about employment opportunities for women because there are many women members in the JACL who are employed full time and the current trend indicates that many women who are now homemakers will be joining the labor force in the future when the responsibilities of child-rearing are over."

Civic Affairs

Title II repeal—

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confidence of minority Americans who distrust and fear its improper use".

"We have more than an academic interest in this type of concentration camp law, because of our personal experience in being among 110,000 Japanese who were locked up without due process in 1942. We abhor even the remotest possibility that such a fate would ever befall other Americans again," Enomoto said.

Ernest E. Debs, chairman of the L.A. County Board of Supervisors, in a statement to Rep. Ichord, urged his committee "to recommend repeal of this infamous law". The county board of supervisors was one of the first governmental bodies to support repeal back in March, 1969.

Sen. Hiram Fong (R-Hawaii), in his statement to the House committee, called Title II "an ugly symbol of totalitarianism" and urged its repeal. Conceding the Act has never been invoked, Fong said he wasn't impressed. He said the law "remains in full force and effect", adding that Americans have not forgotten that detention of loyal, patriotic citizens can happen again, as it did in 1942 with Japanese Americans.

Portland Mayor Terry Schrunk called for repeal of Title II "without encumbering amendments". As one who saw his Japanese American neighbors taken into "protective custody" long before the Emergency Detention Act was passed in 1950, he said it was not enough for the Justice Dept. to deny the existence of detention camps or to say there are no present plans to invoke Title II. "The apparent fact that it could be done gives dissidents and activists a focal point for demonstrations and escalation of unrest and violence," he pointed out.

Comprising the JACL panel this week were Jerry Enomoto, Raymond Okamura, Edison Uno, Ross Harano, attorney Robert Takasugi and Mike Masaoka. Okamura and Uno are co-chairmen of the National JACL Committee to Repeal Title II; Harano is Chicago JACL president; Takasugi of Los Angeles is repsenting the So. Calif. JACL Title II repeal committee.

JACL-Blue Shield Sign-up to close

SAN FRANCISCO — JACLers in Central California District Council and the newly-formed West Valley JACL chapter in Santa Clara County have until Mar. 31 to enroll in the JACL-Blue Shield group health plan, reminded insurance coordinator Haruo Ishimaru.

Coverage will take effect April 1 upon remittance of application and pro-rated dues of two months: $18 single male, $22 single female, $39 two-party, $47.50 three or more. All applicants over 18 years old must be JACLers. Checks are payable to JACL-CBS Health Plan, 1634 Post St.

Benefits include $30,000 maximum coverage with $1,000 automatic reinstatement each year or full renewal to $30,000 upon evidence of recovery, out-patient phychiatric care.

Detroit JACL

Now in its 24th year, the Detroit JACL has accumulated a variety of equipment and material during these years now being stored in basements and garages of various chapter members.

Kaz Mayeda, chapter president, has suggested in his recent column in the chapter newsletter that "it would be to our advantage if we can gather all these things in one place." He also saw the need for Issei to gather socially, "but we do not have a place which we can call 'home' to take care of these needs."

While Mayeda feels it may take several years of study, he plans to establish a committee immediately to check the feasibility because "I believe the time is now ripe for us to look into it."

Meet the candidates

Gardena Valley JACL

Seven candidates entered in the race for city councilmen of Gardena will be introduced at a "Meet the Candidates" public meeting hosted by the local JACL on Tuesday, April 7, 8 p.m., at the North Gardena Methodist Church. Bruce Kaji will moderate the question-answer session.

Chapter president Helen Kawagoe said the chapter will meet from 7 p.m. to conduct organizational business.

Voters will be asked to choose three members from the following list of aspirants: Ken Nakaoka (inc.), Paul T. Bannai, Vincent A. Bell, Donald A. Dear, Michael J. Evans, Lucien Lauzon, and Robert H. Longacre.

For the Youth

Orators sought for San Jose dinner program

San Jose JACL

April 6 is the local chapter deadline for JACL's oratorical contest. They will compete during the annual potluck scholarship dinner April 11 at the Buddhist Church Annex, according to chairman Sharon Uyeda, 11711 Francis Dr., who will explain the rules to interested youth 22 years of age and under.

The chapter is offering a $25 U.S. savings bond as the prize and rights to compete in the district finals. The district champion will be a national finalist in Chicago in July.

Outstanding high school seniors will also be introduced by Helen Mineta, scholarship chairman. Mrs. Helen Fujishin is in charge of the dinner.

Nisei Week candidate

Prog. Westside JACL

Last year, Progressive Westside JACL backed a winner in Toni Sakamoto as Nisei Week queen. With a Mar. 31 deadline to name a candidate this year, aspirants may call chapter queen chairman Earl Teraoka (437-9248) for further information.

Candidate must be 18 by Aug. 15, 1970—date of the Nisei Week coronation ball.

Cultural

Kimono-clad hostesses

Philadelphia JACL

The Philadelphia JACL arranged to have 25 girls in kimono participate as hostesses and guide to lend to the Japanese theme of the annual Festival Ball of International House held Feb. 27 at the Bellevue Stratford Hotel.

For the Family

New member potluck

Fresno JACL

The entire family is invited to the Fresno JACL new member potluck dinner April 10, 6:30 p.m., at the Buddhist Church Annex.

Richard D. Keyes, chairman of the ethnic studies dept. at Fresno State, will speak on parallels in Japanese American history to that of the Blacks in civil rights issues. He previously worked as a case worker in Columbus, Ohio; one of the founders of the National Welfare Rights Organization, and state president of the Alliance of Black Community Organizations.

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Eligibility rules amended for bowlers participating in Nat'l JACL pinfest

DENVER—With the 1971 National JACL 25th Anniversary Bowling Tournament scheduled for Salt Lake City, the National JACL Advisory Board on Bowling awarded the 1972 National Tournament jointly to the Southern California Nisei Bowling Association and the Gardena Valley JACL Chapter with the tournament to be held at South Bay Bowl.

The bid was made by Don Aoki, SCNBA president. The Advisory Board took into consideration the ABC tournament being held in Long Beach in 1972. This will give tournament men's teams a nearby chance to bowl in the ABC in conjunction as was done in 1964 when the Tournament was held in Sacramento and 26 teams rolled in the ABC at Oakland.

Gene Sato, 1971 chairman, announced that the JACL Tournament would be held at the Ritz Lanes and discussed with Advisory Board members suggestions on making the Silver Anniversary Tournament in Salt Lake City, where the tournament originally began, a special one. The Portland Nisei Bowling Assn. and Portland JACL, represented by Bud Ishida and Dr. Mits Nakashima, presented a tentative bid for 1973 for which no definite commitment will be made until 1971.

Eligibility Rules

After reviewing the two-year JACL membership requirement for participation, the advisory Board voted to revise this to the one year of the Tournament membership requirement.

The advisory board also ruled that members of professional bowling associations other than of Japanese ancestry will not be eligible to compete in the Tournament. The Tournament Committee and Advisory Board will make final rulings on questions of eligibility.

Yasuharu Mizuno of Toyota Crown Bowl thanked the advisory board for the hospitality extended to his bowlers from Japan. He expressed the desire that Nisei bowlers might participate in a tournament in Japan several years hence.

Advisory board member Bob Matsumoto of Chicago extended an invitation to participate in a tournament to be held in conjunction with the JACL National Convention in Chicago this July-at the Bowlium Lanes.

The board expressed thanks and regrets to Sumi Kamachi of Los Angeles upon her resignation and welcomed Mary Yuba to serve in her stead. Reelected to three-year terms were:

Board members Nobu Asami (Eastbay), Easy Fujimoto (So. Calif.), Dr. Jun Kurumada (Salt Lake), Jean Matsuda and John Noguchi (Denver), Dubby Tsugawa (Sacramento), and Fred Takagi (Seattle).

Other board members attending the Advisory Board luncheon meeting were:

Gish Endo (Eastbay), George Inai and Lois Yut (San Francisco), Bubbles Keikoan (Sacramento), Eiko Nomura (So. Calif.), Ozzie Shimada and Sayo Togami (San Jose), Choppy Umemoto (Salt Lake), Mas Satow, JACL National Director; Hal Kim Miyamoto of Hawaii for Board member Sho Torigoe, Don Aoki for Lloyd Hahn (So. Calif.), and Miye Ishikawa for Yoyo Mikami (Seattle).

Pepper Pot—

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nile delinquents who grow into adult delinquents?

What about all those drugs everybody is talking about?

Generation Gap?

Assimilation?

Cultural pluralism?

Identity?

We might be a unique people, but we are not superhuman. We've got problems and we must learn to face up to these problems, to deal with them from a perspective that openly admits that we are not white and the white solutions are not necessarily our way of solving them. We are a unique people and we have problems. Our problems are not unique, for we are a part of this country whether we like it or not. We must begin to relate our problems to the problems of the nation. And begin participation in solving those problems.

To end this article I will try to quote an old but much used phrase: No government can insure democracy nor can any small group of people insure that democracy will continue. Only when knowledgeable, humane, and enlightened people willing to voice, articulate, and if necessary, fight will democracy be safeguarded.

(Contributions by the so-called young adults in JACL are being featured in this column, "Pepper Pot." Young adults are those in the 21—35 age category).

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Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

Abortion Law

At midnight Mar. 10, Hawaii became the first state to legalize abortion. It was a painful decision for **Gov. John A. Burns** to let the bill authorizing abortions to become law without his signature. He released a deeply moving statement in which he said he "abhorred the idea of abortion" and believes it to be "a gravely sinful act". He discussed the birth of his youngest child, James Seishiro, saying that doctors had recommended an abortion in that case because of Mrs. Burn's crippling attack of polio. "She steadfastly rejected all advice urging an abortion and we finally found a physician who was willing to minister to her through her full term," said the Governor who has two children now.

Burns was soundly condemned by **Msgr. Francis A. Marzen**, editor of the Catholic Herald in a front-page open letter to the governor.

State Sen. Vincent Yano, author of the abortion repeal law, the father of 10 children and active Catholic layman, said he began three years ago (at the age of 45) to study existential philosophy and theology which has changed his attitude about life. "I feel so much more free," Yano told Advertiser columnist Bob Krauss. "From now on I'm not going to be shackled by pompous edicts and dogmas . . . The minute I have respect for a bishop is when he's jailed for a cause." Like Burns, Yano said he morally is opposed to abortion and would advise his daughters against such an operation. "But everybody has his own moral conceptions," he said. "In my position as a legislator, I feel I should represent all the people. I finally came to the conclusion the question is best left to individual choice."

Legalized or not, **no intentional abortion** will be allowed to be performed at St. Francis Hospital, which is the only Catholic hospital in Hawaii. Sister Maureen, hospital administrator, said repeal of Hawaii's 101-year-old abortion laws will not affect the institution.

Political Scene

A $25-per-person cocktail party is being planned to help finance this year's re-election campaign for U.S. Rep. **Patsy T. Mink**. Supporters have scheduled the party for the evening of Apr. 3 at the Pagoda Ballroom. Mrs. Mink said recently that she has decided not to challenge incumbent **Hiram L. Fong** for the U.S. Senate.

More than 15,000 persons attended the ILWU's "Picnics for Peace" recently on six islands. **Patsy Mink**, who spoke at picnics on Oahu, Maui and the Big Island, supported an ILWU petition which urges an immediate ceasefire in Vietnam. Mrs. Mink asked her audience to join her in urging Pres. Nixon "to take the initiative and announce a timetable for the complete pullout of our forces."

Supporters of Senate Republican leader **Hebden Porteus** will hold a $100-a-plate dinner in April to help support his race for the 1970 GOP nomination for governor. Porteus, a 30-year veteran in the state legislature, has said he will formally announce his candidacy for governor at the close of this legislative session.

Mayor's Office

David C. McClung, pres. of the state senate and chairman of Hawaii's Democratic party, used phrases such as "political hack" and "irresponsible leadership" in discussing **Mayor Frank Fasi's** 14 months in office. Fasi, in rebuttal, compared McClung to a "comic opera" character and a "general in a banana republic" and charged the senator with being more interested in representing special interests than in "representing the people."

Deaths

Jimmy (Kimo) Walker, longtime island radio personality and Honolulu's most active Civil Defense volunteer, was found dead in his Pualei Circle apartment of an apparent heart attack at the age of 60. Kimo, born in New York as Franklyn James Rizzo, came to Hawaii in the 1920s as a sailor. He was a disc jockey on KCCN at the time of his death. Previously he had been on "talk shows" on KIKI and KTRG.

Patrick K. Kawai, 29, of 84 Makaweo Ave., Wahiawa, a construction foreman, was killed in a 225-foot fall down an elevator shaft when he apparently slipped while climbing down a roof-top crane's ladder Mar. 2. The accident occurred at the new Hawaiian Telephone Co. building between Bishop and Alakea Sts.

School Front

Henry C. Watson, 26, a Leilehua High School teacher, has been suspended from his job by the State Dept. of Education. He was arrested Feb. 19 on a charge of illegally possessing marijuana. Watson has been an English teacher at Leilehua since 1966.

Sentence of the Court

Federal Judge **Martin Pence** has sentenced four men arrested during the Aug., 1969, narcotics round-up to federal prison. **George Reis**, 32, received a seven-year term. **William Bannister** also received a seven-year sentence. **Justice H. Shibayama**, 31, received a five-year sentence, and **Roy Piiohia** got eight years and six months in jail.

A carpet layer's electric iron, used to heat-fix tape seams while carpeting, was blamed by firemen for the Feb. 27 $1 million fire at the Cinerama Kuhio Hotel in Waikiki. The blaze gutted the 17th and 18th floors of the new hotel, which was in the finishing stages of construction.

Sports Scene

Jesse (Takamiyama) Kuhaulua, 25, the professional sumo wrestler, has received a "keshomawashi" (a ceremonial belt) from the Aikane Club of Honolulu. Jesse is the first non-Oriental foreigner ever to have won promotion as a "komusubi" of the "sanyaku" group of three ratings below the yokozuna or grand champion in the traditional sumo sport. The gift from the Aikane Club in addition to the ceremonial belt included a kimono for formal occasions, a pair of slippers and a monetary donation.

Names in the News

Wayne Yokoyama, 17, an Aiea High School senior, was recently named one of 300 national Westinghouse Science Talent Cearch winners. He is a serious student of the antigen—a protein which causes the rejection of transplanted hearts.

Robert Higashino, an 18-year social work veteran, has been named executive director of Palama Settlement. He replaces **Lorin T. Gill**, Lt. Gov. Thomas P. Gill's brother. Lorin Gill resigned the directorship in Dec. to return to the Univ. of Hawaii to work for a master's degree in social work. Higashino formerly was in YMCA work.

Harold S. Sekioka, 55, a contractor, bit a policeman's finger March 7 after a brief struggle because of a warrant the officer served on him. Bail was set for $50 on the assault count. Officer **Joseph Ledbetter** was treated for a cut right index finger and given a tetanus shot after the incident on North Hotel St.

Ruth Tabrah, a Caucasian and a Buddhist, has written a book on Buddhism. It's called "Buddhism—a Modern Way of Life and Thought." Mrs. Tabrah is a member of the Hawaii board of education. To Mrs. Tabrah, living the Buddhist faith is "like writing a book or a short story. You are completely self-motivated, self-directed, and it is up to you what you writer and

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Japan emigration to Hawaii drops

HONOLULU—The number of Japanese immigrants into the State of Hawaii continues to drop. In 1969, out of the total 5,724 foreign newcomers, there were only 313 from Japan (or about 5 pct.) as compared with 344 and 382 in 1966 and 1967, respectively.

Others arriving in 1969 include 510 Chinese, 249 Koreans, 4,151 Filipinos and 501 from other countries.

For the last three or four years, about 60 percent of Hawaii immigrants have come from the Philippines, John O'Shea of the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service said.

A very high proportion of these Filipinos are educated, professional types, according to state statistician Robert Schmitt, who said, "Those who look to these people as a source of cheap labor for hotels are kidding themselves."

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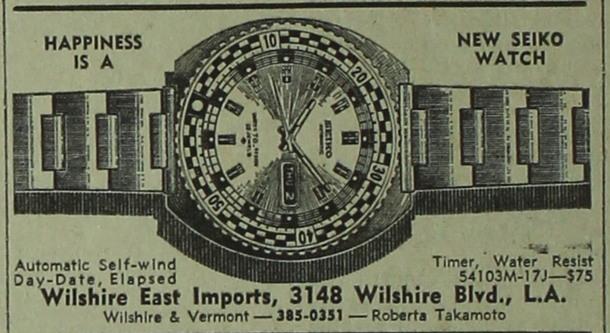
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'JAPANESE AMERICAN: THE UNTOLD STORY'

The Japanese American Curriculum Project, Inc., a group of Nisei teachers in the San Francisco Bay Area preparing curriculum material for various grade levels, was walking on Cloud Nine this past weekend with the news that Holt, Rinehart and Winston, Inc., of New York has accepted its manuscript, "Japanese Americans: the Untold Story", a narrative pegged for the fourth-fifth grader.

Various members of the Project undertook to research the story of the Japanese American in terms that young students might understand. It'll take about 35,000 words, plus pictures, bibliography and something unique for books of this kind: score and lyrics to songs sung at Buddhist Sunday School. The JACL Hymn, an original piece created out of the hopes of Japanese Americans during their greatest travail, the Evacuation Camps, will be included.

By the time this column reaches our readers, the Project people will be off Cloud Nine and back with both feet firm on the ground to have the manuscript completely checked out and all the pictures gathered for the book so that first copies can be ready by the first of June. The Project hopes to have the book ready for review and acceptance by state curriculum officials meeting during the month.

Having read the manuscript (and we're no judge of children's books), I found the style is indeed warm and sensitive, the portrayal is excitingly honest and the young reader will (I hope) dispel whatever stereotypes of the Japanese in America he may have acquired from seeing the cartoons and old movies on television.

The young reader will be introduced to the legal expression, "aliens ineligible to citizenship", Evacuation and Evacuation Claims Act, Japanese words including "Namu Amida Butsu", a Hawaiian pidgin slogan "Gor for Broke" and learn about JACL, especially in the personality sketches of Saburo Kido and Mike Masaoka.

Other personalities in Japanese American history, such as Manjiro, Joseph Heco, Kyutaro Abiko, George Shima, Sen. Daniel Inouye, Minoru Yamasaki and others are presented in illustrious fashion. The Sansei reader will be proud of them. Their Nisei parents will be equally impressed, we feel.

Though the book is aimed at the fourth-fifth grader, as one written from a Japanese American point of view it may well stand as collateral reading matter for social studies through junior high school.

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EAST WIND: Bill Marutani

Not 'Like It Is'

HAPPENED ONCE on each coast, East and West. Having given what I thought was quite a diluted "message" on the status and posture of the Nisei in our society, plus what roads we ought to be reconnoitering to march up that mountain (rather than smugly, self-satisfiedly sitting self-contented with a reasonably full belly) a number of local dignitaries, i.e. politicos, present at such JACL dinners would come up afterward and proffer some comments. The gist of their assessments of East Wind's message would be something to the effect that "You handled the subject quite well." This is supposed to be praise, but for what is appended to this praise, to wit: "You went juuust far enough, and not too far."

NOW SOME MAY THINK I should have felt complimented in having "good judgment" or "good taste", a couple of virtues to which I'd admit without too much persuasion, inasmuch as I can use all I can get. But I did not assess these "compliments" as such; on the contrary, I felt a chilling, ominous "Big Brother" approach of reluctant approval to my most mild presentation, which didn't really begin to "tell it like it is."

The Invisible Line

IF YOU'LL PAUSE to consider really what the politicos were saying, you'll see why I reacted so. What they were *cautioning* me against was violating *their unilaterally set* boundaries as to *their concept* of what a "well-behaved" Oriental should say and do; that I had dangerously skirted close to their arbitrary boundary line, but had the "good sense", or whatever else one may wish to call it, in stopping short.

SO INSTEAD of feeling complimented, you can see why I felt insulted.

And, yes, ashamed. Ashamed that I had, consciously or unconsciously, "toed the line" that another American had set down for me and for others who would "behave", to follow. A unilateral, arbitrary line, and a very short and narrow one at that.

THERE WAS A TIME, and not so very long ago, that I perhaps would have reacted to all of the foregoing in the manner that some readers are surely reacting: "The guy's too sensitive" . . . "He's overdoing it" . . . or, if you want to finish East Wind off—"Aw, he's paranoid".

Cracking the Line

TO BREAK OUT of this mental ghetto, the one big and foremost step is to recognize and admit that one has been and is in a mental ghetto, to take our heads out of the sand and look at Reality point-blank. Once we face up to it, it does not loom as large as we feared and, instead, it will assume a manageable size and dimenion.

TO CRACK THE LINE, I do not advocate physical outbursts or verbal outbursts, either of which may exhaust us from the meaningful work ahead. I would oppose any hate campaign, for hate can only consume the hater; I would abstain from four-letter words, making an exception for an occasional "hell" when a rare occasion may call for it.

INSTEAD, with our usual quiet determination—why should we mimic anyone else?—keeping a low profile ("No-soita-kuge-wa-tataka-reru"), we can commence the task of cracking and removing that confining, invisible line.

AREA CODE 206: Joe Hamanaka

ACE fronts NVC

Seattle

Nisei Veterans Committee, perhaps the largest Nisei group in this Northwest corner, charged into its 25th year with a small skirmish action with a group of Ni-Sansei flying the banner of Asian Coalition for Equality.

The rub was created by the NVC when it established a beachhead at the local Elks Club for their Silver Anniversary installation banquet.

The banquet chairman and others in command apparently did not have any G-2 report on the "white only" clause of the Elks. Concerned primarily with occupying the "good" place, a "different" place, a "high class" place, the taking-over of the Elks facilities was thought to be some sort of accomplishment.

The local Elks Lodge is not hurting for business, and the welcomed invasion of Nisei to their premises was considered by others to be a step in the right direction, creating a meeting and a mutual understanding and eventual breakdown of restrictive clauses. Pickets, they say, work against the building of friendly relations.

NVC's Contention

The NVC contends that had they been notified of ACE's objections several months ago, instead of two weeks prior, the NVC might have considered a switch.

The NVC, one must remember, is not a JACL type of group, and its T.O. does not include the doctors, the lawyers, the educators, the social scientists, the probers — the kind of intellectuals that are present in JACL.

Like a master sergeant, the NVC wants no 'rocking" or disturbances in the company area. It has long taken the infantry role of being fraternal-social, not assertive or concerned politically or ethnically. It does not reconnoiter into troubled areas.

Ironically, the speaker that March 14 night, was a Louis Guzzo, the managing editor of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer, who slapped the wrists of the Nisei in general. Stated simply, he said the Nisei should become more "involved" in civic and community affairs. He asked, for example: Why aren't more Nisei in politics?

At any rate, a small detachment of Asian Coalition (ACE) people, with artillery from the print and air news media, met the veterans as they rendezvoused at the Elks Club.

Show as Promised

Pickets will be there, ACE told the press and veterans. And sure enough, about 30 were there, a mixed band of Ni-Sansei, and including the current president of the local JACL. No Chinese, some Filipinos. Also deployed were ten members of the Eastside Human Rights Council.

And, inside, as one of the invited guests, sat the past-president of the local JACL, who was "representing" the present president of the JACL, who was outside, with ACE.

Annually, the NVC and JACL commander and president, respectively, attend each other's installation banquets.

The petition drawn up by ACE was reported to have been done at the Japanese Baptist Church and tendered to the NVC commander, Kiyoko Hashimoto, Feb. 27, the night of the monthly NVC meeting.

Too Late to Change

Commander Hashimoto read the petition to the membership, but no action was taken. Too late to backout, to change sites.

As one vet added, if ACE wants to really get at the Elks, they should go to Governor Evans and work through the state's liquor licensing powers. Or, go picket the Elks National Convention.

The picket meeting was reported held at the Japanese Methodist Church, and the Rev. Harry Murakami, knowing this, was outside the Elks Club that night to see that the picket was peaceful. And it was.

Dr. Joe Okimoto, publicity oriented, led the ACE group. Their usual spokesman, Rev. Mineo Katagiri, was out of town.

NVC's Commander Hashimoto said there were some last-minute cancellations and requests for refunds, but a very good crowd of nearly 200 attended the Installation.

After the downtown publicity about a picket, the immediate concern of thinking veterans and others was the possibility that ACE might be joined by detachments of the Liberation Front, or SDS, or BSU — some-such experienced "rock-throwing" groups.

Nisei against Nisei. "Nipponjin no haji da," said an Issei. "Disgraceful," had it flared-up. Luickily no incident.

All-Oriental Groups

"If one wants to get ethnic," said a veteran, "the Japanese community has its 'Oriental-only' clauses. It works both ways. Look at the community basketball leagues where blacks and whites are not welcomed. And the all-Oriental golf clubs, the all-Japanese gardeners association, the greenhouse people, the hotel people. What is ideal or desired may not be practical or workable."

"Why split the Japanese community," another veteran said. "We're already a small group. Why not go fight a 'big' cause—like crime, or Evacuation!?"

As sociologists will observe, in-group tendencies are breaking down—the ethnic loyalties. Protest, suddenly, is "fashionable". The learned behaviors of the Sansei and Yonsei will be unlike those of the Nisei and Issei. And more and more Nisei doings will come under the scrutiny of groups like ACE.

And, so, life becomes more complicated.

Some answers to questions raised in membership push

By DR. JAMES TSUJIMURA
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Each year at this time, during our membership drive, we are more than on rare occasions asked, "What is JACL?", "What does it stand for?", "What can it do for me?", "What are its goals?"

The older members, naturally, require no explanations. Through their loyal support and dedicated efforts, they are well aware of what they have acomplished and for whom. By their many unselfish deeds and sacrifices, they have slowly and painfully risen from the depths of oppression and prejudice and broken down the so-called White-Oriental racial barrier, increased our opportunities for advancement, made us equal to any American. . . all primarily for their children and children's children.

GUEST COLUMN

Until a few years ago, I personally had no particular insight as to what the organization meant, its programs or what it expected to accomplish. As I became more familiar with its policies and goals, the local, district and national officers and members, I slowly began to realize what this whole organization was about and what it meant to me.

JACL Policy

A portion of the JACL Policy states, "The first and major concern of the Japanese American Citizens League continues to be specific problems of the Japanese American minority. . . Our broad aims go beyond our involvement with our own problems, and we strongly endorse, and actively participate in, all social justice, and full economic and educational opportunities as a matter of fundamental right for all Americans."

Of more personal importance is IDENTITY, without which one is like a man without a country, or a man without a conscience or soul. Today, our six year old daughter asked, "What am I?", "Why is my hair black?" True, she is only a few years out of infancy, but all too soon she will no longer be a child. One thus becomes a more acutely aware of the importance of our responsibilities, to continue to cultivate our cultural heritage of our ancestral land.

Although the Japanese Americans have become relatively successful in being assimilated into the mainstream of American life, we must continue to serve and help other minorities of race color or creed in their basic problems of attitude and acceptance. We must not allow ourselves to become complacent.

To Incorrect Injustices

So we must continue to work towards correcting all injustices: to wit, the passage of repealing Title II, which legally allows a very few to herd and place hundreds of thousands of any minority group into concentration camps.

These are but a few thoughts that immediately come to mind. It may be wise for each of us to take a few moments of our time, to recall the past, to evaluate the present and to determine what should be expected in the future. . . and then by all means, become involved.

—Portland JACL Newsletter

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whether you complete the book at all."

James M. Morita, pres. and chairman of City Bank of Honolulu, has been named chairman of the 1970 educational and fund raising crusade for the Oahu unit of the American Cancer Society. This will be Morita's second year as chairman of the Cancer Crusade, which will start April 1.

Tsuneo Morikawa is the newly-elected pres. of Club 100, the WW2 veterans' organization. Other officers are **Ben Tamashiro**, 1st v.p.; **Sadashi Matsunami**, 2nd v.p.; **Takeichi Miyashiro**, sec.; **Iwao Fujimori**, treas.; and **Harold Tamashiro**, assistant treas.

Vietnam KIA

Spec. 4 **Jerry K. Brighter**, 21, of Kaneohe, has been killed in Vietnam—Hawaii's first combat casualty in more than three months. The army said he was killed Feb. 22 while on a combat operation in an area that came under enemy attack. Brighter was the son of the Rev. and Mrs. [illegible] of 45-483 Nakalani St., Kaneohe. He was the 231st islander to die in Vietnam since 1962.

Time for Another Countdown

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

Where Is My Book?

Editor:

We are very much disturbed that as yet (Mar. 14), we haven't received our book, "Nisei: the Quiet Americans." This was ordered before Christmas. One letter was written Dec. 29 inquiring about the matter and we heard nothing. We have also contacted our local JACL and they assure us the matter is being worked on. Our check was cashed on Nov. 23, 1969, by JACL-JARP Midwest Office, 21 W. Elm, Chicago.

Can't we please hear from you as to where we stand? We used the coupon in your paper.

J. W. U.
Salt Lake City

The PC Office, which has Hosokawa's books for JACLers in the Los Angeles area, received its second shipment last week. We are assuming National Headquarters and JACL-JARP in Chicago have the second printing also now. All outstanding orders, therefore, are being cleared away.—Ed.

Chicago Convention

Editor:

I see in your Letters section where some people object to Chicago's over-reaction. They knock our town. They overlook the reasons we know for having a deep attachment here.

Chicago has the best of credentials for any J/A affair, we think they are every bit as good as any spot in California.

This brawling town is where Japanese who were brutalized and kicked out of California came when Californians didn't want "Japs."

Is it necessary to remind those complaining Californians that most of us who remain here in Daleyville came because we were prodded out at bayonet point—back there—and penned in barbed wire before we came out hesitantly to Chicago.

Chicago looked darn good to us then. She took us in—when other places wouldn't. She offered consolation at a time of ethnic despair.

Chicago is rough and full of vitality and may be prone to overreact. It has many interesting peculiarities to suit any taste. Many of us former West Coasters find that our ethnicity thrives in this blustery climate.

We like it here. We resent the slurs that have recently appeared in the letters.

We understand there is to be a JACL convention here some time in the near future. Some of those effete objectors ought to pack their helmets and sneakers in their duffle and experience the blood guttiness of our town.

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Expo '70 coins

SAN FRANCISCO—A limited number of ¥100 Expo '70 commemorative coins are available at the Bank of Tokyo and Sumitomo Bank offices for 45 cents.

Voting Rights for Youth

Editor:

Your editorial entitled "The Young Voters" in the March 13 PC was a great disappointment. Actually JACL has much at stake in this important issue of lowering the voting age, and your editorial was incredibly low-key—even though you end up the comment in support of ballots for 18-19-20 year olds.

Aside from the basic right of all those who carry the major adult responsibilities to join in the decision-making, JACL and all minorities should be out pitching hard for youth suffrage for a special reason: While other differences between the generations may be vague or even non-existent, every survey shows that racial attitudes among American youth are far advanced from their parents and grandparents. American youth is far more ready to vote for nonwhite candidates for office, to remove any vestiges of racism from the laws and practices, than are their elders. Decisions on racism, war, internationalism, education and many social issues are political decisions. Young adults in the "now generation" look at all of these issues quite differently from their elders. JACL should be "hot" on the 18-year issue, not "cool."

It is easy to see why Governor Reagan is afraid of youth franchise, and has stopped it for now in California. But in the referendum in Oregon on May 26 and in Washington State and 10 other states next November, JACL should be pitching hard for youth voting. Alaska and Hawaii, where voting is already set at 19 and 20 respectively, the Legislatures like it so well they are submitting proposals to lower it to 18 on their election ballots.

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Bakaniserareru?

Editor:

I believe recent Letters to the Editor and columns in the PC are indications of a very healthy society. Perhaps the Sansei, Yonsei, and some of the Hanbunsei can glean a sense of ethnicity by listening and by having their say.

Maybe we can all learn the fine distinction between otagai and enryo syndrome, the diference between shikata-ganai and Bakaniserareru, the meanings of Muri and Confrontation, etc.

Did time begin one thousand nine hundred and sixty-nine years ago? How come an island nation well into its third thousand year is not a garbage dump? Should that nation re-arm again?

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25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, March 31, 1945

Oregon Gov. Snell signs alien land law amendment, tightening present law . . . First act of violence in Gardena noted, lead pipe hurled through home windows . . . Vandals smash window of San Jose Nisei barber . . . FBI joins Madera police in case of night riders shooting into home of Minoru Ohashi . . . Vandals desecrate Fresno graves of 18 bearing Japanese or German names; attempt made to hack into Japanese mausoleum.

Nisei GI translator credited by 7th Infantry officer in saving Philippines command post on Camotes . . . Hawaii Senate asks Navy to take Japanese Americans . . . Selective Service oath designed for Nisei evacuees in 1943 revised, implication of previous fealty to foreign power removed . . . CIO seeks clearance for Nisei union leader Yoshito Watanabe in move to end discrimination against Nisei waterfront workers.

Arizona Supreme Court rules conviction of Nisei (Hideo Suyenaga) invalid, sentenced twice for refusing to give testimony in land escheat proceedings . . . Escheat case filed against evacuee family (Ichizo Kitahara of Fresno) with 270 acres . . . California appellate court rules against Oshiro in test case involving property obligations of evacuees . . . 112 girls from New York host Nisei GIs at Nyack USO.

Editorials: "Clarification Needed" (on Gen. Wilbur's testimony before federal court in L.A. that enemy espionage system is in operation): "Ickes and OPOPL" (on letter persuading Nisei to relocate elsewhere which won praise of the Oregon Property Owners Protective League); "On the Allied Side" (on Allied troops fighting in Italy); "Postwar Planning" (a plea for racial harmony).

Nikkei Problems

By MORI NISHIDA

Los Angeles

Are activist elements in the Asian and particularly the Japanese American community become more vocal and catch the spotlight, more and more are heard from certain elements in our community about the language used.

This criticism is evoked more by words than deeds or content of the talk. This would be understandable if only the words objected to were the main or only content. As a much publicized semanticist has written, words mean many different things to different people.

What I personally object to is that content is completely overlooked or dismissed. In the two speeches (Warren Furutani's and Jim Matsuoka's) much has been said and noted about certain words or phrases, with little or no consideration at all for the location, group, reason, and aim of the speeches.

What I can't understand is outright condemnation for talk. Deeds are what count.

Both speakers are doers of the first rank. They are participating as leaders and followers of a growing number of Asian American activists who believe that the myth of the melting pot is dead, that cultural pluralism, pride in self, and group identification as an integral part of the panorama of American (United States) history is the first stirring of a growing acknowledgment of the incipient humanity that lurks in all of us.

Manzanar Speech

I'll get a little more specific now. In Jim Matsuoka's speech at the grave site in Manzanar, he referred to an idea that due to the shock of incarceration and the racism experienced prior to and including the second World War, our people were coerced and threatened into passivity.

("When people ask me how many people are buried here, I say 'a whole generation.' ") This passivity was a forced condition, *not an inherent* condition. For, one will find many instances where the "passive Oriental" fought against racism and prejudice through words, courts, and on the streets.

As for the lack of understanding by youth for the conditions of that period, who can blame them! *Who has tried to communicate the feeling and external circumstances of that period?* I have never ever seen anything related to the experiences of our people in our history books or in the popular press.

So if they don't think "we" know what we're talking about when "we" refer to that blank period in our history, they're probably right. "We" can only deal with what we know and what we see today. So if "we" need educating, by all means teach, after all we have many things in common and our history in this country is one of them. One warning, when I say teach, I mean teach—not preach.

The other speech was by Warren Furutani at the Peace Moratorium rally in Little Tokyo. People objected to the last word of his speech. Not too much if anything is said about all that preceded that word, or of the other speakers that were there.

I don't know if this was an intentional oversight or not, but the results are the same. Confusion! At a time in history when turmoil, social and institutional changes demand an awareness and working knowledge of the facts, we have people causing confusion.

The facts of the war, if anyone is interested, go like this. We helped Ho Chi Minh fight Japan during the second war. He was an avowed Communist then. We supported the French army in their attempt to reconquer the country. This is after the statement we (our government) made about supporting all those colonies that wanted national liberation. We paid for over half of the war budget in Vietnam during the French fiasco.

In 1954 the Geneva accords were signed at the instigation of the U.S. government. This called for a national referendum in South Vietnam, which the U.S. did not allow to happen, after we insisted on the elections.

Well, we got into the war. The bombing of the north started with the Tonkin resolution, and we recall the hell that was raised, when it became a matter of doubt if our ships were actually fired on? It not only seems that we broke "international law" but what about the fact that only Congress can declare war. That's in our constitution.

Aspects of War

The My Lai massacre and other programs smack of Gestapo and SS tactics in Poland and elsewhere, where whole villages were either uprooted or slaughtered. I was and am indignant about what happened there and I haven't changed my morality that much today to condone such a thing just because our guys did it.

Or the fact that in Europe the victims were white and in Asia they are yellow, they are all human beings with an intrinsic worth as our Declaration of Independence states. In fact, the North Vietnamese preamble is our Declaration of Independence.

So much for the legal and moral aspects of the war. Now let's look at the economics of the war. Much has been said of the resources of Southeast Asia that would be unavailable to us if the Communists take over. Or of our investments in that area that would be lost if a takeover comes to pass.

But it seems to me if we are talking about peaceful coexistence and we're sincere, something can be done. In terms of our national budget we are pouring money hand over fist into the war. What about our domestic problems? Don't we have enough on a national level, let alone in our own country?

It might be naively asked, do we have problems? The answer is simple—Yes! What are they? Think hard! Then answer these questions:

What's happening with the Issei, especially those without families?

What happens to those juve-

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PEPPER POT

BOOK REVIEW: by Allan Beekman

Prints depict artisans' world in Japan of two centuries ago

TRADITIONAL CRAFTS OF JAPAN: Illustrated with the eighteenth-century artisan prints of Tachibana Minko, by Charles A. Pomeroy, John Weatherhill, Inc., distributed in the U.S. by Walker and Company, 119 pages, $8.95.

Two hundred years ago, Tachibana Minko illustrated 28 Japanese crafts of his day, added what seemed to him an appropriate text, and bound the assembled illustrations into a volume entitled, "Colored Pictures of Classified Artisans" (Saigo Shokunin Burui).

He aimed at modernity. He says he purposely omitted the trade of "the medicine seller and of crafts that are now obsolete, and adding some to show such unusual occupations as that of the stonecutter who makes serrations on millstones, and such modern crafts as that of the glassblower."

When the volume was published in 1771, it must have been completely up-to-date. The ukiyo-e style of painting and woodblock printing employed by Minko had been developing in Japan since the beginning of the Seventeenth Century, and had reached a high degree of excellence Minko's reputation was overshadowed by that of such towering contemporary artists as Harunobu Suzuki, Shunsho Katsukawa, Kiyomasu Torii and Kiyomitsu Torii. Further, Minko's work drew less favorable attention because of his choice of subjects.

Less Popular Subjects

Though the ukiyo-e—literally "floating world pictures"—depicted the transient life of the common people of the Edo Period, the public favored pictures such as those of famous actors and courtesans. Though "he produced ukiyo-e in an individual style," Minko picked less popular subjects for his art.

Nevertheless, he was successful, "though not celebrated." "Colored Pictures of Classified Artisans" became a best seller. Other editions of the work followed, one as late as 1916.

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Pomeroy has based his English language volume on this 1916 edition, beginning his own work with an introduction to traditional Japanese craftmanship and the evolution of ukiyo-e. Minko's illustration of "The Hatter" follows:

Resting on one knee before a hexagonal box containing his tools, the hatter holds a "windbent" eboshi in his left and and a spatula in his right. He is offering the eboshi, to which he has apparently put a final touch of lacquer, to a warrior.

Seated before a screen, the warrior is directing his attention to a kammuri, which he holds in his left hand.

In an accompanying text, Pomeroy discusses the evolution of headgear in Japan. Men were the hat-wearing sex the style of hat worn indicating social position or court rank.

The *kammuri* was on early style headgear made of thin silk, or silk gauze, sometimes stiffened with a framework of bone or wood. The *eboshi*, with its toppled crown, appeared later.

Pomeroy also explains the beautiful but archaic calligraphy—said to have been added by a friend of Minko—which adorns and expounds the illustration.

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The book similarly deals with the other 27 crafts, such as mirror polisher, carpenter, swordsmith, armorer, cordmaker, maker of hairdress ties, weaver, papermaker and so forth, each having its illustration accompanying Japanese text.

"Changes in fashion, custom, and techniques of manufacture have long since eliminated the armorer, the swordsmith, and the makers of millstones, ceremonial hats, and metal mirrors." Other crafts Minko has epitomized in his pictures also face extinction.

Happy for the student of old Japan that Pomeroy has preserved between the covers of a book these pictures of a vanished way of life!