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## SECOND GENERATION INTEREST IN VOTING ON RISE REPORTED

**Leaders Believe Anti-Japanese Bills Have Stirred Interest in Exercising Suffrage Rights**

### HAVE WON MANY FRIENDS

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—A greater interest on the part of the second generation in discharging its civic duty by going to the polls to vote has been seen as a direct result of the anti-Japanese legislation which has been considered during the present session of the legislature here.

One of the leaders in Japanese-American Citizens' League activities has been quoted as follows, unquestionably there will be larger numbers voting. Those slackers who neglect to perform their duties as good citizens by registering and voting will be severely reprimanded by the public. In other words, what the persuasions of the leaders have failed to accomplish, public opinion and pressure will do.

#### Interest Will Help

"And once interest is taken in politics, everyone is going to find that it is not uninteresting as it appears on the surface. The controversial problems are sources of considerable argument and thought; and the mass meetings will be well worth attending."

It is for this reason that leaders here believe that the anti-Japanese legislation has not been without its beneficial features, although those have been more or less unintentional.

#### False Security

Almost every Japanese resident of this state had been lulled into a sense of false security because the past three sessions of the legislature had not seen any anti-Japanese measures except the fishing bills. But what a rude awakening everyone received when it was discovered that many laws had been introduced against "aliens ineligible to citizenship."

But it was conclusively shown that the Japanese residents in this state have won themselves many friends. The many pilgrimages that have been made by various interests to interview the assemblymen and senators have proved this. Only a few years ago the Japanese residents of the state had few friends to fight for them. The years have enabled the Japanese people to make friends, to win the confidence of the American people, to establish closer relationships with other groups, to be considered as a part of the community wherein they reside and to create a closer business relationship.

#### Friendship Important

At the same time, the necessity of further cultivating friendship and understanding has become so important and obvious that it will not be surprising to see the attitude of the Japanese residents change radically. The "self-sufficient" psychology will vanish. In its place, there will be a greater desire to participate in community activities, such as civic betterment and beautification.

From present indications, all the anti-Japanese bills are going to be tabled because the important tax bills, health insurance measures and other important measures will occupy the time of the legislators. If this should come to pass, the scare that the Japanese people suffered will have been beneficial. It will dispel the indifference and create more active Japanese-American communities everywhere.

## Out-Door Meet Held by Fresno JACL Group

FRESNO, Calif.—Added enthusiasm for the Northern California District council to be held here this September was aroused in the local chapter with an out-door meeting held here this month.

Box-lunches auctioned off by Bob Itanaga was the feature of the day. Committee heads who worked to make the affair a success were Louise Iwamura, general chairman; Billy Ishida, program; and George Kanase, transportation.

## Fresno Chapter is Preparing for No. Calif. Convention

FRESNO—The American Loyalty League which is the local chapter of the Japanese-American Citizens' League is busily perfecting plans to act as host for the first Northern California district council convention which will be held here August 31, Sept. 1 and 2.

Thomas Yego, president of the Placer county chapter and chairman of the Northern California district council board, is laying out a program of business to be discussed at the convention. It is believed that the convention will be one of the largest citizens' league affairs ever to be held in the state, with the exception of the San Francisco and Los Angeles national convention.

The American Loyalty League is one of the oldest organizations of its kind as it was formed back in 1919. Hero Yamamisaka is president of the League.

## LEAGUE MAY INVITE DISTANT DELEGATES

**Seattle Chapter Laying Plans for Big National Convention to be Held in 1936**

SEATTLE, Wash.—Preparations for the fourth biennial Japanese American Citizens' league convention to be held in this city were launched with a two-night stage program here on April 27, 28.

Directed by Tora Nakamura, convention committee chairman, the show paved the way for other events leading to the big national meet next year. From all indications, the campaign now started is expected to arouse greater enthusiasm for the coming meet which is looked upon as a homecoming event of the national convention to this city.

While no confirmation has been forthcoming yet, it is believed the local chapter will request national headquarters to extend formal invitations to civic groups in Hawaii, New York, Chicago and other sections to send delegates.

#### Hawaii Represented

At the 1930 convention Hawaii was represented here by Tasuke Yamagata of Honolulu.

In 1932 at the Los Angeles national meet, Hawaii was represented by Andy Yamashiro, then member of the Territorial legislature. Chicago on that occasion was represented by Dr. Isamu Tashiro and Dr. George Nishihara.

Representation from all these sections and elsewhere are expected to be sought again and which is believed will help make for the greatest national gathering yet.

At the same time, large representations from all sections will also be asked with the convention committee now at work contemplating a big welcome program.

#### Biggest Meet Expected

According to Nakamura the biggest national meet yet held by the Japanese-American Citizens' league is expected. Already there are some thirty-three chapters along the coast with many more believed to be forming.

By next year fully forty chapters are expected to bear the banner of the Japanese-American Citizens' league. With Texas, Idaho, Utah, New York, Chicago, Arizona and other localities planning to join the citizens' movement fully 800 to 1000 official and booster delegates are believed will attend.

A good indication as to how big the next national meet will be is expected to be noted by the attendance on Labor Day at the Southern California JACL, Northern California JACL, and the Northwest JACL conventions.

## San Gabriel United in Anti-Alien Bill Fights

SAN GABRIEL, Calif.—Discussion of anti-alien bills in the state legislature was held at a mass meeting held by the local JACL early this month.

## ORIENTAL VETERANS' CITIZENSHIP BILL IS REPORTED OUT O.K.

**Committee Puts Unanimous Approval on Measure; Goes to House for Vote; Organizations Back Move**

### JACL STARTED MOVEMENT

SAN FRANCISCO—Attaining what is seen as the first step in victory, the Oriental veterans' citizenship bill backed by the Japanese-American Citizens' League was reported out favorably by the House Immigration and Naturalization Committee, it was reported here from Washington on April 23.

The bill passed unanimously in favor of granting citizenship to the Oriental veterans who served with Uncle Sam's forces during the World War now goes to the floor of the House for a vote. While it is problematical when the bill will come up, the bill is expected to have a good chance of passing should it come before the House during this session.

Besides the successful turn during this first stage it is seen as a real victory for the Japanese-American Citizens' league in its fight to win justice for the Oriental veterans.

#### Vets Backed Measure

Both the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars in their national conventions last year went on record in support of the measure; and recently the California Joint Immigration committee recommended its passage. Backed by the resolutions and making what is regarded as a valiant fight, Tokutomi N. Slocum, an ex-doughboy himself, took the battle to Washington as the JACL representative.

Behind the scenes however, there was the national JACL lending its effort for introduction and final passage of the bill. Among those taking the lead in the fight were such men as Dr. T.T. Yatabe, national president; Saburo Kido, national secretary; Sim Togasaki, national treasurer; Dr. T. Hayashi, past president of the San Francisco JACL; Thomas Yego, Northern California JACL Council chairman; John Ando, Southern California Council chairman; Tom Iseri, Northwest Council chairman. Generally, the attitude of fair play for these veterans, who waived their exemption right to serve in the American forces during the War is taken by these leaders and the national organization.

#### JACL Started Movement

The fight for the Oriental veterans citizenship was first started when the first convention of the Japanese-American Citizens' league held in Seattle in 1930 sent a resolution to Congress. In 1933 at Portland, a like resolution was adopted by the Northwest District JACL convention.

Since the first national meet the JACL is credited with organizing the fight for this measure and the action taken by the House Immigration and naturalization committee is regarded as the first flush of victory for the national organization's fight to win justice for the Oriental veterans.

If the bill should pass both houses of Congress and is signed by the president during this session, the JACL can credit itself with another feather in its hat. The first victory of any dimension for the JACL was the passage of the Cable bill which allowed the retention of citizenship by American-born Japanese women who may become married to Japanese aliens and for those married to such aliens prior to March 3, 1931 to regain their citizenship.

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## Garden Grove Fights Anti-Alien Measures

GARDEN GROVE, Calif.—The April meeting of the Orange County Japanese-American Citizens' league was held early this month at the local Women's club house. Anti-alien bills were main topic of discussion as members joined in their fight against the discriminatory measures.

Entertainment was in charge of Roy Konegaa.

## 40 Chapters Seen as Goal for JACL by 1936, Says Kido

SAN FRANCISCO—"There will be forty chapters in the Japanese-American Citizens' League by the time the next national convention rolls around in 1936." These were the optimistic words of Saburo Kido, national secretary of the JACL. It seems that Kido might have been understating the case, at that, judging from the rate that chapters have been joining since last year's national convention in San Francisco. There are now some 33 chapters with several districts contemplating forming chapters in the near future.

The number of chapters has increased almost fourfold since the first national convention in Seattle in 1930. At that time there were eight charter chapters: Los Angeles, San Francisco, Seattle, Portland, Brawley, Fresno, Newcastle, and Stockton.

## JACL IS DISPLAYING RAPID DEVELOPMENT

**Will Soon be Truly National Body; No. Calif. Leading in Number of Chapters**

SAN FRANCISCO—The Japanese American Citizens' league has been demonstrating a remarkable growth since the first of the year, according to figures released here by the national headquarters. This growth is largely due to the impetus given the Citizens' movement by the national convention which was held here last fall.

The organization is gradually widening its scope and is in the process of becoming a truly national organization. Chapters have already been organized or are being formed in California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Texas, Utah and Arizona.

#### Chapters Listed

There are more chapters in the Northern California area than in any other section. The following chapters are either formed and officially recognized or have not yet submitted their formal applications: Placer county, Sacramento, Stockton, Sonoma county, Alameda, Oakland, Washington Township, San Francisco, Santa Clara county, Watsonville, Salinas, Monterey, Fresno, Concord, Delta, and Solano-Yolo county. Washington township, Delta and Concord are the only chapters not yet officially recognized.

Several other districts are planning to have JACL chapters, among them being San Mateo and the peninsula region.

#### Eight in So. Cal.

The members of the Southern California district council are: San Luis Obispo, Santa Maria valley, Santa Barbara, Los Angeles, San Gabriel valley, San Diego, Orange county and Brawley.

With the recent addition of the Mid-Columbia chapter of Hood River valley, Oregon, the Northwest now has seven chapters. They are: Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, Mid-Columbia, White River valley, Puyallup, and Yakima.

Chapters have been organized or are being planned in the following places: El Paso, Texas; Salt Lake City, Utah; Twin Falls, Idaho; Phoenix, Arizona; San Mateo; Palo Alto; Livingston; Gilroy; San Benito county; Lodi and Bakersfield. The last seven are in Northern California.

#### Information Given

All leaders making inquiries about the organization of chapters are being advised that it would cost about fifty dollars a year to become affiliated with the national organization. The expenses are roughly as follows: ten dollars for annual dues; twenty four dollars a year for the Pacific Citizen; at least two dollars for district council dues; the balance to be reserved for prospective assessments.

It is believed that there will be more than forty chapters by the time the next national convention rolls around in 1936 in Seattle.

## \$100,000 NECESSARY TO ESTABLISH FIRM NAT'L JACL OFFICE

**Leaders Feel Necessity of Permanent Headquarters; Sum Can be Raised by Popular Pledges**

### MUST AROUSE INTEREST

SAN FRANCISCO—A plan to endow national headquarters of the Japanese American Citizens' League with a substantial sum so that the annual income would be sufficient to meet current expenses is being seriously considered by League leaders here.

It is believed that about one hundred thousand dollars would be needed to insure an income sufficient to meet the expenses of the national headquarters. It is thought that the figure might be reached if proper enthusiasm is displayed by the members of the League.

#### Time to Improve

The current depression has made any financial drive of such a nature appear impossible at the present time. It is reasonable to expect that conditions will improve, and leaders think that it would be a good policy to begin now to lay plans for a drive when the opportunity time comes.

The campaign would naturally include the first generation members as well as the second generation but it is believed that if sufficient enthusiasm can be aroused among the younger group the whole fund might be raised without approaching the elders.

#### Estimate Numbers

In California alone there are between five thousand and ten thousand members of the second generation who are of voting age. If the figure of five thousand is taken as the basis and if each member should pledge \$20, payable in installments, the goal would be reached. If ten thousand were pledged, only \$10 would be required from each person.

The second generation members reaching majority each year number around two thousand in California. This means that there will be more than twenty thousand voters in California within the next few years because there is a constant migration of Hawaiian-born members into the state.

#### Has Machinery

Another important factor is that the Citizens' league already has the machinery to cover practically all the Japanese communities in the United States. There are numerous chapters established in the districts having larger Japanese populations. It is the only body at the present time which professes to set its goal as a representative body of the second generation, regardless of political or religious affiliations. It is the only organization which has a definitely national unity. Consequently, it can make a stronger appeal for support.

Officials here believe that the only real obstacle may lie in the degree of enthusiasm that the leaders of the Citizens' league can arouse among the second generation and the first generation. If the support that the movement can rally does not show a decided increase, this play of raising such a substantial income cannot be realized for many years to come.

#### League Grows

Without such a guaranteed fund, a truly representative, national organization cannot be created. A permanent office is necessary for national headquarters. A paid secretary will be essential in the very near future. When there are ten to twenty chapters to correspond with, an individual can manage it during his spare time. But to keep fifty or more chapters in close contact with headquarters through the mail is an impossible task for one person's spare time.

Even now the secretary is kept busy with inquiries pouring in from all parts of the country, seeking information about the purposes, structure and activities of the league.

#### Togasaki Works

The national treasury now has a few hundred dollars, accumulated by the diligent and conscientious work of Susumu Togasaki, national treasurer. If the league attempts (Cont'd to P. 4, Col. 4)



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## A WORTHY ENTERPRISE

A scheme to raise a hundred thousand dollars for a fund that would furnish an income sufficient to finance the work of national headquarters of the Japanese-American Citizens' League is being considered, according to an official of the League.

Although the fund is to be raised to aid in the work of the League, it really means an endowment to the entire second generation. The Citizens' League is the one organization through which the second generation can make itself heard; it is the one organization that is working for the second generation without any other connections or motives; it is the one organization that is being run exclusively by and for the second generation.

The fund would be used for the welfare and the security of the second generation as a whole. It would enable the JACL to operate at greater efficiency. As it is today the League is often handicapped by a lack of funds when it becomes necessary to contact all chapters rapidly in regard to some vital problem.

The question of finances is becoming even more burning as the scope of the League gradually widens as it is today. There are now some thirty-three chapters, centering mainly on the Pacific Coast. But there are other chapters either formed now or in the process of formation in Idaho, Nevada, Arizona, Texas and Utah. This means that national headquarters would need a much more elaborate machinery to keep in close touch with all chapters. This added expense might well be met through such a medium as the proposed fund.

The fund would enable the JACL to attain its aims of making even better citizens of the second generation. This would mean that the second generation would profit in turn for by being better citizens will the second generation do much to win themselves a permanent place in American life.

The fund is necessary and is not impossible to attain. If plans are completed and if the JACL launches a definite campaign to raise the money, united effort and cooperation on the part of all members of the second generation should put the campaign over the top.

## A BIG ADVANCE

The bill that would grant American citizenship to American World War veterans of Oriental ancestry, known as House Resolution No. 7170, was unanimously and favorably reported out of the House committee on immigration and naturalization this month.

This means that the Japanese-American Citizens' League, the veterans themselves and their friends have made a big advance in the fight to win fair play and justice for the veterans. Even if the bill never comes to vote because of the crowded condition of the calendar of the House, it still means that the JACL has won a decided victory during the current session of Congress.

It was the JACL that really organized the fight for the veterans. Before the League actively jumped into the fray at their first biennial national convention in Seattle in 1930, there had been sporadic attempts to win citizenship for these veterans. But it was really the League that gave direction to all the individual efforts that were being made on behalf of the veterans.

The League's work on this bill was really two-fold. In the first place, it carried on active campaign in behalf of the veterans by raising funds, arousing support and by other methods. And in the second place, it served as an invaluable clearing house through which the efforts of individuals could be coordinated.

It may still be a long fight before the bill is eventually put through, but it appears today as if the struggle should be an easier one than it was earlier. The cause of the veterans has really won attention to itself. The support of the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and other organizations has done much to win support for the veterans.

The JACL and everyone else who has been associated in the fight to win fair play for the veterans should be proud of their efforts in getting the bill this far, but they should not rest on their present laurels. The fight will not be ended until the bill is finally passed and the veterans have their applications in for citizenship.

## THE GREAT CIVIC DUTY

In California today the members of the second generation are becoming more and more aware that they should fulfill their great civic duty of going to the polls and casting their votes at every election.

In this democracy it is only through exercising the right and duty of voting that citizens can secure for themselves fair play and can guarantee and make secure their rights. The Japanese-American Citizens' League has always had as part of its platform the making of the second generation "voting conscious". The League has long realized that the members of the second generation should do everything to make themselves a part of the American nation and that certainly one of the most important things was to take an active part in civic affairs by voting in every election.

The members of the second generation should vote at every opportunity, not merely in a more or less selfish defense of its own interests, but to become active citizens of their communities. Such work cannot but help to bring the second generation into close relations with the other members of their communities.

## Down Main Street

**SAN FRANCISCO**—The engagement of Miss Uta Ogawa to Dr. Carl Hirota, president of the San Francisco chapter, was announced recently. Dr. Hirota is a dentist and a clinical instructor of the U.C. Dental college.

**WATSONVILLE**—Mr. and Mrs. Sumio Miyamoto are receiving congratulations of their friends upon the birth of baby daughter.

**SAN FRANCISCO**—Mr. and Mrs. Saburo Kido took first prize in the duplicate bridge tournament held recently by the local chapter.

**PESCADERO**—Miss Mutsuko Miura of Sacramento announced her engagement to Mr. Saiki Muneno, popularly known as the "Pescadero Cowboy", early this month.

**SAN DIEGO**—Mr. and Mrs. Obayashi are the proud parents of a new member in their family. Mr. Obayashi is the president of the San Diego JACL chapter.

**SAN FRANCISCO**—Miss Yae Togasaki, sister of Susumu Togasaki, returned recently from Japan. She has been teaching in Japan for the past several years.

**TOKIO**—Mr. George Togasaki, former president of the San Francisco JACL, has been appointed as secretary to Prince I. Tokugawa. Mr. Togasaki is an elder brother of Susumu Togasaki.

**BERKELEY**—The engagement of Miss Aida Koike, sister-in-law of Dr. T. Hayashi, to Mr. Y. Domoto was announced recently.

**SAN FRANCISCO**—Miss Mary Aki of this city left for Japan where she will visit with her grandmother.

**SAN FRANCISCO**—Mr. and Mrs. Goro Maeda are awaiting the "blessed event" in the near future. It has been reported. Dr. and Mrs. Kahn Uyeyama are another expectant couple, it is understood.

**SANTA ROSA**—Mr. Masao Hasegawa, president of the Sonoma County JACL is recovering from a major operation.

**SAN FRANCISCO**—The weird noises that have been disturbing the alley cats in this town are the creation of the local JACL chapter's glee club at practice. Attempts are being made to form a women's group also.

**SEATTLE**—Mr. Yoneo Bepp, prominent San Francisco Citizens' leader was a visitor here on a short business trip early this month.

**SAN LUIS OBISPO**—Mrs. Kofuji Fukunaga, the first woman president of a JACL chapter points with pride to the marvelous record of 100 per cent attendance of her chapter's 40 members at all meetings held in 1934 and to date this year. Mrs. Fukunaga has not revealed the secret of her group's enthusiasm. Perhaps other chapters will elected feminine leaders to boost their attendance.

**LOS ANGELES**—Working under Tom Takeyama and Art Endo to add new members in the current drive are Bill Zaima, Setsu Fujioka, Jimmy Hisatomi, Elmer Yamamoto, Ken Matsumoto, Kay Sugahara, Mrs. Chidori Mori, Frank Sakamoto, Yone Kuwahara, Dr. Y. Takeyama, Dr. Toyo Shimizu, Oko Murata, Mrs. Art Endo, Louise Suski, John Maeno, Seichi Nobe, and Clarence Arima.

**LOS ANGELES**—Miss Katherine Nakamura, graduate of UCLA two years ago, received this month an appointment in the state department of public health as laboratory technician.

**BOISE, Idaho**—Dr. Kimi Nojima became the first second generation girl in this state to pass the medical examination. She hopes to start a practice in Pocatello.

**PUYALLUP**—The engagement of Miss Shizuko Tashiro of Seattle, to Mr. Juro Yoshioka is announced recently. Mr. Yoshioka is Puyallup delegate to the Northwest board of the JACL.

**SAN FRANCISCO**—Mr. Tosuke Yamasaki is leaving for Mexico on a short visit in the near future. Mr. Yamasaki is the feature editor of the Hokubei Asahi.

**SEATTLE**—Mrs. Clarence T. Arai, former vice president of the Seattle chapter, is to render a whistling solo on the May festival program of the First Methodist church. Just recently she appeared before the West Seattle high school and the Columbia post of the American Legion.

**TACOMA**—Attending as the representative of the Mid-Columbia JACL Mr. George Kinoshita of Hood River vice president of the chapter, was present at the Northwest JACL board session held here late last month.

**SEATTLE**—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ogawa, newly-weds, returned here on April 28 after a honeymoon trip to San Francisco. Mr. Ogawa is a younger sister of Mr. Clarence T. Arai, one-time president of the Seattle JACL.

## VETERANS' BILL

Following is the complete text of HR 7170, introduced to the House of Representatives by Clarence F. Lea, dean of the California congressional representatives.

To authorize the naturalization of certain resident alien World War veterans:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

That notwithstanding the racial limitation contained within section 2169 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, as amended (U.S.C., title 8, sec. 359), and within section 14 of the Act of May 6, 1882, as amended (U.S.C., sec. 363), any alien veteran of the World War heretofore ineligible to citizenship because not a free white person or of African nativity or of African descent may be naturalized under this Act if he—

(a) Entered the service of the armed forces of the United States prior to November 11, 1918;

(b) Actually rendered service with the armed forces of the United States between April 9, 1917, and November 11, 1918;

(c) Received an honorable discharge from such service;

(d) Resumed his previous permanent residence in the United States or any territory hereof; and

(e) Has maintained a permanent residence continuously since the date of discharge and is now a permanent resident of the United States or any Territory thereof; upon compliance with all requirements of the naturalization laws, except—

(f) No certificate of arrival and no declaration of intention shall be required;

(g) No additional residence shall be required before the filing of petition for certificate of citizenship; and

(h) the petition or certificate of citizenship shall be filed with a court having naturalization jurisdiction prior to January 1, 1937.

Sec. 2. Certificates of citizenship heretofore issued and heretofore granted by any court having naturalization jurisdiction under the provisions of the Act of May 9, 1918, or of the Act of July 19, 1919, to any alien veteran who is eligible to be naturalized under the provisions of section 1 of this Act, are hereby declared to be valid for all purposes insofar as the race of the veteran is concerned. Such certificates may be stamped "valid under this Act" by the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization upon submission of satisfactory proof to establish identity.

Certificates declared valid under the foregoing paragraph, which have been lost, mutilated, destroyed, or surrendered to any official of the United States may be replaced

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## THE PONTIFF WAS ONCE A SKIER

By Jack McGilvrey

Jack McGilvrey, creator of the Pontiff series, needs no introduction to Pacific Citizen readers. McGilvrey is of the Japanese-American Courier of Seattle. He has given the Northwest a big boost. Are there no supporters of California?

When the Literary Pontiff was a young man, he would often jot down notes for essays or stories which, almost invariably, he never got around to writing.

Now in his later years it was one of his chief pleasures to unearth these notes from their hiding places and read them over again in order to savor once more the pleasures and thoughts that were his when he was young. And now again he was going through a trunk turning over old themes, newspaper clippings, fragments of short stories, and notes that were the products of his youth.

## A Skiing Trip

One particular slender sheaf of notes held his interest for they held the essence of the second skiing trip that he had ever taken. He paused to read and ponder them for even the thought of snow was refreshing on this day. He should have been outdoors in the warm sunshine, but it seemed much cooler in his shaded library. The notes were rather incoherent, and were apparently intended not as a part of an essay but merely as a record of impressions. The Pontiff read: "Went skiing yesterday to Paradise Valley in Rainier National Park. Marvellous weather for April—almost too marvellous as the brilliant sun burned many faces. I was lucky myself as I got only a nice

deep tan. Grotesque masks made by cutting three holes, two for eyes and one for mouth, out of red or blue bandanna handkerchiefs.

Saw several young ladies with backless outfits. Wonder how badly burned they are today. Is there anything more blinding brilliant than bright sunlight reflected from snow?

## Fun for a Dub

"Wonder if I'll ever be a good skier. I'll wager no one on the mountain fell down more times than I did yesterday. But oddly enough with all my falls, about the only casualty was a slightly sprained left big toe. If confidence means anything, I think that I shall learn to ski for I discovered that I'm not afraid to take any slope that falls short of being absolutely impossible.

"One of the big thrills yesterday was taking a dare to go down a steep slope and making it—even though I did fall at the bottom. Discovered that I can fall without hurting myself. Would tear along at what seemed like about thirty miles an hour, fall, plow through the snow and rise but slightly jolted. Think it a matter of relaxation and confidence that I won't get hurt.

## Football of Skis?

"Wish that I had played football in college. Could have determined then whether it was tougher to try to lug a football through a 200-pound line or to plow through the snow in an awkward fall.

"There is something remarkably exhilarating about the free, unmechanical speed that one can generate going down a nice sloping hill here on Mt. Rainier. The sing

of snow under the skis and the whistle of wind in the ears give one a feeling of power and freedom much greater than that that comes from zipping along a highway at sixty miles an hour.

## No Blizzard

"No blizzard today. First time I was up a howling blizzard was whipping the mountain. First time I'd been on skis. Three "friends" left me behind to struggle down the side of the mountain. And struggle I did. But I made it. And met them in an even tougher struggle coming back up the hill to find out what had happened to me. It will be a long time before I forget the calm white-mantled bulk of the fire rearing their heads into the swirling snow.

"Wish someone would invent some sort of cable car to use to get back up a hill once one has swooped down it. Going down is fun but getting back up is work. Why did I have to go up so late in the season? Just think of all the swell skiing I missed during the winter."

The Pontiff sighed and laid the notes aside; he was young in those days and would get out and half kill himself under the delusion he was having a swell time. But now a nice big easy chair in front of a crackling fire was just about all he could enjoy in the way of winter sports.

The warm Northwest sun filtered through the attic window. The twitter of a bird, the buzz of a bee came faintly through the walls. Unable to restrain himself any longer, the Pontiff closed the trunk and went out to enjoy the April sun.



## SANTA CLARA JACL GETS 1,000 NAMES ON PROTEST BLANKS

Watsonville's Mayor Baker Praises Citizenship Efforts of JACL; New Chapter is Admitted

### YEGO ASKS COOPERATION

WATSONVILLE, Calif.—The Santa Clara chapter of the Japanese-American Citizens' League announced at a recent Northern California district council meeting that it had obtained more than 1,000 signatures to petitions protesting the anti-Japanese legislation being considered at Sacramento.

The petition of the Watsonville chapter contained the names of Mayor Baker and of other prominent citizens. All other chapters were requested to take immediate steps to mail petitions to Walter Tsukamoto, the official representative of JACL national headquarters, who is at Sacramento.

#### Mayor Praises

In a brief address at the luncheon given the delegates, Mayor Baker said, "No racial group in this country has ever organized an institution to endeavor to become better Americans citizens among the young people than the Japanese-Americans."

One new chapter was officially admitted to the District Council. It was the Solano-Yolo county chapter. The application of the Concord chapter will be acted upon at the next meeting which will be held in San Francisco during July.

#### Aid in Campaign

The chapters of the Northern California district council were assessed ten dollars each to defray the expenses of Walter Tsukamoto incurred in his work against the anti-Japanese bills. It was also suggested that national headquarters be requested to write to all the California chapters, requesting their financial support.

Chairman Yego requested a greater degree of cooperation from all chapters in regard to the district council.

## Yolo-Solano Chapter Now National Group

VACAVILLE, Calif.—The Yolo-Solano chapter of the JACL was officially taken into the national organization at the YMA hall here this month. The group includes citizens from Vacaville, Suisan, Fairfield, Cordelia, Winters and Vellejo.

Allen Aoyagi was chosen first president of the chapter.

Members of his cabinet are: Kenzo Nakamura, Vacaville, 1st v.p.; Koki Tsuji, Winters, 2nd v.p.; N. Mitoma, Suisan, 3rd v.p.; Mary Obata, recording sec.; Ineko Handa, English corresponding sec.; Albert Hayashi, Japanese corresponding sec.; Tad Uyeno, Winters, treasurer; George Egusa, Winters, assistant treasurer.

The board of governors will be elected at a meeting to be held soon. Walter Tsukamoto, president of the Sacramento JACL assisted the local people in the organization of the chapter. Others aiding were Dr. T. Takahashi, T. Miura, and Mr. Nakano, all of Sacramento.

## Americans Behind Move Against Bill—Watsonville Prexy

WATSONVILLE, Calif.—"All Americans in this district are sympathetic with the protest activities of the JACL inasmuch as the welfare of the second generation citizens is at stake," was the statement of Henry Suzuki of the Watsonville chapter in reference to anti-alien legislation in the state legislature.

Watsonville became the completing link late this month in the state-wide chain of JACL chapters united against the discriminatory measures when the group sent its petitions to Walter Tsukamoto who is representing national headquarters in Sacramento.

The petition carries some one hundred thirty names including those of prominent American residents of the Pajaro valley. The chapter also donated \$25 toward the fund needed in the campaign against the bills.

## FAVORITISM ABSENT IN HONOLULU VOTE

Result Shows Second Generation Does Not Vote Only on Racial Grounds

HONOLULU, T.H.—Japanese-American citizens do not necessarily vote for members of their race in public elections, it was conclusively proved here at a recent election. The fact was brought out this month as George M. Eguchi, Republican candidate, was defeated in a special election to fill a vacancy in the house of representatives from the 5th district.

Charles H. K. Holt, Democrat, defeated the second generation candidate by 236 votes. Holt polled 5,042 votes. Eguchi received 4,806. The election was held to fill the seat left vacant by the late Rep. James A. Hattie.

#### Makes Good Showing

Eguchi's showing against Holt, regarded as the strongest Democratic candidate available in the 5th district, was hailed by Republicans as an indication of growing G.O.P. strength in a Democratic stronghold.

Observers believe the tide of the election was turned when second generation Japanese merchants threw their support toward Holt. In a secret meeting on the eve of the election, the Japanese-Americans decided to back Holt because of his stand on certain tax legislation.

#### Transport Voters

The merchants of Japanese ancestry called themselves the Association for the Retention of the Present Tax Laws. Holt announced a platform of opposing the administration's gross income tax measure.

The businessmen mobilized a fleet of automobiles to transport Democratic voters to polling booths both in the city and in rural precincts.

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## SPEAKERS' BUREAU FORMED TO SPREAD JACL INFORMATION

Dr. M.M. Hori in Charge of Newly Organized Group; Deputation Tours to Districts are Arranged

### MOVEMENT VALUE SEEN

LOS ANGELES—With the purpose of disseminating information concerning the JACL and the citizens' movement, a speakers' bureau was established by the local chapter this month. Dr. M.M. Hori is in charge of the bureau and has enlisted the aid of leading second generation speakers in the Southland.

"The problem of disseminating correct information to second generation and to American communities alike is of great importance," stated Hori. "It is our aim to present the real situation before as many groups as possible."

Stepping right into their work, Hori has arranged deputation tours to many sections, both for Japanese and American audiences.

Dr. Hori and Kiyoshi Okura presented talks before the Hollywood Democratic club which were received favorably. Kay Sugahara, president of the Los Angeles JACL, Frank Sakamoto, peppery JACL member, and Gongoro Nakamura of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce spoke before a large group at the Ninth street Market.

The response to these speakers has proved to JACL leaders the value and necessity of spreading information concerning the Citizens' League. Plans are being made to send speakers to many other sections to outline the work and activities of the League.

## San Luis Obispo Head Names Committeemen

#### By Masatoshi Kurada

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif.—Appointment of committee members to aid in the advancement of the local chapter of the JACL was the main feature of a meeting held early this month.

Mrs. Kofuji Fukunaga, president of the local group, expressed her gratitude for the support of the members in putting over the recent benefit show. Five dollars is to be donated from the club treasury to the Children's Home in Los Angeles.

#### Delegate Gives Report

Tom Nakaji, who represented the chapter at the district council meeting in Los Angeles, explained the importance of the anti-alien bills in the state legislature. Petitions were issued to be circulated by members.

Alfred Aoki and Shizuko Inao, new members, were introduced to club members. It was also decided to have the JACL sponsor dancing lessons to aid the members in getting to know each other better.

#### Committees Named

Following are committees appointed by Mrs. Fukunaga:

PROGRAM—Masaji Eto, Toshiko Inao, Ben Fuchiaki, Masatoshi Kurada, Fred Takagi, Henry Tanaka, Ben Fujinaga.

SOCIAL—George Horiuchi, Kaoru Mizutani, Masako Saruwatari, Hakaru Taku, Tomoye Tanaka, Margaret Yoshino, Tsutomu Shigemura.

ENTERTAINMENT—Betty Ando, Imao Hori, R. Hirashima, George Sameshima, Helen Tanaka, Masaharu Yoshino, Shigeru Shigemura.

MUSIC—Alfred Aoki, Masayoshi Maruyama, Stone Saruwatari.

WELFARE—Kiyoshi Hiroshige, Shigeru Imokawa, Tom Nakaji, Yutaka Tanaka, Jimmy Ando, George Fukunaga.

## Second Generation Writers' Progress is Seen This Month

Second generation literary and artistic endeavors took more steps forward this month.

Miss Toyo Suyemoto, well-known second generation poetess and editor of the Sacramento Junior College anthology was notified that two of her poems were accepted by "First the Blade", an anthology of creations of California college students. The publication is being put out this year by the Santa Ana Junior College.

Kimio Obata of the University of California was re-appointed art editor of the Daily Californian, University publication, at the semi-annual appointment banquet recently.

The second issue of "Leaves", a quarterly literary magazine, published by The Writers, a second generation group in Los Angeles, also made its appearance.

## S.F. CHAPTER PLANS STUDENT RECEPTION

Dr. Hirota Announces Plans to Welcome Delegation Here from Japan in August

SAN FRANCISCO—Plans will soon get under way for a special entertainment and reception to be sponsored by the local JACL late in August for some fifty members of the Japan-America Students' conference. The announcement was made by Dr. Carl Hirota, president, at the monthly forum meeting of the chapter.

The students are a portion of the delegation from Japan to the second conference, to be held this year on the Reed College campus in Portland, Oregon. After the confab in mid-July, the students are expected in the Bay Region on a good will tour.

The San Francisco JACL joins with various other organizations in planning the entertainment for the English-speaking students.

#### Kido, Murayama Speak

Saburo Kido, national executive secretary, and Tamotsu Murayama, well known newspaperman, spoke on various aspects of the anti-alien legislation, pointing out the part the national JACL had in keeping down the legislation.

The local chapter is to undertake a drive to obtain signatures on petitions in protest to the alien bills. Members are aiming to surpass the mark of over a thousand names set by the San Jose chapter.

Dr. Kahn Uyeyama was in charge of the meeting.

## San Diego Discusses Calif. Anti-Alien Bills

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—Anti-alien land bills were discussed by the local JACL chapter at a special meeting early this month. President George Obayashi presented various matters concerning the bills to members. Petitions against the bills as released by national headquarters were circulated and over 200 signatures obtained.

Letters were sent by the chapter to assemblymen from this district now in Sacramento, calling their attention to the various discriminating bills pending.

## COMMODORE PERRY POST INDUCTED INTO NAT'L LEGION BODY

Only Japanese Post in U.S. Given Impressive Welcome; Iwanaga Heads Group of Fifty Veterans

### PLAN AUXILIARY GROUPS

LOS ANGELES—In what were said to be the most impressive ceremonies ever witnessed at the induction of a post in Los Angeles, the Commodore Perry Post, No. 525, composed of Japanese veterans who served in American forces during the World War was formally admitted to the national organization on the last night of the month.

Seventeenth District Commander John M. Gault formally presented the charter to the group. Commander Gault took an active interest in the Commodore Perry post from the time that its formation was first contemplated.

#### Only Japanese Group

It is the only Japanese American Legion post in the country. There are about fifty members in it. One other Oriental post, the Cathay Post in San Francisco, is composed of Chinese veterans who served in American forces during the War.

At the induction ceremonies held here the drum and bugle corps of the Japanese Boy Scout troop 379, acted as an escort of honor for the veterans. This troop was honored in January by being invited to be present at the White House on the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Boy Scout organization in the United States.

#### Iwanaga is Commander

The commander of the new post is Karl K. Iwanaga who has been the leader in forming the Commodore Perry Post. Other officers who were elected at a recent meeting are: 1st vice-commander, Kumao Sano; second vice-commander, Hitoshi Fukui; adjutant, Toraji Koseki; assistant adjutant, Matsuo Yokomizu; treasurer, Kinjo Ikeda; assistant treasurer, T. Todah; historian, Satoru Iida; judge advocate, Masao Igasaki; chaplain, J.K. Hayashi; executive committee, George Yagoro Kakeyama; Seiichi Nomura, Nobuichi Iwai, Harry Y. Ito, Keijiro Nagahiro, Mataemon Fukuda, Bunichi Iwanaga, Motosuke Irie, Umeshichi Yamabe, Kanichi Hayashi, Chosaku Higa and Makoto Kanemoto.

According to Commander Iwanaga, a women's auxiliary and junior members will be added to the organization soon. "With these groups we will be able to organize a body to be proud of," he said.

## Henry Ohye Planning Round-World Flight

LOS ANGELES—Henry Ohye, prominent JACL member and a licensed transport pilot, announced plans this month for a contemplated world flight. According to present plans, Ohye expects to start on his hop in May or June next year.

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## CHAPTERS TO HEAR VOCATIONAL ISSUES OF YOUNG PEOPLE

Puyallup, White River Chapters to Hold Joint Meeting; Saito Will Address Groups at Fife Gathering

### TO MAP STUDY PROGRAM

FIFE, Wash.—Problems faced by the second generation along vocational lines will be discussed at a joint meeting of the Puyallup valley and White River valley JACL chapters at the High school auditorium here on May 1.

With the second generation day near at hand, the vocational issue is regarded in an important light by leaders of these rural district chapters. Both Tom Iseri, White River JACL president, and Toru Kuramoto, Puyallup valley JACL head, consider the vocational problem especially important of solution in their respective districts and the joint session was planned in line with the recommendations made recently by the Northwest JACL board.

One of the speakers will be E.K. Saito, importer and exporter and prominent White River valley shipper, who recently returned from a visit to Japan.

#### Saito Strong Supporter

Mr. Saito is a strong supporter of the citizens' movement and upon his return from Japan expressed the hope the second generation would remain in the country of their birth. He is understood to believe the second generation have a larger field of enterprise in this country as genuine pioneers than in the land of their parents.

Mr. Saito is known as one of the Northwest's leading shippers and packers of vegetables. He is also known as an authority on agricultural matters.

Another speaker on the program is to be James Y. Sakamoto, of Seattle who is expected to discuss the vocational problems as they confront the younger generation.

#### Chapters Take Lead

The two chapters through the joint meeting are taking the lead in arousing greater interest on the vocational subject.

Through this first discussion on the subject, both chapters will map a program for future study of the problem. It will generally be mapped under a policy of second generation vocational guidance with emphasis to be laid on a study of agricultural trends.

Following the meeting the members and the public who will attend will hold a rally meeting to be featured with a social and party.

## Washington Township to Aid in Fair in July

CENTERVILLE, Calif.—The Washington Township JACL will be one of the sponsoring organizations in behalf of the Japanese residents of this district in the Washington Township Fair to be held in July, it was decided recently.

Local officials appointed the following to work on details: Albert Hirota, floats; Noboru Kawashima, kendo and sumo; Kiku and Shizu Hamamoto, flower arrangement exhibitions; Masako Sakaki, odori.

Harry Konda, Tom Kitashima, Nori Nagai, Albert Hirota, Noboru Nakashima, Masako Hirabayashi, and Mrs. Tsurue Ogawa have been active in circulating the petitions issued by national headquarters protesting the anti-alien land bills in the state assembly.

## VETERANS' BILL

(Continued from P. 2, Col. 5) by a new certificate bearing date of original certificate upon compliance with the provisions of section 32 (a) of the Act of June 29, 1906, as amended.

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## Kenko Nogaki Sells Program Ducats to Seattle Police Chief

SEATTLE, Wash.—Even the chief of police is backing the local JACL in its drive to raise funds for the coming fourth biennial national convention to be held here next year.

W.B. Kirtley, chief of police, purchased ten tickets to the League's entertainment held late this month to start the ball rolling for the funds campaign.

But it took little Miss Kenko Nogaki to put over the sale. Miss Nogaki is at present corresponding secretary of the chapter and sister of President Takeo Nogaki. Chief Kirtley wouldn't say, but it is believed Kenko's dazzling smile had plenty to do with the sale.

## APPLIES TO REGAIN U.S. CITIZEN RIGHTS

Mrs. Nobuo Inagami of Spokane Applies to Get Back Citizenship Under Cable Law

SPOKANE, Wash.—Mrs. Nobuo Inagami, attractive second-generation woman, became the first of her race to apply in this city to regain American citizenship lost through marriage to a Japanese alien.

Mrs. Inagami was born in Hawaii and in 1925 was married to a Japanese born in Japan. Through this marriage to an alien ineligible to citizenship, she lost her rights as an American citizen, but through the 1931 Cable law amendment she is now privileged to regain her former status.

The application was made due to her desire to leave for Japan to bring back her Hawaiian-born children. The action will insure her re-entry into this country.

This is the first case on record in this country of a second-generation woman making application for the return of her citizenship.

The Japanese-American Citizens' league was instrumental in having the Cable law amendment passed.

## Cal. Peninsula District to Join JACL Chapter

REDWOOD CITY, Calif.—First steps in the organization of a JACL chapter in the Peninsula district will be taken on May 1 here when a committee under the chairmanship of Saiki Muneno, the Pescadero cowboy, will draft a constitution.

The move was given impetus this month when some 150 delegates gathered in San Francisco to hear JACL leaders explain the citizens' movement. Representatives from national headquarters were Saburo Kido, Tamotsu Murayama, Tosuke Yamasaki, George Machida.

The proposed chapters will include the peninsula area including districts such as Pescadero, Redwood City, Belmont, Menlo Park, San Mateo, Half Moon Bay, Palo Alto.

## Alameda JACL Group Circulates Petitions

By pazu Inouye

ALAMEDA, Calif.—Joining in the state-wide movement, the Alameda JACL met in the local Japanese association hall early this month to discuss the anti-alien bills in the state assembly.

Members have been busy circulating petitions against the discriminatory measures received from national headquarters.

Reports of the past district council meeting in San Francisco were given by Masayoshi Morino and James Maruyama.

The local chapter presented the second generation film, "Nisei Parade" at the M.E. church late last month.

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## SEATTLE CHAPTER SHOW OPENS DRIVE FOR NATIONAL MEET

Nakamura Directs Two-Night Show Featuring 1st, 2nd Generation Talent; Prominent Youths Dance

### NOGAKI PRAISES SUPPORT

SEATTLE—What was declared to be the most successful theatrical presentation given in the history of the local community was staged by the Seattle chapter of the Japanese-American Citizens' League at the Nippon Kan late this month. The program ran for two nights and was the longest and most varied ever staged here.

The show was put on to start the ball rolling for the fourth biennial national convention which is scheduled to be held here in 1936. "The success of the show indicates that convention plans are off to a flying start," declared Takeo Nogaki, chapter president.

#### Nakamura Directs

Tura Nakamura, premier second generation radio announcer in the Northwest and long active in JACL activities here, was in charge of the show. Welding the long program into a coherent whole was an eloquent tribute to his ability as a director, according to many members of the audiences who crowded the auditorium each night.

Both the first and second generations contributed their efforts to make the show a success. Both organizations and individuals contributed their talents to the show.

#### "Yasukibushi" Given

One of the features of the program was a yasukibushi dance in which prominent young second generation men appeared as the "chorus". The male "dancers" were Takeo Nogaki, Tom Yoshimura, Shiro Hashiguchi, Toshio Hoshide, Saburo Nishimura, Jackson Sonoda, Jiro Acki and Bill Hosokawa.

The two all-English features on the two-night bill were the Studio Revue which featured many of the artists who have appeared on the radio program sponsored each week by the Japanese-American Courier and excerpts from "Madame Butterfly" which were given by a second generation cast which also gave the number at the Garfield high school Funfest.

#### "Chushingura" Again

Again all-second generation girls cast gave excerpts from "Chushingura" the famous Japanese play of the forty-seven samurai. The girls recently went to Portland where they were warmly received by audiences there. Several shorter Japanese plays were also presented. President Nogaki said after the show, "I wish to thank all the entertainers, the enthusiastic audiences, and everyone else who helped to make the show the huge success that it was."

## Centra Costa Citizens Officially Inaugurated

CONCORD, Calif.—The Contra Costa JACL held its inauguration early this month at the Japanese language school here. The chapter is not yet officially a member of the national movement.

William Furuta is president. Other officers are June Toriyama, Katsumi Harano, vice presidents; Tsuneo Yamaguchi, recording secretary; Akiko Yamamoto, corresponding secretary; Yutaka Mitsunaga, treasurer; T. Horuchi, sergeant-at-arms; Kiyoshi Taira, chairman of the board of governors.

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## Terada, Tatsumi to Sell for Firms in White River Valley

AUBURN, Wash.—Two local second generation leaders identified themselves with prominent automotive companies here this month in solving their own vocational problems. Minoru Terada, former president of the Valley Civic league and at present a delegate to the Northwest council board is now with the Hawkins Chevrolet company.

Walter Tatsumi, Valley league official and for a time a resident in Los Angeles, has obtained a position with the Way Scarf Ford agency. Tatsumi and Terada are in the sales department of their firms but both are competent mechanics as they have studied in the East.

The two salesmen have a wide field in the Valley due to the large number of Japanese growers. Terada is also part owner of the East Valley garage.

## PUYALLUP CHAPTER HAS ANNUAL DINNER

Kuramoto Succeeds Yoshioka at Fourth Annual Banquet; Dancing is Held

TACOMA, Wash.—With a large crowd of local and Valley youths in attendance, the fourth annual banquet of the Puyallup valley chapter of the JACL was held at the Tacoma hotel here this month.

State Senator C. "Nifty" Garret was the principal speaker of the evening. He spoke on the work accomplished by the recent session of the state legislature.

Juro Yoshioka, northwest board delegate from the Puyallup chapter, presided at the banquet. The gathering served to introduce Toru Kuramoto, newly elected president of the Puyallup valley group. Kuramoto, long associated with the league, succeeded Yoshioka.

Members of the Northwest district council board were guests at the banquet. Dancing finished the evening.

## \$100,000 SOUGHT

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 5) any important undertakings of a statewide or nationwide scope, these funds would be used up immediately.

The importance of such a national fund was expressed by one League official who said, "Considered from all angles, a large endowment is absolutely necessary for national headquarters. Not only will it place the JACL movement on a sound basis, but it will also have the important psychological effect of making the members feel that they belong to something which is worthwhile, something which can accomplish things once it decided to undertake them."

"If the leaders keep up their courage and diligently plan for the future, the happy day may come when we shall be able to rejoice in the good news that our national headquarters has finally been placed on a sound basis."

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## WELFARE PROGRAM FAVORED AT BOARD MEET IN NORTHWEST

Chapters Will Follow Recommendations of Board; Rural Chapters Pondering Agricultural Problems

### MID-COLUMBIA INDUCTED

TACOMA, Wash.—A general welfare program for the second generation with particular emphasis being placed on the need for studying the vocational problem was favored by a meeting of the Northwest district council board of the Japanese-American Citizens' League held here this month.

It is believed that the work will be started with the second generation vocational study which is being planned. Each Northwest chapter will take up the study in accordance with the Northwest board's recommendations. Some of the major reports may be read at the coming district convention before the various committees.

#### Problem Important

Special emphasis was laid on the problem at this meeting because of the growing numbers of Americans of Japanese ancestry who are nearing and attaining maturity.

The rural chapters are laying special emphasis on agricultural issues. Attention is being focussed on these because of changing conditions on farms and because the first generation is gradually beginning to leave the fields. White River, Puyallup valley, Yakima and the newly organized Mid-Columbia chapters are those that are particularly interested in this aspect of the vocational problem.

#### Tacoma Ends Census

The Tacoma chapter reported at the board meeting that it had completed its census of the second generation in its district. The other chapters are expected to push the work on the census in their districts. The problems of education and employment are felt to be the most important in the city districts.

The Mid-Columbia chapter of Hood River valley in Oregon was officially inducted into the national organization at this meeting. The addition of this chapter gives the Northwest a total of seven chapters affiliated with the national organization.

SEATTLE—Mr. George Nakashima, second generation architect and world-traveller and formerly of this city passed through here on his return from Japan. Mr. Nakashima departed for Portland, Ore., to meet his parents who have moved to that city.

SEATTLE—Back for a short vacation, Taft Beppu, former Seattle athlete, returned home from his studies at Meiji University in Japan. Mr. Beppu is a popular crooner in Japan and has been featured in a number of recordings.

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