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## JACL CHAPTERS IN ACTION TO COMBAT PLAN FOR BOYCOTT

Northern California Council Adopts Resolutions; Topic Now Considered A Domestic Issue; Others Are In Line

### COMMITTEE IS ELECTED

SAN FRANCISCO—Now that the proposed boycott on Japanese-made goods, and Japanese services has taken on the aspect of a domestic issue, the Japanese American Citizens League has moved swiftly, and effectively. Two district councils, and various chapters have acted.

The Northern California Council at San Jose adopted strong resolutions and chose a committee to further the movement. The Northwest District Council at Portland took similar action. The Southern California District Council will meet soon.

#### Text Of Resolutions

The text of the Northern California resolutions follows:

WHEREAS, the Japanese residing in the United States have neither the responsibility nor the control over the Sino-Japanese conflict in the Far East, and

WHEREAS, any act or movement of boycott aimed against the Japanese in this country seriously jeopardizes the welfare of American citizens of Japanese ancestry as well as of their families residing in this country, and

WHEREAS, the Northern California District Council of the Japanese American Citizens League sincerely believes in the justice and fairness of the American public, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Northern California District Council of the Japanese American Citizens League appeals to the people of America to refrain from a private or organized movement to deprive the American citizens of Japanese ancestry and their families in this country of the means of earning their livelihood, through a boycott of Japanese services, enterprises or goods already in the hands of resident merchants.

#### Those On Committee

Saburo Kido, San Francisco delegate to the Council, was named chairman of the committee to implement the resolutions, and other members are Walter Tsukamoto, Sacramento; Dr. T.T. Yatabe, Fresno; Thomas Yego, Placer, and James Sugioka, San Benito. This committee is now working to carry out the purpose of the resolutions.

The next Northern California District Council meeting will be held in Sacramento, in February. At that session the nominating committee, appointed at San Jose, will make its report.

Several San Francisco American newspapers have assailed the boycott, and the frenzy apparently is abating.

## First Nisei Queen Of Los Angeles Is In State's Employ

LOS ANGELES—Score a mark for another second generation girl who won signal honors the past month and has taken her place in the business and public life of the State of California.

Miss Alice Watanabe was the first Nisei Festival Week queen. She is one of the leading young in southern California, and has long been active in social and civic affairs.

November 1, Miss Watanabe became the first second generation to join the staff of the Motor Vehicle Department of California.

## BOYCOTTS FAILURE, ASSERTS SUGAHARA

Elder Japanese Have Earned Right To Live Here; Young Are Citizens Of The Land

SAN FRANCISCO—The proposed boycott on Japanese-made goods and Japanese services in this country would not be a boon, but a boomerang, declared Kay Sugahara, Los Angeles second generation, in an address over the radio here November 12.

"We are just recovering from an economic depression," Sugahara said. "We are making an attempt to balance the budget. Why deprive our citizens of the opportunity to make a living when we are not certain of the facts in the Oriental crisis?"

"Must we call on our citizens to sacrifice some good things of life for an unsound cause?"

Sugahara pointed out that most of the elders have been on this coast 20 years, some more. Their labor has helped to turn the desert into a garden. They have supported civic undertakings such as the Community Chest drives, and in the late depression often contributed liberally to their more unfortunate neighbors.

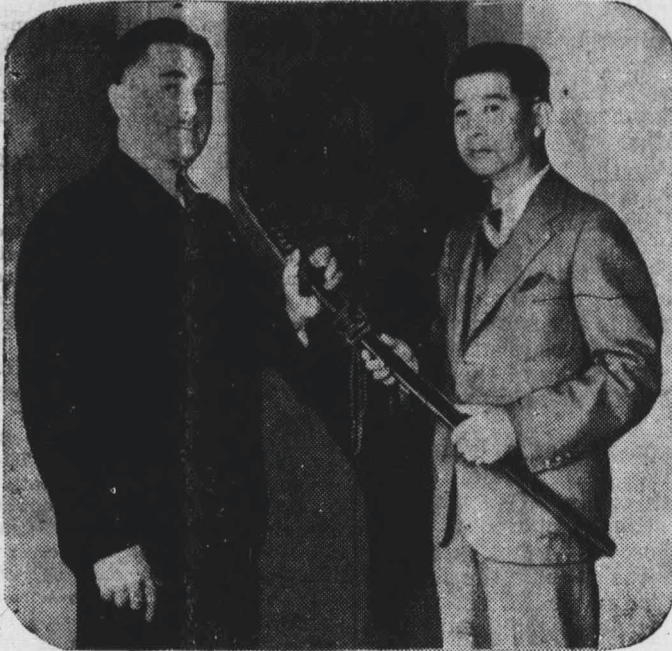
As to the young, Sugahara said, they are American citizens. With the aid of such organizations as the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars they have come to understand and appreciate American institutions. They have no part in the Oriental conflict and owe no allegiance save to the Stars and Stripes. He continued:

"To whom can the young appeal but to their American neighbors from whom they first learned of fair play and the American method of justice?"

"Boycotts fail to attain the end of stopping war. Boycotts harm the innocent merchants and American labor."

SEATTLE—The marriage of Miss Miyoko Mollie Iwasaki of Bryn Mawr to Mr. Hiroshi Watanabe of Fife was held at the St. Peters Mission on November 4

## Fresnans Honor Solon



Congressman Bertrand W. Gearhardt (left) is here shown receiving a rare old Japanese sword from Dr. T.T. Yatabe, at Fresno, presented on behalf of the national organization, in recognition of the congressman's assistance in obtaining from Congress passage of the Oriental Veterans' Bill.

## LOS ANGELES SEES THREE-WAY BATTLE

Dr. Horii, Tsurutani, Tanabe, Nominated To Make Bid In Balloting Set For Dec. 7

LOS ANGELES—With three leading second generations nominated for president of the local chapter for 1938 of the Japanese American Citizens League, a lively contest is forecast. The election is Dec. 7.

The nominees, selected by a committee of which Ken Matsumoto was chairman, are: Dr. Michael Horii, incumbent; Eiji Tanabe, unofficial spokesman for the Kibei, and Henry J. Tsurutani, who was chairman of the 1937 Nisei Week.

#### For Other Offices

Other nominations were: First vice president, Masao Igasaki and John Y. Maeno; second vice president, Alice Sumida and Clara Suski; third vice president, George Nakamoto; corresponding secretary, Michi Bessho; recording secretary, Charlotte Shimizu and Setsu Yamana; treasurer, George Morey; auditor, Clarence Arima and Henry Ishikawa.

Members-at-large, Robbin Kaneko, Mario Koizumi and Barney Sato (seventh market district); James Hisatomi and Ken Iino (ninth market district); Fred Muro (flower market district); Gerald Kobayashi and Dr. Toyo Shimizu (downtown district); Edward Inouye, Masao Nozawa and Shisaku Okamoto (Kibei division).

#### Policies Are Stated

The policies of the presidential nominees were obtained. Dr. Horii said he thought the financial problem was a more pressing one. He also urged closer co-operation with American patriotic societies.

Tanabe, the Kibei leader, said the big problem was caring for the 1938 convention, but there are several other vital problems to be considered. Tsurutani declined to announce his policy, but said the present administration was to be congratulated.

## Walnut Grove Derby Proves Big Success

WALNUT GROVE, Calif.—The third annual Delta Bass Derby sponsored by the local chapter was held November 7.

Because of the fine fishing reported along the Delta region, a record crowd participated. Many valuable prizes were given out, among which was the \$50 outboard motor and a silver trophy.

## TWO IN CALIFORNIA ARE GIVEN SWORDS

Gearhardt And Neron Presented With Symbols, In Gratitude For Helping Veterans

SAN FRANCISCO—Two Californians recently were presented with 400-year old, rare Japanese swords by the Japanese American Citizens League as a tribute to their support in obtaining passage by Congress of the Oriental Veterans' bill in 1934.

The two are Congressman Bertrand W. Gearhardt, at Fresno, and Edward J. Neron, former California state commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, at Sacramento.

The presentation to Congressman Gearhardt was made at a Sukiyaki banquet at the Fujimura Matsu-no Sushi Cafe. Dr. T.T. Yatabe, past national president, officiated.

Fred Hirasuna was toastmaster. Guests included Mayor H.A. Homan, state senators and assemblymen, representatives of military organizations and the bar, and two World War veterans, S. Hata, and K. Fujioka. The American and Japanese press were represented.

Speakers included President Thomas Nakamura of the Fresno chapter, and Dr. Yatabe. Following the ceremonies a program of entertainment was given, under the direction of Shig Yamaguchi.

The presentation to Mr. Neron at Sacramento was made at a testimonial dinner, sponsored by the Sacramento chapter of the JACL. Dr. J. Muramoto was chairman. The presentation was made by Walter Tsukamoto, national executive secretary.

## JAPANESE SERVANTS, ONE VETERAN, ARE REWARDED IN EMPLOYERS' WILL

SEATTLE—For long and faithful service, a group of Japanese in this vicinity, one of them a World War veteran, has been rewarded with substantial legacies in the will of the late W.E. Best, a Seattle capitalist.

The chief beneficiary is Makoto Kobukata, who was gardener and caretaker at Mr. Best's estate near Issaquah, Wash., for 20 years. The will, filed in Judge Frater's court, disclosed that he had been left a legacy of \$1,000.

Three children of the caretaker also are provided for in the will. They are Yuri, Kenneth and Ume. They were named in a trust fund, but the amount is not stated.

Minoru, the younger brother of Kobukata, was remembered with

## DEFINITE PROGRAM ON RACIAL ACCORD MADE FROM STUDY

Sponsorship Body, Along With Working Body, Suggested To Carry Out Plan; Methods Of Approach Also Are Framed

### PERSONAL TOUCH NEEDED

SEATTLE—Valuable contributions for the solution of problems of second-generation integration into American life, and the overcoming of racial prejudice, were made in a recent study course conducted at the University of Washington.

From the papers submitted by investigators, Prof. John A. Rade-maker, research assistant, sociology department, at the university, has made interesting summaries.

One paper submitted by William S. Gamble suggests the need of an organization to carry on the work. Another paper by Lois Andre and Harry J. Pedersen mentions specific method of approach.

Mr. Gamble tells of the need of a well-built organization to attain the ends sought. "We should," he argues, "get some large, well-established scientific organization to sponsor the establishment of a new organization whose purpose is to apply the solutions which seem helpful." He feels that the Institute of Pacific Relations might sponsor the move.

The writer points out that funds would be needed, and that cooperation with other organizations is needed. He also says that three branches of activity seem well recognized: Legislative, economic, and social or cultural.

#### Methods Are Suggested

Studies of vocational fitness and opportunity should be made, and special attention given to the attitude of white employers and customers.

Turning, now, to the suggestions made by Andre and Pedersen, we find that their methods fall into five specific fields, all of which offer a rich harvest. They are: Schools, churches, social functions, dwelling segregation, and labor.

Friendships begun in the lower grades in the schools should be cherished and cultivated, the investigators suggest. Also, it is seen as a possible means, to introduce courses to study dealing with the Pacific Basin—history. They suggest that both for commercial and cultural purposes, courses in Chinese and Japanese languages are more valuable than French, German or Spanish.

#### Problems In The Church

In-church circles it would be possible for the older Japanese to seek contact with Americans in a friendly way, and show them that Japanese people have a social and religious culture that would fit in well with American life.

To quote the investigators: "Social functions: How can we overcome our race prejudice evi-

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## RAT AND DOG EATERS, PAPER HOMES, KIDNAPERS, U.S. SLANTS ON JAPAN

LOS ANGELES—People in the midwest and eastern sections of the United States have amusing, as well as amazing, ideas about Japan and the Japanese. So found Namiji Itabashi, president of the Oriental Cultural Society of the University of Southern California, in a 15,000 mile good-will trip, that took him through 24 states.

At one place the people asked Itabashi if the Japanese people ate rats. He said Japanese didn't care much for them as a regular diet. Later someone asked if Japanese ate dogs, to which he replied that they neither ate hot nor cold dogs. Another inquirer wanted to know if the houses in Japan were all made of paper. He replied that the climate was too damp for such structures.

In Grand Fork, N.D., a man asked how long it would take to go from Tokyo to Shanghai—by rail? Still another man said he would like to visit Japan, but he feared he would be kidnaped. Itabashi told him that was a specialty of the Chinese, in late years.

Generally speaking, the traveler found the people hospitable, broad-minded and kindly, but their ideas about Japan were fantastic. There are several reasons for this, Itabashi ventures. First, the vastness of America puts people far away. And, in schools, much misinformation is given. Even the Encyclopedia Britannica uses an article on Japan that is a century old.

The reasons this situation exists, the traveler thinks, is that the Japanese have been lax in giving information about themselves and their country.

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## AIDING RECOGNITION

A course of study made at the University of Washington the past summer, looking to a program to allay racial prejudice and to make for more pleasant relations between the young and other Americans, has brought out some practical suggestions, which are set forth on another page of The Citizen.

Whether the conclusions reached by the investigators appeal to the young, is for them to say. At any rate, the students have produced suggestions that should be considered seriously.

As to the proposal that some existing, well-known body might sponsor an auxiliary that would have active charge, this is a matter for study. While it is not here suggested as a policy, it may be said that the League already is on friendly terms with such patriotic organizations as the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Daughters of the American Revolution. Some workable contact with these great bodies might be made.

The burden of the whole argument is that a better acquaintance by other Americans with the young will go far to wipe out such racial prejudice as now exists. Five points of approach are suggested. These are, schools, churches, social functions, dwelling segregation, and labor.

These fields seem well chosen. In the schools the fact to be considered is that the second generation and other Americans are at the formative age. Friendships may easily be established that will continue as both classes of children go out into the world. The investigators argue that the young will bear acquaintance, and in this we agree. In the churches, people are presumed to be actuated by a Christian spirit of forbearance. Other Americans presumably would be willing and eager to extend a helping hand to Japanese who seek only material and spiritual welfare. At social functions the young are perfectly capable of making themselves agreeable. In labor circles, it is pointed out, a more tolerant spirit already is being manifest. So, these suggested approaches seem workable.

## BOYCOTT A DOMESTIC ISSUE

While the controversy has raged in the Far East, the Japanese American Citizens League has steadfastly refused to be drawn into any argument about it officially. It was felt, in the first place, that actual facts were not fully at hand; secondly, the League is an American organization.

But when there arose in this country a clamor on the part of certain groups in favor of a boycott on Japanese-made goods, and Japanese services, that was another matter. There are several aspects of this suggestion that affect the second generation, of which the membership of the League is composed.

To again state a well-known fact, any movement against the parent generation would react on the second generation in a large degree. Thousands of our young are still dependent on their elders for support. To punish the elders would deprive them of the means of making provision for their children who are American citizens.

There are, of course, thousands of the young in business, and following professions of their own. As American citizens no boycott should be aimed at them. A movement against any Japanese would as a matter of fact be extended by thoughtless or uninformed Americans to many of the younger Japanese-American citizens.

When this boycott movement raised its head, then the League had a mission. This was the League's business. Now, that feeling is being manifest. The Northern California District Council has adopted a plain and vigorous resolution, and appointed a committee to represent its interests. The Northwest District Council also has taken similar action. The Southern California Council meets soon. Individual chapters are taking action along the same line.

There are indications that the boycott frenzy is subsiding, and it is to be hoped that it will subside further as the American public is better informed, as their sense of fair play and justice has an opportunity to express itself.

## GRACIOUS GESTURES

Two gracious gestures were extended recently in California by JAACL chapters on behalf of the national organization, to men who have proved valuable and sincere friends, which we feel will be approved by all. These events were the presentations to Congressman Bertrand W. Gearhardt at Fresno, and to Edward J. Neron, at Sacramento, former commander of the state Veterans of Foreign Wars, of rare old Japanese swords.

These gifts were made in appreciation of the assistance which these gentlemen extended in obtaining passage by Congress of the Oriental Veterans' Bill, giving citizenship to Orientals who served under the colors in the World War. Both events served, we believe to further strengthen the bonds of friendship between the two and the Japanese people. That the League members have friends of the standing and character of these men is a matter of congratulation.

Nor must we forget those four San Francisco business men who made possible these events, by providing the League with the swords.

## AMERICANISM DEFINED

Speaking on a joint Americanism Night program staged a few weeks ago by the Seattle JAACL chapter and the Lake Washington Post of the American Legion, Attorney John J. Sullivan, legionnaire, defined Americanism as follows: "Americanism is a code by which we must order our lives for national unity." This is a good definition of Americanism we pass on.

## ABOUT STOCKINGS

From The (Portland, Or.) News-Telegram

Judging from the way in which some of our limelight-seeking boys and girls are talking, one of the most entertaining bits of business this winter ought to be the attempt to persuade the American woman to stop wearing silk stockings in order that the "villainous Japanese" may be foiled of their designs on China.

From the shapely legs of American womanhood to the muddy battlefields of Shanghai may seem like a long jump. But there is a connection, spelled simply in one word: boycott.

The argument runs something like this:

Japan is making war on China in plain violation of all existing treaties. If one nation can treat another nation so, no nation is safe from the threats of force. America, accordingly, must do her part to restrain the Japanese.

But the Japanese don't restrain easily. They have, in fact, shrugged off all protests. And no American cares to see his country go to war to make the protests effective. There remains, then, only the boycott. If all lovers of peace and good will will stop buying Japanese goods, the Japanese will see the error of their ways and the dove of peace will flutter once more over war-ravaged China.

Yes, that's the argument of those who seek the limelight at the least provocation. All of which brings us back to silk stockings.

Japan's principal export to this country is silk. If we are going to boycott Japan, as the "friends of China" want us to, we have to stop buying silk. And if we are going to stop buying silk, we somehow have to persuade the American woman to encase her nether limbs in something besides silk stockings—in lisle, in rayon, or, perhaps, in the plain, old-time cotton articles.

And that, when you stop to think about it, is going to be something of a job. Never has there been a country as leg-conscious as modern America. The American woman, you might say, struggled for generations to win recognition of her right to wear silk hose day in and day out, regardless of her station in life. Anyone who imagines that she is readily going to surrender that right, even for a noble and altruistic cause, may well have another guess coming.

All of which compels one to wonder just how effective these international boycotts—talked of so freely, these days—are ever going to be.

There seems to be a school of thought which would substitute the boycott for war, which would make of it a padded club by which an erring nation may be clubbed bloodlessly back into good behavior. On paper it is all very simple. In actual practice it may be quite different.

We buy goods in international trade, not because we admire the people who make them, but because we like to have the goods. It would take deep and strong emotion, stirred by blood-chilling propaganda, to make such boycotts successful.

Ask yourselves this question: Is our desire to see Japan restrained, for instance, quite as sincere and universal as our wish to have the American woman continue to wear silk hose?

Maybe it is. If so—watch out, Japan. But then again, maybe it isn't—and we know it isn't. So let's not waste our time talking about boycotts.

## RADEMAKER

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denced at dances, roller-skating parties, and other affairs? By beginning with each individual. Once we can look at a Japanese as a human being, we will soon be having the Japanese at our parties and liking them for their almost incredible sense of humor and for their appreciation of the really fine things in life."

## Better Homes Problem

The problem of dwelling segregation is a serious one, the students found, and creates an unfair problem for the Japanese. They have not been permitted generally to live

## Down Main Street

LOS ANGELES—Bidding farewell to one of its members, the local Bussei Squires' Club held a party honoring Mr. Thomas Kamikawa who departed for Fresno early this month. The Squires' Club is composed of young bachelors.

LOS ANGELES—The wedding of Evelyn Nakai and Mr. Joseph Shizue Itano was held at the Nichiren mission on Sunday, November 14. The marriage ceremony was followed with a reception at the Manchu Low Cafe.

The matron of honor was Mrs. Mark Miyamoto and the bridesmaids, were the Misses Kay Hitomi, Nobu Bessho, Lily Itano and Lily Oga. The best man was Mr. Masao Itano, while the ushers were, the messrs Joe Ito, Roy Sato, Frank Kito and Ken Osaka.

SACRAMENTO—Another second generation joined the rank of young pharmacists here this month. He is Masaru Masuoka of Los Angeles where he taught a Sunday school at the St. Mary's Episcopal church.

GARDINA—One of Gardina's well known second generation girls to become married this month was Miss Mae Tamada. She became the wife of Mr. Edward Itatomi, at the Los Angeles Christian church on Saturday, November 20. Following the wedding a reception was held at the Manchu Low Cafe.

Those attending the bride were Miss Kathleen Kobata as maid of honor and the Misses, Chiyeko and Yuriko Umekubo and Hajime Watanabe as bridesmaids.

OAKLAND—In one of the principal attractions, a quartet was featured on the benefit program for the local Japanese M.E. church.

The quartet was composed of Goro Suzuki, who won the national JAACL oratorical contest in 1934 at San Francisco Toyo Utsumi, Jun Kitamura, Jiro Hirano, with Hachiro Yuasa as pianist.

CALDWELL, Ida.—The engagement of Miss Martha Uyematsu, well known local second generation girl, to Mr. George Nishitani, formerly of Seattle, was announced at a party November 11. Among those present were Mr. Hiromu Nishitani, elder brother of Mr. Nishitani, and Mrs. Nishitani, who came here for the announcement.

Both are active members of the Idaho Committee of the JAACL, Miss Uyematsu being the secretary and Mr. Nishitani the president.

SAN FRANCISCO—The marriage of Miss Nao Oka of this city to Mr. Yoichi Moriya was announced here this month. Mr. Moriya is associated with the Kinmon Press of this city.

STOCKTON—The Europa Chop Suey Inn is the new establishment opened here by four local second generation businessmen. The four owners are: Dr. H. Kanagawa, Kenneth Hattori, Frank Tanihara and George Suzuki.

The grand opening was featured with a dance at the new establishment.

SAN FRANCISCO—Mrs. Lloyd Enomoto and her small son, Roland, were visitors here early this month. Following a several days' visit they departed for their home in Los Angeles.

SEATTLE—The marriage of Miss Lily Morio to Mr. Bain Chiba of this city was held at the Japanese Presbyterian Church on November 14.

The maid of honor was Miss Martha Higashida and the bridesmaid, Miss Mary Shimojima of Portland. The best man was Mr. Thomas Iriye.

SEATTLE—The engagement of Miss Masako Obazawa to Mr. Richard Nomura, well known local JAACL member, was announced this month.

## Language Schools Don't Menace Loyalty

By Samuel Wilder King

(Delegate to Congress from Hawaii)

The Japanese language schools are in an expression of the effort of the parents to retain some cultural contacts with their children. They will shrink in numbers and influence when the next generation of Japanese begins to be of school age, as the parents then can talk to their children in the English language.

The matter of dual citizenship has been greatly exaggerated into a test of American loyalty. The Japanese government claims jurisdiction over people of Japanese race, regardless of nativity.

So did Germany at one time, and so does Italy today. Quite recently, the latter has impressed into military service in Italy naturalized Americans of Italian blood.

## Many Renouncing It

The governments making such rules do not ask the consent of the persons so claimed. However, the agitation over the matter has caused Japan to simplify the process of expatriation, and the Hawaiian-born Japanese are rapidly renouncing the allegiance imposed upon them without their consent, in order to show their undivided loyalty to the United States.

While all these facts, showing the trend of thought of the young Japanese in Hawaii, it is sometimes still maintained that at heart they cannot become good Americans. In other

in the better residential districts, even when financially able to do so, Even when they do settle in the better district there is a tendency to not receive them socially.

"Such acceptance," say the investigators, "is hard to bring about, but it can be secured in time by having economically-able families introduced into exclusive neighborhoods under the sponsorship of leading white families who are economically related to a high degree with Japanese trade."

Discrimination in labor circles still obtains, but progress is being made, and further results may be attained by tactful relations.

words, they are, in their thousands, to rise superior to the great influence of environment and birth, of education and culture, and give lip service to America while serving Japan. One has but to state the argument to see its absurdity.

## Change Is Suggested

As the only effective means of expressing public opinion is through government and its policies, those who doubt the Americanization of the Japanese believe Hawaii's limited degree of self-government should be further abrogated. It is difficult to see how such a step would encourage loyalty among our non-Caucasian citizens, and it would be an astonishing step to disenfranchise, even in part, some 80,000 Caucasians and 50,000 Hawaiians, through doubt as to what some 70,000 Japanese, the great majority still infants, might do with the ballot, particularly when the whole of Hawaii is so thoroughly constrained by the limitation of the constitution, the organic act and the laws of the United States.

It is rather far fetched to assume that no Hawaiian-born Japanese whose parents possibly have lived here 30 years or more, and who has himself spent the entire formative period of his life under American influences, can be any less an American than a naturalized immigrant whose residence may have been the briefest allowed by law.

## King Has No Fear

For myself, from a fairly wide acquaintance among Japanese since childhood, I am convinced they are and will continue to be good Americans.

Those closest in contact with them, among whom there are many able men of mainland origin, have no doubt as to their intense desire to fit themselves for American citizenship, nor as to their entire loyalty to the United States.

Hawaii knows its own problems best, has done a great deal to work them out, and needs only time and patience to solve them satisfactorily to the people of America.

## WELFARE BOARD TO ASSIST YOUNG FOLK IN SAN FRANCISCO

Speakers Bureau Organized To Combat Propaganda That Is Affecting The Lives Of All In The Region Around Bay

### FAIR PLAY IS DEMANDED

SAN FRANCISCO—To direct local action in public welfare matters, the board of governors of the San Francisco Japanese American Citizens League formed a Citizens Welfare Committee early this month.

The committee, which was formed following the suggestion recently made by James Y. Sakamoto, national president, includes five former presidents of the local chapter. They are: Saburo Kido, Dr. T. Hayashi, Dr. Henry Takahashi, Dr. Carl Hirota and Dr. Kahn Ueyeyama.

Other members of the committee are: Mikio Fujimoto, president; Dr. Kazue Togasaki, Teiko Ishida, Yasuo Abiko, board members. The committee also includes Scotty Tsuchiya, Saburo Matsumoto, James Nishimura, Taki Domoto Jr., and Susumu Togasaki.

### Forms Speakers' Bureau

At the meeting held on November 10, the welfare committee agreed to organize a Speakers' Bureau. The bureau was organized as a means of protecting interests which are imperiled by anti-Japanese propaganda.

The bureau will send out speakers to address the Northern California groups, stressing the point that young interests in America are endangered by U.S. boycotts against Japan.

A resolution asking for "fair play" from Americans will be framed by Dr. Tokutaro Hayashi, Taki Domoto and Saburo Kido.

### Guests At The Dinner

Among those attending the dinner meeting were: Dr. Teru Togasaki, Teiko Ishida, Dr. Tokutaro Hayashi, Dr. Kahn Ueyeyama, Dr. Carl Hirota, Dr. Henry Takahashi, Sim Togasaki, Scotty Tsuchiya, Taki Domoto, George Matsumoto and Yasuo Abiko. Kido was chairman.

The San Francisco chapter will relinquish the headquarter building at 1737 Sutter Street from November 30, it was decided by the board. Plans to honor Mitsushige Hosaka, owner of the building, for its use during the past year.

It was also announced that the JACL chapter raised \$37 for the Community Chest.

## Feminist Tells Of Japan's Intention

SAN FRANCISCO—Mme. Waka Yamada, Japanese feminist and contributor to the women's journal "Shufu no Tomo" told a crowd of more than 500, who gathered here recently to hear her speak, that Japan is returning civilization to China.

Mme. Yamada declared that the Japanese people are appreciative of the culture they have derived from China, and that in time China will be grateful for Japan's efforts to return the culture.

She declared that her women's organization in Japan has been active and successful in obtaining government support for families whose fathers and sons have been called to the colors.

## Dr. Togasaki Takes Sacramento Office

SAN FRANCISCO—Dr. Teru Togasaki, a recent graduate of the University of California who returned to this city from the East early this month, took over the offices of Dr. Yoshimichi Kitsuda in Sacramento beginning November 15.

Dr. Togasaki, who is a younger sister of Dr. Kazue Togasaki of San Francisco, visited many well-known medical centers during her recent trip through the East.

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## Younger Generation Stresses Peace In Armistice Marching

SAN FRANCISCO—Fifteen representatives of the second generation marched here in the Armistice Day parade. They were members of various San Francisco churches, and marched with the San Francisco Christian Church Federation peace division.

The group displayed three banners emphasizing the peace theme.

"Military and semi-military organizations have dominated every previous Armistice Day parade", Bill Meyer, committee head of the peace group declared. "This is the first time that a group has stressed peace and world brotherhood in the annual celebration."

## JAPANESE PRODUCE MEN SHY AT RAISE

Merchants Fear Growers Not Able To Shoulder Increased Commission As Is Proposed

LOS ANGELES—Because they believed the Japanese growers were not in the position to pay the increase in commission, local Japanese wholesale produce merchants faced a perplexing problem of whether to comply with the requests of American and Chinese produce dealers to raise the commission by 3 percent.

The American group approached the Japanese dealers with the proposal for the raise, stating that union wages and conditions necessitated the raise to meet rising expenses.

Two meetings have been held by the Japanese group so far, one on the 3rd and another on the 5th of this month, but so far no solution has been reached.

The Japanese expressed their desire to co-operate with the other dealers, but, they state Japanese growers were not in the position to pay the increase in commission.

The plan of the American group to raise the rate which is 12 percent to 15 percent, by themselves was balked because all business under such plan will fall into the hands of the Japanese dealers.

The leaders of the Japanese group hope that a favorable settlement will be made in the near future, but at present they are at loss as to which way to turn.

## Second Generation Teacher Is Popular

HOUSTON, Texas—One of the popular teachers at the Burbank Junior High School here is a second generation girl, Miss Ilise Iio, an instructor in typing.

Miss Iio has been teaching since her graduation from Jefferson Davis high in 1929. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. Iio, prominent Houston vegetable grower.

Another nisei instructor in a Texas school is Susumu Hisatomi, former Japanese language school teacher at Alameda, California. Hisatomi, who is making a special study on cotton growing, is an instructor on part-time basis at an agricultural college in Bryantown, Texas.

## Japanese Farmers Get Convention Bid

MODESTO, Calif.—Japanese farmers were invited to attend the annual statewide convention of the California Federation of Farmers held here from November 14.

Improving of the tomato regulation plan and the question of lug boxes were considered at the convention.

## Memorial To Honor Japanese Who Died

LOS ANGELES—A memorial tower in honor of Japanese residents who died in this country will be unveiled at the Evergreen Cemetery, here, November 28.

Christian, Buddhist and Shinto rites will be observed during the unveiling of the monument which will have an inscription written by Hiroshi Saito, Japan's ambassador to this country.

## CALIFORNIA WOMEN AT UNIVERSITY TO TRY FOR QUARTERS

Alumnae Are Studying Better Ways To Obtain Property On Which To Build; Tea Is Held, And Plans Were Discussed

### EXECUTIVE BOARD NAMED

BERKELEY, Calif.—Taking a step closer to the realization of a dream of the University of California Japanese women students of the past decade for a club house and dormitory, the U.C. alumnae are studying plans by a suitable property for the structure.

An executive board and representatives from every graduating class from 1930 to the present time will be in charge of the building project.

In order to obtain the views of the older Japanese on the venture, a Mothers' tea was held at the Westminster House.

The six members elected to the executive board are: Dr. Kazue Togasaki, Mrs. Grace Ueyeyama, Mrs. Barbara Takahashi, Tomi Domoto, Anna Saito and Florence Kimura.

Members selected as representatives of classes were: Shizu Hiko-yeda, 1930; Yaye Togasaki, 1931; Shizu Ohara, 1932; Tazi Domoto, 1933; Blossom Fujita and Aya Ohara, 1934; Yuri Domoto and Margaret Saito, 1935; Masa Sato, 1936; and Ayame Ichiyasu, 1937.

Methods of raising the required sum for the actual purchasing of the property and other important matters were discussed at the meeting of the alumnae which was held on Wednesday, November 17, at the Westminster house.

## Nakazawa Tells Of Far Eastern Clash

SAN DIEGO—Stating the real issues behind the present Sino-Japanese conflict, Prof. Ken Nakazawa of U.S.C., spoke before the gathering sponsored by the local JACL chapter November 5 at the Buddhist temple.

Sam Fujita, vice-president of the chapter, presented the speaker, who delivered his lecture both in Japanese and English.

Preceding the meeting Professor Nakazawa was feted by local leaders at the Poppy Cafe. Members of the Japanese Association and the JACL cabinets were present. George Ohashi, president of the JACL, presided at the dinner.

## Los Angeles Young In Armistice Parade

LOS ANGELES—Approximately 80 members of the Japanese Perry Post of the American Legion and non-member legionnaires participated in the annual Armistice Day parade, Tuesday morning, November 11.

Japanese legionnaires assembled first at the Daishi Mission before proceeding to the parade's starting point on Broadway at Pico.

## Nisei Week Helpers Honored By Chapter

LOS ANGELES—Participants in the recent Nisei Festival Week activities were feted by the Los Angeles JACL with a social at the International Institute on Friday, November 12.

Alice Sumida, vice-president and social chairman, made the preparations. Kay Inana took charge of the games. Dancing was enjoyed by all. Light refreshments were served.

## Testimonial Dinner Will Honor Parents

LOS ANGELES—What promises to be a testimonial banquet in appreciation of the educational work by local American teachers will be held by Japanese parents here November 30.

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## Chinatown Goes Up In Smoke; Japanese Help Quell Flames

WALNUT GROVE, Calif.—The local second generation was praised here for their alert aid in putting out the disastrous fire which spread through Chinatown and destroyed ten Japanese establishments.

Refugees are being cared for by Japanese residents who have contributed a large sum for their relief. Chinese and Japanese families mingled at the emergency soup kitchens which were set up by Japanese women.

## NISEI FARMERS TO ASK ORGANIZATION

Combination Of Growers Held Needed In Order That They May Obtain Pay For Labors

STANTON, Calif.—With studying agricultural problems as its main purpose, organization of a Nisei Farmers' Club was discussed at a meeting held early this month with Clarence Nishizu as temporary chairman.

An organization committee to canvass the various districts for members was named. The committee includes: Joe Ishii, Talbert; Henry Kanegae, Santa Ana and Garden Grove; Yoshiki Yoshida, Irvine; George Inokuchi, Costa Mesa; Yoshio Mori, Stanton; Jim Sakamoto, Buena Park; Paul Dobashi, Anaheim, Fullerton and Yorba Linda; Mr. Matoba, Laguna Park.

Visitors and speakers at the meeting were Jimmy Yoshinobu, president of the Central Nisei Farm Cooperative; Roy Kawamoto, executive secretary; Toshi Shimizu and Mr. Muraoka.

The possibility of organizing the Nisei Farmers' group was suggested by Yoshinobu, who was the main speaker of the evening.

All second generation farmers of Orange county were invited to attend the second meeting which was held on Monday, November 15, at the Garden Grove Gakuen hall.

Further plans of organization of the club was discussed at the meeting.

## Tsukamoto Talks On Problems Of Youth

SACRAMENTO—Problems facing the second generation was the subject of a talk by Walter T. Tsukamoto, national JACL executive secretary, before a Japanese High School Students' Club at the Sakura Gakuen, here, recently.

Tsukamoto emphasized the need of more second generation participating in civic activities. Through such participation, he said, new avenues of endeavor as well as opportunities will be opened to the young.

Touching on the JACL program, Tsukamoto declared the national organization was making every effort toward aiding the young in solving the vocational and social problems that face them.

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## SOUTH CALIFORNIA MAKING PLANS FOR COUNCIL'S SESSION

Program Will Be Outlined To Greet Delegates; Orange Is Represented At Armistice Day Parade At Fullerton

SANTA ANA, Calif.—Preparations are under way for the Southern California District JACL Council meeting which is to be held Sunday, December 12, at the Buena Park Women's clubhouse, it was announced by Hatsumi Yamada, president of the local host chapter.

The tentative program for the one-day session will include a morning assembly from 9 to 12 o'clock, luncheon from 12 to 1 p.m., an afternoon assembly from 1 to 4 o'clock and a social from 7 p.m. to midnight.

The Orange County chapter entered a float in the County's annual Armistice Day Parade which was held at Fullerton.

### Nominating Committee

For the first time in the history of the local chapter, an all-female nominating committee was appointed at the recent meeting.

Headed by Haruye Yoshida, executive secretary, the committee includes Ruth Nishizu, Yuki Kitasaki, Kimie Matsukane, Lois Inokuchi, Annabelle Shiba, Toshiko Furuta and Chizuyo Imoto.

Selections of candidates for the 1938 cabinet were to have been made at a meeting held at the home of Mrs. Hayden in Liberty Park on Tuesday, November 16, at 7 p.m.

### Joint Meeting Held

An invitation to participate in the joint meeting with the Bay District JACL on November 26 was accepted by President Yamada. The meeting was held at the Santa Monica Y.W.C.A.

## Eden Township JACL Will Stage Benefit

HAYWARD, Calif.—A benefit program consisting of three plays will be presented on December 11 by the Eden Township JACL either at the John Muir or the Bret Harte Grammar school.

A one-act comedy, "It's a Gift", written by Richard L. Melville will be featured along with two Japanese plays, "Sho Shu Sei" and "Shinpei Koshin". The Japanese plays are being directed by M. Abe of San Leandro.

Several dance and musical numbers are also planned.

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## NORTHWEST LEAGUE CHAPTERS TOLD TO SEEK FOR WELFARE

**Citizens Workers Committees Will Be Organized To Keep Program Going; Later Young Make Action Necessary Now**

### VOTERS SHOULD REGISTER

PORTLAND—Immediate action in the social, economic and civic welfare fields was proposed by the Northwest District Council of the Japanese American Citizens League, which met here the first of the month. It was decided to carry into effect as soon as possible the recommendations made at the Labor Day convention at Yakima.

The Council urged the organization in the various chapters of a Citizens Welfare Committee.

National President James Y. Sakamoto said that a civic welfare plan had been considered by the national officers, and that steps soon would be taken to carry the project into effect.

Leaders at the Council meeting pointed out that each year more and more of the second generation are attaining majority. They are faced with the problem of making a living and taking their places in the American life. It was suggested that a plan of vocational training would do much to aid these young folk.

The problem of juvenile delinquency was considered earnestly by the Council. Programs are being carried on to stress the need of wholesome home life, good citizenship, and education. Juvenile delinquency is low among second generation, and the League wishes to keep it so.

Important items in the program adopted at the Yakima convention are registration of the young of voting age; for the establishment of a council to keep in touch with the public, and for further co-operation with the American community. The Council approved these.

The national endowment fund was indorsed, and the Council will do what it can to aid the undertaking.

## Girls Group Holds Dance At Portland

PORTLAND—The Girls' Cultural Guild annual fall dance was held here Saturday, Nov. 27. Those who served on the committee in charge of the affair were:

Charlotte Kurata, chairman; Yoshiko Morita, hall; Hideko Kokubu, orchestra; Mary Sakamoto, tickets; Ruby Kanaya, and Ayame Tamiyasu, refreshments; Haru Okazaki, check room; Asako Matsuda, gate.

The Senior and Junior Epworth League sponsored a rally dinner November 21 to raise funds for those attending the YPCC in Seattle.

A joint meeting between the Epworth League and the Waverly Heights Church League was held November 14. The affair took place at the Japanese Methodist Church, and the visitors were in charge.

## Bride-To-Be Guest Of Honor At Party

WAPATO, Wash.—The social highlight for the present season was marked here recently when several well known Yakima Valley second generation were honored at parties here.

Miss Taiko Honda, who will soon become the bride of Ichiro Yama of Toppenish, was honored at a shower given by the Misses Sono Kikuchi, Amy Matsushita and Shigemi Umemoto at the home of Miss Umemoto.

Miss Tazue Yama was the hostess at a dinner honoring Miss Honda, Mr. Yama and Mr. George Honda. Mr. Honda was married to Kazue Okamoto at Spokane on November 7.

## Boy Scout Receives High Honor Ranking

BELLINGHAM, Wash.—Tom Hiraki, of Troop No. 15 here, recently was awarded the highest honor at a meeting of the Court of Honor. He received the rank of Star Scout.

## Two Orientals At Washington U. Now Hold Fellowships

SEATTLE—Two well-known Orientals, students at the University of Washington, are holders of fellowships, it was disclosed here recently. They are Frank Miyamoto, American-born Japanese, and Ch'eng-K'un Cheng, who came here from China last year.

Miyamoto is a graduate of the University, and is now working for his master's degree. He is preparing a thesis on "A Study of the Japanese Community in Seattle."

Cheng is a graduate of Yenching University. He was a professor of sociology at the University of Amoy before leaving China. He is now teaching sociology 1 at the University of Washington.

## SEATTLE JAPANESE WIN IN FUND RACE

### Nipponese "Go Over Top" For 17th Consecutive Year, To Win Acclaim From the Result

SEATTLE—The first major organization to go "over the top" in the Seattle Community Fund drive was the Japanese Community, and the Victory was a subject of general comment. The goal was \$4,200, and a little more was raised.

This is the 17th consecutive year the Seattle Japanese Community has scored a victory. Incidentally, it was found that since the community began in 1921 to participate in the Chest drives, the total amount raised by it approximates \$100,000.

Buhei Nakasone, vice president of the local Japanese Association, was Colonel of the forces. He was assisted by 47 captains, all well-known civic leaders.

The morning after the community reported success, The Post-Intelligencer captioned the story with: "Japanese First In Fund Drive."

The Seattle Times in a news story while the drive was in progress said: "When small Buhei Nakasone, for three years a colonel of the Japanese team, steps up to the microphone each noon at the Chamber of Commerce to give his report, the workers know it will be a good one."

Following are the sums raised each year by the community: 1921, \$6,063.35; 1922, \$5,723.79; 1923, \$5,545.00; 1924, \$6,013.99; 1925, \$5,822.40; 1926, \$6,833.88; 1927, \$6,616.45; 1928, \$6,674.15; 1929, \$6,555.50; 1930, \$6,414.72; 1931, \$6,234.99; 1932, \$4,530.00; 1933, \$4,140.00; 1934, \$4,408.00; 1935, \$4,020.80; 1936, \$4,198.40; 1937, \$4,217.13.

## Schedule For YPCC Sessions Released

SEATTLE—The tentative program for the three-day session of the Northwest Japanese Young People's Christian Conference scheduled here the latter part of this month has been released by the officials of the organization.

The conference will open Friday morning, November 26, with a devotional service at the Japanese Women's Home. The forenoon schedule, which is for official delegates only, will be rounded out with a business meeting, a prayer circle and a luncheon.

On Friday afternoon registration of delegates will take place at St. Peter's Mission. A social will follow, and then the group will go by caravan to the University Christian Church where there will be a banquet, choir contest and a short drama.

The Sunday schedule will include devotionals, interest groups and pictures. Another banquet will be held at the University Church.

Open house will be held Sunday, with services at the church afterward.

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## SEATTLE CHAPTER PLANS DANCE FOR CONVENTION FUNDS

**Neat Sum Expected, That Will Be Used To Help Boosters Who May Go To Los Angeles; Boycott Discussed**

### BUDGET STUDY IS MADE

SEATTLE—As the opening event in the Seattle JACL chapter campaign to send a large delegation to the national convention in Los Angeles next year, a Thanksgiving Eve dance was arranged at Faurot's, for Wednesday evening, November 24. Nahoshi Kumagai was chairman of the committee.

Seattle chapter leaders feel that the Los Angeles convention will be of such importance that every possible second generation who can attend should do so. From the fund raised here booster delegates will be given assistance, where necessary.

**Budget To Be Studied**  
The finance committee, it was announced, soon will take up a study of finances, with a view of making a budget. A report will be submitted. Dr. Robert Higashida is committee chairman, assisted by Takeo Nogaki, Saburo Nishimura, Kimi Kozu and William Mimbu.

A further matter discussed at the last chapter meeting was the proposed public relations bureau, to further establish contact with American business men.

In line with other chapters, the Seattle group discussed the proposed boycott on Japanese-made goods, and services. Leaders said that the League has taken no action in regard to the Far Eastern crisis, the League being an American organization.

**Now A Domestic Issue**  
However, the boycott proposal is looked on purely as a domestic issue, and as such the League is justified in considering it.

Many second generation here, as in other communities, are minors, depending on their parents for support. Any movement to embarrass the parent generation would of course react on the young, who are American citizens. It was the sentiment that League members appeal to the sense of fair play and justice to other Americans.

## Japanese Selected For Union Officers

SEATTLE—Three Japanese are included in the list of officers chosen here by the Cannery Workers and Farm Laborers Union.

The new officers are: I.R. Cabatit, president; George Taki, vice president; A.G. Rodrigo, secretary; G. C. Abella, treasury; V. O. Navea, business agent; J. Carranza, sergeant-at-arms; John Castillo, guide; C. Campos, patrolman.

Trustees are: D. DeLeon, Joe DuLay, S. Carpuz. The executive board: D. Miyagawa, M. Ventura, R. Santos, Yukio Kumamoto, I. Jose, F. Narde, I. Carvonel, P. Madarang and A. Sajardo.

## League Group Holds Puyallup Carnival

PUYALLUP, Wash. — Games, prizes, eats and dancing were featured here recently when the Puyallup Palley Citizens League staged the first carnival ever held by Japanese-American residents of this vicinity.

The committee which was in charge of the affair was headed by Mrs. Dan Sakahara. She was assisted by Martha Takemura, Katherine Yamamoto, Kina Yoshida, Daiichi Yoshioka, Tad Sasaki, Toru Sakahara and George Egusa.

## Newlyweds Feted At Bellevue Reception

BELLEVUE, Wash.—With friends of the newlyweds attending a reception was held here recently for Mr. and Mrs. Tokuji Urahama.

Mrs. Urahama is the former Miss Tomoko Inatsu of Bellevue. She is a graduate of the local high school where she was a leading member of the school glee club. She was also prominent in women's athletics here.

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## Second Generation Seattle Girl Gets Degree In Rare Art

SEATTLE—The introduction

of a new Japanese art will be undertaken by a local second generation girl, Miss Mary Uno, who returned recently from a two-year visit to Japan.

Miss Uno's particular forte is in tray landscaping, but she also holds a teacher's certificate in the Moribana school of flower arrangement. Classes for American women and second generation girls are expected to be organized soon.

An exhibit of the work in tray landscaping is on display at Mitsuwado-Sagamiya Co., 522 Main St., and the Binyon Optical Co., 1903 Fourth Ave.

Miss Uno is one of the few second generation girls in this country who holds a teacher's certificate in tray landscaping.

## KICK-OFF MEETING FOR SESSION HELD

### Northwest District Folk Set High Mark For 1939; Elders Are Honored By The Young

FIFE, Wash.—As a kick-off for the 1939 Northwest District Japanese American Citizens League convention to be held in Tacoma, the Puyallup Valley Citizens League held a combined bazaar and carnival November 20. The Tacoma chapter co-operated. Proceeds will go to the entertainment fund.

Honoring the older generation, whose work contributed so much to the development of this valley, the second generation staged a Pioneer Night November 6.

The party was sponsored by the Fife Japanese Association, the Fife Young Men's Club and the Fife Girls Club. The food for the gathering was prepared by the mothers and members of the girls group.

Thirty persons more than 60 years of age were the guests of honor. They were: Messrs Kawamoto, Hirano, Ishibashi, Sagami, Watanabe, Eida, Masuda, Fujinami, Nishikawa, Nishida, Inouye, Ohashi, Sakamoto, Fujita, Okada, Kinoshita, Yonemura, Kinaha, Itami, Sugioka, and Konda, and the Mesdames: Kawamoto, Higashi, Ikebe, Fujinami, Nishikawa, Nishida, Shigematsu, Ohashi and Itami.

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## PORTLAND CHAPTER OF LEAGUE STARTS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

**Campaign Aimed To Dovetail With Plans To Send Large Delegation To Convention At Los Angeles Next Year**

### JUDGE GILBERT SPEAKS

PORTLAND—Aimed to make the local chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League one of the strongest in the Northwest, a membership drive was launched this month by the Portland group.

The campaign for greater membership is dovetailed with the previously announced plan to send a large delegation from this city to the fifth biennial convention of the League, which is slated to be held at Los Angeles next year.

Officials behind the membership drive are Mamoru Wakasugi, president of the Portland chapter, and Hito Okada, delegate to the Northwest District Council.

**New Members**  
Among those who joined the chapter in the first week of the campaign were Tamako Funatake, Roy Yorizane, Hama Matsushita, George Shoji, Kazuo Fujimoto, Mary Tamura, Ben Terusaki, Ichiro Moto, saka and Yutaka Kuge.

The educational program of the local chapter was also launched recently when Judge Clarence H. Gilbert of the domestic relations court addressed members on citizenship responsibility and civic welfare.

Discussions on other subjects were also held to stimulate interest in the JACL program.

### Educational Development

The move toward educational development by the local chapter is in conjunction with a similar campaign sponsored by other chapters along the Pacific Coast. The aim of the campaign is to better fit and equip the members of the younger generation to take their place in present day American life.

Problems such as the registration of all eligible voters, and the curbing of juvenile delinquency are to be studied. Methods to enable the second generation to take their place in industrial, agricultural and business affairs will be determined as the result of the campaign.

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