

JACL

NEWSLETTER

October 2, 1962

ALIEN LAND LAW COMMITTEE NEEDS SUPPORT OF ALL JAPANESE AMERICANS

The Japanese American Citizens League's Committee on Abolishing Restrictions on Land Ownership is spearheading a drive in order to repeal the discriminatory 1889 Land Law, otherwise known as Senate Joint Resolution 21, Abolishing Restrictions on Land Ownership.

Participation in whatever capacity each person of Japanese ancestry - whether he be Issei or Nisei, JACL member or non-member, veteran or non-veteran, professional or working man, male or female - in this worthwhile endeavor is greatly appreciated, general chairman Tak Kubota said. Target date is Nov. 6 when SJR 21 is up for vote.

It is no small undertaking to reach an estimated 1,250,000 voters so an appeal is made to all to assist the committee. Though JACLers throughout the country are helping financially, more local funds are needed to carry out the campaign. And active participation in getting the message to voters is of course necessary. Ask your friends to VOTE "YES" on S J R 21.

NEXT MEETING - OCTOBER 24
FOURTH WEDNESDAY
at Jackson St. Community Council
Rainier Avenue South at King

BOB WARD, SJR 21 PUBLIC RELATIONS MAN will be the main speaker and give a report on the Committee on Abolishing Restrictions on Land Ownership.

SLATE OF NOMINEES FOR THE 1963 JACL Cabinet will be presented. Further nominations will be open; however, with the consent of the candidates.

REMEMBER....OCTOBER 24....FROM 8 P.M.
at Jackson Street Community Council
for Next Meeting.....

In case you missed out....

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 17TH BIENNIAL NATIONAL JACL CONVENTION IN JULY

An outstanding national JACL parley was hosted by the Seattle Chapter in July and though it's two months since that memorable occasion, we print here some of the highlights for those who may have missed out on it.

Dillon S. Myer, WRA director, was speaker at the Issei Pioneer Banquet. Certificates of appreciation were presented by JACL to them for their personal contributions to the welfare and well-beings of all Japanese Americans.

U. Alexis Johnson, deputy undersecretary of the State Dept. said to "Bridge and Build" for world peace at the main banquet. Min Yamasaki was named "Nisei of the Biennium". Tak Kubota was installed as 2nd Nat. Veep for 1962-3.

The 1962 Confab will go in history as the initial meeting of the up and coming Junior JACLers, just as 32 years ago the first National JACL Convention was held in Seattle.

BRIEF REPORT ON REPEAL CAMPAIGN.....

An overall state committee has been given the responsibility of coordinating the campaign with committees organized in Pu-yallup Valley, Spokane and White River. These are headed by Tom Takemura, Ed Tsutakawa and Willy Maebori. Four major sub committees are endorsement, finance, public relations and speakers bureau.

State endorsement committee which has done most of the work carried out so far is headed by Dr. Kay Toda; assisted by area heads Tosh Tsuboi, Ish Suyematsu and Dr. Mark Kondo. Finance co-chairmen are Tadashi Yamaguchi and George Fugami; area heads Dr. John Kanda, George Kawasaki and Frank Hisayasu. State public relations head, Dr. Terry Toda; area heads, Kaz Yamane and Yosh Maruyama. Speakers, Phil Hayasaka; area heads, Yosh Kosai and Dr. George Yamamoto.

PR man Robert Ward is handling public relations. He is arranging for coverage in areas where analysis reports showed a definite weakness. He is setting up radio, TV spots, programs, fact sheets and assisting in scheduling speakers in areas.

A Resolution was passed asking for Congress to clarify taxability of evacuation claims; Internal Revenue had begun to tax claims which had been paid under the Evacuation Claims Act of 1948. Press reaction and fast action by Congress has resulted in a correction measure passed by both Houses to exempt taxes as originally intended by the 1948 Act.

A record budget of \$126,000 for the next biennium was approved. This has necessitated raising of national dues, beginning in 1963, \$1 per member.

WORD OF THANKS.....

A big thank you is due everyone who in any way helped make the 17th Biennial the big success that it was, from Pres. Bill Mambu and Chairman James Matsuoka. Patrick Okura, national pres., noted that it was a truly memorable convention and one we will always cherish, thanks to the work of the Seattle people.

NEED A SPEAKER FOR A PROGRAM?

The SJR 21 speakers bureau includes many speakers who can be secured for your club or group. Contact JACL and they will be glad to supply you with someone from this

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE,....

James Matsuoka, past president and more recently chairman of the 17th Biennial National Convention, has been appointed to chair the Nominations Committee. He would appreciate names of prospective officers to lead the organization next year.

BUDGET COMMITTEE CHOSEN.....

John Aoki was chosen to head a budget committee of Bill Mambu, Tak Kubota, Toru Sakahara and Tom Iwata, to study the chapter budget and present a plan for meeting it in view of the increased cost of national dues.

SEATTLE JACL gratefully acknowledges \$10.00 from Nachi and Joe Hayashi in memory of their mother, Mrs. Sada Hayashi.

ISSEI TESTIMONIAL KICKS OFF IDAHO CAMPAIGN; YES ON SJR 1

IDAHO FALLS - A testimonial banquet for Issei on Sept. 22 kicked off the intensive campaign in Idaho to eliminate a discriminatory clause in the state constitution which directly affects the Issei. The statute denies Chinese and persons of Mongolian descent, not born in the United States the right to vote, serve as jurors or hold any civil office even though they may be naturalized citizens.

As the discriminatory clause was made part of the Idaho constitution by initiative, it requires a referendum to remove the law and it will appear on the November 6 ballot.

DONORS TO SJR 21 DRIVE ACKNOWLEDGED

The Seattle JACL and Committee on Abolishing Restrictions on Land Ownership gratefully acknowledge donations from the following supporters:

Prentice Bloedel and H.S. Kawabe, \$500 each and Washington State Labor Council, AFL-CIO \$250; Japanese Hotel & Apt. Assn, \$250; Mrs. Kiyo Motoda, \$200; James Matsuoka, \$150. Others are Mr. & Mrs. Donald Kazama, Mrs Ko Takakoshi, Clarence T. Arai, K. Kuwahara, Carl Hart, Kenso Teramoto, Harry Kishimoto, Dr. Fred Hasegawa, Miye Ishikawa, Irene Yamachi, Albert D. Bonus, Rinichi Sakamoto, Bill M. Tanabe, Dan Hanada, Larry Saiki, Taneichi, Ota, R. Tamura, Elmer Tazuma, Tats Kojima, Helen Matsuoka, Ruth Matsuo, George M. Hayashi, John Kanemori, Frank Hashizume, Anonymous, Dr. James Unosawa, Mrs. U. Tsaya.

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SJR 21 SPEAKERS.....(Cont'd)

list of Tsuguo Ikeda, Toru Sakahara, Bill Mambu, Bill Wong, Frank Soderling, Liem E. Tuai, Wing Luke, Ed Pratt, Jim White, Mrs. H.B. Silsbee, Tak Kubota, Phil Hayasaka, Dr. Ken Murakami, Richard White, Lawrence Shaffer, Jim Johnson, Gordon Livingood, Dr. Louis Hungerford, Eddie Shimomura, Howard Sakura, Dave Roderick, Rev. Wesley Yamaka, Rev. Lincoln P. Eng, Shibo Hayashi, Mrs. George Prince, Carl Hart, Mrs. H.B. Silsbee, Tak Kubota, Phil Hayasaka.

Committee members include Ted Sakahara, Ted Taniguchi and Frank Hattori.

NEW NATIONAL JACL BUDGET ALLOCATIONS FOR 1963-4 SET

The official National JACL Budget Allocations for the next two years as set by Kumeo Yoshinari, national treasurer, calls for \$3018 to be raised by Seattle, Quota for the whole Pacific Northwest District is \$6449.

This would mean that in 1963 the 404 membership of 1962 would have to be surpassed to 457. And that there be at least 56 in the 1000 Club. Quotas for other clubs in the PNWD Council are Gresham-Troutdale, 69; Mid-Columbia, 137; Portland, 60; Puyallup, 132; Spokane, 43, and White River, 72. 1000 Club membership, respectively would be 9, 12, 12, 17, 9 and 5 members.

Comparative figures for other district councils show Northern Cal-Western Nevada, \$36,923; Central Calif., \$7,765; Pacific Southwest, \$26,849; Intermountain, \$9,997; Mountain Plains, \$6303; Midwest, \$15,388; and Eastern, \$5,170. National would add to it \$11,900 from dividends, etc.

HELP...HELP...HELP...HELP...HELP!

SJR 21 CAMPAIGN NEEDS HELP FOR NOVEMBER 6 ELECTION

1. Above all, be sure to vote for SJR 21.
2. Contact your immediate neighborhood, distribute the enclosed brochures, and urge them to vote "YES" ON SJR 21.
3. Telephone all your friends to urge them to vote "YES".
4. Call or write for additional brochures. Office address is 318 Sixth Ave. South, Seattle 4. Telephone number is Mu. 2-5355. More brochures will be mailed or delivered to you.
5. If your friends say they are willing to help, give our office their names, addresses and telephone numbers. **DO THIS NOW** if you know some who will help.

DIRECT PERSONAL CONTACT IS VERY IMPORTANT. IT PRODUCES RESULTS.

REMEMBER INFORM, DISTRIBUTE, VOTE!

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National JACL supports with \$5,000; Pacific Southwest District Council, \$100. The chapters donating directly are Philadelphia, Sonoma County, Washington, D.C., Omaha, Berkeley, Portland and Gresham-Troutdale. KOBE, SISTER CITY RADIO EXCHANGE.....

CONVENTION DONORS ACKNOWLEDGED..... On October 14 at 6 p.m., KVI will feature a radio exchange with Kobe, Seattle's sister city. This was arranged when Buddy Webber went on the World's Fair tour recently.

The Seattle Chapter and the Convention Board gratefully thank the following people for their generous donations: DISCOUNT TICKETS FOR FAIR AVAILABLE.....

For Convention - Mr. & Mrs. T. Shigemura, Albert Bonus, Mrs. Kiyo Motoda, Imanishi Fuel. Time is running out on Seattle World's Fair as the Oct. 21 date approaches. If you are planning to go and need tickets, you would be wise to contact the JACL for your Fair admissions. A limited number of discount tickets at a reduced cost to you are still available at the office, 318 Sixth Avenue South, Room 123.

For Issei Pioneer Nite - M/M N. Araki, S Bitow, K. Chikamura, R. Fujii, K. Fukui, W.H. Fukuyama, S. Furukawa, Seeichi Hara, H. Hidaka, Dr. S. Higashida, M/M H. Hiki da, S. Hirabayashi, M. Hiranó, M/M T. Ikeda, M/M J. M. Imamura, Mrs. T. Ito, M/M H. Kamihachi, M/M H.S. Kawabe, M/M F.S. Kinoshita, N. Kodama, O. Koura, T. Matsumura, K. Mayeno, G. Mihara, M/M Teruzo Mibu, G. Mizuki, M/M T. Morinaga, K. Murata, M/M U. Nakauye, H. Nambu, H. R. Oguchi, Y. Okada, N. Ozawa, M. Sasaki, J. Sato, K. Sato, T. Sato, K. Shibayama, Dr. & Mrs. P. S. Shigaya, M/M K. Shigeno, M/M S. Sunohara, M/M S. Suyama, U. Tamesa, R. Tamura, Y. Tanaka, K. Tashiro, S. S. Teranishi, A. Tsushima, M. Uyeda, G. Watanabe, ISSEI STORY PROJECT.....

Some \$150,000 committed to UCLA for the Issei Story project has been fulfilled, but national reports a need for additional money. Seattle JACL because of other urgent matters has not been active in the drive and has deferred any action until next year. However, many from the Seattle area have already sent in \$1300 on their own initiative. Yoshito Fujii and Terumitsu Kano, co-chairmen.

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