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SEATTLE AREA COMMITTEE HOPES TO FULFIL COMMITMENT TOWARDS \$9,000 GOAL

The month of June has been set as the time to turn on the full steam for the land law repeal's financial drive. Seattle's commitment aims toward possible \$9,000 goal. Dr. John Kanda, coordinator between the Washington chapters, and the local chairmen Jim Matsuoka and Toru Sakahara are most optimistic that the goal will be met. The movie project has already netted just over \$3,000. Financial report for the variety show will be forthcoming during the regular board meeting and during the regular alien land law repeal meeting.

In addition to the Seattle's goal, the Puyallup Valley JACL and White River Valley Civic League have earlier in the year also committed themselves to goals. This is a team effort involving all Washingtonians and member chapter across the nation through National JACL Headquarters in San Francisco.

Solicitation letters have already been mailed out locally and the responses have been most encouraging. Committee to repeal the hypocritical land law has initiated in the formation of State Committee for Senate Joint Resolution No. 20 embracing the entire state. The committee intends to leave no stones unturned short of financial capability.

Manpower and funds are necessary to conduct the campaign. Interested workers are invited to attend the land law repeal committee meetings held on second and fourth Friday of each month at the JACL office, 526 So. Jackson Street from 8 p.m.

The following is the first installment of donors list contributing more than \$50 for the Alien Land Law Repeal campaign:

H. S. Kawabe \$500, Seattle Chapter \$500, Tadashi Yamaguchi \$300, Seattle Hotel and Apartment Association \$250, Tak Kubota \$215, Shosaku Suyama \$200, Pacific Northwest District Council \$191.81, Kiyo Motoda \$150, Toru Sakahara \$150, James Matsuoka \$150, Kumeo Yoshinari (Chicago) \$100, Sentaro Hashimoto \$100, Albert Bonus \$60, Orange County JACL Chapter, Calif. \$50, Washington, D.C. Chapter \$50, Philadelphia Chapter \$50, Portland Chapter \$50, George Iwasaki \$50 (as of June 4, 1966).

BOARD MEETING. Regular Chapter board Meeting will be resumed in the JACL office, 526 South Jackson street on Wednesday, June 15 starting at 8 p.m. The meeting is open to the general membership and public is always invited to attend. President George Iwasaki will again call the meeting with the agenda calling for the golf tournament and scholarship discussion topping the list. The progress report from the Seattle Subcommittee for SJR 20 will also be heard. Mark your calendar now and plan to attend this lively meeting.

DANCE CLUB. The annual JACL dance and the final one for the year will be held Saturday, June 18 from 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the VFW Hall located at the corner of 36 Avenue SW and SW Alaska Street. Bob Elwood and His Combo will provide the music for the evening of dancing.

There will be an admission price of \$3 per couple for friends and guests.

Chairmen of the dance club Kay and Dot Fukuma invites the public to attend this dance.

THE ANNUAL PICNIC IN AUGUST. The Seattle Chapter JACL, Imperial Lanes, and the recently formed Greater Seattle Nisei Bowling Association will hold the annual joint picnic on Sunday, August 28 at French's Pine Lake Resort, according to program chairman Fred Takagi and picnic co-chairmen Sad Ishimitsu and Bob Matsuura.

JACL VARIETY SHOW CAPTIVATES AUDIENCE. Seattle Buddhist Church Auditorium was transformed May 30 into surprisingly delightful world of make-believe. Billed as the Seattle Chapter's first annual variety show, the stage was bedecked with fancy stage setting and lighting effect.

The program got off to a fast start with the melodic sounds on the electric organ with Mrs. Hide Shimomura. The pace was maintained to the triumphant final curtain as the concert by the Fuji Band including trio of vocalists seemingly brought the audience right into the heart of the Tokyo night spot. The calibre and polish of all the performers were most professional.

Frank Hattori, chairman of the show, was pleased with the response shown by the public which filled the auditorium to 70% capacity on this Memorial Day weekend. The fund derived for this year's show will be used for the land law repeal campaign.

The following is the list of performing artists on the program: organist--Hide Shimomura; hula dancers--Hats Higa, Linda Abe, Janet Higa, Joanne Okumura; accordian--Masae Obayashi; Hatsunekai dancers--Wendy Iwami, Barbara Kano, Marianne Harada, Marsha Toshi; Tahitian dances--Norma Fugami; folk singing and guitar--Julie Sakahara; kenbu (shigin)--Yokoyama, Fukeda; tap dancing--Carla Mizuta, Lynn Urakawa, Maxine Mizuta; vocal--Kathy Fugami (member of Europe bound Franklin Bel Cantos); shakuhachi (Shin Sofukai)--Kurimoto, Isomura, Furumoto, Nakahara; Japanese folk song by Akiko Yamanouchi; Banso by Keiko Kimura; koto solo--Keiko Kimura; baton twirl--Arlene Kato (State Jr. Champ); Japanese dance--Mrs. Miyoka Kihara and her student Shyla Taki; vocal and comedy sketch--George Kawachi; Fuji Band--Kay Hagimori (bandleader), Kiyoshi Jitodai (accordian), Bob Sakoda (guitar), Kaz Shoji (guitar) and vocalists Fred Sugita, Kaz Yokoyama, and Yuki Arinobu.

Mr. Frank Hattori acted as a master of ceremony while Mr. Tak Kubota spoke briefly on the progress of the SJR 20 repeal campaign.

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The committee members from Adult JACL and Young Adult Group helping with the weekend show spent many hours in preparation. When the moment of truth arrived, there were the suspense and the agony of pause, quick decisions with crossed fingers, and equally quick huddle behind stage to check our assignments, and we all survived with laughter and sanity making it all well worth the effort. Frank Hattori wishes to thank all the committee members for helping with the project.

The committee included: George Iwasaki, chairman for all technical directions; Tak Kubota--public relations, publicity, and ticket distributions; receptionists--Jiro and Shea Aoki; ushers and later to help with costuming--Takako Yoda, Tick Suyama, Kimi Nakanishi, Rose Ogino, and Kay Kawamoto; sound--George Iwasaki, Eira Nagaoka; lights--Ted Iwata, Drew Kiga; stage hands--Mike Kraft, Kay Mori; curtain--Dick Ishikawa; Frank Hattori--contact with artists; program committee--Toru and Kiyo Sakahara; stage decorations--Agnes Hattori; stage construction--Sad +shimitsu, Terrance Toda, T k Kubota, Toru S, kahara, George Iwasaki, Frank Hattori, John Nakano, Eira Nagaoka, and others; posters--Edison Tech students; stage design consultant--Roger Ford; stage lighting consultant--John Kusakabe; Sally Kazama--coordinator.

And special thanks to everyone who stayed after the show to dismantle the stage and helping with the cleanup. Also special acknowledgement to Seattle Buddhist Church for the use of auditorium and equipment and other facilities of the Church.

AN INSIGHT INTO DAMAGING EFFECTS OF GROUP STEREOTYPING

SEATTLE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

By Y. Phillip Hayasaka

I recently had the opportunity to be a panelist at an in-service course "Teaching and the Disadvantaged" for the Tacoma public school teachers. The predominately caucasian audience numbered around a hundred.

My assigned subject was the Japanese ethnic group, so I presented a brief glimpse of history in hopes of providing some insight of some problems encountered by Japanese.

I reviewed the varying degrees of prejudice and discrimination against the Japanese that prevailed for many years, taking form both in laws and behavior, both locally and nationally. I explored the effects of the immigration act; the prohibition of orientals from becoming naturalized citizens until 1952; the Washington state alien land law; the evacuation from the West Coast; and the damaging effects of stereotyping.

A few days later, I was pleased (and surprised) to receive individual thank you letters from the entire class. A great majority had expressed, in one form or another, appreciation for gaining better perspective of this minority group's problems. Many agreed to the effect that no one is free unless all of us are free, and that group stereotyping hurts the individual.

However, my presentation did not change the views of some teachers that Americanism is not a matter of skin color or nationality, and that the denial of the opportunity to become naturalized citizens had damaging consequences. This can be seen from the following comments taken from a few letters:

"I do not feel that the Japanese here are treated as a minority group in the U.S.A. I realize that they were treated 'with difference' during the (U.S.A. Japanese) war, but that was due to the fact that there were so many Japanese aliens here faithful to their mother country."

"Was it not after Pearl Harbor was bombed the Japanese in this state were put in concentration camps? Our security was at stake. Many were not naturalized Americans. Who could be trusted?"

"... only those who would not become naturalized citizens and swear allegiance to the American flag were sent back to Japan."

Another made a comment that is not unfamiliar:

"... I fail to see this prejudice you speak about. I almost feel you are jumping on the band wagon of discriminated people, for when I compare your situation with that of the Negro and Indians, you have none."

This last comment has been said by others, in different ways, in different times. It's somewhat like saying there is no discrimination in Mississippi, when compared to Johannesburg, South Africa. Rather than comparing the amount of existing discrimination between groups or places, we should compare it with how it is and should be, with an eye toward how much further we have to go.

DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING IN PORTLAND--PNWDC held May 22 nominated Tak Kubota for nat'l 1st v.p. Sharon Endo of Mid-Columbia JACL won the oratorical; Kay Mori of Edison Tech and David Oyanagi of Portland and U.W. student represented Seattle. Yaeko Tokita, young adult officer and koto player, won the talent show. She will represent PNWDC and PNWDYC at nat'l confab in San Diego. Wanda Nakatani was Seattle entry for beauty contest. George Iwasaki explained the manual written for the national scholarship committee.

Japanese, which is being taught in one class at Wilson Junior High School this year, will be taught in two of the high schools here, according to Helen Kwapil, director of foreign languages. Ingraham High will probably have two classes and Franklin High scheduled for probable three classes. The Tokyo dialect will be taught. Tamako Niwa, U.W. associate professor, will advise the schools in the Japanese program. Marion Lee, who began teaching Japanese in Wilson Junior High School last fall will teach at Ingraham. The program is offered as part of the \$600,000 Ford Foundation grant.

NEWS JOTTINGS . . . Former Portlandite NEWTON K. WESLEY, O.D. was one of the 4 speakers heading the educational program of the Western States Optometric Conference (WSOC) held at the Sun Valley, Idaho June 5-9. Wesley represents the Wesley-Jessen Plastic Contact Lens Company . . . MITS KATAYAMA was one of the honored winners at the 1966 Seattle Art Directors Societies Annual awards held at the Olympic Hotel. Mits has won numerous awards in past years and was again recognized by their contemporaries this year. The Society awarded seven gold and 15 silver medals "for excellence in creative design and visual communication" . . . SHARON K. BABA and YASUKO OIYE were among the 86 1965-66 graduating seniors at the U.W. who were initiated into Phi Beta Kappa, National scholastic honorary . . . Ten "health career" scholarship winners included MARIANNE NAKAHARA, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Nakahara. The awards of \$250 each are financed by March of Dimes contributions. Marianne will major in nursing at U.W. . . . PATRICK SHIMIZU was among 23 U.S. seniors of U.W. who have been installed into the local chapter of Tau Sigma Delta, international honorary and professional fraternity in architecture and urban planning . . . ANDY KANO, freshman from Honolulu, was the coxswain for the Seattle University Chieftains eight-oared shell making their debut in college competition May 11 when they rowed against the U. of British Columbia . . . DOUGLAS WAYNE HANADA, became an Eagle Scout at the Seattle Buddhist Church . . . Four Boy Scouts were presented God and Country awards at Japanese Baptist Church May 30. Members of Troop 53, sponsored by the church, are BRUCE ABE, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mits Abe, HUGO KUROSE, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jun Kurose, DENNIS HIGASHIYAMA, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tak Higashiyama, and THOMAS J. UCHIDA, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Uchida. Earlier in the month similar awards were presented to five Boy Scouts at the Japanese Presbyterian Church. Receiving the award were JON KENT NISHIJURA, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nishimura; GERALD NOBUO MIYAZAKI, son of Mrs. Nobuko Miyazaki; ROBERT DENNIS NISHIMURA, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hiromi Nishimura; BRIAN PAUL ABURANO, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Aburano; and KEN CLAFLIN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Claflin . . .

PREP NOTES: Rainier Beach High School won its third consecutive Metro League tennis team championship, defeating Ingraham, 8-1. The victory was the 29th straight since the 1963 season for COACH EBO OKIYAMA'S Vikings. DENNIS HOSHINO and STEVE KUBOTA plays for the Vikings. "4 Year Letterman" Steve is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tak Kubota (2nd nat'l v.p. of JACL). Playing in the same Metro League for Cleveland High School Eagles are GLEN KIYONAGA, RANDY TADA and JERRY FUJITA . . . Leadoff leftfielder ERNIE YAMAGUCHI (.341) had the Franklin High Quaker's only single and a walk to spoil the no-hitter by Bob Reynolds of Ingraham Ram in the Metro's championship game. Franklin lost 3-0. . . . Garfield high student CHRISTOPHER ICHIKAWA, son of Mrs. Shizuko Ichikawa, was honored as the Capitol Hill Lions Boy of the Month for May. Ichikawa is student body v.p. . . . ANN CHIZUKO SADO, ranking second in the 1966 graduating class of Cleveland High School, is on the "top ten" scholars of Seattle's 12 public high school. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sado. The name was not listed in the last issue . . . MARILYN SATO, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mitsuo Sato of Carnation, is valedictorian of the Class of 1966 at Tolt High School, Carnation.

INTERNATIONAL SPORTSMAN CLUB SPONSORED SALMON CLINIC WILL BE HELD THURSDAY, JUNE 23 at the NVC Memorial Clubhouse, 1212 S. King Street starting at 7:30 p.m. Panel of fishing experts headed by Mr. K. K. Kawaguchi, will demonstrate how to cut bait, plugs, and spinners. Movie on clean-up job of White Horse Slough taken by member of Steelhead Club will be shown. A short 20 minutes movie on the handling of outboard motor and small craft will round out the clinic. Women and kids will also be invited to this salmon clinic. All Nisei fishing enthusiasts are invited to join the group. The clinic is a public service project for the club.

NEXT NISEI WOMEN'S GOLF CLUB TOURNEY WILL BE HELD SATURDAY, JUNE 18 AT SNOQUALMIE GOLF COURSE. Tee-off times will be from 12 noon to 1 p.m. Results of tourney held May 15 at Earlington were released as follows:

1st flight, low net--Flo Teshima, 1st; Sada Uchida, 2nd. 2nd flight, low net--Esther Kashiwagi, 1st; Gail Oyabe, 2nd. Long drive honors for the 1st flight went to Gloria Hikida, while Yoshi Hibiya copped the drive in the 2nd flight. Winning the least number of putts honors were Sumi Kawaguchi in the 1st flight, and Toyo Fujiyama and June Kumasaka tied for 2nd flighters.

MORE NEWS JOTTINGS . . . Five Boy Scouts of Troop 55 of the church were presented God and Country Award at the Blaine Memorial Methodist Church. They are David Niimi, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Niimi; Lance Honda, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Honda; Stuart Ono, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kazuo Ono; Glenn Ono, son of Mr. and Mrs. Junji Ono, and Ted Shiroyama, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hod Otani. Troop 231 member Howard Onishi, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Onishi, received his Award at the Lakewood Community Church. . . . Last week's copy of Seattle Guide weekly publisher-columnist Bill Speidel in "I, Spy," writes of the dedication of new ferry terminal: "(Old "Josh") Green gave the signal for turning on the water for the new George Tsutakawa fountain, pointing out all he'd done about getting the fountain was sign a little check . . . credited (restauranteur) Ivar Haglund with having as much, if not more, to do with the resurgence of the waterfront than anyone else." . . .

JAPANESE AMERICAN CITIZENS LEAGUE RECOGNITION SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

By George Iwasaki

The first annual J.A.C.L. Recognition Scholarship Award winners were announced this week. These awards are the first given by the Seattle Chapter and is awarded to high school graduates in recognition of high scholastic and citizenship achievements.

The winning nominees are: Miss Geraldine Furuta, Garfield High School; Miss Gladys Mihara, Cleveland High School; Miss Nancy Shiogi, Evergreen High School; Wayne Yoda, Franklin High School.

All candidates were solicited through nominations and recommendations from counselors and teachers. The scholarship awards for this year was kept on the nominations basis rather than open to application as in most other scholarships.

The award for each winning nominee is \$100.00 from a scholarship fund initiated by two individuals and the local chapter. The donors are: Mr. Donald Page, golf professional of Jefferson Golf Course and Mr. Johnson Shimizu on behalf of Tomoe Beauty Salon. It is hoped that the starting of this fund will encourage other public minded persons to donate for future scholarship awards.

The official presentation of the awards is planned to be given at the monthly board meeting on June 15. The meeting place is the JACL office located at 526 S. Jackson Street and will start at 8 p.m.

The local and National JACL realizes that the hope of the nation lies in its youth. Through programs such as scholarships, youth groups, and youth programs, we hope in a small way to help guide and encourage the young people of our community to better lives and citizenship.

Seattle Chapter scholarship committee includes: Mrs. Dorothy Emunson, secretary; John C. Smith, teacher; Dean Thompson, teacher; Miss Eileen Suyama, Young Adult JACL; and George S. Iwasaki, teacher. Miss Natalie Hayashida is the education chairman for the Chapter.

YOUNG ADULT GROUP SLATE IMPORTANT MEETING FOR JUNE 21

President Eileen Suyama will preside over a very important Young Adult Group meeting Tuesday, June 21 from 8 p.m. at the JSCC office to fill the vacancy for the position of president-elect. The vacancy resulted when Ken Iwamura joined the armed forces. Ratification of the new Constitution will also be in order. Planned for the latter part of this month is the fun get-together for picnic, dancing, water sports and other activities at Tokita's summer place on Bainbridge Island. More details should be available during the Tuesday meeting of June 21. All young adults are invited to attend.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR JUNE-JULY

JUNE	9	National JACL Scholarship Meeting	8:00 p.m.	JACL OFFICE
"	10	Land Law Repeal Meeting	8:00 p.m.	JACL OFFICE
"	13	Golf Meeting	8:00 p.m.	JSCC OFFICE
"	14	Young Adult Cabinet Meeting	8:00 P.M.	JSCC OFFICE
"	15	Regular Monthly Board Meeting (open to general members)	8:00 P.M.	JACL OFFICE
"	16	National JACL Scholarship Meeting	8:00 P.M.	JACL OFFICE
"	17	Land Law Repeal Meeting	8:00 P.M.	JACL OFFICE
"	18	Annual JACL Dance and election of officers VFW Hall located at 36 Ave. SW and SW Alaska	9:30 p.m.	VFW HALL
"	21	National JACL Scholarship Meeting	8:00 p.m.	JACL OFFICE
"	21	Young Adult Group Meeting	8:00 p.m.	JSCC OFFICE
"	28	Human Relations Committee Meeting	8:00 p.m.	JSCC OFFICE
"	30	Indian-Japanese Meeting at Indian Center 1900 Boren	8:00 p.m.	INDIAN Center
JULY	1	Land Law Repeal Meeting	8:00 p.m.	JACL OFFICE
"	8	JACL REPORTER news deadline. Mail all articles to c/o Eira Nagaoka, 151 11th Avenue Seattle 98122		
"	13	Newsletter mailing	8:00 p.m.	JACL OFFICE
"	14	National JACL Scholarship		BUSH GARDEN
"	19	Young Adult Meeting	8:00 p.m.	JSCC OFFICE
"	20	Regular monthly board meeting	8:00 p.m.	JACL OFFICE
"	23	Land Law Repeal Meeting	8:00 p.m.	JACL OFFICE
"	24	JACL Golf Tournament		
"	26-30	National JACL Convention at San Diego, Calif.		
AUGUST	28	Annual joint JACL-Imperial Lanes-Greater Seattle Nisei Bowling Association picnic		PINE LAKE

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