



Why J.A.C.L.?

The forty-one years of J.A.C.L. existence has seen the Nisei overcome discriminatory legislation, internment and finally establish for himself a measure of economic security and well-being. But there are many other areas where the need is just as great or greater than in 1930. Problems of our aged, and of our youth have actually grown. The educational system only grudgingly acknowledges the existence or accomplishments of Japanese Americans. There is also a need to actively participate in, and be watchful of, the legislative and political process.

Why J.A.C.L.? J.A.C.L. is active in all these areas. In addition, the organization has provided the vehicle for many to serve directly in their local community. J.A.C.L. provides you with the opportunity to support, through your membership, a national program to meet the neglected areas of our community. Local chapters offer opportunities for direct involvement in community service. J.A.C.L. needs your membership now.

J.A.C.L. Then . . .

JACL's "three-point program".

1. Maintain organization among the Japanese and Japanese Americans for unity, such as welfare projects, etc.

2. Constantly keep in touch with the government in order that we may receive humane treatment.

3. Outside contacts necessary for public relationship.

—Mike Masaoka, March 8, 1942

J.A.C.L. Now . . .**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM —**

This is the first year of existence of the Community Involvement Program.* It is a fledgling program that is attempting to deal with the Social Concerns in our community. For example: projects are being organized to work in the areas of the aged (Issei Project),

*Note — CIP is a California Program. With more funds it could become a National Program.

social services, youth, drug abuse, and education. These projects are being organized by the Field Directors of the staff of CIP and other concerned individuals. The role of the CIP is to initiate and/or support projects of concern in our community.

National Education Committee

"Are you willing to guarantee to me that your country will never bomb Pearl Harbor again? If you can do that I'll vote for repeal of Title II."

—Midwestern Congressman to Dave Ushio,
JACL Washington Representative.

The need for educational materials and programs concerning Japanese Americans is growing rather than diminishing. The Education Committee has undertaken a program of textbook review, development of teacher sensitivity and materials to meet this growing need .

National Visual Communications Committee

The Visual Communications Committee has been active translating the rich history and heritage of the Japanese American into useful and attractive visual materials.

The Committee's work includes the prize-winning film "Manzanar" as well as a photographic display of the Camp experience and several visually-oriented educational projects.

The Committee is presently working on a 30 minute film depicting the life and times of the Issei.

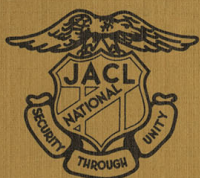
National Youth Program

The JACL National Youth Program services areas that relate to young people. Yearly, the NYP office administers a scholarship program which rewards academic excellence of Sansei from throughout the

country. Additionally, the NYP offers staff assistance to programs like Student Aid, which is designed to provide assistance to students in Need.

A major focus of the Youth Program is carried out through the National Junior JACL, with chapters chartered all around the country. Every attempt is made to facilitate and develop the leadership and organizational skills through workshops, conferences, projects and other means.

Special consideration is given to situations and items that affect young people. The National Youth Program is concerned with the quality and availability of further education. It is concerned about resources for young people in furthering their education. It is concerned about young people having an understanding of themselves and their cultural identities. It is concerned about growing problems in many areas that confront youth.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Your membership is your contribution to assist not only the JACL, but also the Japanese American community.

The existing framework of JACL and its chapters and district councils have provided the organizational

strength which has helped to solidify the activities of Japanese Americans throughout the United States. Without the coordinated effort of JACLers across this country, the impact of the Japanese American community in the legislative, social, economic and other areas would have been significantly less.

As our membership increases, so does our influence, activities and contribution to our society. We need your membership to make not only our will, but our actions heard and felt whenever and wherever the need arises.

Please help JACL continue its many activities for the benefit of not only Japanese Americans, but all Americans.

Raymond S. Ueno

The JAAC is the only organization whose specific interest is to eliminate all discrimination — legal, social and economic, which may in any way prevent Americans of Japanese ancestry from contributing to this Country at their fullest capacity.
