



Wanna Piece?

ASIAN AMERICAN STUDENT ALLIANCE

Fifty people in a room built for ten. The door was shut. Outside, chaos—for that night students occupied Murphy Hall, UCLA's administration building. The Asian American Student Alliance was born.

The past few weeks have seen University policies come under attack by the Coalition, a loose confederation of "radical" student groups. Their demands call for the abolition of ROTC, an end to war-related research, enrollment for minority and poverty students, police off campus, and the return of the power to hire and fire faculty to individual campuses. Also there is the issue

of guns and gas at Berkeley. Though formed to support the Coalition's demands, the AASA is already looking beyond into issues affecting Asian American students at UCLA. Courses dealing with the Asian American, special admissions programs for students with scholastic or financial difficulties, and problems of Asian American communities are among many areas of concern.

"If we do not unite, there will be no one else to look out for us—we will be on the bottom of the totem pole," says a spokesman for the organization.

A subgroup, the Asian American Political Alliance, was also

created to "raise the political consciousness of Asian students and to speak out and take stands on issues affecting Asian Americans."

Call 451-9277 or 734-7838 for more information about AASA or AAPA.



CS, IT'S A GAS!

By Y. Chao

Berkeley

I arrived in occupied Berkeley Sunday morning, May 18. The news reports were grim and I feared for the safety of my friends. My fears were confirmed for I soon learned that on Thursday a high school friend had been hit in the face with No. 5 buckshot as he stood on the sidewalk on Telegraph Avenue about a block from the original People's Park.

People's Park, a block-square piece of land four blocks south of the Berkeley campus, was now protected from the people by an eight foot chain link fence and a contingent of the National Guard.

But a new People's Park was being born. The people of Berkeley met at First and Grove on a field owned by the Berkeley Area Rapid Transit (BART) to plant flowers and trees while the National Guard, Berkeley Police, and the Alameda County Sheriffs put on their gas masks and prepared for action.

The Guard formed lines on two sides of the BART lot—now named "People's Park Annex Number 1"—and began to close in on us. We left on what proved to be the beginning of a six-mile march through the hills above the campus. The police followed us in cars and attempted to divide the line of march at intersections.

It Seemed Unjust

From second-floor windows people watched the march. Some came down to join us. Residents along the way gave us water and smiles. At times we clapped, chanted or just hollered and we felt a sense of the strength of our numbers. The march took us through two city parks in middle-class neighborhoods. Somehow it seemed unjust.

We knew the police were our enemies. But we felt that the National Guard were potentially our friends. Young men had joined the guard to avoid fighting in Vietnam. Now they were being taken away from their civilian jobs to wage war against other young Americans.

They were friendly and were willing to listen. I felt better when they told me that they carried unloaded guns. Later one guardsman threw down his helmet and rifle. He was arrested.

On Monday a rally was planned for noon in Sproul Plaza. It was moved to the Campanile when police began to surround the Plaza. From the Campanile a huge march began to move toward the west side of the campus. We wanted to take the issue of the park to the people in downtown Berkeley. Our slogan was, "No business as usual."

The National Guard had three helicopters in the air observing us. When we got to the west side, we found the Guard there ahead of us. They encircled the University to keep us on campus. Part of the march was able to get through, but many of the people were trapped on campus.

We regrouped in Sproul Plaza. There followed a confusing series of maneuvers by the police. The south entrance to the campus was sealed off. Then lines of National Guard, Alameda County Sheriffs and University Police cut through the Plaza, encircling and dividing the crowd into small groups.

There was no room to disperse. With no warning, a squad of Guards, protected by the Sheriffs, began to methodically shoot tear gas canisters at us.

Rather than frightening the people they created among us an almost physical anger. We retreated only far enough to get out of the gas, and when it had dissipated we returned.

There were repeated gassings. Many of the people gassed were not involved in the demonstrations. They were simply leaving their classes. The police and military made no distinction between the "innocent" and the "guilty." The gas floated over three elementary schools in Berkeley and Cowell Hospital on campus, forcing evacuation.

About five o'clock they gave us a farewell cloud of gas. When it cleared the police and the Guard had magically disappeared. Businesses were closed by then.

There Was No Escape

Tuesday was a repeat performance in a more brutal form. This time even fewer people got off campus. Instead we marched to the Chancellor's mansion. The Guard was there in force and were gassing an entire floor of classrooms in Tolman Hall. Students had to jump out of windows to escape.

Later in the afternoon people gathered in the Plaza again. Some of us tried to talk to the Guard, urging them to put down their rifles. Police with bullhorns told us that in five minutes chemical agents would be released and that we must disperse. People began running to the lower Plaza but the exits were blocked by the Guard. There was no escape.

I was standing close to the cafeteria when a brown army helicopter (Continued on page 7)

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THE PERSECUTION RESTS

by Seigo Hayashi

As the hearing of Dr. Thomas T. Noguchi moves into its fourth week, Attorney Godfrey Isaac continues his presentation of some 60 to 80 witnesses to refute charges lodged by County Chief Administrative Officer, L.S. Hollinger.

Deputy County Counsel, Martin Weekes, rested the prosecution's case after presenting a handful of witnesses with the key testimony coming from the coroner's administrative deputy Herbert McRoy; secretary Mrs. Ethel Field; a former staff assistant Michael Wood; Chief Toxicologist Dr. Ramesh Gupta; deputy medical examiner and acting inquest hearing officer Dr. Donald A. Stuart; and Hollinger.

Press coverage of the hearings have highlighted the charges and prosecution arguments. Little attention has been given to the defense cross examination. Witnesses have repeatedly shown faulty memories. Phrases like, "I don't remember," or "I don't recall," or "I'm not sure" are common answers during cross examination by Isaac.

The first witness, Herbert McRoy, testified that he saw Noguchi take pills and that he sometimes appeared to be intoxicated and irrational. However, under cross examination, he was unable to recall the specific times when he saw Noguchi take them. As

a matter of fact, in over 150 lunches with Noguchi, McRoy only saw the pills two or three times!

One of the prosecution's charges was that Noguchi had contributed to the death of coroner's aide Lewis Sawyer by overworking him. The McRoy testimony brought out the fact that though Sawyer did work overtime and was not paid for it, he had in fact received 486 hours of compensatory time off.

Mrs. Ethel T. Field, the coroner's secretary, who gained fame as the Crying Witness, aroused much controversy with her testimony. On the stand for the prosecution, Mrs. Field told of Noguchi's "erratic behavior." How-



DR. THOMAS T. NOGUCHI

ever, on April 15, two weeks prior to the hearing, she stated that she could not recall any erratic behavior when questioned by Isaac's investigators. As a

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A Call for Law and Order

"The streets of our country are in turmoil. The Universities are filled with students rebelling and rioting. Communists are seeking to destroy our country. Russia is threatening us with her might, and the Republic is in danger. Yes, danger from within and without. We need law and order. Yes, without law and order, our nation cannot survive. Elect us and we shall restore law and order..."

ADOLF HITLER
Hamburg, 1932

OOPS!!!

HONOLULU.--A former member of the 29th Brigade who had been in Vietnam less than a month was killed there May 11. He was 20-year old Specialist Fourth Clifford Taira.

The Army said he was killed when hit by gunfire aimed at the yellow-skinned enemy below from an American helicopter.

He was on a combat mission with his 101 Airborne Division unit. Taira arrived in Vietnam on April 22, less than a month before he was killed on May 11. He was the 192nd Hawaii soldier to die in the war.

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EDITORIAL

The case against Dr. Thomas T. Noguchi stinks! It reeks of political manipulation, personal vendettas, and an underlying current of racism.

It is apparent that County Chief Administrative Officer Lindon S. Hollinger has staked his livelihood on the fact that Dr. Noguchi would "roll over and play dead," like a good, passive, and polite Oriental should. For if the charges do not hold up, Hollinger himself may be looking for a job at Rancho Los Amigos.

The testimony of the county witnesses have been so full of contradiction and hearsay that even the cautious JACL (Japanese American Citizens League) has decided to stand behind Noguchi. Dr. David Miura, Chairman of the JACL's Ethnic Concern Committee, stated in a memo, "The fact is that were he not Japanese, he would never have been fired on such flimsy and fabricated evidence, most of which has been ripped apart by the defense counsel. We feel that it is better to err in favor of action than to err by inaction."

Ellen Endo fans out there will be happy to note that her paper, the Rafu Shimpō, the largest Japanese vernacular daily in the country, has been getting its stories from the wires and from other accounts rather than giving it in-person coverage. What's the matter Ellen, is three blocks too far to walk for the truth?

Miss Endo implied that those who support Noguchi will soon be "wiping egg off their faces." She even asks, "How do you like your egg-- scrambled or poached?" Our answer is that we will take it scrambled. Ellen, just like your head.

Our guess though, is that Miss Endo just wants to be on the winning side rather than the right side.

The testimony has shown to those who care to attend the hearings, that there is definitely something wrong and evil lurking here.

We cannot be sure of the outcome of the hearings because there may be manipulation going on behind the scenes. The Civil Service Commissioners are appointed by the County Board of Supervisors who are the very people who fired Noguchi in the first place. Even the legal advisor to the Commission is an employee of the County Counsel's Office.

We wonder if Hollinger isn't off somewhere laughing up his sleeve at the proceedings. After all, he is the one who accused Noguchi; he is the person the Board of Supervisors appointed to investigate his own charges, and on his advice, the Board voted 5-0 to fire Noguchi. And since the Board appoints the County Commissioners, it appears that the cards are stacked against Noguchi.

Godfrey Isaac, Noguchi's attorney, was not kidding when he stated, "This is a test of American justice." People say that you can't beat City Hall. In Noguchi's case it looks difficult to say the least.

We do not place Noguchi on a pedestal and say that he has no faults. However, we do say that he is a human being, and as such he is entitled to a fair and impartial trial.

Noguchi has been declared "normal" by expert witnesses. Prosecution witnesses testify that the total extent of his pill taking, one of the major charges lodged against him, has been but a few times over a period of more than one year.

Without the charges of mental instability and extensive use of drugs, the County's case appears to break down into personality conflicts, which are clearly not sufficient grounds to fire Noguchi.

Why, then, do we have to wonder about the outcome of the hearings?

LETTERS TO GIDRA

To all staff of Gidra,

I am not the most informed person one could ever meet, and I'd like to express my feelings about your paper, in spite of my ignorance. I'm only in high school and I find many things in college hard to believe (things such as the riots, etc.). However, after reading just your one paper I feel a little more aware of things which may affect me next year when I enter college. I commend all of you for your taking a big step in helping people like me to understand what types of things happen behind our backs. Much of the news is hidden from us (such as in the case of the girl being accused of "indecent exposure" at Disneyland Hotel, April 26th, although she had on a full length dress). The hidden facts need to be expressed, and your paper helps uncover them. I'm telling my friends of new things learned from papers like yours and I hope you'll continue printing for a long time, or as long as necessary.

Sincerely yours,
Audre Miura
April 29, 1969

Noguchi

Dear Editor:

If Godfrey Isaac can mix Ethel Field up as he did McRoy, he's a genius. She reminded me of a Nisei by the name of Betty O., who during World War II was paid by the U.S. government to spy on her fellow Japanese. Issei in particular. She was assigned to follow, as it turned out, perfectly innocent ones, even into churches and report on their activities (if any). Her boy friend, a Caucasian, showed me (with obvious pride) her picture. But what he took for pride turned my stomach.

At that time (about 1943-44), my husband was stationed in Fort Knox, Kentucky. He used to tell me to be mindful of the fact that his mail was opened and sometimes censored. So I wrote him of Betty O. and asked him, "Can you imagine anybody falling so low as to spy on her own people, for filthy lucre?"

Well, a few days later, her boy friend informed me that Betty no longer had her job. He seemed so surprised and let down. That happened 25 years ago, but this Ethel Field (something about her) made me recall that incident of many years ago.

I suppose Ethel Field will now get \$100 raise a month as did Michael Woods. And perhaps get a promotion?

Mary Tani

Reflections in a Slanted Eye

[Editor's note: The following letter appeared in the Daily Bruin, the UCLA student newspaper. Suzi Wong is the student chairman for the newly formed Asian American Studies Center.]

BY EDWARD C. LONG

I am a Chinese student here, and I would like to express my disagreement with some of the statements made in your May 8 article on the Asian American Center. Miss Suzi Wong's basic premise, that Orientals should become involved in the program is not completely acceptable to me for a number of reasons.

UNITY POSSIBLE?

Miss Wong seems to imply that one of the purposes of the program is to involve Orientals in a relevant and useful function of uniting the Chinese, Japanese, Filipino and Korean communities, but I truly wonder if this can be done? Surely Miss Wong is not so naive as to feel that these groups can be easily united just because they are all classified under the broad category of "Orientals." Since the beginning of Asian immigration to the United States the Orientals have generally remained separate from other Oriental communities, creating tiny Chinatowns, "little Tokyos," etc. throughout the country. If these Orientals did not and could not unite then, what possible reasons could she have for Oriental unity now, when the Chinese, Japanese and other Oriental groups have individually achieved some acceptance.

SHOCKING!

Miss Wong seems to regretfully note that a large percentage of young Orientals "fully accept the American norms." She even seems to criticize my acceptance of American norms in that I am "trying to be just like the white man." What does she expect? Most young Orientals are more "American" than Oriental anyway.

Does she feel that I should subconsciously want to have Chinese values--values that are totally strange to me? I wear a shirt and tie, not a Chinese robe. I speak English, not Mandarin. Though I eat Chinese food, I'd prefer steak and potatoes. I believe in Jesus Christ, not Confucius. For all practical purposes, I am a "white man," whether or not the white world is willing to accept me as one. In fact, I get the shock of my life every morning when I wake up, look in the mirror, and see a Chinese man staring back at me!

Miss Wong fails to realize that most Orientals have adopted the American norms not possibly to "please the white majority," but rather because the American

life is the only life that we can accept.

Nor has Miss Wong considered the tremendous conflicts that would occur if younger Orientals who are more "American" than Oriental, were to reject the American norms that they have been using since birth for the strange norms of Oriental countries that they are not even living in. China and its way of life is as close to me as the planet Mars. Indeed, the situation of many Orientals has fulfilled the Hawaiian proverb that "at one time, we will all be strangers in our own land." China, Japan and Korea may be our birthplaces, but they are not our homeland.

NOT WHITE....

I would also question the purpose of such a program if we must abandon American norms as Wong seems to imply. Wong seems to feel that Orientals should reject the American norms because those norms are for white people and we are not white. Yet isn't the overall purpose of the program to help the Oriental enter the mainstream of American life and become an integral part of that society?

How can we be a part of America when we don't even have the values of Americans? How can a program that stresses separation through retention of Oriental norms help the Oriental live in a country with American norms?

The formation of organizations of Orientals is also similar in nature to the strategy of the Negroes (Black Student's Union) and Mexican Americans (UMAS). Yet why should we follow the strategy of the Negro or Mexican American when our problems are not the same as the Negro or Mexican American? Prof. Kitano himself stated that the "basic problems of the Orientals are much more subtle than the problems facing the blacks and Chicanos..."

"YELLOW" NORMS

If Wong disagrees with the acceptance of American norms, I presume that she favors the acceptance of "yellow norms," and if this is so, I would, for the sake of consistency, remind her that the language she is speaking is English, that the clothes she is wearing are Western, and that the total concept of associating with other Oriental nationalities for the purpose of their unification is more typical of American initiative and thinking than anything found in the most progressive Oriental culture.

It is unquestionably true that the Oriental in America has problems, and it may very well be true that involvement of young Orientals will help alleviate these problems, but let us consider both sides before we commit ourselves--let us come up with a better system before we abandon the one we have--let us understand before we condemn.

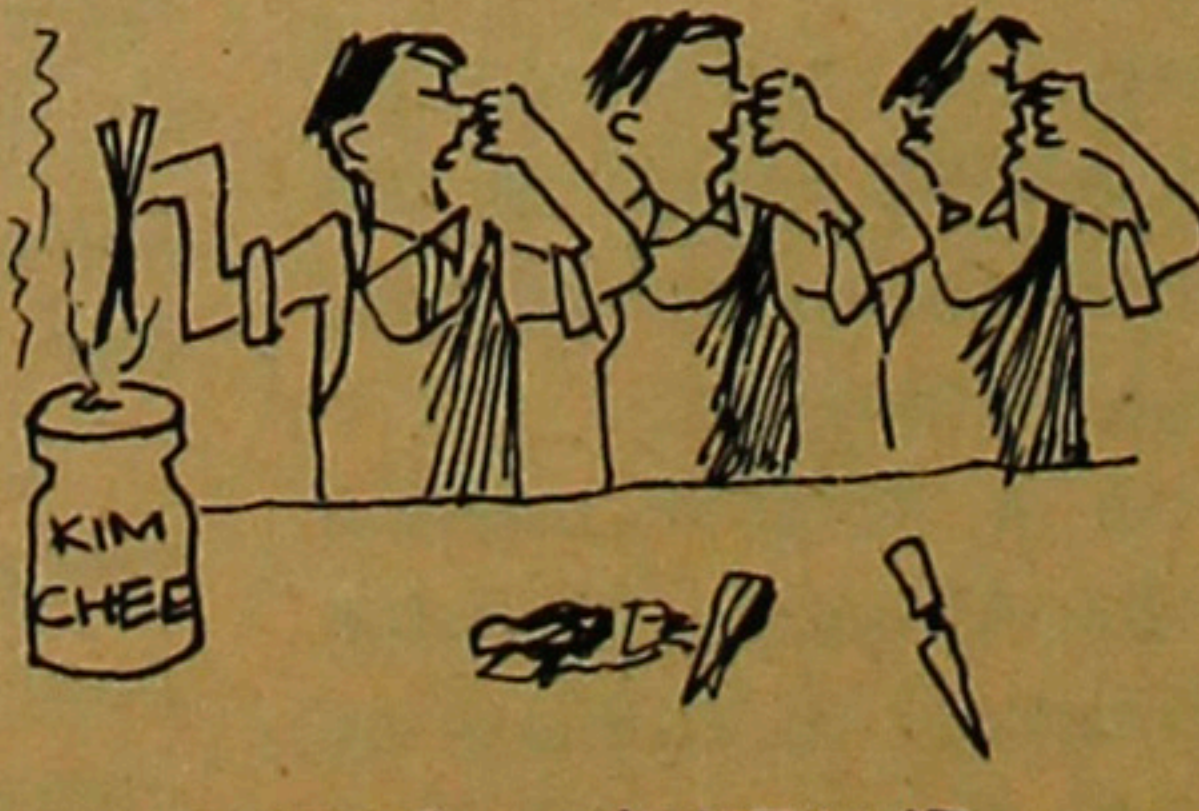
Stereotypes....



ONE KOREAN
IS AN
ORPHAN



TWO KOREANS
IS A
BORDER STRUGGLE



THREE KOREANS
IS A
KIM CHEE FACTORY

?

FOUR KOREANS
IS
UNHEARD OF

PHASES I, II & III

I. Frightened ghosts huddle together
perhaps not so much by choice
but by like.

Haunting silences isolate them
from each other, and from
themselves.

Pretension is their only claim to life.

II. They tried to ignore themselves
sacrificing their lives
to the greater ignorance
that came to rule their beings.

But life is not so foolish
for they cannot joke
with an existence so real.

III. Though their mouths remain paralyzed
in hysterical grins
their eyes scream out

"Fuck you!"
"Fuck you, white, for your shit existence!"
"Fuck you, fathers, for not being men!"
"And fuck you, sisters,
for making me compete
for something I'm not!"

Still, their silent mouths only kept the hate

inward.

Fuck me,

each murmurs to himself,

Fuck me.

by mary

Gidra...
where your thoughts
and moods
are shared -
Send them to us

I am afraid
for the animals of the street
I am afraid for the smiling children
who think the sky holds only sunlight
who cannot imagine guns beneath the clothes
of strangers
I am afraid within my chest
for the sirens of the night
come upon me sleeping
I am afraid for the child
hiding in the black and red beneath my ribs
who cries in hollow moments
when the ticking of clocks and radiators
deafen me.
I am afraid
for the people who will die tonight
with closed lips
I am afraid that I will learn to live
without freedom
with blood on my mind.

By Laura Ho



truth...
in pain
and
harsh words-
and there is
some
soft expression

when you have forgotten me
may this that cannot fade remain a token
that somewhere there were shaped in praise of you
words now unspoken;

that in time's continuance
earth and sky over, wander as you will,
remembrance and love, like fragrance of fresh roses,
stirs somewhere still.

By Cher Oku

BITTER!?

Suck the white cock
little lemon skinned man,
Feel the shaft permeate flesh & mind
and sit
and think.
Do it again
Product of apathy
Product of fear.
From a sieve-like mind
an oral offering. . .

Marc Kondo

think

hear the far away voices and the sounds of people singing,
see the lovers of today and the superficial smiles.

hear the talk of freedom and love,
see the hate that shows above,
all the glamour and facade,
that this human race has made.

then go ask yourself this question,
"am i the one to blame?",
and surely the answer will be,
a mistake has been made.

and maybe then you'll see differently,
the rest of this world today,
that no one is really different,
except those who think this way.

by Lloyd Kajikawa

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WHAT CHEMICAL IS IN THE WIND?

by Mike Murase

These five girls are screwed.
Tk-dit aisotps. I don't wanna
put Dennis down but that state-
ment that he made upon seeing
the title.

I could maintain; Mitch could
maintain; Tim, you can't main-
tain. Put it in Mitch's locker.
You, fucker!

You could try, mother fucker!
Hey, I heard your mother was
pregnant. (Laughter)

What do you mean by that? I
don't want to hear nothing about
my mother because that makes
me uptight.

I wanna fuck Diana. (Laughter)
Well, that ain't a public sta-
tement...

God, god damn it.

Mitch, you said you want to
talk about the good things of
the raternitt. (Dancing)

Wait a minute, let's cut this
shit out.

Wait, you dance like a white
girl, I don't like that.

I don't mind dancing with John
because he's got a nice bod.
(John and Tim dancing)

Type what you say, Diana, why
don't you lock that door. (Lights
off)

You say shit, I'll say shit. This
is too much.

Here, Chester, Chester (dog),
this is good for you.

Are you kidding me? You suc-
ker, I got my dog.

How tall are you?

Five-two.

I know what you're up to.

(Laughter)

Hey, put the lights out.

(Lights out)

OK, you still in the same
place? How's it going?

I wish I had some hard stuff;
I would be feeling as good as
them.

Put the roach in there.

This is too much, I don't even
know what's happening.

Watch how you take pot man.
(An imaginary marijuana)

Hey, give me one.

Are you bow-legged?

I like your legs. (John strokes
Diana's legs. She slaps his heart
away.)

(Laughter, then...silence)

You're still ugly, you know.

But Diana still loves you. Hey,

what happened to your finger.

I still like your legs.

Well, fuck.

Diana is thrashed.

The janitor's gonna be coming

pretty soon; he's gonna turn us

in. (continued on page 8)

fairfax + yamamoto

1941

We waltzed through
battered Fairfax High
-an old school crushed by loser
anti-Jew
When Kuni Yamamoto
went to Manzanar-

The searchlights and
the guns reached
out for phantom planes
as corridors of
stoplights mapped
the "black-out" city-
We sat upon bleachers
listening willingly
to the dramatic solemn
words resolute

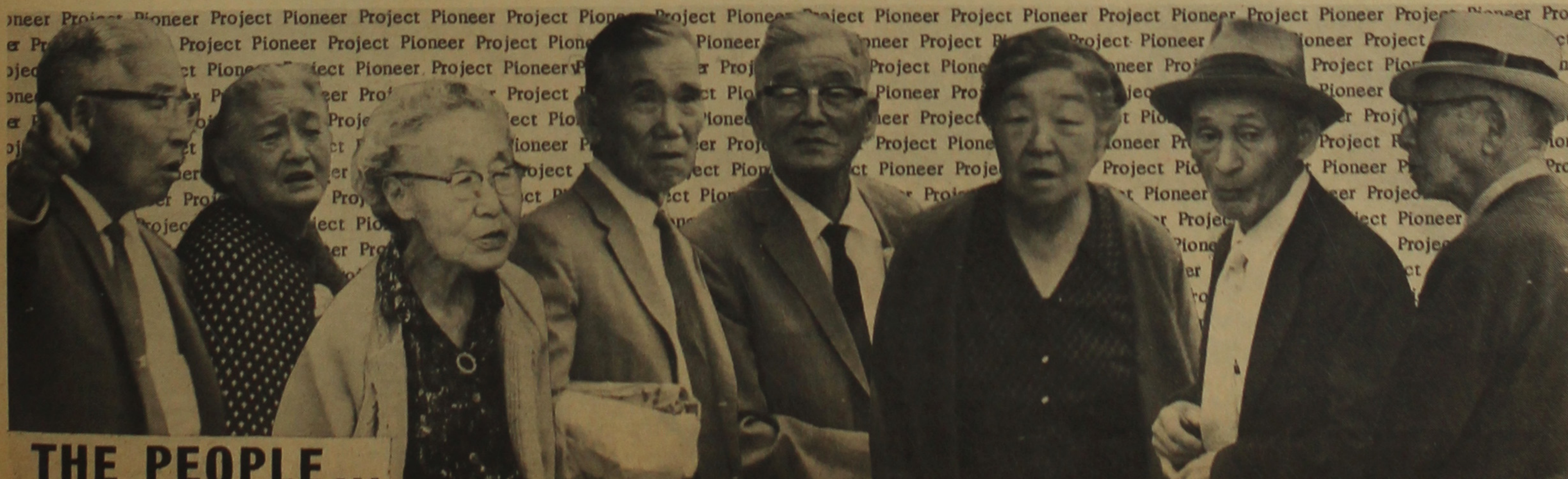
Stunned -- an embryo
cascade of troops
Malnourished on depression food
and Warner Brothers' lies

And Kuni Yamamoto
went to Manzanar-
Now, Banzai, Hell,
and Shit blend with
The pompous Generals'
rationale

And young boys' balls
are blown to hell
And Kuni Yamamoto
went to Manzanar

Kuni, bright young
patriot of gentle morals
How fast a bigot's
handshake turns to clamps
And barbed wire
replaces school yard fence
Among your peers so unaware and
still
was not one bearded boy
or long tressed girl
to scorn the folly

Eugene Goldman



THE PEOPLE...

GRAPES ARE COMING!

by Suzi Wong

As the last balmy days of spring turn into the heat of summer, the grapes in Delano continue to ripen. With the approach of the grape harvest season, the farm workers intensify their efforts in the four year strike.

Since the workers walked off the fields in 1965, their non-violent struggle has had one aim in mind—the recognition of the United Farm Workers of California. The farm workers feel that they need a strong organization of their own to bargain collectively with employers.

Since the turn of the century, California's biggest and most influential industry, agriculture, has resisted unionization. All farm workers' attempts to form a union, which included about five hundred strikes, were suppressed—some with violence and death.

CHEAP LABOR

A major factor in the success of the California farm industry has been the continuous supply of low-paid labor. According to UC Berkeley economist, Varden Fuller, the story of California farm labor begins with the May 10, 1869 meeting of the Central Pacific and Union Pacific railroads. Farmers now had not only a means of transporting their products to Eastern markets but also the thousands of Chinese coolies who were willing to work for agriculture at low wages. Landowners took advantage of this savings on labor and switched to high-labor crops such as fruits and vegetables.

When the depression of the 1880's occurred, the Chinese immigrants, accused of taking jobs from the whites, were eliminated from the labor market by the Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882. However, farm owners were compelled to protect their investment by finding another source of cheap labor. After the Chinese, came the Japanese who were followed by the Mexicans, the Filipinos, Hawaiians and workers from the Caribbean. The bracero program of bringing in Mexican temporary workers on contract was started during the Korean War and continued until 1964. By flooding the labor market with low-cost workers, the farmers depressed the wages of domestic workers.

POOR CONDITIONS

The 1968 report of the U.S. Senate subcommittee on migratory labor said of agricultural laborers in California, "No other segment of our population is so poorly paid yet contributes so much to our nation's wealth and welfare." Although the grape pickers can earn up to \$1.50 per hour during the peak harvest season, a period of four to six weeks, work is sporadic and uncertain the rest of the year. Recent AFL-CIO figures show that while industrial workers average 2,000 hours a year, farm laborers average 1,100 hours.

In 1965, the farm workers' earnings were 46 percent of his counterpart's in manufacturing. Unlike industrial labor, California's farm workers are not covered by unemployment insurance and collective bargaining legislation; all important

decisions concerning wages and working conditions are made by the landowners. As a result, the majority of workers in the fields do not get overtime pay, have no paid holidays or vacations, no health or pension plans, no contract indicating what their hourly pay rate is or how long they will be employed. Working conditions are very poor: there are few safety provisions, no regular rest periods. In one county, fourteen out of 138 farmers provided toilets for the workers, of which only two were in compliance with state health standards.

A study made by the Kern County Housing Authority revealed that the farmers won't build good housing for the workers and their families since this will encourage them to stay after the harvest and "then we'll have to build schools and other facilities for them." Seventy-seven percent of the houses for workers in Kern County were substandard and lacked adequate plumbing. It was common to find families of ten sleeping in two-bedroom houses. What is most frustrating is that the worker is powerless. There are no established channels for grievances.

BOYCOTT GRAPES

In 1962, Cesar Chavez began to build a self-supporting organization of farm workers that would eventually be strong enough to bargain with employers. Three years later when Filipino workers (Agriculture Workers' Organizing Committee) initiated the now famous Delano Grape Strike, Chavez' National Farm Workers' Association (NFWA) supported the strike by joining the Filipinos in their stand against the growers.

Later the Filipino union and NFWA merged, forming the United Farm Workers of California (UFWOC).

Major effort is put into the grape boycott, a recognition of consumer power. Boycotts of California table grapes have been effective in several Eastern cities. Some European ports have refused to unload the grapes at the depots and docks.

However, the growers though suffering losses have not yet capitulated. The most recent campaign, launched on May 10, 1969, International Boycott Day, is a boycott not only of the grapes but of the Safeway stores. Safeway, the largest food chain in the West (over 2200 stores) and the largest handler of California table grapes (over \$3 million per year), has close links with the table grape industry since most of Safeway's directors also sit on the boards of agribusiness corporations. If the Safeway chain suffers, its leaders could pressure the growers to negotiate. The crucial part of the campaign is just beginning; as soon as the grapes show up at the stores, the farm workers will need active support for leafletting and picketing at Safeways. Pat Bonner, one of the organizers of the Citizen's Don't Buy Grapes Committee in Los Angeles was pleased that Asian Americans were participating. He hopes that the added solidarity and strength will soon bring Justice and dignity to our brothers in the fields. If you are concerned, you can call the Committee at 264-0316.

Thinking?

By O. J.

Be honest with yourself when examining your conscience to decide whether to accept or reject the draft, whether to instigate war or to advocate peace.

Endless sacrifice of young men and resources—that is war.

Authoritarian control over lives of young men is exercised by the U.S. Government in the draft.

Corrupt and unfair, this immoral practice must be changed.

Over-all transformation could be accomplished by young men working with the system.

Now is the time for all men to question the draft.

Some may denounce the draft by burning a draft card or more decisively, by conscientious objection.

College students are advocates of one form of conscientious objection when they remain in the institutions of higher learning to postpone induction.

I believe that conscientious objectors are the true heroes of every war.

Every man must respect them for they have been true to their conscience in the face of great pressure.

Now, what is a conscientious objector?

The Military Selective Service Act of 1967, section 6(j), defines a conscientious objector as any person "who by reason of religious training or belief is conscientiously opposed to participation in war in any form."

In this subsection, the term "religious training and belief" does not include "essentially political, sociological, or philosophical views or merely a personal moral code."

Observation reveals that most conscientious objectors are members of some religious organization, although this is not a requirement.

Unbelieving individuals have been classified as conscientious objectors by Selective Service Boards.

Sincere conscientious objectors, therefore, should not assume that a lack of organized religious participation will immediately disqualify them for an I-A-O or I-O classification.

Objectors with the I-A-O classification can be used for non-combatant military service only, such as the Army Medical Service or chaplain's aides.

Believers opposing both combatant and non-combatant military service may be classified I-O, and substitute two years of civilian work contributing to national health, safety or interest while working as hospital attendants or social workers.

Just looking at the statistics, there are more Mennonite I-O conscientious objectors than other denominations combined.

Exemptions from combat classification (I-A-O) are held mostly by Seventh Day Adventists. Conscientious objectors can also be classified as "absolutists."

They object to cooperation with the military system or any other system that recognizes the government's "authority" to make choices for the individual.

Outraged at the senseless slaughter and destruction of the Vietnam war, many choose to resist the draft.

Resisters of the draft, however, may "upon conviction in district court of the United States ... be punished by imprisonment for not more than five years or fine of not more than \$10,000, or by both such fine and imprisonment..."

And someday it will be pleasant to recall all these things.....

LET'S REMEMBER CSES!!

—Yuji, Mike, Dennis, Dinora, Laura, Colin

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DID YOU HEAR ABOUT ---

The Yellow Prostitute who didn't vote?
She didn't care who got in.

Jay-R

The CINCIP
is coming!

JULY 27th

• ambrosial cuisine
• euphoric entertainment
• tintillating vectors
• verbal intercourse
• ecstatic experience

America...

... "Give me your tired, your poor,

Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free,

The wretched refuse of your teeming shore.

Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me,

I lift my lamp beside the golden door!"

... Love it or leave it ??

Reactions to gidra!

BY C. W.

A young man meets GIDRA at Holiday Bowl.
"Get away from me with your paper. I don't want anything to do with it."
"Have you read GIDRA?"
"No."
"Then how can you say you don't dig it when you don't know what it's all about?"
"I don't care. I don't want to see it."



GIDRA has created quite a stir in the quiet Asian American community.

"Good News!" writes Jeffrey Matsui, Associate National Director for the JACL, in the Pacific Citizen.

"...we welcome the emergence of the Superworm which has turned," says Kats Kunitsugu in the Kashu Mainichi.

Wimp Hiroto, editor and publisher of Crossroads, says of GIDRA, "It is also self-expression, hope, and action. A triumvirate sadly lacking in the Nisei today."

Criticism is mixed with praise. "You turn people off," says a UCLA coed, adding, "You come on too strong."

But another student says, "I heard you were heavy but you

didn't say shit."

"At first I thought you were radical but after reading all of your paper, I changed my mind," reports a law student at Hastings College in the Bay area.

A psych-sociology major at Pepperdine writes, "Keep up the good work. Let us hope that there can be meaningful and peaceful change in this society..."

KASHU MAINICHI

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AMERICA

CARROUSEL

by kats kunitsugu

THE SUPERWORM TURNS

crime?"

The page 2 cartoon shows that life is not all serious purpose for the youths who can laugh at themselves. "One Japanese," it says, "is a gardener." Two Japanese is a karate match. Three Japanese is a sneak attack. Four Japanese is a relocation camp.

There is also an angry piece by Dinora Gil about Oriental women in America whom "... all the peroxide, foam rubber and Scotch tape will not transform" into something they're not.

The other major story is an exposition of "Yellow Power." I, who belong to the generation which is the parent one to the young people putting out Gidra, find it both interesting and disturbing.

I mentally drag my feet and say, "Whoa there, now wait a minute" when I read, "Individual or institutional racism flows from a system, capitalism, which profits and perpetuates it," quoting a TWLF editorial. Or when police are called "pigs" as naturally as southern bigots call blacks "niggers." Or when Eldridge Cleaver, Mao Tse Tung and Che Guevara are lumped with Malcolm X and Martin Luther King as heroes of today's white youth.

On the other hand, I do agree when Third World people feel that whites suffer from a "white is right" complex. "White strikers have been known to ignore the orders of non-white strike

monitors. A condescending attitude of 'Well, it's your show, but I think I could do it better' sometimes seems to pervade (TWLF) meetings where whites are present."

I do agree that there are often forms of violence besides the physical one.

And while we question the supporters of Yellow Power who take the samurai for their model (samurai were a privileged class and could kill farmers and merchants with impunity in their day) we agree when they say "Yellow Power is a call for all Asian Americans to end the silence that has condemned us to suffer in this racist society and to unite with our black, brown and red brothers of the Third World for survival, self-determination and the creation of a more humanistic society." With the proviso that "white brothers" are also included. For the danger, as we hope intelligent TWLFers realize, is that their cause, however noble, may be based on a simple-colored-white dichotomy, which is racism.

All in all, we welcome the emergence of Gidra, the Superworm which has turned.

And we appeal to those of our generation, their parents, to read it with close attention and an open mind. Don't be turned off by the excesses that come from youthful zeal or the four-letter words which makes us uncomfortable or brava that often rides roughshod over the finer points. You don't have to agree with everything in it. In fact we might be suspicious about adults of our generation who agree with everything in it, especially if their life style puts them with the establishment.

It's an enlightening experience to test our own beliefs against those that are different from ours.

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*CROSSROADS



by wimp hiroto

CROSSROAD to Somewhere

THE WEEK ...

There was a Japan-produced science fiction flick on television awhile back which "starred" a monster from the sea. The indestructible creature, a cross between a dragon and a giant caterpillar, was called Gidra by the panic-stricken citizenry. Now we have a stateside Gidra ... in the form of a collegian-produced tabloid newspaper.

The first edition rolled off the presses this week. The lead article was a definitive piece on the Third World Liberation Front. A second story was slugged, "A Commentary on the Noguchi Firing." Inside is a piece on Yellow Power and Yellow Prostitution.

Gidra is the brain-child of six youthful college students. They each pitched in \$100 to get started and initially will publish monthly.

What is Gidra? Let them tell you what it is.

★
"Truth is not always pretty, not in this world.

We try hard to keep from hearing about the feelings, concerns, and problems of fellow human beings when it disturbs us, when it makes us feel uneasy.

And too often it is position and power that determine who is heard.

This is why GIDRA was created.

GIDRA is dedicated to truth. The honest expression of feeling or opinion, be it profound or profane, innocuous or insulting, from wretched or well-off—that is GIDRA. GIDRA IS TRUTH."

(Ed. Note: It is also self-expression, hope and action. A triumvirate sadly lacking amongst Nisei today. Clear the decks — the Sansei are coming.)

PACIFIC CITIZEN—
Friday, April 11, 1969

Sounding Board

Jeffrey Matsui

'Gidra'

Good news! It appears the Oriental young adult population in Southern California will finally have a newspaper to call their own.

Last week we received the first issue of Gidra, a monthly newspaper financed and printed by young adults of Oriental ancestry. And if the first issue is an indication, it's going to be a good one. Pacific Citizen editor, Harry Honda, read Gidra and commented that it was "... witty and professional ... cartoons and articles were well done."

Featured in the April issue were three lengthy articles: (1) "The Third World—A Response to Oppression," (an explanation of what is the Third World Liberation Front and what does it hope to accomplish), (2) A Commentary on the Noguchi Firing (dissonance the recent dismissal of L.A. County Coroner) and (3) "Yellow Power" (defines the term and answers the question: Why do we need Yellow Power).

Also worth mentioning is a feature story written by a young female student in pro-

test of t women Prostitutes you a s she has readers. that we do this Avenue of the pe and se form s not. If a rack who we

it? You will always be ferior if you strive to become that which you can never be."

It would seem that older adults might also profit by reading the thoughts and concerns of the future leaders of the Oriental communities.

Subscription rates are: \$1.50—Six months, \$2.50—One year, and \$4.00—Two years. Make check out to Gidra and mail to 1157 Muirfield Road, Los Angeles, Ca. 90019.

For those of you wondering about the name Gidra, all it is Ardig spelled backwards.

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1969 JAVA VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULES

JUNE 20

CSCLA

- 7:00
1. Tengu vs Ch Brown Poi Pndrs
2. M & P vs Destryrs Sign Tyme
3. N Diablos vs 30-60-90 All Togethr
4. Sigmas vs JACL Chashu Ch
5. Everyday P vs Beach Drp Minibrutes

- 7:30
1. Beach Drp vs All Togethr Sigmas
2. Third Gen vs Sign Tyme Destryrs
3. Poi Pndrs vs Aries Ch Brown
4. 30-60-90 vs Y Brother 1 Everyday P
5. Chashu Ch vs Minibrutes Y Brother 2

- 8:00
1. M & P vs Poi Pndrs Aries
2. Tengu vs Third Gen Poi Pndrs
3. Y Brother 1 vs Y Brother 2 Beach Drps
4. Yel Repels vs Melfunctns N Diablos

- 8:30
1. JACL vs N Diablos Sake to Em
2. Destryrs vs Aries M & P
3. Ch Brown vs Sign Tyme Third Gen
4. All Togethr vs Yel Repels Y Brother 1

- 9:00
1. Tengu vs Sign Tymes Destryrs
2. M & P vs Aries Ch Brown
3. Y Brother 2 vs Sake to Em JACL
4. Melfunctns vs Chashu Ch Yel Repels

- 9:30
1. Sake to Em vs Sigmas 30-60-90
2. Ch Brown vs Third Gen Tengu
3. Destryrs vs Poi Pndrs Aries
4. Everyday P vs Minibrutes Melfunctns

LACC

- 7:00
1. Chain G 2 vs Aijos LTD Taisho
2. Blanks vs CYDI Friends
3. Waka 1 vs Waka 2 Comers
4. Soul Rice vs Apple No Shimpai

- 7:30
1. Comers vs Gen Gap Waka 1
2. Kanaks vs Friends Blanks
3. Chain G vs Sun Co (N) Waka 2

- 8:00
1. Taisho vs No Shimpai Chain G 2
2. Blanks vs Kanaks CYDI
3. Waka 1 vs Ct Jesters Chain G

- 8:30
1. Chain G vs Gen Gap Sun Co (N)
2. CYDI vs Friends Kanaks
3. Aijos LTD vs Soul Rice Apple

- 9:00
1. Chain G 2 vs No Shimpai Aijos LTD
2. Blanks vs Friends CYDI
3. Sun Co (N) vs Ct Jesters Gen Gap

- 9:30
1. Waka 2 vs Comers Ct Jesters
2. CYDI vs Kanaks Friends
3. Apple vs Taisho Soul Rice

Hamilton

- 7:00
1. Suns vs Wong's Fixers
2. Waseis vs Capricorn Kyojins
3. B & G vs Clan Jungleball

- 7:30
1. Jungleball vs Dens' Men Clan
2. Kyojins vs BCSAB Aquarius
3. Fixers vs Aijos RT Wong's

- 8:00
1. S & W vs Fixers Suns
2. Capricorn vs Aquarius Waseis
3. Amateur Hr vs Jungleball B & G

- 8:30
1. Kamikaze vs B & G Dens' Men
2. BCSAB vs Ninjas Capricorn
3. Assocts vs Suns Aijos RT

- 9:00
1. Wong's vs S & W Assocts
2. Ninjas vs Waseis BCSAB
3. Clan vs Amateur Hr Kamikaze

- 9:30
1. Dens' Men vs Kamikaze Amateur Hr
2. Aquarius vs Kyojins Ninjas
3. Aijos RT vs Assocts S & W

Harbor JC

- 7:00
1. Sagittarius vs Daijobies Hustlers
2. Kaminari vs Mod Sqd Dokiyo

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7:00 (Continued)

3. Him vs Orange Scarboro F
7:30
1. Hustlers vs Gemini Sagittarius
2. Dokiyo vs WLA Mod Sqd
3. Scarboro F vs Oldies Orange

- 8:00
1. Sagittarius vs Kyodais Gemini
2. Kaminari vs Dokiyo WLA
3. Him vs Sun Co (C) Oldies

- 8:30
1. Kyodai vs Libra Daijobies
2. Mod Sqd vs WLA Kaminari
3. Sun Co (C) vs Chain G 3 Him

- 9:00
1. Gemini vs Daijobies Libra
2. Kaminari vs WLA Dokiyo
3. Oldies vs Orange Chain G 3

- 9:30
1. Libra vs Hustlers Kyodais
2. Mod Sqd vs Dokiyo WLA
3. Chain G 3 vs Scarboro F Sun Co (C)

JUNE 27

CSCLA

- 7:00
1. Tengu vs Blanks Kanaks
2. Third Gen vs Poi Pndrs M & P
3. Ninjas vs Gemini Sun Co (N)
4. Gen Gap vs Waseis Kyojins

- 7:30
1. M & P vs Kaminari Blanks
2. Kanaks vs Dokiyo Tengu
3. Sun Co (N) vs Kyojins Gemini
4. No Shimpai vs Dens' Men Sigmas

- 8:00
1. Blanks vs Kaminari Dokiyo
2. Third Gen vs Kanaks Poi Pndrs
3. Gemini vs Ct Jesters Ninjas
4. Sigmas vs Apple Y Brother 2

- 8:30
1. Tengu vs M & P Kanaks
2. Poi Pndrs vs Dokiyo Third Gen
3. Waseis vs Sun Co (N) Ct Jesters
4. Dens' Men vs JACL No Shimpai

- 9:00
1. M & P vs Blanks Kaminari
2. Third Gen vs Dokiyo Tengu
3. Ninjas vs Ct Jesters Gen Gap
4. Chain G 2 vs Sigmas Dens' Men

- 9:30
1. Apple vs Y Brother 2 JACL
1. Tengu vs Kaminari Third Gen
2. Poi Pndrs vs Kanaks M & P
3. Kyojins vs Gen Gap Waseis
4. No Shimpai vs JACL Chain G 2

- 9:00
1. Tengu vs Kaminari Third Gen
2. Poi Pndrs vs Kanaks M & P
3. Kyojins vs Gen Gap Waseis
4. No Shimpai vs JACL Chain G 2

LACC

- 7:00
1. Orange vs Aijos RT Chashu Ch
2. Signs Tyme vs Aries Friends
3. Kyodais vs Waka 2 Chain G
4. Yel Repels vs Him Scarboro F

- 7:30
1. Chashu Ch vs Scarboro F Orange
2. Friends vs WLA Aries
3. Daijobies vs Chain G Kyodais

- 8:00
1. BCSAB vs Capricorn Daijobies
2. Signs Tyme vs Friends WLA
3. Aijos RT vs Minibrutes Yel Repels

- 8:30
1. Him vs Chashu Ch Aijos RT
2. Aries vs WLA Sign Tyme
3. Waka 2 vs Daijobies BCSAB

- 9:00
1. Kyodais vs Capricorn Waka 2
2. Sign Tyme vs WLA Aries
3. Orange vs Minibrutes Him

- 9:30
1. Yel Repels vs Scarboro F Minibrutes
2. Aries vs Friends Sign Tymes
3. Chain G vs BCSAB Capricorn

Hamilton

- 7:00
1. Clan vs 30-60-90 Sake to Em
2. Sagittarius vs Comers Hustlers
3. Suns vs All Together Fixers

7:30

1. Fixers vs Chain G 3 Everyday P
2. Hustlers vs Aquarius Waka 1
3. Sake to Em vs Taisho Kamikaze

- 8:00
1. 30-60-90 vs Kamikaze Aijos LTD
2. Libra vs Waka 1 Comers
3. S & W vs Everyday P All Togethr

- 8:30
1. All Together vs Fixers Chain G 3
2. Comers vs Hustlers Aquarius
3. Aijos LTD vs Clan 30-60-90

- 9:00
1. Kamikaze vs Sake to Em Clan
2. Aquarius vs Libra Sagittarius
3. Chain G 3 vs S & W Suns

- 9:30
1. Everyday P vs Suns S & W
2. Waka 1 vs Sagittarius Libra
3. Taisho vs Aijos LTD Sake to Em

Harbor JC

- 7:00
1. B & G vs N Diablos Melfunctns
2. Ch Brown vs Destroyers CYDI
3. Wong's vs Beach Drops Soul Rice

- 7:30
1. Melfunctns vs Oldies N Diablos
2. CYDI vs Mod Sqd Ch Brown
3. Soul Rice vs Amateur Hr Wong's

- 8:00
1. B & G vs Y Brother 1 Oldies
2. Ch Brown vs CYDI Mod Sqd
3. Beach Drops vs Assocts Jungleball

- 8:30
1. Sun Co (C) vs Wong's Amateur Hr
2. Destryrs vs Mod Sqd CYDI
3. Y Brother 1 vs Jungleball Beach Drps

- 9:00
1. Amateur Hr vs N Diablos Sun Co (C)
2. Ch Brown vs Mod Sqd Destryrs
3. Assocts vs Melfunctns Y Brother 1

- 9:30
1. Oldies vs Sun Co (C) B & G
2. Destryrs vs CYDI Ch Brown
3. Jungleball vs Soul Rice Assocts

JULY 11

CSCLA

- 7:00
1. Ch Brown vs Poi Pndrs Kaminari
2. Tengu vs Destryrs Kanaks
3. Soul Rice vs 30-60-90 Melfunctns
4. Chain G 3 vs Beach Drps Sun Co (C)

- 7:30
1. Kanaks vs West LA Tengu
2. Friends vs Kaminari Destryrs
3. Beach Drps vs Melfunctns Chain G 3
4. 30-60-90 vs Sake to Em Soul Rice

- 8:00
1. Aijos LTD vs Sake to Em Everyday P
2. Tengu vs Kanaks Poi Pndrs
3. Ch Brown vs Friends Kaminari
4. Sun Co (C) vs Melfunctns Taisho

- 8:30
5. Soul Rice vs JACL Minibrutes
1. Sun Co (C) vs Everyday P JACL
2. Poi Pndrs vs Kaminari Friends
3. Destryrs vs West LA Ch Brown

4. Aijos LTD vs N Diablos Oldies
5. Chain G 3 vs Minibrutes Sake to Em
9:00
1. Tengu vs West LA Poi Pndrs
2. Ch Brown vs Kaminari Destryrs

3. Taisho vs N Diablos Beach Drps
4. Oldies vs Everyday P 30-60-90
9:30
1. Poi Pndrs vs Friends Tengu
2. Destryrs vs Kanaks WLA

3. Oldies vs Minibrutes N Diablos
4. Taisho vs JACL Aijos LTD

LACC

- 7:00
1. Aquarius vs Waka 2 Chain G
2. B & G vs No Shimpai Dens' Men
3. Waka 1 vs BCSAB Capricorn
4. Apple vs Amateur Hr Kamikaze

- 7:30
1. Dens' Men vs Y Brother 2 Amateur Hr
2. Waka 2 vs Chain Gang BCSAB
3. Y Brother 1 vs Kamikaze B & G

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Roster of JAVA Teams

TRIPLE AYE

Aries, Gus Alevizos (293-2357); Blanks, Tak Machida (286-6837); Can You Dig It, Dean Munesato (323-5128); Charlie Brown, Steve Yoshizaki (263-3022); Destroyers, Karl Ishibashi (756-5650); Dokiyo, Glenn Kobata (424-3105); Friends of Distinction, Tom Okabe (221-5786); Kaminari, Dick Uyeno (426-4980); Kanakotunks, Cal Hira-hara (663-1945); Mamas and Papas, Lanny Kusaka (754-0104); Mod Squad, Barry Tambara (269-5214); Poi Pounders, Rick Runcie (326-2793); Sign of the Tymes, Ron Adachi (294-0955); Tengu, Richard Komai (676-5221); Third Generation, Norman Sanwo (329-5038); West LA, Greg Tokuda (473-3717).

DOUBLE AYE

Aquarius, Don Iwasaki (294-2055); Bill Cosby's Salvation Army Band, Gary Shimizu (323-9424); Capricorn, Bob Hamaguchi (295-8438); Chain Gang, Alan Nitake (293-2714); Comers, John Inouye (734-8919); Court Jesters, Tom Kiyomura (792-0434); Daijobies, Henry Yamaguchi (753-5625); Gemini, Brian Kaneko (295-0296); Generation Gap, Rick Woo (384-6761); Hustlers, Ray Koyanagi (388-9834); Kyodais, David Doi (292-5971); Kyojins, Robert Iwamoto (263-4706); Libra, Gary Furuno (295-3406); Ninjas, Stan Hirotsu (833-7239); Sagittarius, Bob Toyoda (747-5772); Sunshine Company N, Norman Arikawa (429-2667); Wakadaishos 1 & 2, Bob Fujiu (479-6722); Waseis, Rich Matsumoto (324-0872).

AYE ONE

Aijos LTD, Larry Higashi (732-7977); Amateur Hour, Robert Ozaki (294-7856); Apple Fruit Company, Mike Sakamoto (663-1329); Boys and Girls, Steve Hino (324-5921); Chain Gang 2, Norio Kazahaya (931-4159); Clan, Ken Kaino (269-2678); Dennis' Menaces, Dennis Noda (329-4067); Jungleballers, Steve Ishida (797-8436); Kamikaze Kids, Don Sakiyama (292-2263); Nisei Diablos, Tom Aita (733-2641); No Shimpai, Paul Nakatani (269-3928); Progressive Westside JACL, Michi Okano (479-7135); Sake to Em, Dennis Fujita (329-1822); Sigmas of USC, Jackie Hirashima (398-2318); Soul on Rice, John Oda (329-6154); Taisho, Stephen Kawasaki (391-6108); Thirty-Sixty-Ninety, Leroy Endo (320-7354); Yellow Brotherhood 1 & 2, Davy Yanagi (295-1579).

AYE TWO

Aijos RT, Willie Wong (734-2443); All Together Now, Carol Shimizu (323-2630); Associates, Bob Ozaki (931-2511); Beach Drops, Lee Ouye (283-8753); Chain Gang 3, Kenny Kokubun (938-5427); Chashu Chargers, Richard Nakamura (934-4757); Everyday People, Ken Ota (321-8987); Fixers, David Uyekawa (324-5970); Him and They Others, Ron Katayama (263-4954); Melfunctns, Eugene Nakano (268-6320); Minibrutes, Karl Kawakami (295-0022); Oldies but Goodies, Tak Kadonaga (664-3126); Orange Fruit Company, Paul Suzuki (734-5472); Scarborough Fair, Edwin TomYoy (747-2698); Scotch and Water, Ray Nagami (382-4722); Suns, Mas Dojiri (676-5221); Sunshine Company C, Carissa Nishida (323-8254); Wong's Hand Laundry, Larry Saika (734-0079); Yellow Repels Mosquitos, Janice Suzawa (329-7108).

V-BALL GAMES...

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- 8:00
- 1. No Shimpai vs Jungleball Clan
 - 2. Ct Jesters vs Aquarius Waka 2
 - 3. Amatr Hr vs Sigmas Y Brother 1
- 8:30
- 1. Kamkaz vs ChainG2 NoShimpai
 - 2. ChainGang vs Caprcorn Waka 1
 - 3. Clan vs Y Brother 1 Jungleball
- 9:00
- 1. Sigmas vs Den'sMen Y Brother 2
 - 2. BCSAB vs Ct Jesters Aquarius
 - 3. Jungleball vs Apple Chain G 2
- 9:30
- 1. Capricorn vs Waka 1 Ct Jesters
 - 2. Y Brother 2 vs B & G Apple
 - 3. Chain G 2 vs Clan Sigmas

Hamilton

- 7:00
- 1. Sagittarius vs Ninjas Waseis
 - 2. Third Gen vs Aries Blanks
 - 3. Libra vs Sun Co (N) Kyodais
- 7:30
- 1. Waseis vs Kyodais Sagittarius
 - 2. Blanks vs Mod Squad Aries
 - 3. Ninjas vs Hustlers Daijobies
- 8:00
- 1. Sagittarius vs Gen Gap Ninjas
 - 2. Third Gen vs Blanks Mod Sqd
 - 3. Sun Co (N) vs Gemini Kyojins
- 8:30
- 1. Kyodais vs Comers Libra
 - 2. Aries vs Mod Squad Third Gen
 - 3. Hustlers vs Kyojins Sun Co (N)
- 9:00
- 1. Gemini vs Gen Gap Comers
 - 2. Third Gen vs Mod Sqd Blanks
 - 3. Daijobies vs Waseis Hustlers
- 9:30
- 1. Kyojins vs Libra Gen Gap
 - 2. Aries vs Blanks Mod Sqd
 - 3. Comers vs Daijobies Gemini

Harbor JC

- 7:00
- 1. Suns vs Orange Fixers
 - 2. Sign Tyme vs M & P CYDI
 - 3. S&W vs Chashu Ch Yel Repels
- 7:30
- 1. Orange vs Fixers Chashu Ch
 - 2. CYDI vs Dokiyo Sign Tyme
 - 3. Yel Repels vs Suns All Togethr
- 8:00
- 1. Fixers vs Scarboro F Assocts
 - 2. Sign Tyme vs CYDI M & P
 - 3. Chashu Ch vs Aijos RT Suns
- 8:30
- 1. Him vs Wong's Aijos RT
 - 2. M & P vs Dokiyo Sign Tyme
 - 3. All Together vs Assocts Orange
- 9:00
- 1. Scarboro F vs S & W Him
 - 2. Sign Tyme vs Dokiyo M & P
 - 3. Aijos RT vs Yel Repels Wong's
- 9:30
- 1. Wong's vs All Together S & W
 - 2. M & P vs CYDI Dokiyo
 - 3. Him vs Assocts Scarboro F

Schedules for subsequent weeks will appear in the July and August issues of GIDRA.

COURT DESIGNATIONS:

- CSCLA
- 1. South Court (nr pool)
 - 2. Center Court
 - 3. North Court (nr lobby)
 - 4. Upstairs North Court
 - 5. Upstairs South Court
- LACC
- 1. West Court (nr Heliotope)
 - 2. Center Court
 - 3. East Court (nr Vermont)
 - 4. Outside Court (north of gym)
- Hamilton High
- 1. West Court
 - 2. Center Court
 - 3. East Court
- Harbor JC
- 1. North Court
 - 2. Center Court
 - 3. South Court

PERSECUTION ..(Continued from page 1)

matter of fact, she cried when Dr. Noguchi was dismissed and even typed a petition expressing confidence and support for the ousted coroner. She also admitted during a conversation with Mrs. Noguchi, that she (Mrs. Field) suspected that there was racial prejudice involved. Why Mrs. Field made such a drastic turn-about is a question pondered by many of those who have been following this case.

Perhaps Mrs. Field may be in a situation similar to that of the former staff assistant, Michael Wood. He testified that Noguchi had waved a knife and said of a subordinate, "I'll kill him...I'll kill him, I'll kill him." He also testified to a backlog of cases in the coroner's office and that Noguchi was becoming lax in his own output at the office.

Later testimony, however, showed that a backlog is not uncommon in the coroner's office and in fact, the backlog was less at the time of Noguchi's firing than it was when he was appointed coroner.

An interesting fact brought out in cross examination by Issac, is that Wood received a promotion and a \$99 raise in pay after Noguchi's resignation and that he was recommended for a job in the county counsel's office by a member of Hollinger's office.

Dr. Donald A. Stuart, deputy medical examiner and chief inquest hearing officer, is another of the prosecution witnesses known for his differences with Noguchi. In the 1968, Deadweller shooting, where a policeman killed a black man, the court ruled "justifiable homicide." Noguchi disputed the court's finding and proposed a committee made up of and to protect the interest of minority groups. This was probably one of the first of their differences.

Stuart, in his testimony, stated that Noguchi became increasingly difficult to talk to, a dissociation of ideas was evident, he was hyper-excitable, and went into moods of depression.

The pills taken by Noguchi were identified in a curious way. McRoy and Nancy Palmer, a county medical transcriber, picked a pill out of a box containing forty pills collected from various places. In cross examination, McRoy was unable to re-identify a pill shown to him only a few minutes earlier and Palmer later denied participating in this identification "experiment."

The testimony of County chief

administrative officer, Lindon S. Hollinger, added little strength to the prosecution's case. His memory during cross examination was amazingly hazy for a man of his stature. One would think that old age had begun to set in. He could not remember who made what charges, and he affixed his name to the report made by his staff without question.

It is difficult to conceive of a man in his position threatening a man's future and livelihood without a full and thorough investigation before taking such action. It would appear that this is some sort of personal vendetta or political maneuver.

Hollinger stated that he thought Noguchi was "mentally ill." This charge has been fairly well demolished by defense witness, Dr. Frederick J. Hacker, a Beverly Hills psychiatrist whose impressive credentials are highlighted by the fact that he is a court appointed expert in psychiatry for the Superior Court of Los Angeles and is on the panel of experts for the Federal Courts. Hacker stated flatly, "Dr. Noguchi is normal. He func-

tions within normal limits."

Dr. Hacker asserted, "The house of normality has many different rooms. There are more ways to be normal than to be abnormal." However, he did say that Dr. Noguchi is unusual in that he shows a high degree of devotion to duty, of ambition, and dedication to his work. Though these things are unusual, Dr. Hacker states, "They are certainly not abnormal."

The noted psychiatrist further stated that Noguchi is not now, nor has he ever been, subject to any drug induced psychosis as Deputy Counsel Weekes alleged in his opening statement.

The current status of this case shows that the county has dropped one of its main charges that Dr. Noguchi appeared glassy-eyed and displayed erratic behavior during the Kennedy autopsy. Why? Perhaps the county has some "dirty linen" to hide. Weekes stated that there may be international repercussions if certain facts were disclosed.

One wonders how much "dirty linen" is being hidden from the public eye.

The Charges:

On March 18, the County Board of Supervisors sent a letter to Dr. Thomas T. Noguchi containing the following charges:

1. You have failed to properly, efficiently and economically direct the work of your office by:
 - a. failing to have cases completed promptly;
 - b. unnecessarily expanding activities to build up work loads for the apparent sole purpose of justifying excessive expenditures;
 - c. requiring employees to work at tasks not included in their class specifications.
2. You have diminished the effectiveness of your staff by:
 - a. failing to effectively communicate with them and direct their efforts;
 - b. conducting yourself in an erratic and/or irrational manner in their presence;
 - c. taking of stimulants and depressants in combination and in excessive quantities, and by exhibiting symptoms which indicate a need for psychiatric care, thereby destroying the confidence of your staff in your ability to direct the affairs of your office;
 - c. inability to create or maintain an acceptable level of employee morale.
3. You have subjected subordinates and other County employees to or threatened them with degrading or other hostile treatment without reasonable provocation by:
 - a. use of profane language;
 - b. submitting employees to demeaning treatment;
 - c. threatening the personal safety of staff members and other County employees;
 - d. causing your employees, because of your actions, to become apprehensive regarding their personal safety, and avoid contacts with you as much as possible.
4. You have jeopardized the confidence of the community in the County government and your office by your statements indicating that you view great tragedy as an avenue of aggrandizement for yourself and the office of Chief Medical Examiner-Coroner.

IT'S A GAS!

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ter passed slowly above dropping gas behind it. We immediately felt the difference in this gas. It was a thick white cloud that settled without dissipating and burned your skin. A few girls were wretching. I ran almost immediately into the cafeteria. I was exposed for only a short time yet my face began to turn red. A few days later the skin turned brown and peeled off. We found out later that they were using CS, a silicone based blister gas whose effectiveness is enhanced by water.

In the community south of the campus police roamed about in cars, jumping out whenever they felt like making senseless arrests. I was in a coffee shop when I saw two people arrested for sitting at a bus stop. The young man photographing the arrests was chased for half a block by a billy-club wielding policeman.

I was most impressed by the self-reliance and the self-direction shown by people. Demonstration monitors were unobtrusive, giving tactical direction yet avoiding the vigilante policing of the crowd so prevalent during the UCLA Coalition-led strike. Police and Guard were constantly trying to divide the crowd into smaller groups, cut off from monitors or leadership. But people consistently showed courage and initiative and rendered the police tactics ineffective. The People's Park movement has the characteristics of a true grass roots movement.

Friday was Memorial Day and 30,000 people turned out in answer to a statewide appeal for support. People came under many banners—UCLA, Santa Cruz Radical Union, UC Davis, El Camino College, UC San Diego, San Francisco State College AFT (Teachers' union), United Auto Workers, Berkeley PTA, UC Riverside, etc. The appeal was even answered by out of state students from Michigan, Colorado, Illinois and New York.

All streets except one leading to the park were closed off by barbed wire and National Guard. As the line of march passed, people put flowers on the barbed wire and the police cars. There was a holiday flower-power mood. Several bands on flat-bed trucks provided music. Grass and trees were planted along Channing Way, a street bordering the park. The chain link fence surrounding the park was woven with flowers. The cry was "Green Power," as a speaker prayed to "Mother Earth" that the National Guard and police would not use violence against us. They didn't.

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CINCIP ?!

(Laughter, then...silence)

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No, he's down at the other end.
(John tries to grab Diana's legs again.)

Shit! Get up and stand up. I'll sock it to you.

Hey, you ever play hot hands?
Well, I don't have much room.
Oh, shit...my stomach is getting big.

(Laughter)

Diana is lying on the floor.
Sam is in a world of his own.

John: II

Are we crazy? Are we?

Like I keep saying, if you don't go crazy in this crazy world, you're crazy.

Wash it down, wash it down!

You could do the same thing with a cigarette as you could with a marijuana but it hurts.

Mitch has a bad accent, but we still love him.

I just wanna tell you guys I love you all.

But it's different kind of love.

No, it ain't!

It is, because I can't screw you.

I got a dildo, short but good. My dick is small (rubbing it) but good.

Tell me, chemical engineer, what chemical is in the wind. I'll take that home with me.

I saw this woman and she had no chest. Hey, you gonna breast-feed your kids.

Sure.

You wish you were a kid, don't you.

As it turned out, she wasn't wearing any.

Jiggers, a cop!!

Oriental don't do this kind of shit. Oh, fuck.

(Much laughter)

Didn't I tell you I laughed all night. (John crying)

Put my boot back on.

Have you got it on?

No, not yet.

Go to it, you could do it. I know you could do it.

Your phucking phinger, what's the difference?

What are you doing looking between her legs?

He's a man of honor.

What time is it?

Ju-niji hachi-fun.

I was never like this.

Don't try to explain.

One must know what one is doing.

Power to the People!

Bang! (Laughter)

You show me your and I'll show you mine.

I only show to a select group.

Go fuck yourself. See if you could do it. Are you man enough?

How do I do it?

Wrap it around...

My thing is this, that's my thing.

They're trying to erase our autonomy.

Tell me, what chemical is in the wind.

Let's Cincip



Together!!

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CONDENSED NEWS

UCLA CENTER PROPOSED

The Asian American Studies Center at UCLA may soon become a reality.

A team of students, faculty, and community people, headed by Philip Huang, assistant professor of history, and Yuji Ichioka, instructor for the course "Orientals in America," recently produced a proposal calling for the establishment of the Center.

UCLA Vice-Chancellor David Saxon, at a faculty meeting at UCLA on Thursday, May 29, called the proposal "an excellent job" and reported that UCLA Chancellor Charles E. Young was also "very favorably impressed." Twenty faculty members in attendance also pledged their support to the prospective center.

Assistant Dean of Student Activities Richard A. Moyer commented, "Asian students here are developing an awareness... They'll be knocking on doors soon."

The future Center, now called a "program," must be approved by Chancellor Young, UC President Charles Hitch, and the Board of Regents.

CANDIDATE DISQUALIFIED

William Chun Jr., the first Asian American candidate for student body president at Cal State L.A., has been disqualified. Apparently on the way to victory, Chun was cited for a violation of the school's election code prohibiting the distribution of derogatory campaign literature.

Chun's disqualification came as the result of a controversial leaflet, which only two or three people saw. The leaflet, written in response to an attempt to label Chun a faggot and the incumbent president a communist, was a satirical piece by George Seibert criticizing the SDS candidate for her ties with the Greeks in order to "balance the ticket." It was written without Chun's knowledge or consent. The material was confiscated before any distribution had been made.

At the Election Review Board hearing, Seibert took full responsibility for the leaflet and acknowledged that Chun had no knowledge of its production. Chun's accuser, Julio Caesar Marin, the A.S. Vice-President, withdrew his complaint during the hearing. Then, in closed session, the Board voted to disqualify Bill Chun.

An interesting sidelight was the fact that the members of the Election Review Board were all appointed by Steve Cooley, the incumbent A.S. President, who was, at the time, losing his bid for re-election to Chun.

At the present time, the college president, Dr. Greenlee, A.S. President, Cooley, and the Election Commissioner have all received a copy of the Petition for a Writ of Mandate against the Associated Students Corporation. Chun's case will be heard in Superior Court on June 2. If judgment is made in Chun's favor, new elections will be held and CCLA may have its first Asian-American A.S. President.

Community College

In response to the growing enthusiasm for Asian American studies an Asian American Experimental College will be offered this summer. Courses will begin the week of June 23 and will continue to the week of August 15. Each class will meet once a week in homes of participants. Meeting days and times and course content will be determined by class leaders and participants. There is no tuition or fee for courses.

"Social Conflict and the Process of Change" will examine, from an Asian American perspective, the role of conflict in society as a way of bringing about social change. Topics to be covered include revolution vs. evolution; social conflict and community action; creative risk taking; accommodation, protest, confrontation, and negotiation. Class leader is Alan Nishio.

A workshop on "Asian American Leadership Development" will examine the development of the leader and his role in community organizing. Leadership development exercises, T-groups, and a class project in community organizing will provide participants with firsthand leadership experience. Class leaders are Larry Kubota and Alan Nishio. Enrollment is limited.

Other courses to be offered include "Dance" led by Yvonne Nakamura, "Asian Drama" led by Jeannie Joe, and "Oriental Youth," led by Mike Yamaki and Victor Shibata. Detailed descriptions of these courses will be published at a later date.

Persons interested in enrolling in these courses or initiating other courses should contact Mike Murase at the Gidra House, 1926 La Salle Ave., Los Angeles 90018, (734-7838) or Alan Nishio at the Center for Social Action, 681 W. 34th Street, Los Angeles, 90007, (746-2537) for further information and assistance.

CSCLB ASIANS URGE SENATE TO CONDEMN POLICE TERRORISM

Evelyn Yoshimura, spokesman for Long Beach State Oriental Concern, the Asian American Center, and the newly formed Asian American Student Alliance, read a strongly worded statement condemning police action at the University of California at Berkeley before the Academic Senate at California State College at Long Beach.

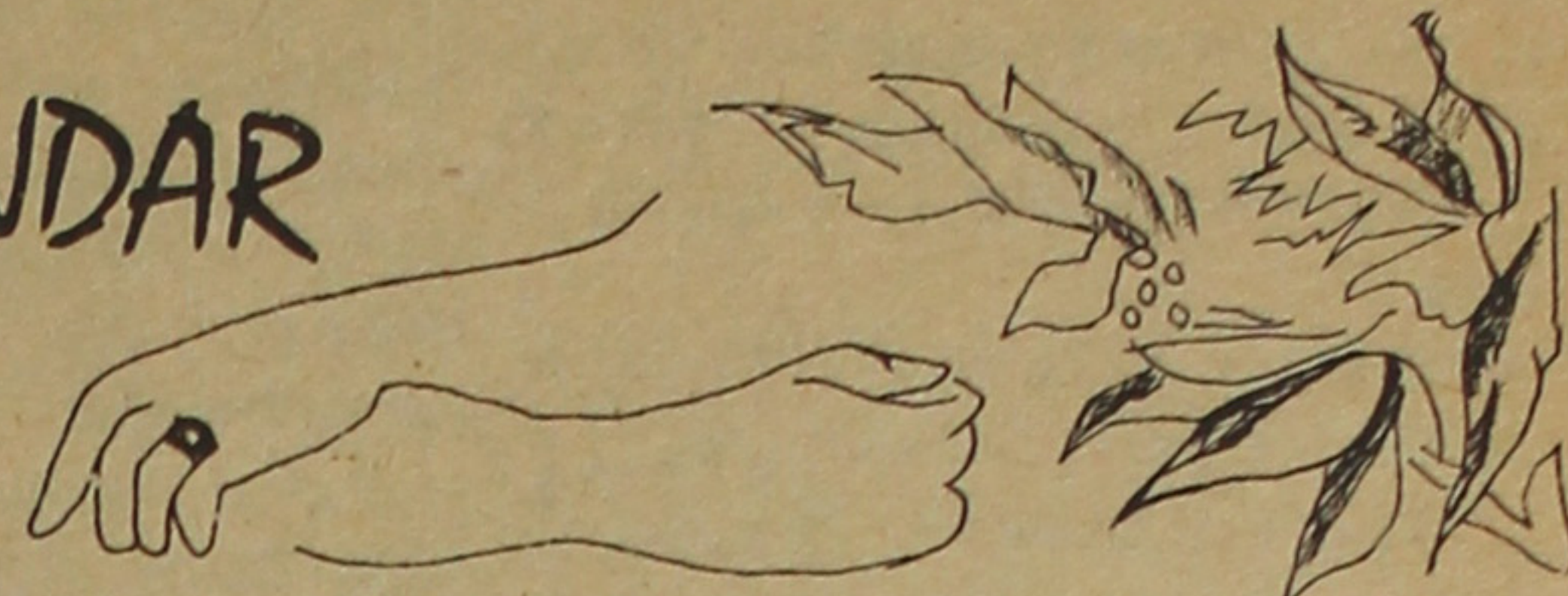
The Senate, suspending, "normal procedures" to hear the Asian student group that had invaded their meeting, unanimously passed a resolution of their own reading:

"We condemn the misuse of firearms against unarmed people in and around the Berkeley campus. We condemn any indiscriminate gassing of students, faculty members, bystanders, and hospital patients in and around the Berkeley campus."

"It wasn't much," commented a student at the meeting adjourned, "But it's about as much as we could expect."

CALENDAR

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June 4 (Wednesday) - CSES 103 Banquet. International Student Center, UCLA, 6pm.

June 7 (Saturday) - Amerasian CINCIP Workshop. Gidra House, 1926 La Salle Ave., L.A., 11 am, 734-7838.

June 7 (Saturday) - CARWASH. Jeunes, Anjeules, & Chanels. 9 am-6pm, Santa Barbara Savings, 3910 W. Santa Barbara Ave., Los Angeles. Donation.

June 8 (Sunday) - All-You-Can-Eat PANCAKE BREAKFAST. Harbor Optimist Club of Long Beach. 7 am-noon, Alpha Beta Market parking lot, Willow and Baltic Ave. 75¢. Prizes.

June 10 (Tuesday) - JAVA meeting. 7pm, rm. 3517 Student Union, UCLA;

June 14 (Saturday) - Amerasian CINCIP Workshop. Gidra House, 1926 La Salle Ave., L.A., 11 am, 734-7838.

June 20 (Friday) - JAVA League begins.

June 22 (Sunday) - Yellow Brotherhood Dinner. 6 pm at Crenshaw YMCA, 3829 Santa Rosalia. For information and tickets contact Mr. Victor Shibata at 291-0403 before June 17. Public Invited.

Week of June 23-29 (Monday-Sunday) - Asian American Experimental College-Classes begin. Call Alan Nishio 746-2537 for schedules.

June 28 (Saturday) - Paper and Rag Drive. Jeunes, Anjeules, & Chanels. 10 am-5 pm Crenshaw YMCA, 3820 Santa Rosalia.

July 12 (Saturday) - Dance. Jeunes, Anjeules, & Chanels, & friends of Patti and Gail. Love is a Special Way of feeling. Roger Young Auditorium, on Washington near Figueroa. 9 pm-1:30 am. Bands include: Something Else, Chosen Few, and the Prophets. For information call 293-9171.

July 27 (Sunday) - Pancake Breakfast. Progressive Westside JACL. 8 am-noon at Food Giant parking lot, Crenshaw Square, \$1. Prizes, Entertainment.

July 27 (Sunday) - CINCIP.

Anytime---Anyplace - Yellow Brotherhood STUD SERVICE. Contact 293-9503 & ask for Stud Service.

WHO OWNS THE PARK?

Someday a petty official will appear with a piece of paper, called a land title, which states that the University of California owns the land of the People's Park. Where did that piece of paper come from? What is it worth?

A long time ago the Costanoan Indians lived in the area now called Berkeley. They had no concept of land ownership. They believed that the land was under the care and guardianship of the people who used it and lived on it.

Catholic missionaries took the land away from the Indians. No agreements were made. No papers were signed. They ripped it off in the name of God.

The Mexican Government took the land away from the Church. The Mexican Government had guns and an army. God's word was not as strong.

The Mexican Government wanted to pretend that it was not the army that guaranteed them the land. They drew up some papers which said they legally owned it. No Indians signed those papers.

The Americans were not fooled by the papers. They had a stronger army than the Mexicans. They beat them in a war and took the land. Then they wrote some papers of their own and forced the Mexicans to sign them.

The American Government sold the land to some white settlers. The Government gave the settlers a piece of paper called a land title in exchange for some money. All this time there were still some Indians around who claimed the land. The American army killed most of them.

The piece of paper saying who owned the land was passed around among rich white men. Sometimes the white men were interested in taking care of the land. Usually they were just interested in making money. Finally some very rich men, who run the University of California, bought the land.

Immediately these men destroyed the houses that had been built on the land. The land went the way of so much other land in America - it became a parking lot.

We are building a park on the land. We will take care of it and guard it, in the spirit of the Costanoan Indians. When the University comes with its land title we will tell them: "Your land title is covered with blood. We won't touch it. Your people ripped off the land from the Indians a long time ago. If you want it back now, you will have to fight for it again."

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