

PROGRESSIVES

Memories of another enjoyable visit to the PSW are fresh in my mind as I write this column. Our active "go-go" Progressive Westside Chapter, relatively young in membership and existence, but long in desire and enthusiasm, can be proud of its role as host. Our congratulations to Dr. Franklin Minami and his officers for their leadership.

With characteristic willingness to give his precious free time, Congressman Spark Matsunaga contributed substantially with his presence. Flying out west specifically to deliver the major Convention address, Spark's warmth and easy approachability were not missed by the many JACLers who turned out. His address "Riots and Civil Rights" stressed the root causes of civil strife, and the need for all of us to be constantly aware of the causes, and not react merely to the symptoms. He stressed the fact that JACL has in the continuing social struggles of the black man — a theme that we are becoming most keenly attuned to.

Thanks to the extra efforts of Harry Honda, the Congressman's visit was also used to exchange some informal dialogue with the vernacular press. The national officers and staff present, and a few guests, joined in this impromptu "press conference."

MISSED OUT

Judging from the grapevine, the 1000 Club Whing Ding was a real hit. Tales (tails?) of bunny girls, can-can dancers, half nude JACL officers, etc. suggest a mad, hilarious evening. 1000 Club Chief, Frank Sakamoto, lent his talents to the shindig. Incidentally Frank is making an all out push to reach the magic 2000 membership figure by San Jose. I'm sure we'll make it, but whether we do or not, it will not detract from the job Frank is doing.

GREEN POWER

It was a pleasure to meet attorney, James Nakano, who made a pitch for JACL support of the now fairly well known Green Power Foundation Inc.

Word about this "bootstrap" effort has been circulated in the P.C. It is hoped that a more organized and planned support of this deserving project will develop in the PSW.

As our 2nd V.P. Dave Miura put it, this is just the kind of self help approach that we Japanese are always lauding, and encouraging others to embark upon. In his words, this is a chance for JACLers to "put their money where their mouths are." Blunt? Maybe, but to the point.

PLUG

We couldn't miss the JACL arm of the San Jose Chamber of Commerce over the weekend. Dr. Tom Taketa was giving the hard and soft sell for the 20th Biennial. Sharon Uyeda, Jr. JACL Convention Chairman and pretty Convention Queen, Carolyn Uchiyama, provided the sweetening for the sell. Understand George Hinoki took in the 1000 Club Affair, and we had Tom's word that the San Jose blast will be better. A problem might be that either Tom or George couldn't remember the whole evening?

BUSINESS

Using the PSW session as another sounding board, let me remind all chapters to consider the information mailed to them carefully, so that your delegates can be prepared to make decisions on issues at the Convention. The specific example of the Executive Reorganization proposal is a case in point. Discussion of this item was very tough since delegates were not all prepared to talk about it. This proposal was mailed to Chapter Presidents a month ago.

ECHO

Just got in the mail today, some very effective stamps (like Xmas seals) on Open Housing from ECHO, an active open housing organization for Southern Alameda County. The letter and seals sent to me on referral from Tad Masaoka, active JACLer and Chairman of the California Commission on Equal Opportunities in Education, is particularly noteworthy because it offers these seals at special rates for groups interested in using them for fund raising.

Elsewhere on these pages will be found other details.

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JACL to commemorate historic Nisei event

WASHINGTON — Twenty years ago, the first two Nisei GIs were interred in Arlington National Cemetery. They were PFC Fumitake Nagato of Los Angeles and PFC Saburo Tanamachi of San Benito, Tex., members of the 442nd Central Postal Directory, who were killed in action during the rescue of the Texas "Lost Battalion" in the Vosges Mountains of eastern France. The historic reinterment of June 4, 1948, was commemorated by JACL members.

On Sunday, May 26, at 9:30 a.m., the D.C. chapter will again hold a brief pre-Memorial Day service at the Nagato-Tanamachi gravesites in Sec. 12 off of McClellan Drive. Congressman Spark Matsunaga will deliver a brief message. The remaining 21 Nisei graves will be decorated after the ceremony by JACL members.

A testimonial luncheon will follow at the Key Bridge Marriott Hotel at 11 a.m. to honor Ira Shimazaki, who has been chairman of the JACL Arlington Cemetery service committee for the past 20 years. Mike Masaoka will speak briefly. Norman Ikari, Memorial Day service chairman, is heading the pre-Memorial Day tribute and luncheon.

Luncheon will be \$3.25 per person. The JACL will also participate in the May 30 wreath laying ceremonies at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier with Glenn Matsumoto and Joe Ichijima making the presentation. It is a significant fact that JACL is the only non-veteran group in the list of participants at this hallowed and stirring ceremony.

At the 1948 service, Gen. Jacob Devers, chief of Army Field Forces, eulogized the more than 650 Nisei who were killed in action during World War II.

"There is one supreme and final test of loyalty to one's native land. This test is readiness and willingness to fight for and, if need be, to die for one's country. These Americans, and their fellows, passed that test with colors flying. They proved their loyalty and devotion beyond all question."

After retiring as one of Japan's leading petroleum executives (with a subsidiary of the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey), he decided to explore in depth the humanistic aspects of economics. During his nearly 25 years in the business world he noted that when "the economy is making very good progress; everybody looks very happy."

Human Factor Missing
But at the same time, "the economy is making progress for the sake of the economy, not for better living of the people. The people are left behind."

"We concentrate so much on economic progress we sometimes forget we are doing it for mankind," he said. Tomomura came to the United States for his research because he felt it essential to get a fresh perspective.

"Once you put yourself outside the pot, you can see something inside from an angle you never knew before," he explained.

Already, his thinking on the Vietnam war has changed because he can view it from the United States angle, instead of seeing it only from the Japanese perspective.

There's also another advantage to being here. In Japan, as a senior business executive, no one argues with him or questions his beliefs. Here he is enjoying a give-and-take with business and professional associates and students. He plans to do some lecturing and feels he will learn from the questions that come up after his talks.

Tomomura was accompanied to Menlo Park by his wife, Toshiko, a "thinker" and writer of haiku poetry. They live at 1850 Willow Road.

Profound Statements
Tomomura, a thoughtful man, already can make profound statements of life. Some he illustrates with a fable, such as this one: Some peasants, including an old sick man, were held up at a river crossing because of flood waters. A feudal lord came along, and because he was generous and goodhearted, offered his carriage to the old man so he could cross the river to get medical treatment. All the people were impressed with his goodness.

But, Tomomura pointed out, if the lord really wanted to help he would have built a bridge across the river so all the peasants could benefit.

People become emotional and can't see the real problem clearly, he explained. For example, if there are "many holes in a pipe, people try to patch the holes instead of looking into the real cause of it."

Tomomura next commented on the word "satisfaction." The English word comes from the Latin roots, satis (adequate) and faceri (to make). The Chinese character for satisfaction is translated as "I only know adequate."

Satisfaction can't be given to you, he emphasized. "When you make it adequate to yourself, then you are satisfied."

One person can be dissatisfied with \$10,000 while another is satisfied with \$1,000.

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The 17th Amendment

On May 31, 1913, 55 years ago, the 17th amendment to the Constitution of the United States, providing for the direct election of United States Senators by the people, was ratified. Before that, Senators were elected by the legislatures of the various states.

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Winners of JAL-JACL fellowship

SAN FRANCISCO — Four winners of the 1968 Japan Air Lines-JACL summer fellowship were announced this past week by Akiji Yoshimura, fellowship committee chairman. They are:

Anne Bacnik, 21, Cleveland Jr. JACL, an art major at Madonna College, Livonia, Mich.

Mrs. Dianne T. Ooka, 24, Seabrook JACL, curatorial assistant at the Philadelphia Museum of Art. (Her husband, Masaaki, is Seabrook JACL president.)

The Rev. Isao Horinouchi, 39, Sacramento JACL, on educational leave at UC Davis for his Ph.D.

Mrs. Sophie Toriumi, 51, Pasadena JACL, school teacher. (Her husband is the Rev. Donald Toriumi, pastor, First Presbyterian Church of Altadena, and a 1960 Nisei of the Biennial Silver Medallion awardee.)

The winners will depart July 9 via Japan Air Lines for Tokyo, enrolling for the summer sessions at Sophia University then tour central and southern Japan before returning here Aug. 23. Fellowship includes round trip transportation, tuition, room and board and the tour.

The Judges

The judges were JAL district manager Tomichi Tsuge; Prof. Sho Sato of UC Boalt School of Law; Prof. Susumu Nakamura of UC Berkeley, Oriental Language Dept.; Lucy Schulte, YWCA executive secretary, San Francisco; and Shirley Matsumura, 1967 JAL-JACL summer fellowship winner and now a San Jose school teacher.

Judges met at the Yamato restaurant May 10 with Yoshimura, Masao Satow and Yoshio Hotta of National JACL Headquarters.

Miss Bacnik, whose mother is Japanese, was born in Yokohama and came to the States when four years of age. Aware that the most exciting way to study history is to be with the people "for they alone reflect its history," she hopes the fellowship would give her a clearer understanding of "my mother's supposedly old-school views." She is the third JACLer to be named a winner since the program was initiated in 1967, the other two being Kennon Nakamura of Seabrook and Miss Matsumura of San Jose.

Cum Laude Graduate

Mrs. Ooka, born in Papaia, Hawaii, is the daughter of the Willard Takeuchis, now of West Los Angeles. A cum laude graduate in Japanese from UCLA, this fellowship provides her first travel overseas. She also holds an M.A. in Japanese Literature from Columbia. The fellowship is expected to form for her a deeper understanding of Japan and its people and be able "to pass on these impressions to those in our own communities who have never been to Japan."

Rev. Horinouchi, who recently published his M.A. thesis on the "Educational Values and Preadaptation in the Acculturation of Japanese Americans," has a sociological and anthropological background as well as his theological training that the fellowship, he feels, would enhance most profitably. The study in Japan, he said, would aid in future research on the comparative relationship with present Japan and the Japanese American community.

Mrs. Toriumi, who has been teaching since 1961, said her travels across the U.S. motivated and increased her ability to teach American heritage and "this fellowship would be most excellent for my needs in interpreting Japan" as a social studies unit. She also hopes to assist other teachers who must teach Japan with even less preparation that she has at present.

Eastern District calls June 22 meet as confab prelude

PHILADELPHIA — Gov. Warren Watanabe is calling the Eastern District Council on June 22, 9 a.m., at the Philadelphia Museum (adjacent to Convention Hall at 34th St. and Civic Center Blvd.).

Committee chairmen are being alerted to get in touch with national chairmen of their committees to prepare for this all-day session, which will be the district's pre-convention caucus. Chapter members are also being invited to attend.

Junior JACLers will also meet with an opportunity to hold its oratorical contest during the luncheon.

Following reports are expected: Budget-finance, Roy Kita; 1000 Club, Richard Horikawa; memberships, Joe Ichijima; youth, Alice Endo; civil rights, Gracey Uyehara; legis-legal, Harry Takagi; Pacific Citizen, Kaz Oshiki; nominations, Jack Ozawa; recognitions, August Nakagawa; History Project, Mary Watanabe; planning and executive reorganization, Kaz Horita; Washington Office report, Mike Masaoka.

JACL Deadlines

May 17 — National JACL Essay Contest entries, postmarked by midnight May 17, submitted to Mrs. Toby Hirabayashi, 941 N. 3rd St., San Jose, Calif. 95112. Theme: "JACL — Heritage for the Future," open to youth between 16 and 21; 800-1,000 words typed double-spaced on letterhead size paper.

June 15 — JACL Convention registration: \$30.

June 15 — Chapter nomination of JACL undergraduate scholarship candidates sent to So. Calif. JACL Office, 125 Weller St., Los Angeles, Calif. 90012.

June 21 — Nominations from District Councils for national JACL officers submitted to Mrs. Lily Okura, 2604 Garden Rd., Omaha, Neb. 68124.

June 30 — Application and supporting papers by chapter nomination of JACL undergraduate scholarship awards submitted to So. Calif. JACL Office, 125 Weller St., Los Angeles, Calif. 90012.

July 1 — For items to be placed on National Council final agenda.

July 1 — Selection of district champions for National JACL Oratorical Contest; copy of speech and brief biographical sketch submitted to Shirley Matsumura, 329 Lyndale, San Jose, Calif. 95127.

Aug. 1 — JACL Convention registration: \$35; after Aug. 1, convention package registration will be \$40. Refunds allowed if requested by Aug. 14.

COMMITTEEWOMEN

Fall fashions from Joseph Magnin feature the JACL Convention "Portraits in Fashion" on Wednesday, Aug. 21, noon, at St. Claire Hotel, San Jose. In charge are (from left) Rose Kinaga, Linda Horikawa, chmn.; Gracey Saito, and June Miyakusu. (Story on page 6) — Ernest Umemoto Photo



OAKLAND CABINET — Sworn into office at the Marco Polo Restaurant in Jack London Square are the 1968 Oakland JACL officers (from left): front — Nobuyuki Yokomizo, rec. sec.; Asako Maeda, cor. sec.; Molly Kitajima, 1000 Club; Marie Mizutani, hist.; Nobuta

Akahoshi, Issei pub. rel.; back — Richard Kono, 3rd v.p.; Dr. Yukio Kawamura, pres.; David Iino, st. v.p.; Gloria Bucol, 2nd v.p.; Robert Oto, treas.; and Roy Endo, newsletter.

—Photo by Utsumi Studio.



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15 Weeks Remain Until Convention Time

Washington
Newsletter:

by Roger
Nikaido

Poor People's March

Described "the most massive and militant non-violent movement in history," the Poor People's Campaign led by the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) is building in supporters for its climactic march into Washington. Nine separate waves of marchers from various parts of the country, including such wide spread cities as Memphis, Denver, Dallas, San Antonio, and San Francisco, have already started their long trek to the nation's capital.

While the aim of the Poor People's Campaign is to improve all of the impoverished Negro throughout the country, the new president of the SCLC, Rev. Ralph Abernathy, emphasized that the campaign is to improve the lot of all Americans living in poverty, "Be they Black, White, Brown, or Yellow."

Although the Poor People's Campaign is still in its initial stage, there are some aspects of it which can be compared to the 1963 Freedom March on Washington led by the late Dr. Martin Luther King, in which some 35 Japanese Americans participated under the JACL banner to support civil rights for all Americans. As it was in 1963, and as it is today, object of the campaign is basically the same—to assemble peacefully in the nation's capital for the redress of grievances demanding the right of all Americans to live in equality in and under the law.

Comparisons

In as much as there are similarities between the 1963 and 1968 campaigns, there are several major differences. In 1963, the number of participants was more than 200,000. For 1968, Washington civil rights leaders are predicting well over the 1963 figure. Including the supporters from the Washington area, it is estimated that close to 300,000 marchers will join together for a major rally in Washington, scheduled for May 30.

Another major difference is the make up of the people directly involved in the campaigns. While the 1963 campaign included men, women, and children of all economic levels, the 1968 campaign has concentrated on "poor" Americans.

Already this week, approximately 4,000 Americans, mainly Negroes, impoverished Appalachian Whites, Mexican-Americans, Indians, and Puerto Ricans have settled in a "tent city" or "The Resurrection City" here in Washington.

Still another difference between the two campaigns, which has caused considerable apprehension among government officials, is the length of time the participants stage their campaign in Washington. While in 1963, the marchers joined together for a giant rally lasting for one day, this year's marchers are expected to "camp in" Washington until their demands for jobs and equal opportunity are met by the Congress.

To accommodate the marchers for their "indefinite" stay, "The Resurrection City" is being constructed and supported by volunteers and by the donations sent in by the thousands to the late Martin Luther King's SCLC.

In addition, some 30 local food-industry representatives met and announced that they would donate food to meet the human needs of the marchers. The food talks stemmed from a broader session of representatives of local industries, unions, churches and other groups called by the Washington branch of the Urban Coalition. That meeting produced a resolution asserting

that the aims of the Poor People's Campaign are nonviolent and that the groups represented would do "what we can to guarantee the well-being and comfort of our visitors".

No Plans This Year

There is another difference, in as far as Japanese Americans are concerned, which perhaps may have been overlooked. During the 1963 campaign, there were 35 members of the JACL who participated to show their concern and support for all Americans, regardless of race, color, or creed. For this year's campaign, there have been no plans for another participation by our organization to support this country's discriminated and impoverished minority.

For those who believe this difference to be insignificant, and should you be a Japanese American who experienced the "travails and persecutions" of some twenty-five years ago, I would like you to read the following reasons why the 35 were there in 1963, written by one of the participants, Mike Masaoka, JACL Washington Representative:

"We were there to show that Americans of Japanese ancestry understood and wanted to implement the true meaning of that March—to dramatize the kind of human beings who have been and remain the innocent victims of racial discriminations and prejudice and to try to arouse the conscience of the people; to prove that Americans of Japanese ancestry too are joined in the common cause, knowing that only in social and economic justice for all will there be any true dignity and opportunity for each of us, as well as for every other individual citizen; to repay in small part the enormous debt we Americans who during our period of travail and persecution in World War II were willing to stand up and be counted on the side of decency and humanity."

Political Activity

Perhaps one of the problems we face at the moment, as some have already expressed, is the basic framework of our organization, the JACL Constitution. In the struggle for civil rights, the JACL Constitution prohibits the organization to participate in any "political activity whatsoever, except when the welfare or civil rights of persons of Japanese ancestry shall be directly affected". It is already a fact that the Poor People's Campaign is acting out one of the "political" rights guaranteed by the First Amendment of the Bill of Rights to our Federal Constitution. It now appears that the "barriers" to our support for the Poor People's Campaign is our JACL Constitution.

An article written by Harold Gordon, PC's legislative columnist (PC, May 10), strongly recommends that our Constitution be amended to expand our activities in civil rights. I for one would like to echo his recommendation in amending the JACL Constitution to read as follows:

"While this organization shall be non-partisan and non-sectarian and shall not be used for the purpose of endorsing candidates for public office, it should strive to secure and uphold full civil rights and equal justice under the law for all Americans."

— CALENDAR OF JACL EVENTS —

May 17 (Friday)
Contra Costa—Jr. JACL swim party, Garfield JHS, 8 p.m.
May 18 (Saturday)
San Francisco—Jr. JACL movie benefit.
May 18 (Saturday)
Sacramento—Nisei Hall clean-up.
May 19 (Sunday)
NC-WNDC—Sequoia hosts: pre-convention rally, oratorical; Dr. Harry Kilano, bang. spkr.; Veterans Memorial Bldg., 1455 Madison, Redwood City.
PNWDC—White River Valley hosts: pre-convention rally, oratorical, A. P. T. N. Restaurant, Sumner, Wash., 10 a.m.
Salinas—Yamato Cemetery clean-up.
May 21 (Tuesday)
Pasadena—Ed Mtg. Fran Hiraoka's res., 7:30 p.m.
May 23 (Thursday)
Sacramento—Gen Mtg. Nisei Hall.
East Los Angeles—Emerald Ball-Dinner, Man Jen Low, 7 p.m.
Oakland—Meet Your Candidates Fair, Roosevelt Jr. High, 12n-4 p.m.
Arizona—Chapter golf tournament.
Portland—Graduates banquet, Benson Hotel.
May 26 (Sunday)
D.C.—Pre-Memorial Tribune and Testimonial Luncheon, Arlington Cemetery, 9:30 a.m.; Key Bridge Marriott Hotel, 11 a.m.
Alameda—Chapter golf, Municipal Course, 12:30 p.m.
West L.A.—Venice Culver—Jr. Track meet, Venice High.
Twin Cities—Sukiyaki benefit, Lake Harriet Lodge.
Sacramento—Community picnic, Elk Grove Park.
Long Beach—Symphony Concert, Akira Endo, cond.; Municipal Auditorium.

May 28 (Tuesday)
New York—Gen. Mtg. Miyako Restaurant, 8 p.m.; Dr. Gene Levine, Joe Grant Masaoka, spkrs.
Seattle—Human Relations Comm Mtg. JACL Office, 8 p.m.
May 30 (Thursday)
Sonoma County—Memorial Day rites.
May 31—June 1
Los Angeles—National Planning Commission Mtg.
MDC—Detroit hosts Pre-Conv Rally, Pontchartrain Hotel; Fri.: Mixers; Sat.: oratorical contest, History Project, oratorical, workshop; Ross Harano, bang. spkr.; Sayonara ball.
June (Sunday)
Sequoia—Chapter picnic.
June 4 (Tuesday)
San Mateo—Ed Mtg. Sturge Presbyterian Church.
June 5 (Friday)
Boise Valley—Graduates banquet, Golden Pheasant, Caldwell.
San Jose—Jr. JACL Mtg. West Los Angeles—Earth Sci Mtg. Stoner Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
June 8 (Saturday)
Milwaukee—Graduates banquet.
June 9 (Sunday)
PSWDC—Nisei Relays (Orange County, Long Beach co-hosts), Bolis Grande High School, 9401 Westminster, Garden Grove, 9 a.m.
San Francisco—JACL Olympics, Kezar Stadium.
June 13 (Saturday)
Arizona—Bowling tournament.
Contra Costa—Scholarship awards.
Mil-HI—Graduates award dinner-dance, Cosmopolitan Hotel.
Sacramento—Graduates dance.
Cleveland—Scholarship dinner, Church of the Savior, 7 p.m.
June 16 (Sunday)
Salinas—Community barbecue, Delano—Graduates outing.

NEWS CAPSULES

Churches

Fr. Daisuke Kitagawa, author of "The Issei and Nisei—The Internment Years" and chairman of the Advisory Committee of the Secretariat on Racial Ethnic Relations for the World Council of Churches, spent three weeks last March in Vietnam. He is scheduled to return to his head office in Geneva, Switzerland, in September.

Bishop-elect Takashi Tsuji of the Buddhist Churches of America, San Francisco, has been given permission to visit Nisei GIs in Vietnam during the week of May 5 while in the Far East. He revisited Kyoto, where he made an official call on Kosho Ohtani, patriarch of Hongo Hongwanji.

The Gardena Valley Baptist Church has launched an ambitious \$125,000 building fund campaign under chairmanship of Ryo Komae with a June, 1969, target date for start of the actual building. The Revs. Eishi Hirose and Harumi Nishimoto are pastors.

Business

Japanese exports of man-made fiber fabrics to the United States during the first two months of 1968 were down 26 per cent from exports in the corresponding period of 1967, the Japan-U.S. Textile Information Service reported.

Pan-Am World Airways opened a new ticket office in Pasadena at 718 E. Colorado, with Mrs. Akiko Yokoyama of Pasadena in charge. She began her airline career as a stewardess in Tokyo and has been with the L.A. and Beverly Hills ticket offices for the six years. Engineer Saburo Tsuchihashi, associated with Japanese aircraft companies, was named Far East representative for Dashaevor Co. of Los Angeles, innovators of horizontal people moving or people transit systems. The firm, which completed a 5½-mile copper ore carrying system in Michigan, is designing a horizontal people mover at the Seattle-Tacoma airport.

Steven T. Okamoto has been appointed administrative assistant in the San Francisco branch office of Occidental Life Insurance Co. of California. Associated for the past five years, he hails from San Francisco, attended local schools and graduated from UC Berkeley.

Vital Statistics

Selichi Hara, 86, charter president of the Japanese Gold Star Parents in Seattle, died May 6. A pioneer hotel-apartment operator, he was active in JACL, Presbyterian Church, Mie Kenjinkai, and Japanese Hotel-Apt. Owners Assn.

Kyusuke Yamaguchi, 82, pioneer San Mateo Issei leader, died April 24. He was among the founders of Sturge Presbyterian Church and operated Sunrise Cleaners for more than 30 years.

Crime

Policeman Nobuo Miyajima, 40, of Wailuku, Maui, was charged with the \$4,150 robbery in which two bank employees were pistol whipped. He is being held at Halawa Jail on Oahu.



NATIONAL LEADER—Mrs. Arthur T. (Flora) Lou of Philadelphia, national fort captain of the Daughters of '98, junior organization of the United Spanish War Veterans Auxiliary, will visit their USWV Dept. of California convention at Fresno, May 17-21. Wife of an active JACLer, she is the first Chinese American to be the national leader of a veterans auxiliary group.

Agriculture

A revolutionary method of transplanting developed by a Hokkaido agricultural chemist, Dr. Teruyoshi Masuda, to help sugar beet growers in Japan is being introduced by the Expanded Agronomics Corp., headed by David N. Umemoto of San Jose, with research being carried on at the S. Mune ranch in Milpitas. Paper pots treated with nutrients and fungicide assure uniformity, earlier harvest, less transplant shock and ease of handling, according to Umemoto.

Fred Hashimoto, Pete Yamamoto and Al Morimoto are directors of the Growers Harvesting Committee, a voluntary growers group coordinating recruitment of harvest workers in Northern San Joaquin Valley.

Music

Alto saxophonist Frank Tsuchiya, active Twin Cities Jr. JACLer, was honored as the top graduating musician of St. Louis Park (Minn.) High School, performing in a solo at the annual spring concert. He is the son of the Frank Tsuchiyas, began playing the instrument since the fifth grade, occupied the first chair alto sax in the concert band and won several district and state contests. He was also a member of the Minnesota All-State Band.

Flowers-Garden

Leaders of Japan's horticultural and floriculture industries toured California wholesale nurseries and flower growing operations in late April and early May. A group of 69 members toured the George Oki Nursery Co., Sacramento, on a Northern California trip which included a stop at UC Davis.

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Press Row

Toshio Sakai, Tokyo-born UPI photographer, won the Pulitzer Prize for a Vietnam war photograph of a weary soldier asleep as a feature shot, the first time a prize had been given for feature photography. He joined UPI as a darkroom technician during the Olympic Games, became a staff photographer to cover southeast Asia. A bachelor, he is the third Japanese to win a Pulitzer: 1961—Yasushi Nagao of Tokyo, 1966 — Kyoichi Sawada of Tokyo, both in the news photo category.

Organizations

Mrs. Shig Kohashi was installed president of the Montebello Japanese Women's Club, succeeding Mrs. Masao Dobashi. Highlight of the Rotary International convention May 12-16 at Mexico City will be the installation of Dr. Kiyoshi G. Togasaki of Tokyo as international president.

Youth

Walter Uwate, son of the Matao Uwates, and Masao Toyoda, son of the Satou Toyodas, of Wilson High School, Los Angeles, will spend two months this summer in Denmark and Germany, respectively, in the Youth for Understanding Teenage Exchange program. They will leave with 50 other Southlanders from Oakland on June 30. Uwate is an active East Los Angeles Jr. JACLer.

School Front

Two Arizona Nisei earning Ph.D. degrees this spring are Ken Matsumoto, son of the Gunichi Matsumotos of Mesa, in organic chemistry at UC Berkeley, and Mrs. Dawn Masunaga Mitchell, daughter of the Harry Masunagas, Phoenix, in biochemistry at Arizona. Mrs. Mitchell and her husband Clay are both being conferred their Ph.D. degrees together at Univ. of Arizona, the husband in zoology—they are the first husband-wife pair to receive doctorates together at UA. In the Matsumoto family, four other members are graduating this year: Fred, DDS, USC dental college; Larry, BA, Arizona State, pre-med; and Joyce, Westwood High and chapter scholarship winner.

New York JACLers to hear JARP team

NEW YORK—Prof. Gene Levine and Joe Grant Masaoka of the Japanese American Research Project will meet with New York JACLers at the Miyako Restaurant on May 28, 8 p.m., with supper preceding. Murray Sprung (MU 2-7779), meeting chairman, is taking RSVPs until May 24.

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Yoshino to work with minority youth project

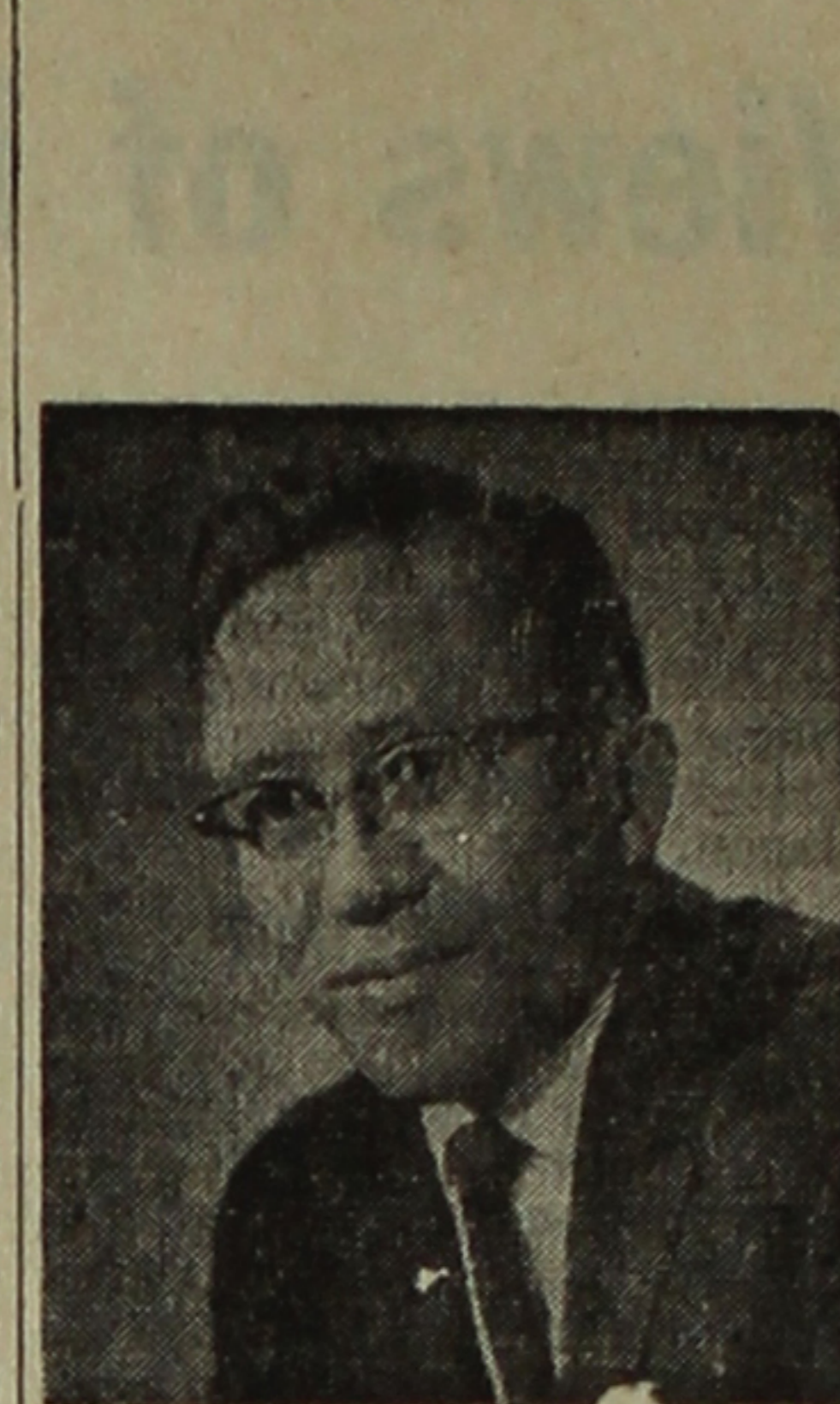
WASHINGTON—John Y. Yoshino, Assistant Chief of the Equal Opportunity Division, Federal Highway Administration, has been named executive secretary of the Department of Transportation's Summer Youth Opportunity Campaign Committee.

In announcing the appointment, J. Oliva Huot, Director of DOT's local liaison office and chairman of the committee, said that Yoshino "has had considerable experience in working with Federal and State officials and business and industry leaders throughout the country in stimulating interest and support for programs in behalf of disadvantaged youths. I think that he will be of great assistance to the Department in carrying out this year's campaign."

The DOT is planning to accelerate its program to provide summer jobs for disadvantaged young people. Every effort will be made to meet a goal of hiring one such youngster (between 16 and 21 years of age) for every 40 full-time employees.

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Political science fraternity honors Spark Matsunaga

WASHINGTON — Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) was initiated as an honorary member of the National Political Science Honor Society (Pi Sigma Alpha) May 6 at Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, Ill. The Hawaii congressman was honored in recognition of his distinguished public service career, according to University officials.

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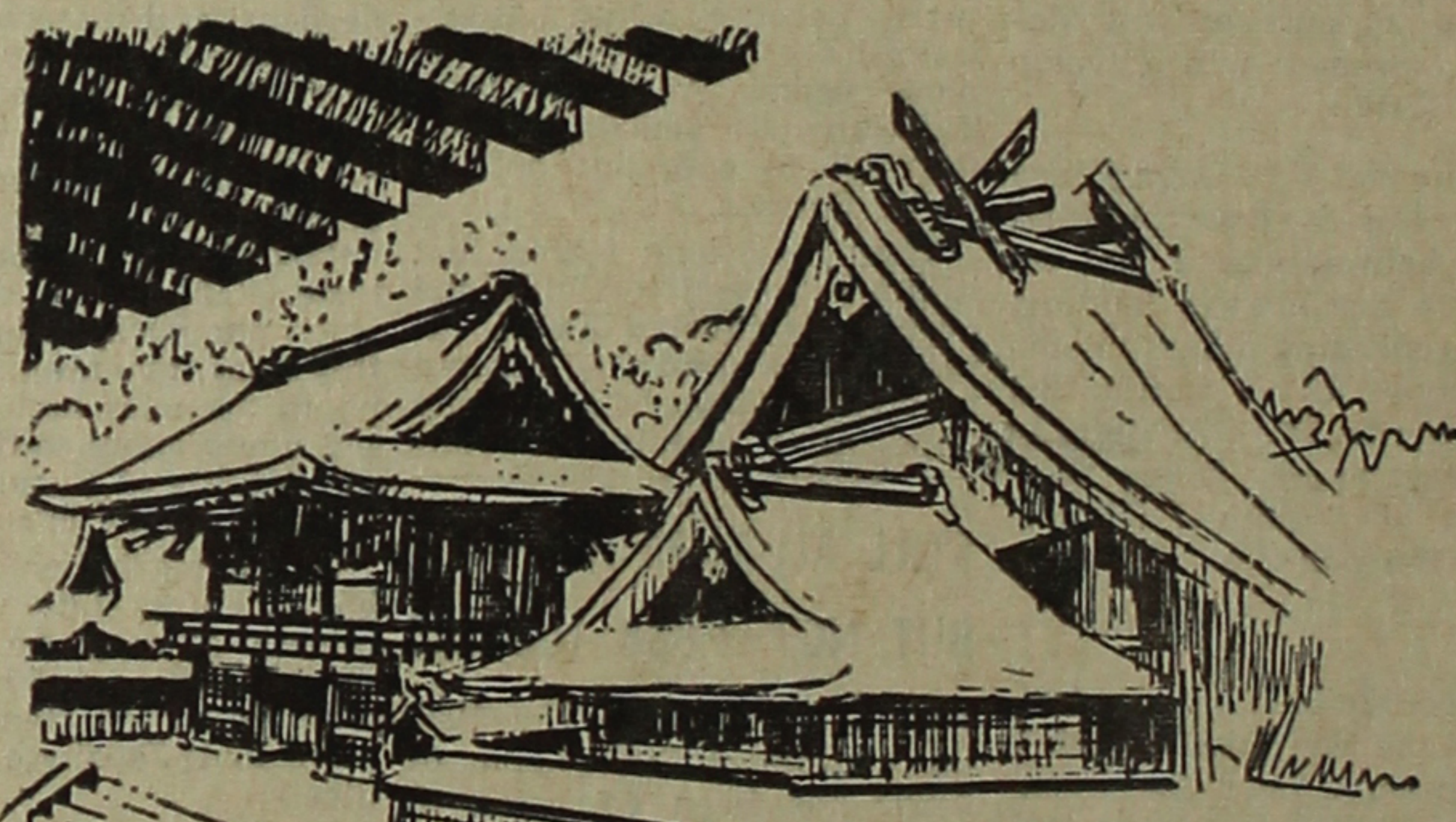
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By Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

Chicago, Ill.

THE SMELL OF MONEY—The latest in the way of fashionable Japanese eating places in Chicago is the Benihana, holding forth at a fancy Gold Coast address and so popular on Saturday nights that customers wait to get into the cocktail lounge where they wait to get into the dining room. The place smells of soy sauce and money. Its specialty is food cooked directly on a sheet of steel that makes up the center of each table, with everyone reaching for his share, and that adds up to an interesting evening.

Shig Wakamatsu and Kumeo Yoshinari drove me by the Benihana, just to show their friend from the high hill country what was going on in the big city these days, and who should we see there but Dr. Newton Wesley, the renowned contact lens man and his party, and Dixie Ishida and his party. Mrs. Ishida is a Kuroki from Hershey, Neb., a numerous clan whose members are likely to be encountered almost anywhere.

Having seen where the fashionable folks eat, we went over to Mona's Nakano-ya which also was doing a land office business in sukiyaki and trimmings. Mona is doing her bit for the economic integration effort by employing a goodly number of Negroes in the front end of her establishment.

THE PLAYBOY MAN—One of our purposes in visiting Chicago was to pick up Vince Tajiri, picture editor of Playboy Magazine, and escort him down to Louisville, Ky., for a meeting of Sunday magazine editors. Vince has been described as the man most envied for his job because it involves inspecting so many girls with exciting contours. Vince reminded me, however, that Playboy's 30-odd photographers take a great many exceptional pictures of food and fashions, and that unclad playmates are only part of the job.

It was an interesting experience to watch the way Vince is introduced at a cocktail party. He is always identified, quite properly, as picture editor of Playboy, and one could almost predict the quips that were taking shape on the lips of the men he met. As for the women, their eyes would widen and sparkle as they beheld the man who passes judgment on the most photogenic of their sex, and they get that coy look, almost as if they—regardless of age—were passing before him to be evaluated professionally.

While this sort of reaction must give Tajiri a certain sense of power and importance, he is gracious and modest about it. At first, he said, it was just a bit exasperating to be made so much of, but now he has become accustomed to the fuss and is prepared for it. But I don't think anyone becomes quite bored with attention. Tajiri was associated with Playboy from its very origins but did not join the staff until two or three years after it was launched, which is a dozen years ago. No small part of its phenomenal success (its circulation now tops 5 million) can be laid to Vince's ability to take and select photographs and develop photographic ideas.

GRAND OLD MAN—The Chicago visit included a couple of hours with Dr. Tom Yatabe and his wife, Mary. Doc is the grand old man of JACL although he neither looks nor acts his 71 years. He was one of a tiny handful of Nisei in San Francisco who about 1918 or 1919 saw the need for some kind of organization to get over the idea that they were Americans. The Japanese American Citizens League can trace its origins to that uncertain beginning. Doc looks great, feels great, and is looking forward to many more active years. Chicago is home now, even though he was one of Fresno's most respected citizens before the Evacuation. California is fine for a visit, but after more than a quarter of a century a fellow gets attached to a place, even a place like Chicago.

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SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS—Arizona JACL awards five chapter scholarships in memory of Mrs. Sara Hutchings Clardy, longtime teacher who befriended Japanese Americans since the 1920s until her death in 1962, amounting to \$1,400 in all. The 1968 winners are (from left) Ellen Yoshimura, Xavier

High, \$100; Arthur Inoshita, Glendale High, \$300; Sherry Kanemura, Glendale High, \$500 (being congratulated by Phoenix Mayor Milton Graham, who was main speaker at the chapter graduates dinner May 4), Linda Kazuma Davis, South Mountain High, \$100; and Joyce Matsumoto, Westwood High, \$400.

Arizona JACL presents five scholarships totalling \$1,400 in memory of school teacher; top award \$500

PHOENIX—Five scholarships totaling \$1,400 were awarded at the banquet held at the Safari Hotel Convention Center by the Arizona JACL May 4.

This seventh annual banquet honored Sara Hutchings Clardy. The late Mrs. Clardy taught at Glendale High School for almost 30 years and was known for her friendship and counsel to persons of Japanese ancestry during World War II, and later in assisting them in classes for American citizenship.

Mayor Milton Graham gave the address to the more than 200 guests, addressing his remarks to the record compiled by the Japanese Americans in Phoenix and stressing the importance of education so that a person 'is not down on something, he is not up on.'

The Mayor, who had taken 24 Arizonans to Japan last year, related the great industrial progress of the Japanese and the great heritage the Nisei have and urged their young ones not to tarnish it.

He not only praised the graduates, but asked the parents if they are doing their best to leave a society to the graduates for which the parent generation can be proud. 'Are we going to burden these graduates with our default in not protecting and improving on our present society, which has been the dream and aspiration of our founding fathers?' he asked.

There were 36 graduates, ranging from grade school to college, being honored.

The presentation of scholarships was by Dr. Richard

Matsuishi, to Sherry Kanemura, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kanemura, \$500. Joyce Matsumoto, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guihi Matsumoto, \$400. Arthur Inoshita, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mas Inoshita, \$300.

Ellen Yoshimura, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Yoshimura, and Linda Davis, daughter of Mrs. Kazuo Fujita Davis, each \$100.

Judges for the Scholarship Awards were:

Theodore K. Pierson, Dean, Glendale Community College; Frank Langley of the American Weekly and Rev. Gayle Strickler, pastor, Neighborhood Congregational Church.

Harry Masunaga was chairman of the scholarship committee, and general chairman of the banquet committee was Mrs. Tom Tanita. Larry Matsumoto was emcee.

Surgeon General appoints ex-Hanford Nisei as consultant in pharmacology

HANFORD—Dr. Tom S. Miya, son of Mrs. Harue Miya, 12870 Fargo Ave., has been named a special consultant by the Surgeon General of the United States.

Miya has a special assignment to the National Institute of General Medical Science, National Institutes of Health, to aid in providing advice to the National Advisory General Medical Sciences Council.

The function of this group is to help develop a body of knowledge that will provide a rational basis for the use of drugs and other chemicals which ultimately affect man.

In addition, the group helps to predict the potential hazards of chemical intoxication and to provide a foundation upon which to base the training of scientific manpower in this country, Miya reports.

Dr. Miya currently is head of the Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology at Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind. A 1941 graduate on Hanford High School, he also has two brothers living here. Harry and K. K. Miya, who operate Miya Brothers Ranch. Wife, Midori, is a graduate in Pharmacy, and they have one daughter, Pamela.

Tom was one of the first

Nisei students to leave the Fresno Assembly Center to attend the Univ. of Nebraska in 1942. Graduated from Nebraska in Pharmacy; M.S. and Ph.D. in College of Pharmacy, Nebraska University prior to moving on to Purdue. He is a full professor and chairman of the Department of Pharmacology at Purdue.

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Alameda JACL plans first golf tournament

ALAMEDA—The Alameda JACL will hold its first golf tournament for members on Sunday, May 26, at the Alameda Municipal Golf Course. Tee time will be at 12:30 p.m.

All golfers, women and men, with handicap and beginners are being urged to turn out for this tournament. Beginners will play blind bogey and those with established handicaps under their handicap.

Chairman for the event will be Gody Kono, (522-8766) one of the top Nisei golfers of the state.

All 154 cherry trees for Dayton park bought

DAYTON—Two wooden frames relating the history of Dayton JACL's Operation Pink Petal need to be completed before this chapter project to beautify a local park can be closed as "completed", according to project chairman Fred Fisk.

The chapter staged a campaign to have 154 trees purchased by voluntary contributions from its membership over the past year. Their names will be inscribed on the wooden plaque now being prepared.

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In spite of the not too large turnout, the three day Pacific Southwest District's pre-convention rally was a huge success with delegates, boosters and friends helping themselves to the fun and enthusiasm provided for by the host Progressive Westsiders.

The 1000 Club Whing Ding at the PSW is always at its best and is a great way to kick off the rally. All of the chapter skits were enjoyed but if this corner had to pick a winner, the prize would go to the East LA chapter for their skillful replay of the "tragic" Swan Lake ballet. There was not a dry eye in the audience after that performance — everybody laughed so hard. And talk about leg muscles. Wow! And if you also want to talk about funny looking legs. (Wow!) again.

A question for the director of the Pasadena chapter skit: wasn't Mack Yamaguchi supposed to catch Thelma Stoddy when she fainted?

One of the acts drafted at the whing ding was that of the Four Faces. Each of the

four participants had a face painted on their belly and they were supposed to move their gut around so the painted faces looked like they were singing. Most people recognized Frank Sakamoto, Mas Hironaka and Mas Satow but were in the dark as to the identity of the fourth. For those of you still wondering, that was Franklin Minami, president of the host chapter. One last note — whoever drew the face on Mas Hironaka really took advantage of all that space.

Regarding the Saturday night banquet — it was all Congressman Spark Matsunaga as he won the audience with a fine speech and oratory. The Congressman from Hawaii was just great. Although he talks real funny for a Hawaiian. I had a hard time not understanding him.

Accent on Youth Alan Kumamoto

What Next: Jr. to YA?

"What next" has been asked of programs in JACL. "What next" has persisted in planning meetings as to the course of JACL, and "What next" is the inevitable question of the Jr. JACL "old timer" who has outlived youth group aspects of our organization but seeks something beyond.

Yet the dilemma of these individuals centers about JACLers who many times are twice his age and whose interests drift far from this "budding firebrand" seeking to set his mark in society. Thus the young adult (YA) finds himself adrift seeking to catch JACL as a staple unit, yet not knowing whether they can patiently wait as the burning embers of the past flicker. Others find themselves thrust with responsibilities not knowing how to weigh the load, due to their own ignorance or inexperience.

The transition from Jr. to Young Adult is difficult at best and like many organizations JACL must prepare to endure the agony and growing pains of a program began in the past for youth who have long since attained maturity and now want to enter through the front door. Patiently some may never have the same affectionate response for the fledgling as they would a peer but most will try to co-operate and work together on mutual issues and concerns. The informal setting may be the area of difficulty unless openness is a key to unlock the doors which shut minds and stymies communication.

Young adults in some cases can integrate into existing chapters. Is this wise or should they form their own groups? Can they form their own groups, do they have the wisdom, knowledge, fortitude, or desire? Will JACL do anything?

The times are crying for someone, something or some groups to amalgamate and fuse the wishes of the current crop of young adult. JACL is drifting towards this direction, will it be soon enough, can you help?

San Jose seems a natural for a sounding board of young people crying out as the National Convention will "become" during August. We need to hear the cries or minimally whimpers in the districts and chapters, we must hear at least some faint echo in order to emphasize to the JACL structure that Young Adults want in more and more. If not the void of ages will grow into a generational caisson rather than the gap we view today.

West Wind Yosh Hotta

Quiet

At one of the innumerable conferences about "involvement" in civil rights, there was a speaker who dramatically announced that his doctor had told him that he would have to give up half of his activities in the cause of urging better human relations. Some one in the audience asked: "which half, talking about it or thinking about it?"

In the JACL there are many who get numbed by the sheer volume of paper and words that are thrown in their mail boxes which urge them, cajole them, threaten them, so much that the letters are never opened or read. Perhaps the JACL mail should have important letters marked on the outside with a purse symbol, a pocketbook. Then you could open the letter, and see if the cost to you is worthwhile.

Another way to get some action might be to pattern the JACL missives after the seeming docility of Japanese women.

PNWDC oratorical

AUBURN, Wash. — Pacific Northwest District Council oratorical run-off will be held on May 19 in conjunction with the district council second quarterly meeting hosted by the White River Valley Civic League here. Jack T. Ouchida, immediate past district governor of the Toastmaster Club, is in charge of the district contest.

Nisei Voters League offers Bosworth book

SAN FRANCISCO — Having sold out its first order 100 copies of the Bosworth book, "America's Concentration Camps" (softcover, \$1.15 special rate), the Nisei Voters League, 515 Ninth Ave., San Francisco 94118, has rushed a second order of 200 books from Bantam Books, the publishers.

Edison Uno, NVL president, said many ordered three and four copies with the Sansei in the rural areas showing great interest.

'To Be Involved' presents greater challenge to IDYC

By TERRY YAMADA IDYC Chairman

Caldwell, Idaho. The biggest "stumbling block" in the Intermountain District for an active Jr. JACL is not communication; it is not money; but it is a lack of interest to be involved. Certainly, the other problems are of no minimal consequence, but to get the Japanese American youth involved is a much greater challenge.

The Intermountain District is one that covers parts of three states: Idaho, Oregon, and Utah. There are six chapters involved in our quarterly meetings. The chapters are basically in rural areas and the members attend schools with attendance anywhere from less than 100 students to over 1,500 students.

These small schools and most of the large ones are where problems originate. Now, "To be involved" is our problem in the Jr. JACL. "To be involved" in other extracurricular activities leaves evidence all over our district. Certainly our Japanese Youth are involved in as many things of extracurricular caliber than their Caucasian counterparts. Small schools encourage involvement, and small schools we have.

Just within a 100-mile radius of Southwestern Idaho where 100 and some odd Japanese youth are residents, we have: Girl-States, Boy-States, debate champions, national De-Molay officials, State Presidents for organizations, All-State Band, Choir and All-Northwest Band members, Youth and Government delegates, and officers (Lt. Governor), and athletes in every sports, 4-H Leaders and National contest winners, United Nations Pilgrimage winners, Presidents of schools and school organizations, and valedictorians and salutatorians. Other areas are just as impressive.

One thing is missing in the list above, however, "Jr. JACL." Gee, I just haven't got the time. I'm so busy. True, the youth are busy, but Jr. JACL should be one of their activities.

Certainly, getting involved with other activities and meeting new people is fun (and some very interesting), but there are these benefits in Jr. JACL also. We are glad to see Japanese Youth working together with Caucasian friends, but our heritage should not be forgotten.

"To be involved" is one of our major interests and objectives in our District.

Nisei Week fashion show

LOS ANGELES—Theta Kappa Phi alumnae and sorority of UCLA will sponsor the 1968 Nisei Week fashion show luncheon on Sunday, Aug. 11 at the Century Plaza Hotel Los Angeles Ballroom. Avant-garde designs will be featured in the "Anything Goes" theme just announced.

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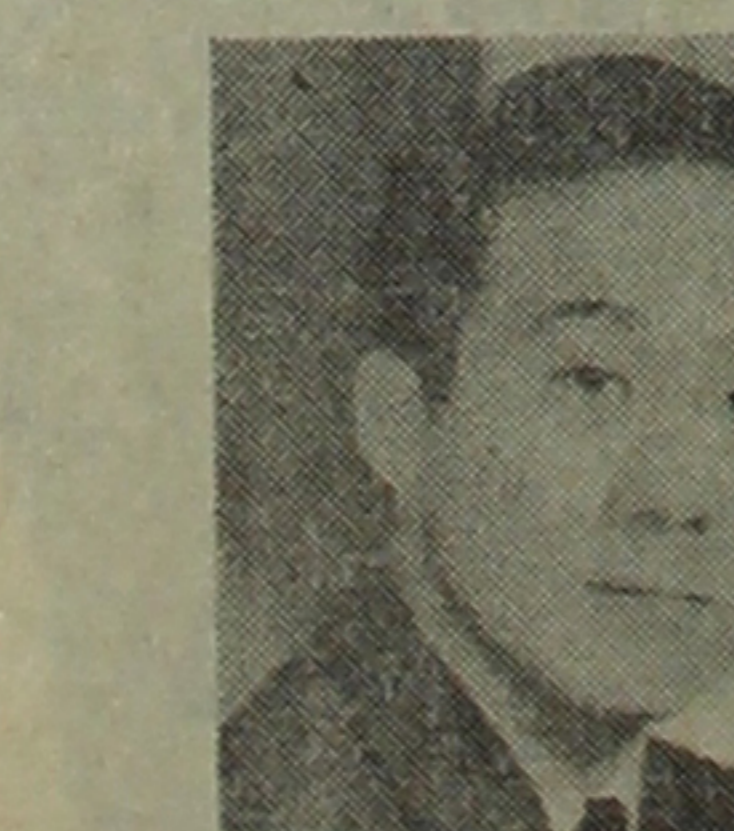
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Sansei more concerned with 'making the scene' instead of helping needy

By BRIAN MORISHITA Intermountain NYC Representative

Pocatello. "Man, what's happening? I watched the news flicks last night on television and saw a bunch of buildings burning. Problems like this don't concern me because that's all happening in those big cities far, far away. We'll sit back and take it easy while the big city folks carry on the war."

This is the conversation of two college students overheard in the Student Union Building here at Idaho State University. Obviously, the two are from a sparsely populated area where the threat of racial violence is very remote.

What can we, the progeny of one of the most successful minorities in America, do to alleviate the racial prejudices which have plagued our country since the country's inception.

As Japanese Americans, we cannot "sit back and take it easy" while our fellow Americans wage a war against each other. Certainly we cannot be complacent, for too long ago the Japanese were heavily discriminated against also.

It seems rather apparent that the Japanese have been assimilated into the American Way of Life quite well. Unfortunately, when one examines the situation closer, he finds that many states prohibited interracial marriages until such laws were ruled unconstitutional last year. Although most of the anti-miscegenation laws were aimed at the Negro, such laws still affected the Japanese. Needless to say, much discrimination still exists.

Discrimination Never Ends

I do not believe that discrimination will ever end. Perhaps the grounds of bigotry will be based on height, weight, or some now unimaginable reason rather than the color of one's skin, or the slant of one's eyes. Whatever the reason(s) might be, we must never become too indifferent toward our fellow Americans, whether black, brown, or white. We must attempt to achieve harmony among Americans.

We can achieve this harmony through a basic understanding and knowledge of those in ethnic groups who are the primary targets of bigots and racists. We must learn to respect the Negro for his virtues rather than scorn him for his faults.

Since many Sansei are more concerned with "making the scene" instead of elevating the dignity, education, and acceptance of the Negro, the Sansei tends to ignore the Negro's problems and emphasizes on promoting his own status.

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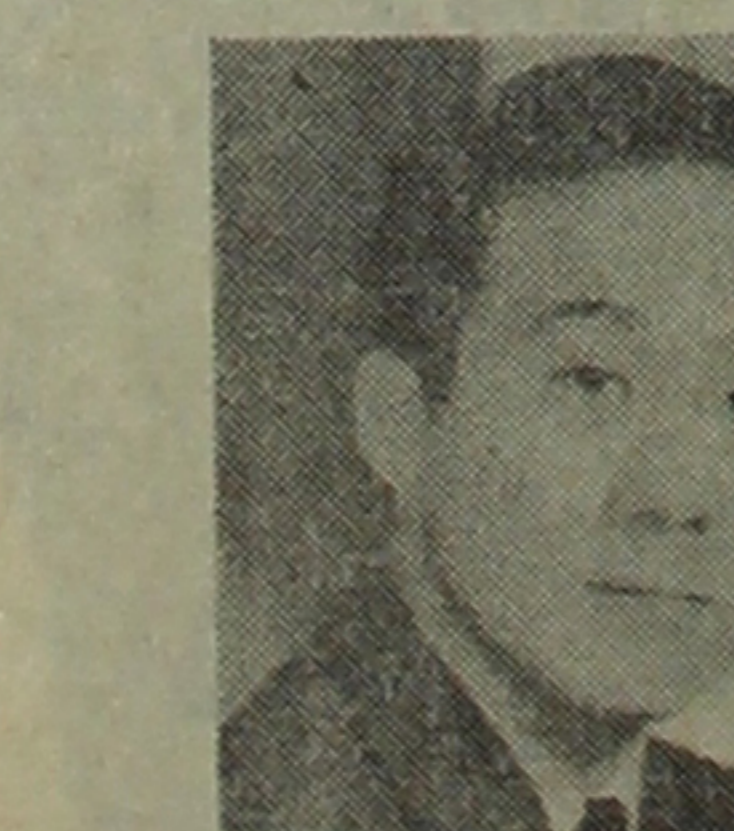
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Imperial Valley Issei entertained by JACLers at Centennial program

BRAWLEY — Imperial Valley JACL honored 29 Issei with a banquet, songs, skits and dances in the recreation hall at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, here April 27.

The event also marked the 100th anniversary of the return to emperor rule for Japan. In 1868, Emperor Meiji recovered the position of national authority from the Shogun warlords who had ruled for 675 years, and Japan opened its doors to trade with the West.

The honored Issei were presented carnation corsages as they arrived at buffet tables laden with traditional Japanese delicacies.

Dr. Hitoshi Ikeda, JACL president, welcomed the

guests of honor, and George Kakiuchi emceed the entertainment.

Folk Pantomime

The folk tale, "Momotaro" was enacted in pantomime in a five-act skit. Participating in the story of the lad born inside a peach who grew up to slay ogres with the aid of animal friends were Mrs. Jaime Kobayashi and Mrs. Hifumi Howenstein as the parents, Johnny Howenstein as the peach boy, Amy and Sally Howenstein, Susan Kobayashi and Joyce Uyechi as the ogres, and Patti Hirose, Ricky Uyechi and Janet Kobayashi as a pheasant, monkey and dog, respectively.

"Going modern," on the

other hand, were several men who, made up as women, drew laughter as they performed something of a Japanese version of the can-can.

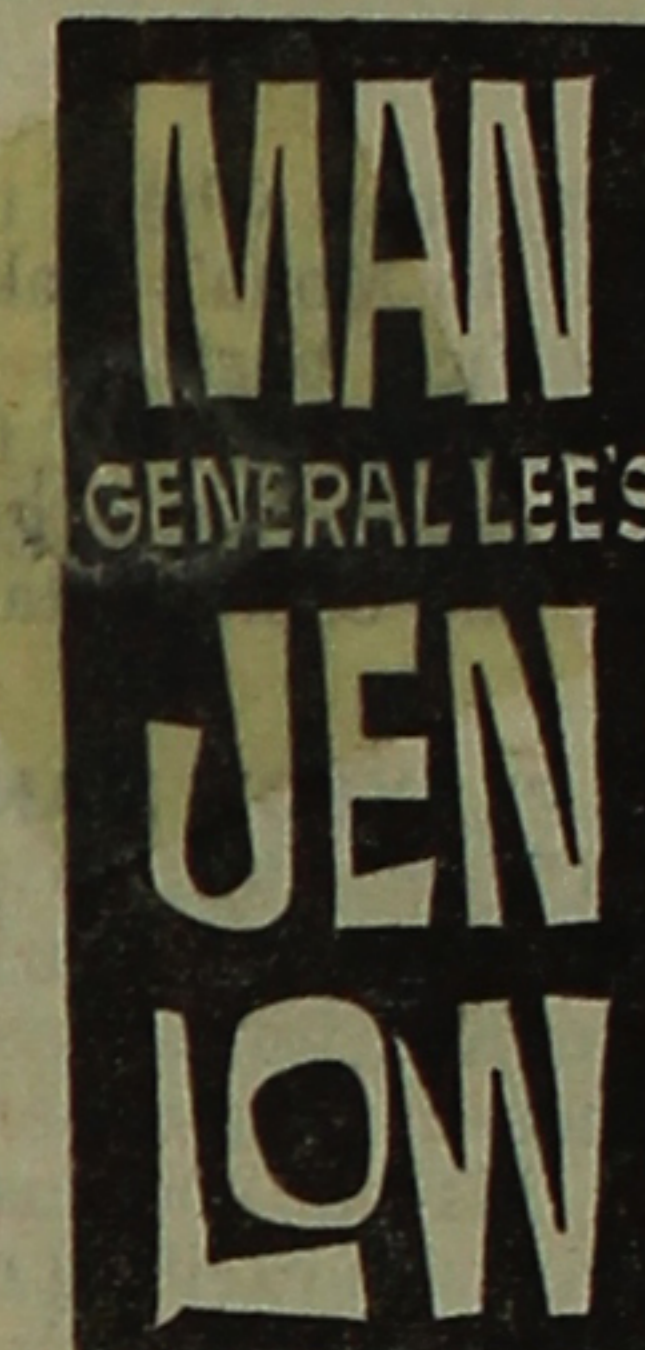
Mrs. Emi Yamashita and Y. Okamoto sang some traditional songs, while Paul Nimura sang and related in a humorous vein the story of a chess player pledged to become the world's champion. Youngsters Linette Ikeda and Leslie Yamashita led the Pledge of Allegiance and performed a dance.

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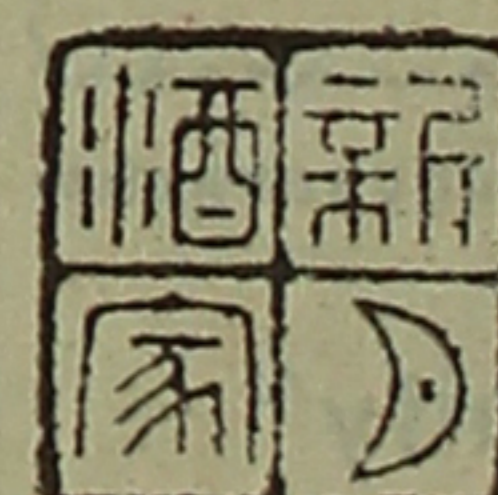
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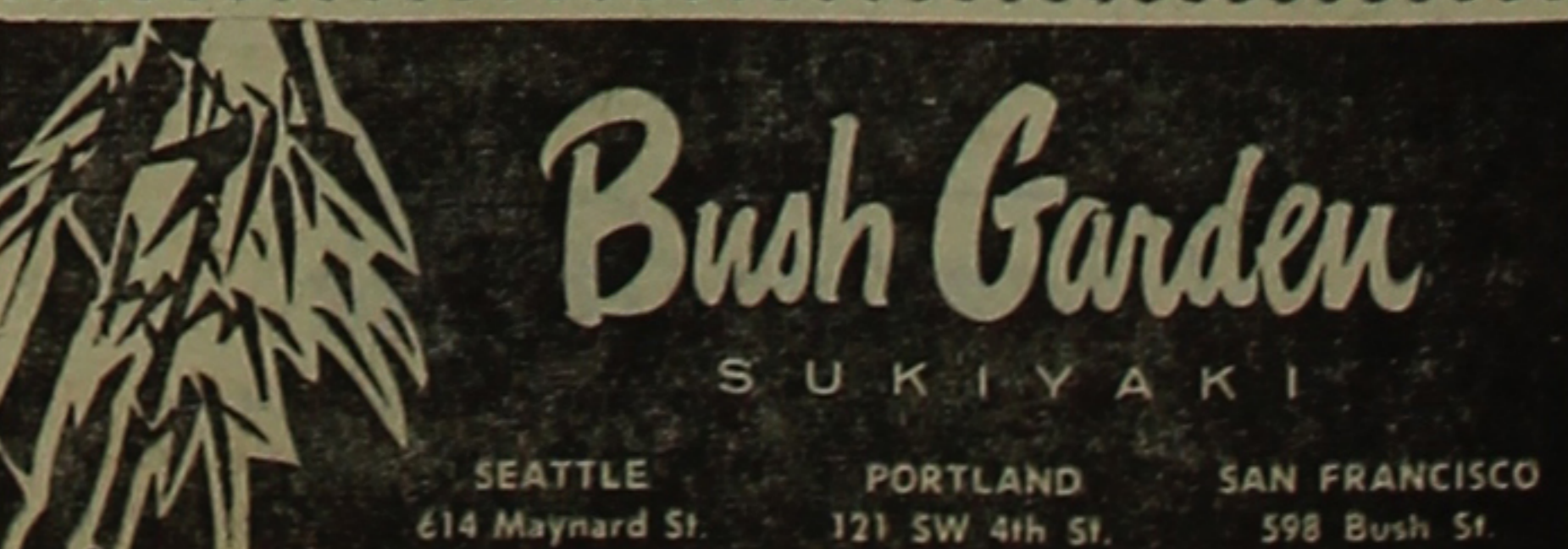
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by Richard Gima



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Rep. Spark M. Matsunaga
said on May 3 he was deeply
concerned about the possibil-
ity that the more than 4,000
Hawaii reservists called to ac-
tive service might be sent to
Vietnam, UPI has reported.
But he said he now had rea-
son to believe that the men
of the 29th Infantry Brigade
would be kept at Schofield
Barracks.

The call-up of National Guard
and Reserve units will affect 30
faculty members in the Dept. of
Education. Here is a breakdown
of personnel called up by school
districts: Honolulu, 7; Central
Oahu, 6; Leeward Oahu, 4; Wind-
ward Oahu, 3; Hawaii, 6; Kauai,
1; and Maui, none. County
Supervisor Goro Hokama of Lanai
City, Lanai, has been appointed
administrator of the new Lanai
Community Hospital. Hokama has
been taken a leave of absence
from the Dole Plantation office
where he has been in the audit-

ing department.
Rep. Patsy T. Mink rebelled
and voted against the agricul-
ture appropriations bill which
the House approved 318 to 70.
Mrs. Mink described her ac-
tion May 2 as a protest vote.
On final passage of the \$5.5
billion money bill for the
Dept. of Agriculture's far-
flung operations, Hawaii's
Spark M. Matsunaga voted for
the measure and Mrs. Mink
against.

The first American of Japa-
nese descent to achieve the
rank of brigadier general in
U.S. forces was given the Ha-
waii National Guard's highest
award at Fort Ruger May 4.
He is Brig. Gen. Francis S.
Takemoto, who in civilian life
is principal of Manoa Element-
ary School.

Killed in Vietnam

Jonah Halemano, 36, of 2153
North King St. was killed May
3 when the car he was oper-
ating smashed head-on into a
concrete bridge abutment near
Gibson's Discount Store in
Moanalua.

Army Spec. 4 Joseph T. Ko-
valoff, 20-year-old son of Tho-
mas E. Kovaloff of 2821 Ka-
manaki Ave., was killed Apr.
1 in Vietnam. He was killed
by enemy small arms fire
during combat operations at
Thua Thien, the Army said.

Sokagakkai convention

One of the biggest conven-
tions to be held in Honolulu
this year will be hosted by a
religious organization. About
10,000 persons are expected to
attend the convention of the
Nichiren Shoshu of America
Aug. 24-25 at the Honolulu
International Center. Nichiren
Shoshu established the Jakkoo-
zan Honseli Temple here in
1966. At that time the organi-
zation was described as the
religious arm of Sokagakkai.

Former V.P. Richard M.
Nixon has the support of about
half of the 14-member Hawaii
delegation to the Republican
national convention, according
to local Republican leaders.
Senator Hiram L. Fong is a
strong Nixon supporter.

Claire Ritsue Hamamoto, 22,
now Mrs. Walter Rue, has
won a \$2,000 Frank Sinatra
musical award to further her
studies in voice. Mrs. Rue, a
UCLA student, is the daugh-
ter of Mrs. H. Skippy Ham-
amoto of 1042-A 14th Ave.,
Kaimuki. At UCLA she has
appeared in Mozart's "Cossi
Fan Tutte" and Puccini's "La
Boheme" . . . Big Island de-
puty county auditor Teruichi
Takahashi, 59, died May 3 at
Hilo Hospital. He had been
deputy auditor since 1962. Be-

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fore that he managed a print-
ing firm in Hilo.

Man of the year

Herbert Mink has been
named Man of the Year by
the Korean Chamber of Com-
merce. He has been president
of the chamber for four years
and is a director of the Ha-
waii Chamber of Commerce.
The 13-state Western
Governors' Conference was
held at the Ilikai Hotel May
12-15. Hawaii Gov. John A.
Burns was host for the con-
ference.

Amy Tamashiro, a Univ. of
Hawaii freshman, won the
amateur song contest spon-
sored by the Honolulu Japanese
Jr. Chamber of Commerce
Apr. 28. She won a free trip
to Japan. Second and third
place winners were Judy Sa-
kima and Carol Kojiro, re-
spectively.

Obituaries

Yoshio Koike, 85, principal
of McCully Japanese Lan-
guage School, died Apr. 29 at
Kuakini Hospital. He lived at
2946 Eugene Place. . . Rich-
ard H. Goto, 56, pioneer Ho-
nolulu radio announcer and
advertising man, died of a
heart ailment Apr. 27. He was
senior account executive of
KGU. . . Edward Y. Oshiro,
37, of 1650 Onipapa St., Moana-
lua Gardens, fell to his death
Apr. 17. He was installing an
elevator at Pearl Harbor
Naval Shipyard at the time of
the fatal accident. . . Mrs.
Fumiko Nakao, 54, of 2317-A
Jennie St., was killed Apr. 30
when struck by a car on Like-
like Highway. She was the
30th person to be killed in Oa-
hu traffic accidents this year.
There had been 33 traffic
deaths here at this date last
year.

UH enrollment

Total spring semester en-
rollment at Univ. of Hawaii
facilities throughout the state
and overseas is 27,592, up 12.6
percent over last year's total
of 24,512 U.H. Pres. Thos H.
Hamilton said Apr. 29. . .
Univ. of Hawaii commence-
ment exercises will be held at
10 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. June 9
at Andrews Outdoor Theater
on the campus.

Film actor Richard Boone has
joined Honolulu clergymen, gov-
ernment and civic leaders in
forming a massive Honolulu ef-
fort to help young people keep
active this summer. . . Gov. John
A. Burns has named Sunao Kido
to replace Jim P. Ferry as acting
director of State Dept. of Land
and Natural Resources. . . Ka-
tsuma Tanimoto has been named
fair employment practices special-
ist. He was formerly a labor law
inspector with the State Labor
Dept. . . Linda Miura, daughter
of Rev. and Mrs. Yesho T. Miura
of 99-936 Hulumanu St., Alea, won
\$500 in the annual United Nations
essay contest.

Names in the news

Occidental Underwriters of Ha-
waii, Ltd., is celebrating its 35th
year. Its founder is L.T. Kazawa,
who currently is chairman of the
board and chief executive officer.
Former Maui Circuit Court
Judge Wendell F. Crockett was
named May 5 as Maui's first "out-
standing senior citizen of the
year." Mrs. Stella Belknap of Wa-

Iuku, a retired school teacher and
wife of Jazy Belknap, was runner-
up. . . Gary H. Kanehiro on May
3 was named the outstanding sen-
ior student in the College of Busi-
ness Administration at the Univ.
of Hawaii. . . Theodore W. H.
Maeda, 22, son of the Harry T.
Maedas of 84-735 Mona St., Wala-
nae, has been elected student
body president of the Church
College of Hawaii.
K. T. Tom has been appointed
vice president of finance of the
Hawaii Visitors Bureau. Shiro Ha-
shizaki, who has been acting
comptroller at HVB, will become
chief accountant. . . Louise To-
mita, a Univ. of Hawaii senior,
has been selected the first South-
ern Baptist missionary journey-
man from Hawaii. She will leave
in the summer to work as a sec-
retary at the Baptist Mission of-
fice in Tokyo. . . Elyne Matsuo-
moto, 14, daughter of Mrs. Elaine
Matsumoto of 1077 Liliha St., will
represent Hawaii in the National
Spelling Bee finals in Washing-
ton, D.C., this year. She is an
eighth grader at St. Theresa's
School.
L.E. Perry of United Air Lines
here says Hilo air traffic has mul-
tiplied far faster than expected.
"We are running about 58 per
cent full outbound from Hilo to
Los Angeles and 43 per cent to
San Francisco," Perry said. . .
Western Air Lines president Ter-
rell Drinkwater told the Big Is-
land board of supervisors he is
extremely pleased that Western
was one of three new carriers
proposed for island service by a
Civil Aeronautics Board hearing
official.

Sports Scene

The Univ. of Hawaii has named
David Holmes, 44, as coach of its
football team. Holmes has been a
highly successful mentor at East-
ern Washington State College at
Cheney, Wash.

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Ye Editor's Desk

THE NEGRO BILL OF RIGHTS

Months before the assassination of Martin Luther King and the subsequent disorders, the Schickel Environmental Development Co., of Ithaca, N.Y., published in the New York Times an open letter addressed to the people of the United States, the President and the Congress calling for a National Act of Restitution to the American Negro.

There is precedent here for the government enacted the Japanese American Evacuation Claims Act in 1948 — six years after the Evacuation occurred. It also follows that in the principle of equity, when unjust damage has been knowingly done to a person or a group, the ones who inflicted the harm are obliged to make some kind of proportionate restitution.

In the case of the American Negro, the injustice has been sustained for nearly 200 years when slavery was a part of the American system at the time the Founding Fathers met in Philadelphia. The open letter declares:

"Despite the temptation for whites to disclaim any responsibility for what happened in the past, we do not believe that there exists a responsible American who does not feel guilty about the situation."

The National Act of Restitution is modeled after the G.I. Bill of Rights, hence its popular title: the Negro Bill of Rights. It would be in force for 21 years, thus its benefit would accrue to an entire generation of black Americans. The Act would guarantee three rights:

1—Right to a free education. The Negro would be entitled to study in any school for which he can qualify educationally, in any subject from the most simple to the most learned. As under the G.I. Bill of Rights, the beneficiaries would be paid while going to school.

2—Right to free medical-dental care, so as to insure that physical disability does not hinder the fullest achievement.

3—Right to long-term, high ratio, low interest (3 per cent) loans for purchase of homes and business enterprises that would assist the Negro to acquire a proportionate stake in the American economy.

Such a program, the open letter points out, would contribute to human dignity by enabling the Negro to move on his own and help himself. "In addition to being a payment on a moral debt to the Negro, the program would be an economic, social and political benefit to the nation," the letter adds.

There are many who will argue that the proposal is not practical, that it would cost too much, that it would be difficult to formulate an acceptable legal definition of a Negro, or that once started, such a program could never be stopped, thus giving the Negro a permanently preferred position in American law.

Such arguments reflect a feeling of superiority, or self-satisfaction and selfishness. Such arguments appear as the greater obstacles to just restitution to the Negro rather than money or the problem of drafting the act.

The Schickel Environmental Development Co.'s open letter reads now with a new sense of urgency. In future months, we feel the company name may be forgotten—but not what the message proposes. But to them, we should be most appreciative.

"DO YOU HAVE PAPAYA?"

Breakfasting with visiting Congressman Spark Matsunaga at the recent Pacific Southwest District Council pre-convention rally at El Segundo—a beach community adjacent to L.A. International Airport—he calmly asked the waitress: "Do you have papaya?"

In his casual manner, he was continuing to promote Hawaii—though the waitress probably didn't realize who he was. The papaya may not be on the menus of hotels which cater to the international set—but if enough people who appreciate the exotic flavor of papaya ask, the papaya may become as popular as grapefruit, orange juice or melon. The papaya is sold in the larger supermarkets and specialty stores in the Los Angeles area—so local hotels or restaurants can get them.

We were graciously introduced to the papaya by Richard Gima, our Honolulu correspondent, who hosted a breakfast while enroute home from our JACL Japan Tour. It was delicious with a squeeze of lemon juice (some eat it plain) over this rich, orange-colored fruit that's shaped like a pear.

We hope the next JACL chapter which invites the Congressman will see to it the hotel chef has a couple of papayas available for breakfast.

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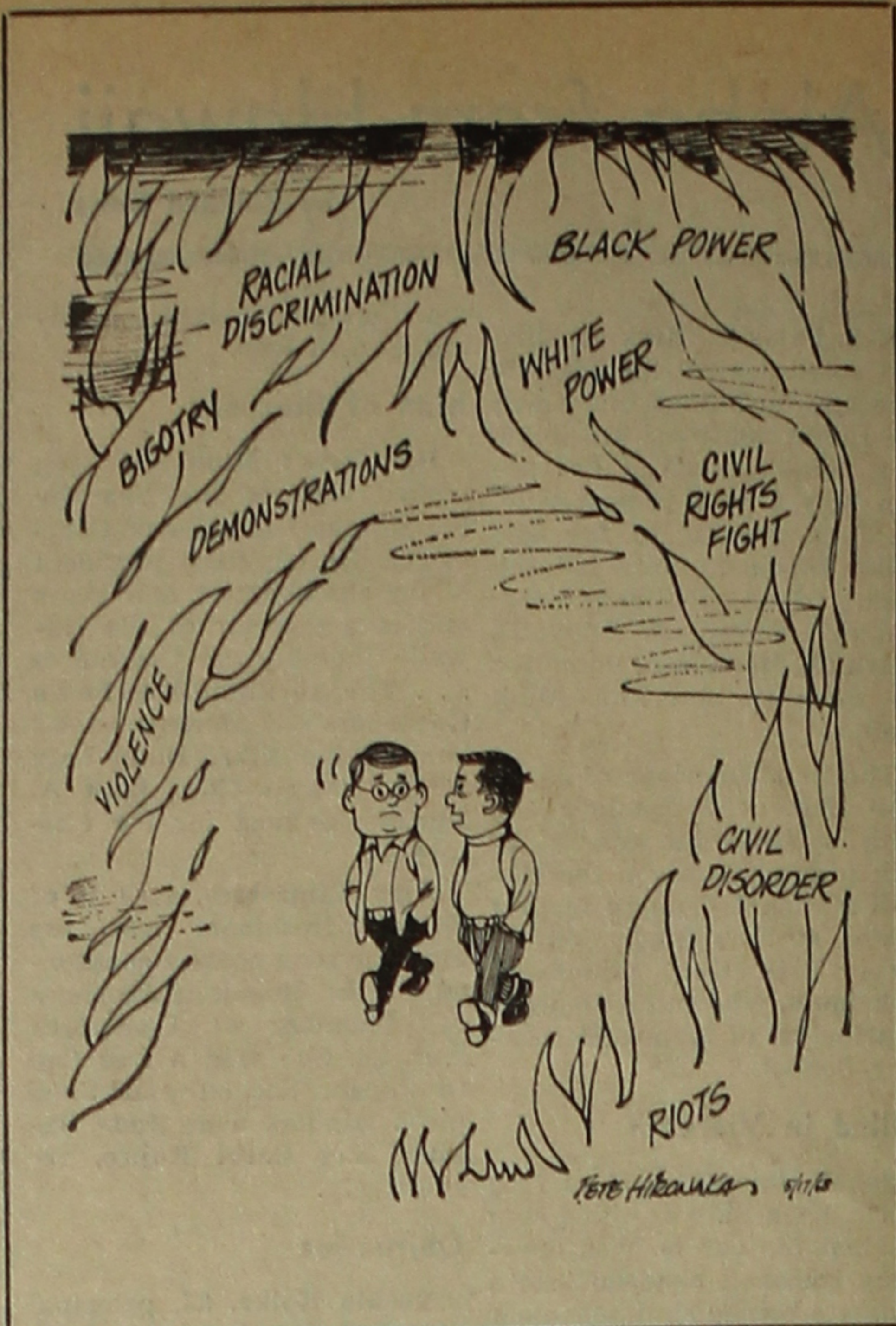
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Vice President Inouye?

Four years ago, The Advertiser's managing editor, Buck Buchwach, was visiting Sen. Mike Mansfield in his hotel suite during the Democratic National Convention.

He asked the Senate Majority Leader this question: "In view of the progress of the civil rights struggle in this country, do you think that Senator Inouye could be seriously considered as a possible Democratic vice presidential nominee in the not-too-distant future?"

Mansfield's reply was immediate and emphatic: "Dan Inouye can be, should be, and I hope will be a future vice president of the United States." For almost 20 minutes, Mansfield praised Hawaii's junior senator and detailed the warm regard and great respect his Senate colleagues had for Inouye.

A FEW DAYS AGO, Mansfield was even more emphatic in his "re-nomination" of Inouye as a vice president. In Honolulu for the U.S.-Mexico Inter Parliamentary Conference, Mansfield pulled out all the stops. He said "1968 is a good time for Dan (to run for Veep). He has all the qualities—experience, understanding and skill."

Later, on a television show, Mansfield emphasized he was going to do all he could on behalf of Inouye's "candidacy." Mansfield said no matter who gets the Democratic nomination, "I will be in there doing everything I can to see that this outstanding young senator from the State of Hawaii, Dan Inouye, is given every consideration for this most important office."

Some will say it's too way out to believe seriously that a

Halloran—

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Koreans. Here, skin color has much to do with it, the people from the south having darker skins.

The Japanese left wing, professionally anti-American, is often critical of white American treatment of Negro Americans. But Japanese leftists in their personal lives are nationalistic and race-conscious as other Japanese and harbor the same suspicions of dark-skinned people as their less ideological compatriots.

Tonomura—

(Continued from Front Page)

other can be satisfied with 1,000 yen.

Nature of Gray Areas

Tonomura has a skeptical view toward the aggressive people of good character, eager for progress, who label everything either black or white and who strive for perfect conditions.

"From daytime to nighttime you have to go through twilight, a gray area," he said. "It is nature."

He advised, "it might be useful to know how to handle the gray area instead of forcing everything into black and white categories."

Returning to his principle of absolute nondiscrimination, Tonomura said he does not believe a government should set up programs to help the people because this implies discrimination.

He believes religion and education should "creep in" to help but "without forcing people to do this or that."

"When you try to persuade people, they just go the other way," he said.

"Buddha in his 49 years never tried to persuade anyone," Tonomura continued. "He just behaved himself and answered questions."

"This may sound like a negative approach but it is really a positive one."

Join the 1000 Club

UNDER 21: Russell Obana

Dr. King Aftermath

San Francisco
The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. — remember him? Yes, you remember him. He's the fellow who was killed in Memphis a little over a month ago. The nation was stunned, shocked, and perhaps grieved over the death of Dr. King.

Stunned? Yes, the killing of a prominent civic leader in public certainly would shake you up.

Shocked? Yes, murder in broad day light, killing a person anytime would be shocking.

Grieved? Yes, that too.

What about shame? Yes, shame that famous Japanese characteristic which comes before guilt. Did you feel guilt. Did you feel shame? Were you ashamed because in this country a man, a Nobel Peace Prize winner, was shot to death in cold blood?

How about guilt? Did you feel guilty? Did you feel that you had no part in the killing of Dr. Martin Luther King? If so, you tell me, who REALLY killed Martin Luther King. Don't tell me the name of a faceless somebody that the FBI is chasing.

If we think that racial unrest is the battle between the blacks and the whites, and if we think just the white man is responsible for the death of Dr. King, we are sadly mistaken.

If the situation is allowed to deteriorate further, we are going to find ourselves between the angry blacks and the equally angry whites, each putting us on the other's side. People must choose sides in this struggle, and the side that we choose must be that of human dignity.

Human dignity, yes, you know what that's all about.

Pride, you have that and so do the blacks. Perhaps this is what Carmichael and Malcolm X gave the blacks.

The black man must be allowed to stand tall in our society and be accorded the dignity which all men should be accorded; no more, no less.

JACL has made a verbal and written commitment to the civil rights movement. Now is the time for the commitment to turn into action. Now, yes now! We do not set up a timetable for the granting of human dignity.

Perhaps the hope is too late with the adults. Perhaps our ways of thinking, our values, and our prejudices are too well set within ourselves. I'm talking about all adults, black, white or yellow.

Perhaps the only true hope lies with the young, for they must still be educated as to prejudices. Eliminate prejudice from their education.

Lincoln, Kennedy, King; how many more must die before the dreams of these men, and others like them, are fulfilled?

Must we continue to sacrifice the great men of our society because we cannot accept their philosophy of true existence of all men together?

How long will it take? How many will it take? Why?

CONFAB CORRAL: Phil Matsumura



The Difference in a National Confab

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Attending a national convention is always quite an experience. There's an air of importance all over the place, there's the responsibility of getting your work done, there's the joy of renewing acquaintances, there's the thrill of seeing new things and places and there's the nostalgia of reunions.

I suppose any convention would have these ingredients, but at a national convention where delegates attend from all parts of the country and where most of the events are full-dress affairs with head-tables and national dignitaries, there's a difference from a district type gathering.

Popular Ditty

The 20th biennial convention of the JACL is getting a boost from the current song hit entitled "Do You Know the Way to San Jose?" beautifully sung by Miss Dionne Warwick. Take heed JACLers everywhere and follow the song to San Jose, Aug. 21-24.

Fashions at Noon

Plans for the convention luncheon fashion show under Senior chairman Mrs. Mutsuo Horioka and Junior chairman Miss Carol Santo are well underway.

Joseph Magnin will highlight their fall fashion showing as the models step into "Portraits in Fashion", Wednesday, Aug. 21, 12-2 p.m. at

Newport Beach
Though not strictly a JACL matter, we feel enough members are engaged in agriculture to make this comment timely. Some of us farmer-types were able to meet with Congressman Spark Matsunaga during breakfast at a recent Pacific Southwest District rally.

Recognizing the fact that the Congressman is a member of the powerful House Rules Committee, we discussed HR 16014, scheduled to come before his committee soon.

HR 16014 would authorize the extension of jurisdiction of the National Labor Relations Board to include farms that employ 12 hands at any time during the year and spend a minimum of \$10,000

in annual labor costs. The bill would also legalize the "union shop" idea for the farm, making the union hall the source of farm labor.

Most of the Nisei growers handle fruits, berries and vegetables — all highly perishable farm products with a very short period of time in which to harvest the year's crop. We pointed out to the Congressman that a labor dispute at the time of harvest could bring disaster as negotiations at the bargaining table drag on while the crops rot in the fields. In short, the economic pressure exerted upon the farmer could very well bankrupt him.

In agriculture, more often than not, there is no such thing as making for lost production time. The cycles of the season cannot be halted by stopping the clock. Because of mechanization and scientific utilization of the land, the modern farmer has enabled the United States to be the most agriculturally productive land on earth. This may be the appearance that deceives because agribusiness is big business and its techniques are industrial.

We trust the Congressman understood the very untenable position of the farmer. Being from Hawaii, it does not place him under obligation to hear us, but the breakfast session did give us an excellent opportunity to personally acquaint him of our vital interest in this bill.

Whatever his position on this bill will be, we trust he understands the reasons for our concern. To the urban JACLer, I hope this piece was not out-of-line. What everyone must remember is that no matter how advanced farming techniques become, the farmer is ever mindful of the harsh requirements of the elements and the seasons upon which his livelihood depends. The big question is whether the farm labor unions are equally mindful of these requirements.

CULTURAL SHOW

The DYC-sponsored cultural show closing the weekend convention rally was very delightful. The adult JACLers who had to leave early missed a treat.

If we are to believe adult JACLers would like to see a strong and active Jr. JACL program, sincerity or courtesy would have made the lack of adult attendance less obvious. It shouldn't be that apparent.

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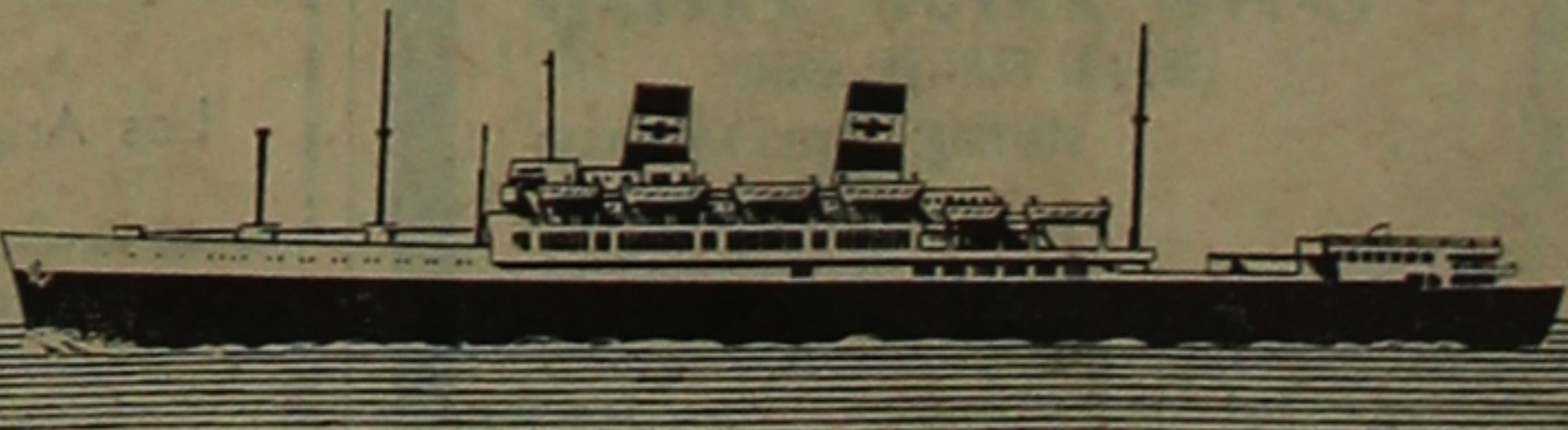
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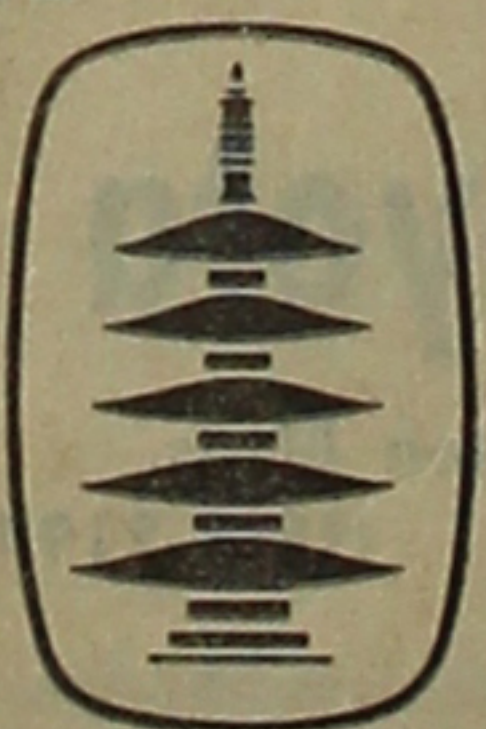
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