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By JERRY ENOMOTO National JACL President

Enjoyable first experiences should be shared, and this column gives me the privilege of sharing mine with more people than most. This one was the thrill of serving as a co-Grand Marshal of the parade held during the annual "Gold Rush Days" celebration at Coloma, deep in the

Gold Rush Days

Mother Lode country of California. This year's event was unique in that the pioneer group picked to be honored were the Japanese pioneers, specifically the 26 immigrants from Aizu Wakamatsu, who established the Wakamatsu Tea & Silk Colony at Gold Hill.

Drenched by days of rain in one of the worst winters recorded, we were fortunate to glimpse the sun on the day of the celebration. Although the sun quickly gave up, the rain held off until the parade was over. Despite the chilling and gray scene, many smiling and friendly faces lined the country road along which we passed.

We were chauffeured by Sheriff Carlson (with apologies if I missed on the name) of El Dorado County who, with his officers, were very hospitable and gracious.

Along with parade princess Yuriko Endo, a Japanese exchange student, several high school bands and one from the Preston School of Industry (a Youth Authority Training School), a U.S. Marine band and color guard, marched a score of colorfully dressed celebrants, descriptive of the old west.

Adding to the festivities were some beautiful flower arrangement and bonsai exhibits together with a doll display. The usually entertaining demonstrations of the martial arts contributed to the fun. A chicken teriyaki stand, enterprisingly set up by the Florin Chapter JACL, was doing a brisk business.

REWARDING

To those like Henry Taketa, Mrs. Fern Sayer, and Mr. S. Nakatani, who have each researched and compiled much data about the immigrants from Aizu Wakamatsu, an event like this was undoubtedly particularly rewarding. Project Chairman James Murakami, who has devoted much time and energy to this celebration, is now concerned about the Monument dedication and banquet which will take place on June 7, 1969.

The Wakamatsu Centennial Celebration is an integral part of the centennial year festivities of 1969. Committee members, George Oki, Henry Taketa, James Murakami, Akiji Yoshimura, George Baba, Tom Fujimoto, Hike Yego, Bill Matsumoto and Dr. Kengo Terashima have worked, and will continue to work, to make the whole project a memorable one.

VISITOR

The day before the festivities at Coloma, National Recognitions Chairman and past Ist V.P., Tom Shimasaki and I met a while in Sacramento, where he was a delegate to the Republican State Central Committee.

Tom is giving active direction to this committee, which has a vital role in the whole recognition program of JACL, including "Nisei of the Biennium" and "JACLer of the Biennium" projects.

"WACO"

I note the recent action of the San Francisco JACL Board of Governors in voting to join the Western Addition Community Organization. In the news articles announcing this in the vernaculars, I am described as "strongly endorsing" the action. I did so because of my belief that JACL chapters should listen and be heard in community organizations whose actions affect them.

The militant stands of member bodies should not frighten us into silence, defensiveness, or support.

As informed members of any community body, I assume any JACL chapter in such a situation will evaluate for itself its proper role in

Publisher designated for Hosokawa book

CHICAGO — The selection of the publishing firm of William Morrow & Company, Inc. of New York as the publisher of Bill Hosokawa's forthcoming book on the Japanese Americans, "Americans with Japanese Faces," has been announced by Shig Wakamatsu, chairman of the Japanese American Research Project. Tentative publishing schedule has been set for September, 1969.

Wakamatsu revealed that the search for a suitable publisher began in early 1968, when JACL retained the services of literary agent John Hawkins of Paul R. Reynolds, Inc. of New York, and that two other well-known publishing firms—W. W. Norton & Company of New York and Little, Brown & Company of Boston—displayed keen interest in Hosokawa's subject matter and tendered firm bids for publishing rights.

"William Morrow & Company's offer was unusually strong and attractive," stated Wakamatsu.

"Usually publishers would request a chance to see the manuscript, but when Morrow's executive editor, Howard Cady, learned that the author was Bill Hosokawa, he immediately placed a 'sight unseen' bid that topped the offers of all others. We were looking for indications in the publisher who would do the strongest job for promoting Bill's book. Mr. Cady's enthusiasm, having a basis in personal knowledge of the author's ability as well as the subject matter, was a determining factor."

Frank Chuman and William Marutani, JACL legal counsel, assisted in drawing up the contract language of the Paul R. Reynolds, Inc. negotiated agreement, which has been adjudged by the trade as being "a very fair and a good one."

Publishing Firm

William Morrow & Company, Inc. was founded in 1926 and became a subsidiary of Scott, Foresman & Co., a major textbook publisher of Chicago, in 1966.

Morrow's first book, "On To Oregon" (1926), is still in print as are "Lost Horizons" (1933) and "National Velvet" (1935).

Among the well-known writers who have been closely associated with the Morrow publishing firm are Earle Stanley Gardner, Margaret Mead, Nevil Shute, Temple Fielding, Morris West, and Mary Stewart. The works of a host of other famous authors published by Morrow include John Erskine, James Gould Cozzens, Elspeth Huxley, Gene Smith, Alan Clark, Paul Scott, and Lord Kinross.

The Morrow firm publishes a wide variety of books through its subsidiaries and association with other publishers, from the hard-cover Junior books on science and Apollo paperback editions to the lavish and expensive art books, including "Leonardo da Vinci," "Goya" and "The Complete Works of Michelangelo."

Literary Agent

As to the role of the literary agent, John Hawkins, Wakamatsu explained that the agent works exclusively for the author by placing the manuscript before the publishers in finding the most suitable publishing firm and then negotiating the best agreement.

Paul R. Reynolds, Inc., happens to be not only a top-ranking agency but also the oldest literary agency in this country. First started in 1893 by Paul Reynolds, Sr., and now run by Paul Reynolds, Jr., this agency has served such famous authors as Jack London, Winston Churchill, Tom Wicker of the New York Times, and William Shirer of "Berlin Diary" fame.

"It is a family firm," states John Hawkins, "and will remain one for another generation, as I am Paul Reynolds' son-in-law. By the time you go to press, I will be untrustworthy, in the current jargon, as I will have passed my 30th birthday." Hawkins received his B.A. from Harvard and did graduate work at the Sorbonne and at the Univ. of Pennsylvania.

FLOWER GROWERS, FARMERS HARD HIT BY 9-DAY CALIFORNIA RAIN

LOS ANGELES — Weather-conscious Southern Californians hadn't expected it as the edge of a storm moving out of the Pacific ocean between California and Hawaii—an unusual direction for most of the weather fronts passing over this area.

By the time the skies cleared last week (Jan. 27), Southern California weathered nine days of tropical rain with a midweek break of clearing skies. Over 14 inches fell—more than a typical annual rainfall—inflicting millions of dollars in property losses and damage and scores of lives of persons.

Flower growers and truck garden farmers were hard hit. H. Yano and Tom Endo, two flower growers in Carpinteria, suffered heavy damage due to overflow of Santa Monica Creek. The San Lorenzo Nursery at Goleta was underwater.

Boulders washed down in the Malibu Creek region landed on Pacific Coast Highway 101, backing up water that almost inundated the Ioki and Takahashi ranches at the foot of the canyon. The shopping center just below the ranches was flooded.

Frank Kuwahara, executive secretary of the So. Calif. Flower Growers Assn., noted that most growers have sustained little property damage. Major damage was caused by flood waters bringing down and laminating soil to sterile grounds. "Lots of production may be lost due to disease problems, which will surely arise," he added.

"Because much of the top soil has been eroded on Nisei ranches situated at higher elevations, the planting will be delayed considerably this year."

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Green bunch vegetables were hit hardest in the local area as crops and plantings were washed away. Charles Kinoshita of Al Munari Produce said, "Fifty percent of the crop has been lost by our growers."

Nisei families living in the hardest-hit Mandeville Canyon area apparently sustained no damage. Among those were the families of Dr. Teruo Akiyama and Dr. Toru Iura.

"We were high enough so that the flood waters did not hit us," the Iuras said. In the Verdugo Hills area, Dr. Tom Omori said that he sustained no damage although the area below was inundated.

Greatest single property loss was sustained by Tom Oki at the 50-bed Sierra Royale Convalescent Home in Azusa who said he has filed for an \$80,000 relief loan. The laundry room and generator was wiped out when a seven-foot retaining wall gave way to a sea of mud from the San Gabriel Mountain canyons denuded by a summer brush fire.

Central Californians were also experiencing one of the worst floods in memory. The farm lands in Oroshi and Dinuba where many Japanese raise fruits and vegetables were completely underwater.

Nisei-owned farms on the eastside of U.S. 99 in Fresno County were also hit by the 14-inch plus rainfall.

The Farm Bureau has forecast extensive damage to peach trees, which would rot because of too much water.

In Northern California, four Nisei families were among the 300 residents evacuated from Sherman Island at the confluence of the Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers when the dikes collapsed near the Antioch Bridge on Jan. 20.

The land surface of the rich peat soil from island in the Delta region is as much as 20 feet below sea level. The Nisei families reportedly were those of Harry S. Taketa, his brother Minoru, Henry Katsuki and George T. Shoji.

Abductor chased by police kills Nisei

SILVER CITY, N.M.—Nancy Yamamoto, 19, daughter of the Roy H. Yamamoto of Dallas, was killed by her abductor, Morgan M. Foster, 22, of Kankakee, Ill., who was slain by police during a chase here Jan. 16, according to the autopsies. Foster was shot to death by State Patrolman Fred Gifford who was stopped earlier and threatened to shoot the girl if she chased ensued. The autopsy was ordered to determine whether if she were shot by the officer or Foster's weapon. Morgan, wanted by the FBI in four states, used Miss Yamamoto's car for his getaway from Dallas. She was a secretary at the Dallas Hilton Hotel.

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JACL public relation aims updated

WASHINGTON — Specific objectives of the National JACL Committee on Public Relations were spelled out at a meeting of its nucleus group here Jan. 5. It was announced by Harry Takagi, chairman, and Kaz Horita, national 2nd vice president.

The committee, at the same time, will prepare a budget to cover proposed programs for consideration at the 1970 meeting of the National Council. Meanwhile, incidental operating expenses will be sought on a project-by-project basis.

Immediate interest was exhibited in wider use of the JACL Story, an illustrated brochure distributed to all JACLers in 1967, and reprinted subsequently in the Pacific Citizen Holiday Issue

supplement. Of the Initial 25,000 copies ordered, about 2,000 remain (1,600 at National Headquarters; 400 at the So. Calif. Office), according to Mas Satow, national director.

The brochure, authored by Bill Hosokawa, has been distributed to all senators and congressmen, including new

members sworn in last January 3. Other leaders in the federal government have also been sent a copy.

JACL also sent the brochure to some 200 public libraries in the Midwest, East and South, accompanying copies of Capt. Bosworth's "America's Concentration Camps."

Gift Subscriptions

The Pacific Citizen Board has been asked for bulk rates on gift subscriptions. The nucleus committee had in mind sending the PC to national organizations with whom JACL is affiliated, senators, congressmen, federal agencies and officials.

It was the committee's recommendation that such gift subscriptions be coordinated by National Headquarters rather than being left to the discretion of chapters. Its importance was stressed in view of the new administration at the White House.

About 400 gift subscriptions were mentioned in the recommendation. JACL provided over 200 gift subscriptions until 1961, when it was decided the obligation should become a part of the chapter and district council public relations program.

Nisei Who's Who

The nucleus committee also supported the publication of a Nisei Who's Who, a project of the new JACL national committee on publications chaired by Akiji Yoshimura.

The JACL was approached by the U.S. Information Service for names of outstanding Japanese Americans together with a brief biographical sketch, broken down into professions, businesses, etc. But JACL had to admit no such listing was available.

Such a list would also provide a ready reference of qualified Japanese Americans into the political field, the nucleus committee pointed out.

A nucleus group of the publications committee is expected to meet with Washington JACL Representative Mike Masaoka this weekend in Sacramento and Stockton to initiate a Nisei Who's Who.

Information Service

Further, the PR committee will inaugurate an information service through the Pacific Citizen. Chapter programs having specific public relations value will be described and recommended. Interesting contributions of persons of Japanese ancestry will be publicized in the belief that they will be inspirations to others, the Nisei and Sannsei in particular.

Takagi will maintain a regular column in the PC for this purpose. Reserved for greater study at a future nucleus group meeting was the topic of Japanese American "image" in Japan. The question was raised of how the Nisei was regarded in Japan. The committee felt it was desirable to have a good "image" of the Japanese American in Japan as well as in the U.S.

CHAPTER RELATIONS

COMMITTEE ORGANIZED

SACRAMENTO — A new JACL national committee on Chapter Relations with Fred Hirasuna of Fresno as chairman was announced this week by Jerry Enomoto, national president.

The new committee is assuming those functions previously designated as "internal public relations," which sought to improve the JACL image specifically in contrast to "external public relations" which seeks to improve the Nisei image in general.

JACL DEPT. OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS LAUNCHED WITH THREE COMMITTEES

SACRAMENTO—JACL's department of public affairs, supervised by Kaz Horita, national 2nd vice president, of Norristown, Pa., has been formally launched with the establishment of nucleus committees under his aegis during the month of January. National President Jerry Enomoto was advised this week.

Horita has met with the committees in public affairs (at Washington, D.C.), in legislative (at New York) and international affairs (at Philadelphia).

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MONUMENT PLANS

Pointing to the monument on which the State Historical Plaque is to be mounted, commemorating the arrival of the first Japanese immigrants to the United States in 1869, is Bob Bates, asst. deputy director, State Dept. of Parks and Recreation. Sketch of plans for the Wakamatsu Colony was rendered by Al Kado. Looking on are (from left) Masao



Satow, national JACL director; Japanese Consul General Seiichi Shima at San Francisco; George Oki, treas., Wakamatsu Colony celebration committee; and Tom Fujimoto, Sacramento 1968 president. The NC-WNDC chapters are staging a \$10,000 fund drive for the monument site. Contributions may be sent to JACL National Headquarters.

Orange County bans Hersey's 'Hiroshima'

SANTA ANA — "Hiroshima," by John Hersey, was one of two works scratched Jan. 23 by county school trustees from a list of library books at a new county-operated school.

Dr. Dale E. Rallison, who represents the Santa Ana area, called for the deletion of "Hiroshima" and "Big Change—America Transforms Itself, 1900-1950" by F. L. Allen.

He charged that "Hiroshima" presents a one-sided view of the 1945 atom bombing of Hiroshima. He said the book "stresses only the horror and fails to convey the important fact that thousands of American lives were saved by making a costly military invasion unnecessary."

Rallison also asserted that such works give support to "ban the bomb" movements.

"We have demonstrations by peace-lovers because we have allowed so much material of this kind in our libraries," he declared.

Strong objection to striking "Hiroshima" from the list came from Don Jordan, Garden Grove trustee, who said schools have the responsibility to see that students are given

'So sorry you sick' not humorous or honorable to Orientals, Hallmark told

NEW YORK—The China Institute has registered a complaint with Hallmark Cards, Inc., because of depicting Chinese in greeting cards as "fools."

Such cards with greeting, such as "So sorry you sick" and "showing Orientals in coolie hats, pigtailed and buck teeth, were cited by Institute Director K. Y. Ai, who wrote Hallmark:

"At a time when the philosophy of multi-ethnic society prevails and when communication systems can land on the moon, I am shocked to learn a reputable firm like Hallmark chooses to indulge in depicting stereotyped Orientals in its products... trying to profit by promoting distortions is neither honorable nor humorous."

The firm is known for producing quality greeting cards and sponsoring television shows of good music and drama on the "Hallmark Hall of Fame."

Ai also released a letter written by author Pearl Buck to Hallmark explaining she felt such cards were "beneath the dignity of Hallmark."

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Regional representatives will be expected to make suggestions and comments on the program of their respective committees.

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by Mike Masaoka

Crucial Votes on Senate Closure



Washington

As the Congress recesses from Feb. 7 to 17 for the traditional Lincoln Day activities of the Republican Party, about the only substantive votes taken in the Legislative Branch thus far in the First Session, which convened on Jan. 3, have been those defeating the continuing efforts of liberals in the Senate to amend Rule XXII to invoke cloture and end debate for a ballot on the merits.

Two crucial votes some ten days apart sealed the defeat of the biennial effort to try to change the Senate rules on stopping so-called filibusters and forcing votes on controversial legislation.

With Vice President Hubert Humphrey in the presiding chair on Jan. 16, 51 Senators voted to impose cloture, while 47 opposed it.

Then, in accordance with his announced intentions, in his last major decision in the Senate before returning to private life, Humphrey ruled that, in his judgment, cloture had been invoked by the majority since the two-thirds majority of all Senators present and voting of Rule XXII did not apply in the beginning of a congressional term when the Senate may determine its rules for that session.

Democrat Spessard Holland of Florida, on behalf of the Dixiecrat bloc that has successfully frustrated all recent efforts to modify Rule XXII, then appealed Humphrey's decision. On that appeal, only 45 Senators voted to sustain the Chair, while 53 voted against the Chair's interpretation.

If the six Senators (Republicans George Aiken of Vermont, Caleb Boggs of Delaware, Robert Griffin of Michigan, and Margaret Chase Smith of Maine, and Democrats Albert Gore of Tennessee and Mike Mansfield of Montana) who had voted to invoke cloture earlier, had voted to uphold the Chair, the appeal would have been sustained and Rule XXII modified. But, their failure to do so suggests that, while they favor a modification in the closure rule, they are opposed to reducing the present two-thirds to a majority.

On Jan. 28, 50 Senators (29 Democrats and 21 Republicans) voted to impose cloture, with 42 opposed (21 Democrats and 21 Republicans), but, since the two-thirds present and voting requirements was in order, closure could not be ordered.

In this particular effort, the unsuccessful amendment was to reduce the two-thirds present and voting to three-fifths of the Senators present and voting, as proposed by the bipartisan team of Democrat Frank Church of Idaho and Republican James Pearson of Kansas. If the Church-Pearson amendment had succeeded, the effort would have been to reduce that three-fifths to a constitutional majority of 51, proposed by another bipartisan team—Democrat Philip Hart of Michigan and Republican Jacob Javits of New York.

Newly inaugurated Vice President Spiro T. Agnew was the presiding officer on the 28th.

The liberal Senators did not press Agnew to make a ruling that could have followed the Humphrey precedent of Jan. 16, that in the beginning of a new congressional term only a majority vote is necessary to adopt the rules. Accordingly, the new Vice President declared that under Rule XXII and "in accordance with the judgment of the Senate" expressed earlier on Jan. 16, an insufficient number had voted for closure.

To an extent, Agnew's ruling tended to reinforce the argument that, even with the start of a new Congress, the Senate is bound by Rule XXII, with its two-thirds requirement. Still, Agnew made his ruling in such a manner that he did not personally commit himself, thus leaving open the possibility that, if the issue is raised again, he could rule as his predecessor Humphrey had.

Incidentally, in 1957 when now President Richard M. Nixon was the Vice President, he ruled as the presiding officer that a new Senate could adopt its own rules, since he did not interpret the Senate to be a "continuing body" whose rules could be dictated by a previous Senate.

The latest effort was the ninth since 1953 in which the liberal moderate coalition failed to modify the closure requirements, which over the past 40 years have been taken advantage of by determined minorities, usually Dixiecrat conservatives, to delay, defeat, or modify legislation.

Each biennial effort, however, has come closer and closer to success, prompting Majority Leader Mansfield to warn that, if the conservatives did not compromise on the two-thirds majority, the Senate might soon adopt a simple majority rule, which would completely alter the character of the Senate as the world's most deliberative parliamentary body.

Indeed, in order to provide a possible compromise, Mansfield is considering a constitutional amendment that would provide cloture in the Senate by a three-fifths vote of all those present and voting.

The JACL has consistently supported the campaign for a more realistic and reasonable closure rule, arguing that the will of the majority should not be frustrated indefinitely by a determined minority. JACL argues that more "good" legislation has been postponed, altered, or defeated by indiscriminate resort to filibusters than "bad" legislation prevented by this tactic.

As far as Senators representing states in which there are JACL chapters are concerned, many were split, as in the case of Hawaii—Hiram Fong for change, Daniel Inouye against; California—Alan Cranston for, George Murphy against; Idaho—Frank Church for, Len Jordan against; Utah—Frank Moss for, Wallace Bennett against; Illinois—Charles Percy for, Everett Dirksen against; etc.

In other instances, both Senators were for cloture, as in Oregon, Washington, Colorado, Missouri, Minnesota, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, etc.

And, in other cases, both Senators were against a change, as in Arizona, Nebraska, and Virginia, etc.

Mink bill asks \$300 million for preschool centers

WASHINGTON — Rep. Patsy T. Mink introduced a bill to provide Federal assistance for the improvement of educational services and facilities in public and private child day care centers.

Mrs. Mink's bill would authorize \$300,000,000 annually for grants to the States for supplementing educational programs in public and private non-profit day care centers. The grants could be used for creating or expanding teacher staffs at the centers, or for the acquisition of teaching aids and equipment.

Mrs. Mink said that most existing non-profit day care centers provide little more than custodial care for the children. The grants provided in her bill would enable these same centers to increase their professional staffs and provide meaningful, basic educational opportunities during the highly formative years between 3 and 5.

Mrs. Mink told the House, "The Congress has already recognized the validity of this educational concept and the need of our children in this age group. We did so by authorizing funds for Operation Headstart and by enacting the historic Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965. Those programs are great as far as they go, but there is a gap between them... a kind of no-man's land where millions of our children now simply wait, marking time — and wasting time — until their formal education can proceed a few years hence. My bill would begin to close that gap and begin to provide for these children, their first lessons in learning."

Mrs. Mink's bill is entitled "Preschool Centers Supplementary Education Act," and it was first introduced in the 90th Congress when extensive hearings were held on it.

Congressional interest in the bill has increased greatly, and 50 members of the House have joined Mrs. Mink in co-sponsoring it.

60-day residency sought for voters in presidentials

WASHINGTON — Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) has joined several House members in introducing a bill which would enable citizens who change their residences to vote in Presidential elections.

"Only two offices for which the entire nation votes—President and Vice President—are covered by the provisions of the bill," Matsunaga said. He added, "The bill seeks to remedy the situation in which an American citizen may lose his right to vote for the President and Vice President just because he changed his address before the election."

Local, State and Congressional elections are not covered by the bill. Under the proposed bill, a citizen who otherwise is qualified to vote under the laws of a state or any political subdivision (such as a county) may not be denied his vote in a Presidential and Vice Presidential election if he has been a resident of that state or political subdivision since Sept. 1.

The bill, called the Residency Voting Act of 1969, also allows a citizen to vote either in person or by absentee ballot in the state or political subdivision from which he has most recently moved if he has begun residency in another state after Sept. 1 of a Presidential election year, and does not satisfy the residence requirements of a second state.

"Five to eight million otherwise eligible voters were deprived of their right to vote in the 1960 Presidential election because they changed their residences," Matsunaga said.

CALENDAR

- Feb. 7 (Friday)
Chicago—Jr. JACL Mtg. JASC Bldg. 7:30 p.m.; Kenji Nakane, spkr.
- Feb. 7 (Sunday)
Chicago—Jr. JACL "Reach Out", Montrose Urban Program Center, 2 p.m.
- Feb. 8 (Monday)
PSWDC—Civil Rights workshop, St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 2-7 p.m.; Penny Nakatsu, Warren Furutani, guest spkr.
- Feb. 8 (Saturday)
Chicago—Jr. JACL Social Hour, Holladay Inn, Lawrence & Marine, 8 p.m.
- Feb. 8—3
San Jose—Jr. JACL ski trip, Badger Pass.
- Feb. 9 (Sunday)
Stockton—Installation dinner, Stockton Inn.
- Feb. 11 (Tuesday)
San Mateo—Bd Mtg. Sturge Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m. (Bd Mtgs will continue to be held on second Tuesday each month.)
- Feb. 12 (Wednesday)
San Francisco—Aux'y panel discussion: Title II, Internal Security Act of 1950, Fine Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m.
- Feb. 15 (Saturday)
Chicago—Jr. JACL dance, JASC Bldg. 8-11:30 p.m.

Deaths

Yoshimatsu Shiro, 85, of 1351 45th Ave., San Francisco died Jan. 28. He was among the earliest rice growers in the Colusa area, founded the Japanese California Rice Growers Assn. in 1915 and was the last survivor of the group. Surviving are w. Hatsumo, Shigeo, Yoanio, Hideo, Gunji and Harumi.

Photographer Mark Shaw, 47, who served as White House photographer for President Kennedy, died of a heart attack Jan. 26 in his New York apartment. His marriage to singer Pat Suzuki ended in divorce. They had a son, David, who survives.

SALT LAKE CITY
Hattori, Ichitaro, 83, Dec. 24—S. Higeru (Portland), Takashi (Torrance), d. Sumiko, Hattie, Micky, Shiga (Tokyo), 1 g.

IDAHO
Saito, Fuyu, 76, Idaho Falls, Dec. 24—Paul, d. Mary Date (Honolulu), 3 g.

DEVER
Dol, Yone, 77, Nov. 21—Howard, Peter, d. Mildred Nishimura, Akiko Akiyama, Yoshiko Saito, Shigeo, Riko, Eberle, Horiuchi, Shigeo, 68; Brighton, Nov. 18—Bungo, eight children.

HONOLULU
Fujioaka, Herbert M., 41, Oct. 7, Oahu—W. Eileen, s. Michael, p. the Y. Fujioakas, s. Ethel, Hayashi, Spec, s. Norman K., 21; Nov. 12—Paul, Naoki, 1 g.

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Kawabata, Kamehiko, 81, Nov. 13—Susan Oye, Carolyn Scott, b. Kusun, Mankichi, Tsuji, s. Miyaoka, Mariko, Ruth Young, Chiyo Nakano, 3 g.

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Ogawa, Hiroshi, 81, Oct. 11—Nobuo, Toshio, Masao Komata, 4 g.

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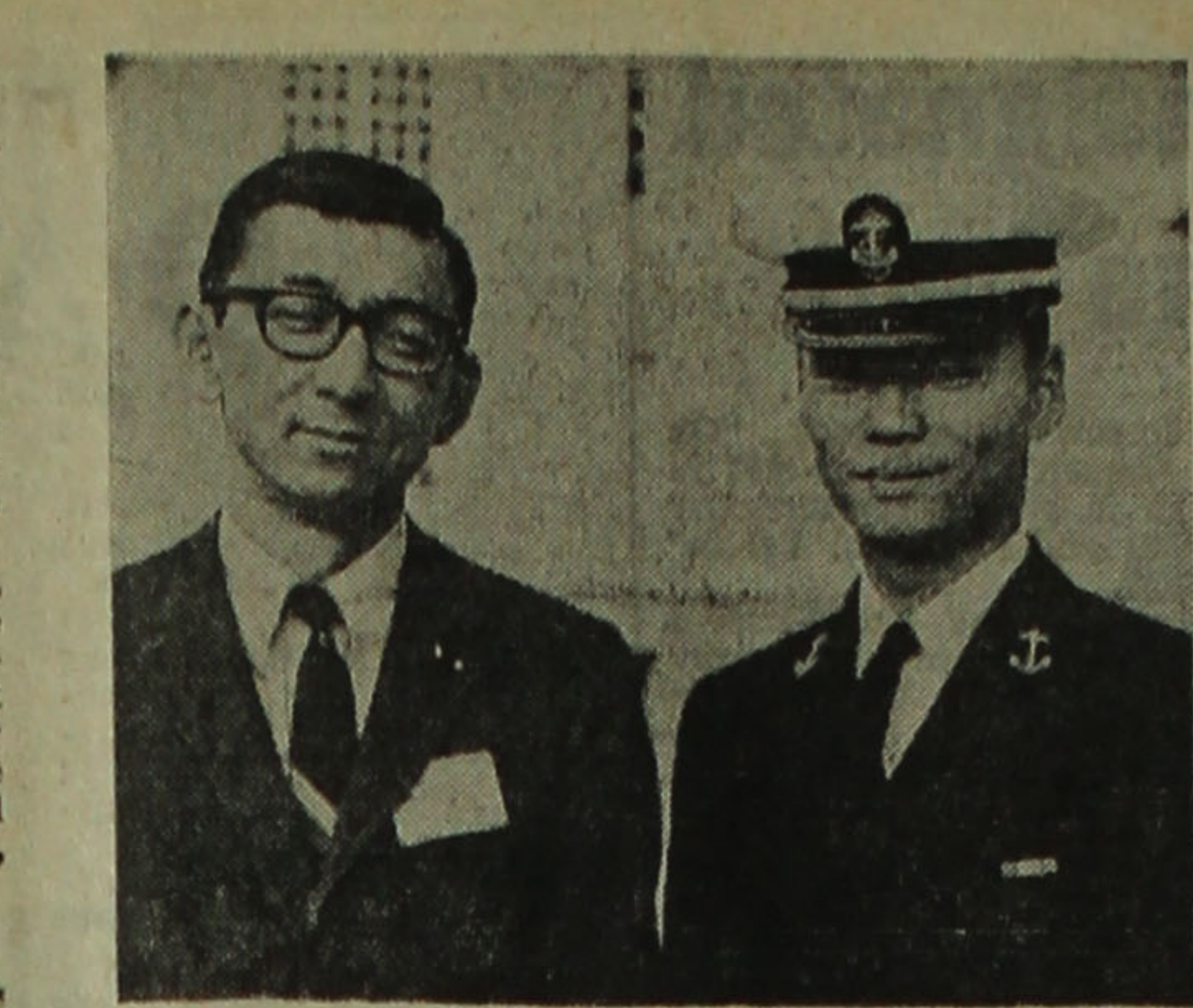
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AT ANNAPOLIS—Harry Kawahara (left) representing Monrovia (Calif.) High School, was among some 35 educators from California attending a three day orientation lecture-tour session at the Naval Academy. Included on the agenda was a visit with Midshipman 4/c Michael Mitani, son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Mitani of 9145 Lawlor St., Oakland, Calif. Kawahara, who lives in Altadena, serves as a guidance counselor for candidates to the Naval Academy. —U.S. Navy Photo.

26 Orientals arrested at S.F. State campus

SAN FRANCISCO — Twenty-six Orientals were among the 456 persons arrested Jan. 23 in violation of attending an illegal strike rally at San Francisco State College campus.

Dr. S. I. Hayakawa, acting president, said the rally was "an act of desperation" called to pep up dwindling student enthusiasm for their strike.

Among those jailed were the leadership of the Black Students Union and the Third World Liberation Front.

Paul A. Yamazaki, 19; Elizabeth Takahashi, 18; Torrance S. Terachi, 20; Carolyn T. Ikeda, 24; all of San Francisco; Megumi Shimizu, 24; Sheila Sakamoto, 19, all of San Jose State College.

NEWS CAPSULES

Government

Nisei sculptor Ruth Asawa who was named to the San Francisco Art Commission last year by Mayor Joseph L. Alioto to fill a vacancy, was appointed Jan. 24 to a full four-year term on the 10-member board. In private life, the appointee is the wife of Thomas Lanier, an architect. They reside at 1116 Castro St. with their six children.

Norwalk insuranceman John Y. Inouye was named chairman of the Southeast Los Angeles County recreation and park district, a Norwalk-La Mirada park board comprised of five members. Inouye, active in the Rotary Club and scouting, is a graduate in business from Denver University.

Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) will join congressional leaders attending the second U.S.-Japan Parliamentary Exchange Conference Feb. 8-15 in Tokyo. Two days at Kawana for meetings with Okinawan political specialists and scholars are also included. American participants include: Sens. Edmond Muskie (D-Me.), Lee Metcalf (D-Mont.), Walter Mondale (D-Minn.), Frank Moss (D-Utah), Hugh Scott (R-Pa.), Clifford Case (R-N.J.), Howard Baker (R-Tenn.), James Pearson (R-Kan.), Reps. Jeffery Cohelan (D-Calif.), James G. O'Hara (D-Mich.), William Mailiard (R-Calif.), Donald Rumsfeld (R-Ill.) and Wendell Wyatt (R-Ore.).

School Front

George I. Nakamura was named acting principal at Farnside Elementary School in the Los Angeles El Sereno district. Mrs. Mabel Ota, principal at Santa Barbara Ave. School in southwest L.A., was transferred to Dayton Heights School in the Hollywood Virgil area.

UC Davis sociology professor Isao Fujimoto was elected to the national board of Sex Information and Education Council of the United States, a nonprofit health group promoting distribution of information about "healthy, responsible" sex relations.

Politics

S. Steven Nakashima, San Jose attorney, has been appointed to the Republican State Central Committee by Assemblyman Earle P. Crandall, (R-San Jose).

Awards

George Teraoka, active Fowler JACLer and Buddhist Church lay leader, was presented the Silver Beaver for distinguished service in scouting by the Sequoia Boy Scout Council in Fresno Jan. 21. He is Kings River District vice chairman and was scoutmaster of Troop 390 for many years.

Dr. David T. Suzuki, 32, Vancouver-born geneticist with the Univ. of British Columbia zoology department, was awarded a fellowship by the National Research Council of Canada that would allow him to spend two or three years in uninterrupted research.

ed as a prospective juror in the Sihan Sihan trial, was does so by invading the synapses, thus blocking transmission, when he told Judge Herbert Walker he babysits while his wife attends night school. They have three children, 10, 8 and 5 years of age.

Music

Musical director-founder Akeo Watanabe, 49, of the Japan Philharmonic Orchestra is slated to give up his post and live in Switzerland. His move was necessitated by the increasing demands for appearances in Europe and in the U.S.

Akira Endo, 30, member of the Long Beach City College music faculty and conductor of the Westside Symphony of Los Angeles, is a finalist for the second successive year in the Dmitri Mitropoulos International Competition for conductors, which began Jan. 13 in New York. There were 40 entered from 19 countries, including 10 from the U.S., before the six finalists were selected.

Beauties

Santa Maria High senior Cheryl Utsumomiya, 18, placed third overall in the California Junior Miss Pageant competition at Garden Grove in mid-January. Japanese swim queen Michiko Kihara, 20, who holds the national 100-m and 200-m freestyle records at 1m.2s. and 2m.15.3s., is retiring from active competition to become a poster model for Toyota Rayon, maker of swim suits and other apparel.

Science

After five years of research, Dr. Fumio Matsumura of the Univ. of Wisconsin has traced the movement of the insecticide DDT in the nervous systems of rats. The study is expected to shed light on less serious sideeffects of its buildup in wildlife and in man. DDT, known to cause fatal nervous system breakdowns, does so by invading the synapses, thus blocking transmission of impulses, Matsumura discovered.

Entertainment

Osaka's 75-girl Nippon Kagaki-dan revue troupe will open at the new Kabuki Theater-Restaurant opening Mar. 1 at San Francisco Japanese Cultural and Trade Center. The all-girl company will stage its "Spring Dances" comprised of 18 fast-moving scenes combining folk-inspired and western dances and spectacular stage effects as waterfalls and fires. Canadian-born Nisei actor-singer-dancer Robert Ito of 4140 Muirfield Rd., Los Angeles, is currently appearing in the Inner City Cultural Center production of "Macbeth" in uptown Los Angeles. "Highlights of the Ice-Capades" to be shown on NBC-TV Feb. 16, 9 p.m. will feature Mitsuko Fukushima as a princess of ancient Baghdad in the "Once Upon a Time" sequence. Daughter of the Willie Funakoshis of Los Angeles, she appeared last week with the troupe in Washington, D.C.

Crime

Fred T. Horiguchi, 40, of Alhambra and Gilbert Galvez, 32, of East Los Angeles, were arrested Jan. 20 on suspicion of receiving 200 cases of hijacked cigarettes valued at \$22,000 and released on bail. County sheriffs said the goods were part of a load stolen from Walk-Up Truck Co. truck and trailer 15 miles south of Fresno last December. Actual thieves were still at large.

Courtroom

Dr. Robert S. Okamoto, longtime San Jose JACL Blue Cross director, was sworn in a member of the San Clara grand jury. Nisei lawyer Shig Hirono of Watsonville was impelled a member of the Santa Cruz County grand jury.

Warren Furutani, one of several College of San Mateo students charged with participating in disturbances at the college, pleaded not guilty in San Mateo's Central District Municipal Court. A tutor in the College Readiness Program and a leader of the Third World Liberation Movement, he will return March 10 to set a jury trial date.

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From the Frying Pan

San Jose, Calif.

ICHIBAN CHAPTER—They say with not a little pride that the San Jose chapter of the JACL is Ichi-ban-No. 1 in size—among all the various JACL chapters. Its membership last year ran somewhere between 1,700 and 1,900; no one seemed to know for sure. With numbers like these, and with prospects for a comparable membership this year, they were able to import a speaker for their installation dinner which was held the night of Jan. 25 at a place called Zorba's.

For a country boy from the Mile High City, where a JACL gathering is doing very well if it attracts a couple of dozen of the faithful, the outpouring this wet and rainy night was little short of astonishing. Haruo Ishimaru, the proud owner of a new moustache, was the master of ceremonies and he had enough lung power to discard the temperamental microphone. Karl Kinaga, a bear for punishment and looking none the worse after three terms as president, bowed out. Jim Ono, one of the numerous Nisei attorneys hereabouts, and his cabinet were installed by Judge Wayne Kanemoto, as was Dale Sasaki, president of the Junior JACL, which, incidentally, is a deplorably unfortunate name. Can't they think of something more attractive for younger folks?

San Jose's impressive membership list is accounted for in large part by the very substantial number of Nisei and Sansei who live in this valley at the southern tip of the San Francisco bay region. It is one of the nation's fastest-growing areas, beset with problems as well as opportunities, and the Nisei are right in the middle of the action. But numbers alone cannot account for the chapter's vitality. Last summer it hosted a highly successful national JACL convention which ran off smoothly and eventually despite limited facilities. In a few weeks the chapter will be host to the national bowling tournament with Representative Patsy Mink of Hawaii as the banquet speaker. The members have to work to succeed at such endeavors, and they must be directed by leaders with imagination, a talent for organization and the ability to direct the energies of their aides. It's obvious the chapter has both leaders and workers.

IN THE PUBLIC EYE—Not least among community leaders is City Councilman Norman Mineta, the JACL's Nisei of the Biennium, who will be running for election this spring. Mineta was appointed to office for his present term, so he will be facing the electorate for the first time. In a very short time Mineta has distinguished himself in public office. Not long ago was named vice mayor, a position traditionally reserved for the most senior member of the council.

Observers say that Mineta's chief opposition will come from an attorney who is strongly opposed to Mineta's stand for gun control legislation. It's refreshing to hear that race and ancestry, so far, have had no part in the campaign which apparently will be waged on issues of public interest and concern. Mineta has spoken out for a gun registration measure, although the city attorney has ruled that this is a field for state rather than municipal regulation.

NOT IN THE PUBLIC EYE—Dr. Tom Taketa, who drove up to the San Francisco airport to provide pick-up service when I missed my helicopter connection and delivered me to the airport again, told me a bit about his work which must be one of the most interesting ways to make a living. He is a physiologist, and his primary concern is the effect of radiation on the human. He works for the National Aeronautics and Space Agency (NASA) which is interested in how radiation in space from sun flares may injure astronauts, not only in the current effort to land on the moon but in far longer space voyages of the future. Out of the public eye, he works quietly in NASA's laboratories at Sunnyvale. As we were saying, there's hardly a field of endeavor any more in which a Nisei is involved in one way or another.

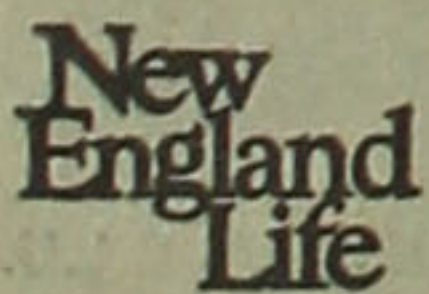


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Operated Coffee Shop in Los Angeles Negro Shopping Neighborhood

LOS ANGELES — Police last week were looking for a "homicidal maniac" who has slain five unresisting victims, four within two days.

The University Division homicide detail was beefed up overnight in an effort to catch a goateed gunman who cold-bloodedly gunned down Ryozo Matsui DeVinna, 61, and his wife, Misao, 53, on Wednesday night, Jan. 29, before rifling the cash register of an undetermined amount of cash.

The DeVinnas operated a small cafe at 1167 W. Jefferson Blvd. (near Vermont). Both were found behind the counter with large caliber bullet wounds in their heads. They lived at 2118 Eighth Ave.

(Final rites were held for the Hollywood JACL couple at Nishi Hongwanji Feb. 5. Ryozo was a naturalized American citizen while Misao was an Anahelm-born Nisei. Surviving are: Mona Nizawa, br Kikui and Koiichi Matsui, sis Kikue Mino, Umeko Kawagawa, and Misao's mother Iwayo Mayumi and br Seichi Shimizu.)

DeVinna, served as chief of police at Heart Mountain WRA Center during WW2. He worked as a houseboy for Clyde DeVinna, first winner of an Oscar in cinematography, graduated from Fairfax High and Whittier College. Clyde DeVinna later adopted Ryozo Matsui legally.

Police believed the same bandit the previous evening (Jan. 28) killed liquor store owner Ben Dreskin at his shop at 4259 S. Western Ave. A customer at the store, wounded during the liquor store hold-up, died the following day at county hospital.

Sheriffs said the description of the bandit — Negro in his late 20s or early 30s, 6 ft., 175 lb., wearing a goatee and last seen with a three-quarter length black leather coat—matches that of a slayer who killed liquor store owner David Munoz, 30, on Dec. 18 in the City of Commerce.

"We are definitely looking for a maniac, homicidal-type person," Lt. Bill Mathieson of the University homicide detail said.

The DeVinnas were well liked and known in the community, the police said. The suspect had entered the cafe, ordered dinner, toyed with his food until all other customers left, then staged the robbery, the police reported in reconstructing the crime.

Neighbors heard two shots fired and saw a man leave. Investigating they found the DeVinnas dead behind the counter. Witnesses who saw the man leave and those who had been in the cafe when the man came in gave descriptions matching the assailant in the other cases.

DR. HAYAKAWA WOVES COMMONWEALTH CLUB

SAN FRANCISCO — "The only Japanese martial art I know is how to use chopsticks," said Dr. S. I. Hayakawa in reply to a question from the floor, "Do you practice judo?" at the Friday luncheon, Jan. 24, of the Commonwealth Club in the Sheraton-Palace Hotel. The audience roared with laughter.

Chairman of the luncheon said that the attendance was "the largest in my memory" of Commonwealth Club luncheons. The club paid high tribute to Dr. Hayakawa's "courage in dealing with campus problem" at San Francisco State.

Canadian Nisei judge unbenched

By BRIAN HARTLEY
Toronto Telegram

TORONTO, Ont. — Provincial Judge Lucien Kurata has been removed from the bench pending the outcome of an inquiry by the Judicial Council, Attorney General Arthur Wishart said this past week.

Judge Kurata, 48, who was appointed in 1966, is being restricted to performing marriage ceremonies in the meantime. He is a former reeve of Swansea and a former member of Metro Council.

Under the provincial courts legislation, which was passed by the Legislature last year and which came into force last month, any complaints respecting the misbehavior of or neglect of duty of or the inability of judges to perform their duties, are heard by the Judicial Council.

These hearings are held in private and the council may recommend to the Cabinet that a public inquiry be held.

Judge Kurata, is the first judge to be the subject of an inquiry by a judicial council since the new legislation came into effect.

"My position in this matter has been made clear and my own counsel, Arthur Maloney, has informed me to refrain from comment until a Judicial Council has rendered its decision."

Chief Provincial Judge Arthur Klein denied any knowledge of the inquiry.

Complaints Forwarded
Complaints against Judge Kurata were forwarded to the Attorney General by Metro police.

Wishart also said recently that the Judicial Council has not yet reported to him about Judge Kurata.

He said it would be a breach of the Provincial Courts Act to discuss anything about the complaint against the judge.

He emphasized that there might be nothing to the complaint and it would be unfair to comment on it. The Judicial Council is composed of Chief Justice of Ontario George Gale, Chief Justice of the High Court Dalton Wells, the chief judges of the criminal and family divisions of the provincial courts, Arthur Klein and Ted Andrews; the treasurer of the Society of Upper Canada, W. G. C. Howland, and two other members to be appointed by the Cabinet.

According to the act, a judge may be removed from office before retirement age only for misbehavior or for inability to perform his duties.

To accomplish this, there must be an inquiry and the judge must be given an opportunity to defend himself and to cross-examine witnesses appearing against him.

Judge Kurata was the first Canadian of Japanese descent to be called to the bar in the Commonwealth in 1948.

He was elected reeve of the former village of Swansea in the 1962 elections after campaigning vigorously against plans to build apartment houses overlooking Grenadier Pond.

Conservation-Minded
He successfully rode out a recount bid by his opponent and held office until 1966 when he was appointed a deputy magistrate.

Federal Jury Law
On Dec. 22, 1968 a new law went into effect for Federal courts. It provides for a random selection of jurors from voter registration lists and it was designed to give an effective guarantee against discrimination and make the jury selection process fair to all groups. The new law, however, will not affect procedures in state courts.

Judge Kurata had been an ardent foe of amalgamation. His stand once brought him into sharp conflict with Norman Goodhead, then reeve of North York. Goodhead called Swansea "a squirly little community of 9,000" and Judge Kurata responded by calling him "noxious."

During his term as reeve, the federal government made him an honorary game officer under the Migratory Birds Act, recognition of the fact that he saved thousands of migrating birds which flocked to Grenadier Pond on the border of his municipality.

His father, before his death, had held the post of game officer in the High Park area. He was Prof. Taka B. K. Kurata of the zoology staff at University of Toronto.

Judge Kurata, an engineer as well as lawyer, argued that his studies of cities like New York and Tokyo indicated decentralization was needed rather than amalgamation.

Bias against Japanese Canadians during World War II indirectly led him into law and eventually politics. He found difficulty getting a job as a metallurgical engineer in 1945 so went back and trained as a lawyer, graduating in 1948.

When named a deputy magistrate he commented: "I'm thrilled with the appointment. This has genuine overtones of public recognition of Orientals and what they've contributed to Canada."

"I have a duty to myself to succeed. I can't afford to let myself or the Japanese community down."

First Controversy
Judge Kurata became involved in a controversy in March last year after a newsman alleged he was threatened with jail if he reported a case involving an impaired driver.

He later denied having forbidden the reporter to report the results of the case but agreed he had expelled him when he refused to refrain from using details the magistrate felt would injure the accused's son.

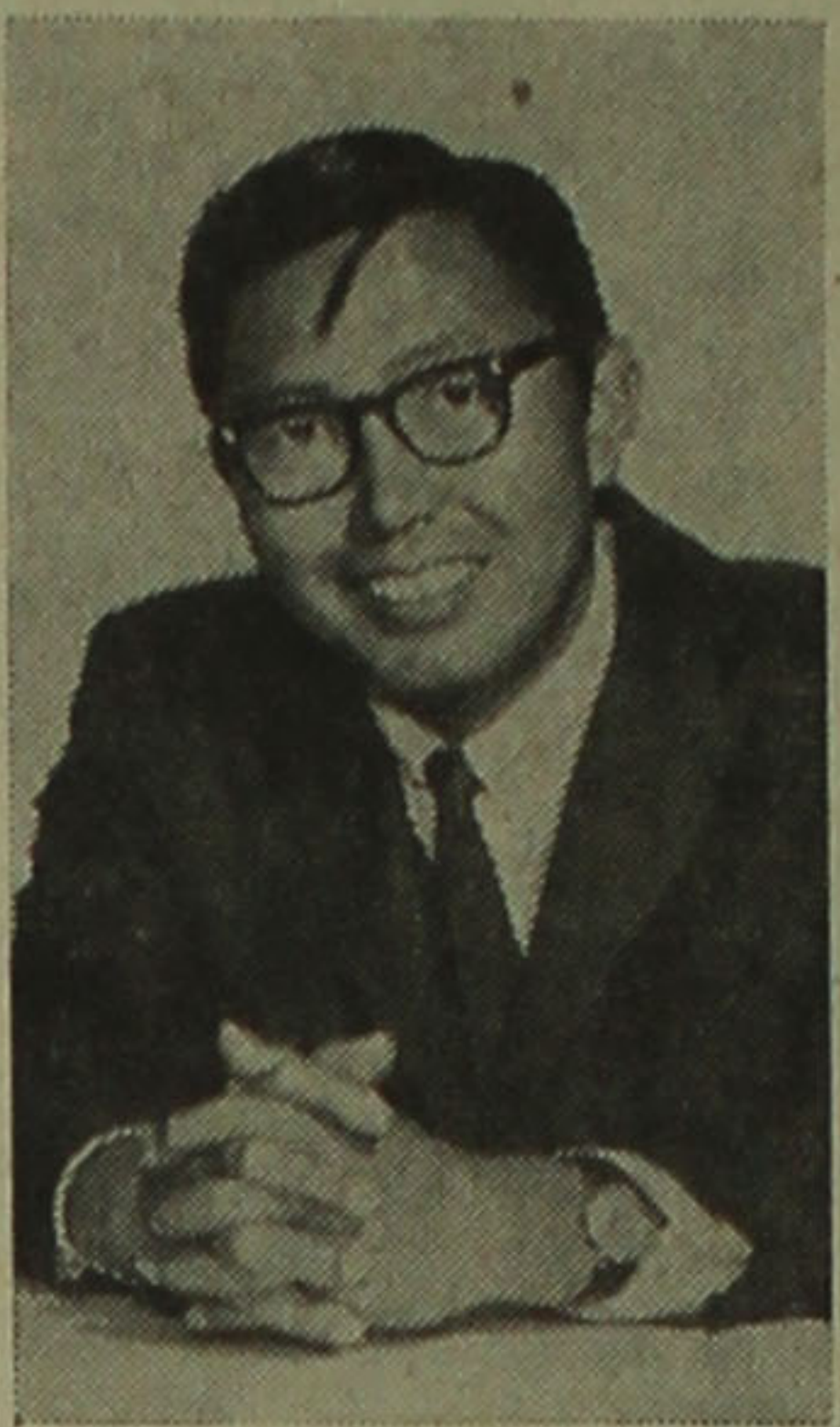
Opposition leaders in the Legislature denounced his action and Attorney General Wishart promised an investigation.

The Attorney General, while noting the action was "serious," later accepted the magistrate's explanation.

Second Controversy
But in June, Judge Kurata stirred up more trouble with a remark during a case he dealt with involving use of marijuana by musicians.

"Musicians and marijuana are the scourge of this country," he said.

Letters to editors began flooding in. One charged Judge Kurata with "a serious breach of the Human Rights Act by maligning a profession."



James Ono
San Jose JACL president

Public relations —

Continued from Front Page
Japanese American teachers to this neglect was also raised, especially when they are reviewing books for use in class.

Serving on the nucleus group are Cherry Tsutsumi with the Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare, supervising educational consultants assisting migrant workers; Joe Ichijii, supervising accountant with the State Dept. Agency for International Development; and Charles Pace, an expert in distribution and materials flow for the U. S. Post Office Department.

Nucleus Committeemen
Chairman Takagi, member of the Board of Veterans Appeals, hails from Wapato, Wash., graduating from the Univ. of Washington Law School. He served with the 442nd RCT in Italy and France, joined the Veterans Administration legal staff, and was the charter commander of the Nisei Veterans Committee of Seattle.

Takagi was JACL chapter president in both Seattle and Washington, district governor in both the Pacific Northwest and Midwest and national 3rd vice president. He is married to the former Helen Kinoshita of Hood River, lives in Springfield, Va. They have three children: Vicki 11, Jimmy 8 and Mary Diane 8.

UCLA establishes American cultures project for study of ethnic minorities

LOS ANGELES — Details of an American Cultures Project at UCLA, a unique approach to the study of ethnic minorities in American society and a framework for research and community action, were announced last week by Chancellor Charles E. Young.

As the result of planning which has continued since last summer the project is being constituted initially with four cultural programs: Afro-American, American Indian, Mexican-American, and Oriental American, each with its own director and staff.

"Los Angeles offers an unusual geographical opportunity to serve these four cultures, and the University has commitment to respond to their needs," Chancellor Young said. "We intend to bring these cultures to the attention of the academic community, with the result of greater understanding and more positive action on their behalf."

Appointment of the directors for the four programs is in process.

Student Initiative
Establishment of the project was the result of student initiative joined by administrative and faculty support, according to Dr. Paul O. Proehl, vice chancellor, university relations and public programs, who coordinated the planning efforts during the fall quarter.

Members of the Black Students Union and the United Mexican-American Students Union worked on the proposals as individual students, Proehl said. Similar proposals are being prepared by steering committees of the American Indian and Oriental American programs.

The eight to twelve-man steering committee for each cultural program is composed of equal representation from faculty, students, administration, and the community.

Students on the committees include the following: Afro-American—Floyd Hayes and

Virgil Roberts; American Indian—Gerald Brown, Leo LeClair, and David Tiller; Mexican American—Carl Vasquez, Roberto Sifuentes, and Gonzalo Rojas; and Oriental American—Marilynne Hamano, Colin Watanabe, Dinora Gil.

Each of the cultural programs has a corresponding ethnic group in the UCLA student body. Estimates on the size of each group based on an ethnic survey last fall indicate the following totals: Afro-Americans, 897; American Indians, 83; Mexican Americans, 729; and Oriental Americans, 1,628.

Permanent quarters for the project are being planned for occupancy in from three to six months. Space will be provided for the directors and their staffs and for a common library and a workroom. Currently, temporary space has been assigned to research assistants, secretarial staffs, and interim program heads.

Seek Institute Status
Plans are being made to seek Academic Senate approval of Institute status for the project, and other plans call for publication of a journal "American Cultures." It will be a quarterly devoted to articles and reviews pertaining to the history, culture and social problems of American minority groups.

"We hope that the project will be representative of America's pluralistic society, which is developing neither by separatism nor by assimilation," Vice Chancellor Proehl said, "but by something that partakes of both, at the same time recognizing the uniqueness of each cultural group but admitting the ultimate goal of a truly integrated society."

Joquin Acosta, Jr., assistant to Vice Chancellor Proehl, pointed out that UCLA has been working for some time in most of the cultural fields represented.

He suggested that community activity growing from the project might be similar to that fostered by such previous UCLA ventures as the Mexican American Study Project and the Japanese American Research Project.

The new project will be interdisciplinary and will provide central facilities for scholars and students in many different fields of ethnic research, including joint University-community efforts to resolve urban problems through research and action programs.

Salt Lake JACL elects

Kimura 1969 president

SALT LAKE CITY — George Kimura was elected president of the Salt Lake JACL by the 17-member board of directors. The new board was installed by Mas Satow on Feb. 1 during the IDC quarterly session. Mrs. Tomoko Yano was appointed chapter secretary.

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Sansei Slant

By PATTI DOHZEN
Chairman, Nat'l Youth Council

Los Angeles
January 11 was an eventful day when the JACL National dignitaries met in rainy San Francisco. Assembled together were National President Jerry Enomoto, National Treasurer Yone Satoda, National Youth Commissioner Mike Suzuki, National Youth Director Alan Kumamoto, Na-

Seven-Hour Summit

tional Director Mas Satow, myself and National Youth Council Representatives Norman Ishimoto and Winston Ashizawa. The purpose was to exchange ideas on different aspects of the youth program as seen from various office vantage points.

The first of its kind for the new administration, the encounter session proved to be profitable in bringing issues to the surface. While each area discussed could easily fill an entire article in itself, my objective was to cover certain, significant areas of the seven hour talk.

From a youth's point of view, Jr. JACL is characteristically complex in terms of what it means to the average member. For many it is merely a means of socializing with others. But for the serious minded, there is difficulty in defining what JACL is and in describing it to non-members.

In many chapters, lack of unity, membership and leadership are some of the common problems. A good number of the difficulties are also directly related with the chapter adviser, who may not have adequate experience and ability to deal with these chapter ailments.

The youth possess an abundance of enthusiasm, idealism and optimism but need experienced guidance in order to tap and channel those resources. Many similarities in problem areas correlated with the senior organization.

A dialogue concerning what JACL is conceived to be alluded to personal philosophies of being Japanese Americans. Whereas the adults may be more concerned with unconscious transmittal of personal values and hangups, the youth are still in the soul-searching identity stage.

In the process of discussion, role relationship of the officers was expressed. The National Youth Commissioner was conceptualized as being a representative of the senior organization and connective link between the seniors and juniors. There would be some coordination between the youth commissioner and the District Commissioners in working with chapter advisers.

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Another major issue of discussion was possible young adults programs. There has been an increasing number of "has-been" juniors who are reluctant to join a senior chapter. These "middle-aged" JACLers between 18 and 30 have contrasting interests from those of the senior/junior groups.

Attempts have been made in various areas to resolve this problem. There are some Jr. chapters which are strictly college-age such as West L.A., and San Francisco. The Chicago Young Japanese Americans is another form of young adults program which is an auxiliary group of the senior chapter. The Progressive Westside JACL is a senior chapter with a young adults membership.

These are some of the highspots of the seven-hour summit meeting. On the whole, it was one which established a good foundation for future cooperation and coordination between the representative bodies of JACL and the Youth Program.

Chicago Jr. JACL

On Jan. 11, Christmas wrapped packages of soap and towels as well as cookies and candy were delivered to the "shut-ins" at the Sunnyside Nursing Home. It is truly a great experience and a very rewarding one. Many thanks to those who helped to bring happiness to someone lonely on a Saturday afternoon.

Chicago Jr. JACL Valentine Dance
Feb. 15, 7-11:30 p.m.
JASC - 3257 No. Sheffield

By MERILYNE HAMANO
Past PSWDYC Chmn.

Los Angeles
When I was thinking about writing this article on my year as PSWDYC co-chairman, my mind started to wander over all my years in Jr. JACL, and in so doing, I came upon one recurrent thought—"Better Americans in a Greater America"—the JACL theme.

I realized that my Jr. JACL experience served as a background and catalyst for my present involvement in race relations work.

Jr. JACL provided a program of exposure, leadership development, and involvement which I, as a Sansei teenager, needed to become aware of an unfamiliar world of civil rights workshops, brotherhood camps, Japanese-American history, and service for others less fortunate.

The JACL decision to petition for the repeal of the Internal Security Act Title II, the successes of the two PSWDYC service projects, and initiation of a human relations workshop with a Mexican-American group during my years in Jr. JACL reinforced my belief that Japanese Americans can contribute to create a "greater America."

My experience in Jr. JACL also gave me a faith in the potential of young people to become aware and concerned

CHAPTER CHATTER

Portland Jr. JACL

In a recent Portland Jr. JACL newsletter, Frances Tanaka discussed a problem of immediate concern affecting many chapters.

As Frances states, "This year's cabinet (as usual) is made up of college and older high school students; therefore, the young high schoolers are unable to participate on the cabinet."

And the question is asked, "... how many younger members are appointed to head a committee? Many older members feel that the younger members cannot handle the responsibility ... A fact that has been overlooked is that in both age groups there are only a few who are willing to accept such responsibilities."

Frances further goes on to state, "Without a doubt the Portland Jr. JACL is rapidly diminishing, but to blame the young high school members is unjust. The fault is with every club member—the one who fails to attend a general meeting, the one who is willing to attend the functions but is not willing to do any of the preparations, and the one who easily criticizes the officers and club for doing nothing and does nothing himself ... This problem should be factored and not shelved for the next cabinet. Action instead of words should be taken. The present cabinet should be taking the first steps in an attempt to alleviate these problems. If not acted upon soon, the club will continue to decline and in time would disappear completely."

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Mid-Columbia Jr. JACL

The Mid-Columbia Jr. JACL held its installation in November, 1968. Dr. Saburo Akiyama installed the following officers:

Jean Tamura, Pres.; Bob Takasumi, v.p.; Maria Asai, rec. sec.; Susie Endow, cor. sec.; Gordon Sato, Treas.; Rick Nishimoto, Leonard Naji, Kathy Nishimoto, Tara Asai, social; Roger Hamada, Dale Inai, Christmas Card; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tamura, Mr. and Mrs. Mas Takasumi, Mr. and Mrs. Kot Nishimoto, adv.

In December the Juniors collected children's clothing to be sent to an orphanage in Korea, of which Lt. Gerry Takasumi of Hood River was in charge. As a money-making project, Christmas cards were also sold.

Santa Barbara Jr. JACL

By HIROKO OKADA

Our members together with Alan Kumamoto, Patti Dohzen, and the PSWDYC Board consisting of Don Asakawa, Russ Mizuno, David Takashima, and Patti Iwataki attempted to analyze "our problem" of membership. To our amazement, we soon discovered it was a common problem among chapters.

As the discussion progressed, it appeared our chapter had over-emphasized the lack of membership. In short, we had stressed quantity rather than quality.

Then came the most appalling discovery: we did not know why we, as a group, existed. In the few years of our existence, we have had a myriad of cultural and social activities; therefore, it came as a shock to realize we have yet to sit down and really communicate with each other. So now we must evaluate, individually and as a group, why the SB Jr. JACL exists. As Patti Iwataki said, "It's time to get down to the 'nitty-gritty.'"

We would like to publicly express our appreciation to Patti, Alan, and the PSWDYC for their time and suggestions.

We remind other chapters the DYC is an integral part of your chapter; it exists only because the local chapters exist. So, consult

with problems that affect them as citizens of this country. I believe Jr. JACL provided a place where idealism could be changed into meaningful programs. . . programs which have helped shape my present interpretation of certain social realities and the phrase: "Better Americans in a Greater America."

Social Realities
Along with many other Americans, I have had to face a shocking awakening to some of the social realities of this

S. F. State: an Inside View

By JOHN SUGIYAMA
Chairman, NC-WNDYC

San Francisco
As many of you may know, San Francisco State College has for the past couple months been racked with varying degrees of violence, turmoil, and confusion. As a junior at San Francisco State College, I have been a witness to many of the happenings and thus feel qualified to give my opinion of the situation.

The basic issues in the turmoil at SFSC are still the ten demands of the Black Students Union and the five demands of the Third World Liberation Front (composed of the Latin Americans, Asian Americans, and Afro-Americans).

Basically these demands center around more freedom for ethnic minorities in determining the course of their own education.

For example, one demand is for the establishment of a School of Ethnic Studies under which various depart-

ments would be created dealing with specific ethnic groups as Black Studies, Asian Studies, etc. As of now, this demand has been granted by the College Administration.

However money is needed to implement this demand and the State College Board of Trustees who control the allocation of money, do not seem to be willing to move rapidly in financing this program.

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However perhaps the important question now is "What can be learned from the SF-SC crisis?"

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Students expressing a need for understanding and a desire to shape the world into which they must live and raise a family are met by cries by many adults that these "radicals" are bent on the destruction of society or that these elements are communist-inspired.

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'BETTER AMERICANS IN A GREATER AMERICA'

country—in a land of affluence and plenty, this country still has 18% of its population poverty-stricken, the Kerner Commission had to document the gruesome effects of white racism on the Black population, and 14% of the voters cast their ballot for Wallace. In the face of these realities, I must ask what it means to say for "Better Americans in a Greater America" . . . I must examine and re-examine what it means to say American and Great America and I must also see whose stan-

dards I am using to evaluate these concepts.

In my search I have come to the conclusion that a "Better American" was a citizen of this country who sought to be aware and proud of his own ethnic heritage and contribution to this country, and who believed enough in the American ideals of democracy, justice, and equality to fight for them for himself and his fellow citizens.

I believe a "greater America" is not only one that can send astronauts to

the moon or have the highest GNP in the world, but one that can respect the minority peoples within this country.

America has not sufficiently given attention to the contributions or presence of non-white peoples . . . and has created a society where white standards have been imposed at the expense of the original culture of the peoples.

What standard has specified that "all American" means blond hair and European ancestors?

What kind of understanding can a Sansei or Yonsei get of his place in American society when the only word allowed Japanese in his history book is the bombing of Pearl Harbor?

Bombing of Pearl Harbor is not the "only" item in standard U.S. histories about Japan. But it's one that is best remembered.—Ed.)

The purpose of this article is not to go on stressing the deficiencies of this society, but merely to recognize that some exist . . . and is it not in the American spirit to work for improvement?

For a Better Society

In this business of creating a better society, the Sansei does not have to be unimportant, apathetic, and powerless.

Currently at UCLA, members of Oriental Concern are working with the administration in developing proposals for research, curriculum reform and community action pertaining to the Oriental-American. The university has provided us with offices to do this work and has also provided an office for the Oriental Concern tutorial program which was set up to teach English to newly arrived Chinese immigrant children.

I hope to see the recently established race relations committee of Oriental Concern bring further light into the dynamics of our status as a minority group and our relations with other races.

These are just a few examples of what the Sansei individual can do.

Individual Commitment

In the final analysis, it is for the individual to find that field of commitment which is suited for him . . . and those who choose to engage in the business of trying to create a more just America will have the satisfaction of knowing that they contributed their little share.

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KAREN'S KORNER:

Are You Proud?

By KAREN L. SUMIDA

Santa Barbara
Who are you? . . . What are you? . . . And why?—These are questions which too frequently come to my mind.

The other day while in the area of the UCSB campus I was astounded at the number of hippies in the vicinity.

What I observed as their distinguishing characteristics were long messy hair, faces unshaven, clothing to an almost ridiculous nature—showing no particularity or care at all, sunglasses of all shapes and sizes, and from the looks and smell, they may allow themselves a bath perhaps once a week.

And then it would probably be in the same water they used the previous week! The consequence—a not a cleaner person but a double ring around the tub!

They don't seem to care much about their appearance, and even worse is they don't seem to care if they offend those around them.

What astounded me the most however, was to see a hippie that attracted my attention enough to give a second glance. This one was a Japanese with all the distinguishing characteristics. This gave me sort of a sour feeling like putting lemon juice in a glass of milk. It

really hurt to see what was becoming of our fellow Sansei.

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Sakura Script

Ruffians & Gamblers

By Jim Henry
Tokyo
Pioneers and those who open new frontiers are usually pictured as self-sacrificing individuals, exemplary of character, but in the case of the first Japanese immigrants sent abroad to Hawaii, it was just the opposite. Unknown to many, the crew of the Scoto consisted of lawless men, but those who followed them more than made up for their shortcomings.

The diary of Yonekichi Sakuma is perhaps the only record remaining to this day relating the arrival of the first Japanese immigrants to Hawaii. It was just over 100 years ago that Sakuma, then 29, boarded the sailing ship Scoto for the long and hazardous trip from Japan to Hawaii.

Sakuma's diary reveals that: "Most of us were lawless gamblers and roughnecks who gloried in fights."
Headman of the journey was Tomisaburo Makino, a man Sakuma wrote belonged to the Sendai Clan and who was once a samurai. "But he led a life of debauchery in his youth and was forced to leave his home for Yokohama," the diary notes.

Tokyo Odyssey for a N.Y. Sansei

By JOE OYAMA

New York
My nephew, Wesley Oyama, Jr., returned for a visit to America after a three and a half year stay in Tokyo. In all he had been away for 10 years from Manhattan, where he had once lived.

"New York hasn't changed too much," he said, "except for some streets changing to one-way, but I could get thrown on some streets and not know my way around because of the changes."

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"Tokyo," he continued, "is changing everyday, and what is modern in Tokyo is more modern in New York, because 85 percent of Tokyo was completely leveled by bombs during the war and the city was built up again from the ashes. Tokyo has a population of 13,000,000 people and it keeps growing by the day. New York has a population of 13,000,000 people and it keeps growing by the day. New York has a lot of old buildings still standing, because it had never been bombed and levelled to the ground."

'Cake, Ice Cream, and Pie'

"When I first went to Tokyo, I enrolled at Naganuma to learn Japanese. When I was through, I couldn't understand the man in the street, because the Japanese I learned was more for diplomats and upper class Japanese. The people would understand me, but I wouldn't understand their answers."

He had learned that the polite form in Japanese was to put an "o" before a noun, and he said that he thought the honorific applied generally. One day he went into a restaurant and after dinner he asked the waitress what kind of dessert they had. She replied, "We have cake, ice cream, and pie..." He replied, "I will have some 'Opie'." And he said that he didn't realize what he had said until six months later, when he learned that "Opie" is the slang for breast in Japanese.

Edith Hanson, the Actress

Although he likes Japan and the Japanese people, he said that they are lacking in frankness, and that he has met with frustrations. The white American receives more attention and receives better service than the Sansei American, that in his job as assistant manager at the American Pharmacy, he will encounter Americans who insist on speaking to him in Japanese—even when he thinks, "Here's my chance to speak English."

On an occasion, he met Edith Hanson, an American actress now living in Japan, and when he started speaking in English to her, she replied in Japanese, "I have forgotten all of my English," which was, of course, quite impossible.

There had been other occasions, when he said, "I would speak to an American in flawless English, and they would insist on conversing with me in Japanese—bad, broken Japanese at that!"

The Walls of Jericho

He also told us about the time his Nisei uncle and aunt, 14 year residents of Tokyo, went to the Hokkaido Hot Springs. His aunt asked the management if the bathing facilities for men and women were divided, and they assured her that it was. To make

certain, she repeated the question several times, and each time she received an affirmative answer.
But when they went into the bathroom, they discovered that the communal bathtub was divided in half by a string drawn across the center of the room.

A Rounding Experience

In public many times he had been approached by students eager to learn the English language, and they would ask, "Could you teach me English?"

We asked, "How would they know that you know English since you look like anyone else in the street." He replied, "I would be studying Japanese from a book in a subway or a bus. Would you ever see a Japanese studying

Japanese from a book in Tokyo?"
In the short time that he has been in Japan, he has learned how to carry on a repartee with his Japanese lady friend—the way the Japanese do in such a fun, but poetic way.

Japan has been a rounding experience. Living there has been different from just going to Japan on a short visit, and returning with an idea that the country is a place of extravagant politeness and good service.

New York More Like Tokyo

His lady friend visiting America for the first time said, "I don't find anything especially new or impressive in this country, I have visited San Francisco and Seattle before coming to New York. San Francisco is clean, but no people in the street and, oh, so

quiet! New York is more like Tokyo, I like it where there are a lot of people, and where it's jumping."
She said that people in Tokyo don't stare at you as much as people do in this country. At first it was a source of annoyance, but later as she became accustomed to it, she said, "It is very convenient!" By this, she might have meant that she didn't mind being looked at for a change.

"In Tokyo," she joked, "no body looks at me."
She had lived in Paris a year and a half but still she said, "America again is different from Paris."

We told her a story about a Chicago Nisei girl who went on a round-the-world trip with her blonde (Scandinavian type) American girlfriend. First, they went to Asia, traveling all over Japan.

In Japan and throughout Asia, the blonde girl was the center of attraction, and the Nisei girl was unnoticed, but when they arrived in Europe, the cards were turned, the Nisei girl became the center of attention, and the blonde girl remained in relative obscurity. The blonde girl loved Asia.
The young lady from Japan

Speaking of Napkins

My nephew tried to explain to his lady friend that one can't judge this country by the tallness of the buildings, nor the number of cars, because, he said, greater Los Angeles has more cars than all of Japan; that one has to judge this country by, for instance, the number of napkins displayed in a department store.

There may be as many as 70 different kinds, while in Japan there may be only 5 or 6 different kinds. . . . It is because in Japan they can't afford to buy that many different kinds. . . .

The defensive retort came, "But in Japan they do not use paper napkins."
Speaking of napkins, Wesley Jr. said, "At first I used to be annoyed, because the Japanese would praise me, because I could use chopsticks. I've been using them ever since I was the age of six. Suppose in America I was the center of attraction, and the Americans would praise me. But I began to get over my annoyance, because I began to understand the Japanese."

Japan is a country where one begins not to understand when one begins not to understand it at all, he begins to understand it.

HOSPITAL STAFF OFFICER

Rich Service Record Related

LONG BEACH—Election of Dr. John E. Kashiwabara, past president of the Long Beach-Harbor District JACL, as an officer of the medical staff of Memorial Hospital of Long Beach was announced last week.

Dr. Kashiwabara assumes the position of secretary of the 550-member medical staff of the largest single non-profit medical center on the West Coast.

He has been active in civic, service and medical organizations. He currently serves as secretary and member of the board of the Boys Club of Long Beach, second vice president of the Long Beach Downtown Lions Club, editor of the Long Beach JACL "Tide-ings," medical director of the Long Beach Civil Disaster Committee's mobile hospital unit and member of the Los Angeles District Attorney's advisory committee.

Other activities include membership on the Long Beach Human Relations Commission, the Chamber of Commerce health committee, Long Beach Polytechnic High School Citizens Advisory Committee and Downtown Long Beach Associates.
He has been awarded JACL sapphire and silver pins for service and a youth scholarship of the JACL was named in his honor. Other awards to the physician include the Pop Warner Meritorious Service Award for his service to youngsters and the Long Beach Century Club's Samuel Leddell Award for his contributions in helping athletes.

Dr. Kashiwabara is past president of the Long Beach Academy of General Practice and a member of the Japanese American Medical Society and the Long Beach, Calif.



DR. JOHN KASHIWABARA

and American Medical Associations.
The Memorial medical staff officer was born and raised in Northern California. He earned his associate of arts degree at Sierra College in Rocklin, Calif. and his bachelor of science and M.D. degrees at the Univ. of Illinois. He interned at Los Angeles County General Hospital.
Dr. Kashiwabara served as a medical officer with the U.S. Air Force during the 19-50-53 Korean campaign.
He has been an active member of the Memorial medical staff since 1954 and team physician Long Beach City College since 1956.

Title II discussion by panel set Feb. 12

SAN FRANCISCO—The JACL Anti-Detention Camp Committee will present a panel discussion on Title II of the Internal Security Act of 1950, on Feb. 12, 7:30 p.m. at Pine Methodist Church, 426 - 33rd Ave.

Speakers will be Penny Nakatsu, Phil Nakamura, George Okada and Paul Takagi, all committee members.
Program is being sponsored by the San Francisco JACL Women's Auxiliary. Sandra Hamamoto, Auxiliary president, is arranging the program.

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Sogetsu School of Flower Arrangement in Tokyo plans to tear down 10-floor building for 24 stories

By PATSY MATSUURA

HONOLULU — The Sogetsu School of Flower Arrangement in Tokyo will rebuild in the near future to accommodate the overflow of students, said floral instructor Mrs. Sogetsu Kenichi. Sayegusa who just returned from a two-month study and pleasure trip.
"Flower arranging is so popular in Japan today that the Sogetsu School's three-story building will be torn down and replaced by a 24-story building to meet the needs," she explained.
"It's a shame to tear down a building that's only 10 years old, but according to an architect, the foundation was not made to support additional floors."

Instructors Invited
Invited by headmaster Sofu Teshigahara to participate in the once-a-year special instructors' class, Mrs. Sayegusa said she was amazed at the changes that have taken place since her last visit in 1962.
"When I first visited Japan in 1951, soon after World War II, fresh flowers were so scarce that Mr. Teshigahara used scrap metals, stones, wires and even wheels for his arrangements."
"The newspapers and radios said he must be out of his mind to make such grotesque arrangements. Mr. Teshigahara ignored their remarks. He said, 'Let them criticize—some day other schools will start copying us.'"
"He was right. When I returned to Japan in 1956 all

the other floral schools were following his method. However, in 1962 I notice that more arrangements were being made with fresh flowers and driftwood instead of scraps. Sculptures were more popular, too."
Today Mrs. Sayegusa said 90 per cent of the arrangements are fashioned from fresh flowers while some are created with dried flowers in assorted colors.
Changes in Style
"Pea-sized berries in colors of red, green and blue make eye-catching arrangements," she said. "I hope some day we can ship some of the berries here so that everyone can enjoy their beauty."
"I also noticed a change in the Sogetsu method of arranging flowers. It's top-heavy now. The focal point, which has always been the center bottom of an arrangement, has shifted to the top half. I hope to introduce this method to my advanced teachers soon."
"One of Mr. Teshigahara's newest techniques is using driftwood with aluminum and gold sheets nailed to it. Dents left by the hammer make interesting designs on the sheets. It's even more fascinating when shellac is applied to the entire arrangement."
"Mr. Teshigahara's creative talent is known throughout the world. He is amazing. I only wish I could live in Japan and observe his techniques."
Variety of Vases
Mrs. Sayegusa said she at-

East-West Players expand

By MARY OYAMA

Los Angeles
Winning unanimous praise from all the local drama critics, the East-West Players of Los Angeles, the only Oriental repertory theatre group in these United States, continues to make drama history. This unique group comprised of Chinese, Japanese, and Korean professional actors not only presents theatre classics from each of these respective countries in English, but also creates fresh new approaches in treatment and interpretation.

Drawing upon all the theatre arts forms of these cultures, including dance, pantomime, music, and even the martial arts such as Kendo, and the philosophic approach of Zen or classic Chinese thought, new dimensions are being added to the western dramatic scene.

Bold yet carefully thought out experiments are creating a true and exciting synthesis of East-West theatre. Since the group's earliest inception with but three people in 1964, and its debut in April 1965 at the University of Southern California's Bovard auditorium with "Rashomon," the East-West Players are rising modestly but surely into the big scene of their third year of existence.

In the summer of 1968, through the help of Dr. C. Jackson Barnett of the Inner City Repertory theatre of L.A., the E-W Players were awarded a \$38,500 grant from the Ford Foundation to carry on research and further ambitious theatre projects.

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Meanwhile the Players present such unusual treats as "Camels Were Two-Legged" and "Peking" (an adaptation of Lau Shaw's "Rickshaw Boy"), Soon Tai Oh's original play "Martyrs Can't Go Home" Goldoni's famed Italian classic comedy "The Servant of Two Masters" ("Setting: Chinatown in Venice"? Yes, with inter-racial cast and both Chinese and medieval-looking doublet-and-hose period costumes), or "Korean, Chinese and Nisei actors in exquisite gems of light "Kyogen" plays, the entre-acts which come between the heavy acts of a Noh drama.

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LOS ANGELES — Victor M. Carter, president of United Way, Jewish Federation Council and the Japan America Society of So. Calif., was honored Jan. 26 as one of two recipients of the Judge Harry A. Hollzer Memorial Award. Carter, who helped start Operation Bootstrap to train Negroes for better industrial jobs, is the founder and co-chairman of the Inter-racial Council for Business Opportunity, and board member of the Urban League, the B'nai B'rith Anti Defamation League and a Venice-Culver JACL 1000 Club life member.

Jury Service

Who is eligible for jury service? In general all citizens over 21 who understand, read and speak English. Persons who have criminal records or who suffer from serious mental or physical disabilities are excluded. On the other hand, race or religion may not be grounds for exclusion from jury lists.

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PLAYWRITING CONTEST

Currently, the Players are sponsoring a play-writing contest for a play on Chinese American life in the U.S. for a \$1,000 award. Too, director Robert Wise of "West Side Story" fame referred to them as "an exceptionally talented group," or that Greer Garson gifted them with a generous financial donation. The group also announced its drive to raise \$250,000 to build or buy a theatre building, to house the first resident "Oriental" repertory theatre in the U.S.

MODEST BEGINNING

From modest beginnings, Academy Award nominee Mako (Makoto Iwamatsu, son of artist Taru Yoshima), Miss Beulah Quo, noted Chinese American actress, and Soon Tai Oh, a talented young prize-winning playwright, have nurtured the Players into a recognized group with respected reputation, a school of theatre arts with its Workshop at 1629 Griffith Park Blvd. The inter-cultural, inter-racial, integrated group

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Masaoka to speak at NC-WNDC meet in Stockton Feb. 9

San Francisco State
issue topic for panel

STOCKTON—Mike M. Masaoka, Washington JACL representative, will be principal dinner speaker at the first quarterly session of the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council this Sunday, Feb. 9, at the Stockton Inn.

Event highlights the business session being chaired by Dr. Kengo Terashita, district governor. Delegates will hear status reports on civil rights, cultural heritage, Wakamatsu Colony centennial celebration and programs & activities.

The district budget and chapter quotas will also be up for adoption. After the 3 p.m. coffee break, a panel on the San Francisco State College situation will be moderated by John Yasumoto.

French Camp JACL is host for the meeting. John Fujiki will extend the welcome. Registration opens at noon. Fees are \$8 official, \$6.50 booster, \$5.50 banquet only, \$1 registration only.

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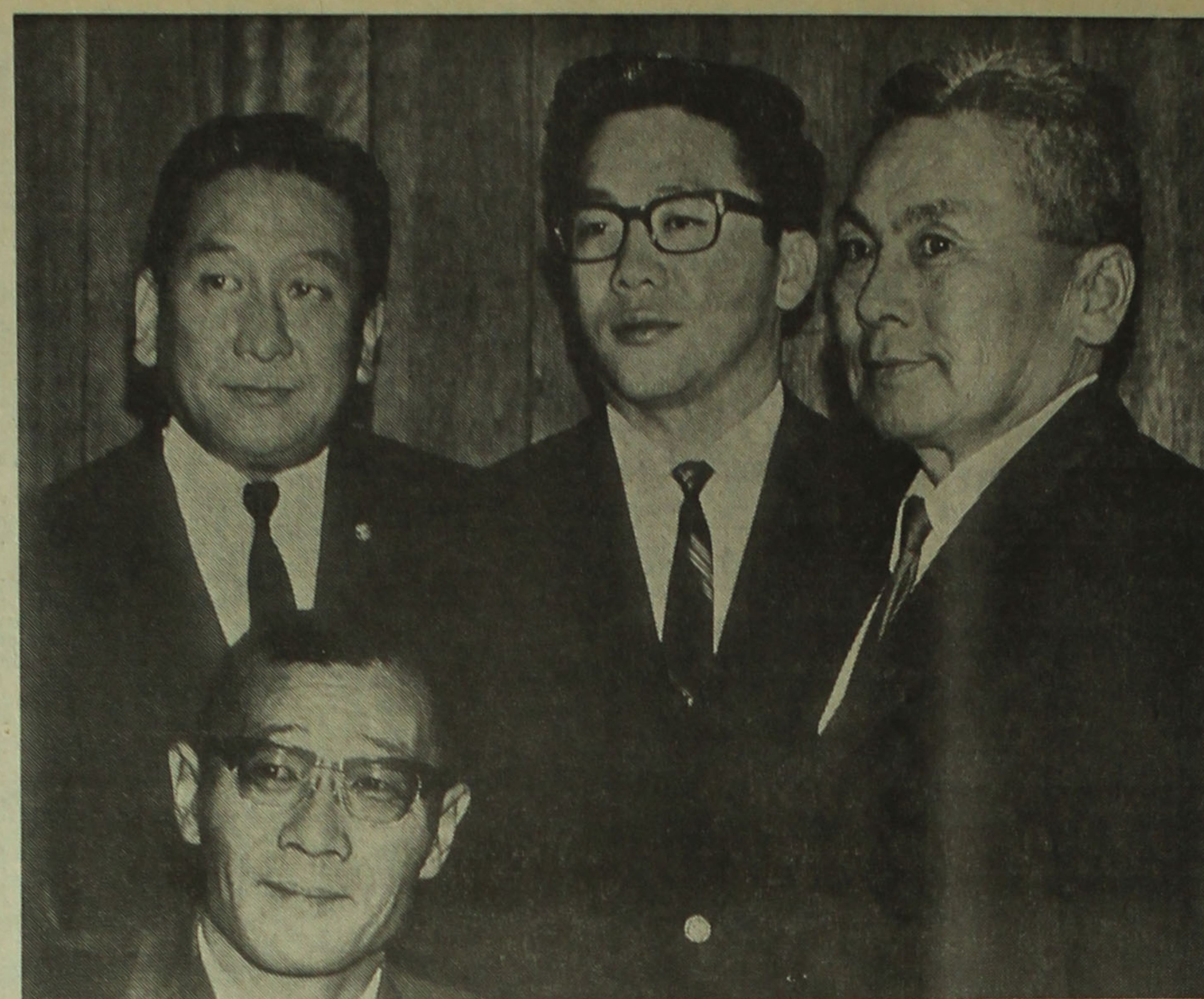
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JOINT INSTALLATION—Snake River Valley and Boise Valley JACL chapters install officers jointly, each chapter alternating as hosts. Boise Valley hosted the 1969 dinner where Maj. Gen. Edward Sawyer, ret., professor of business and economics at the College of Idaho was guest

Nikkei contributions termed 'outstanding'

BOISE — The contributions made by our Americans of Japanese ancestry can be evaluated in terms of only one word—outstanding, about 125 officers and members of the Japanese American Citizens League were told here Jan. 18.

The occasion was the annual joint installation banquet of the Boise Valley and the Snake River Chapters of the JACL, which was held at the Chuckwagon Restaurant, with Maj. Gen. Edward W. Sawyer (ret.), professor of business and economics at the College of Idaho, as guest speaker. Installed were Ishi Miyake,

San Fernando elects John Ball

LOS ANGELES—Dr. Miguel Montes, prominent leader in Mexican-American relations work, will address the San Fernando Valley JACL installation dinner Feb. 8 at the new Howard Johnson Motor Lodge in Sherman Oaks, instead of Ralph Lazo, as previously reported.

A member of the California State Board of Education, the San Fernando dentist is also chairman of the boards of director of Joint-Venture and National Committee on Mexican-American Education, and a member of the President's Council on Youth Opportunities.

John Ball, author of best seller, "In the Heat of the Night," "Miss One Thousand Spring Blossoms" and other novels, will be installed as chapter president along with his board of governors, by National JACL Vice President Henry Kanegae of Orange County.

Kay Nakagiri will emcee the event. Rev. George Toda, pastor of San Fernando Valley Holiness Church, will give the benediction. Dinner chairman Luie Shinno will be assisted by: Bob Moriguchi, program; Mitsi Kishida, Yoshiko Endo and Katie Muto, decorations and reception; John Nishizaka, finance; Aki Moriguchi and Lucille Nakahara, reservations; and Hannah Nakawasa, door prizes.

San Mateo reelects Dr. Mitch Wakasa

SAN MATEO—Dr. Mitch Wakasa, dentist, was re-elected president of the San Mateo JACL for the coming year. He and his cabinet were installed Feb. 1 at Dell Osso's. Kikuo Nakahara and Sakae Yamaguchi were installation dinner co-chairmen.

French Camp Auxiliary Feature Greek Cooking

FRENCH CAMP—Mrs. Albert Pagnuceni and Mrs. George Vezaludeni demonstrated the cooking of Baklava and Sarmates, Greek dessert and meat dishes served on special holidays at the French Camp JACL Women's Auxiliary meeting.

Mrs. Rosie Tominaga, outgoing chairman, acknowledged the support given her by the 1968 reign. Mrs. Dorothy Ota was chosen chairman for 1969 and Mrs. Miyo Murata will be treasurer.

Shimoguchi heads Venice-Culver 'CL

LOS ANGELES—Sam Shimoguchi, asst. manager of the Western Los Angeles office of the Bank of California, was installed as president of the Venice-Culver JACL at Marina del Rey Hotel Jan. 25. He succeeds Shiro Maruyama.

Toru Iino, active community leader, was honored as the Community Service Award recipient. He is Troop 764 institutional representative, executive vice president of the Venice Japanese Community Center and active with the Marina Gardeners Assn., Buddhist Church and the Bonsai Club.

Jack Nomura was emcee. The Rev. Llewellyn Davis of the Venice-Santa Monica Free Methodist Church gave invocation and benediction. Harry Honda was installing officer.

Florin JACL elects Bill Kashiwagi

SACRAMENTO — William Y. Kashiwagi will head the Florin JACL chapter for 1969, succeeding Paul Takehara. The Florin Center was designated as the official meeting place for the chapter.

Immigration

Can my mother, here as a visitor, remain in the U.S. until I become a citizen and petition for her?

Question: I am a lawful permanent resident alien and have filed my petition for citizenship. My mother came to visit me six months ago and because her passport has only limited validity, she has been told that she must leave the country. Is there anything I can do to help her remain in the United States since she has nobody left in the country of her nationality?

Answer: If your mother comes from an Eastern Hemisphere country she may adjust her status to that of permanent resident alien once you are naturalized and can petition for her. Inasmuch as you have already filed your petition, it may well be that you can persuade the Immigration authorities to speed up your own procedure and to permit your mother to wait for that. If you have difficulties you should contact a voluntary agency or an attorney experienced in these matters.

NISEI HAS HEAD START IN STUDYING JAPANESE

WASHINGTON — The Nisei has a great initial advantage in studying the Japanese language because they are at least able to pronounce Japanese names and words properly, according to Dr. Sayo Yotsukura, a recent guest speaker at the Washington D.C. JACL meeting.

Membership help

SANTA MARIA — The Santa Maria Valley JACL, currently in its membership drive, announced the following may be called for need and renewal applications:

Guadalupe Area — Joe Honda, 2425; Bill Kashiwagi, 2162; Santa Maria Area — George Hayashi, WA 5-6961; Toru Miyoshi, WA 5-6608.

NCNGA championship

MONTEREY — Northern California Nisei Golf Assn. met Jan. 19 to make final plans for the 1969 NCNGA Championships. It will be played on March 15 and 16 over Pebble Beach and historic Del Monte. Field for this year's play will be limited to 240 entries with 120 playing alternate courses on Saturday and Sunday.

SNAKE RIVER VALLEY NISEI:

Classic Example of Integration

ONTARIO — The January issue of National Geographic magazine carries a feature with numerous color photos of the State of Oregon. Malheur County didn't receive any pictures in the edition, but was well covered in the story.

The article was written by Stuart E. Jones with photography by Bates Littlehales, both of the National Geographic staff.

Jones described Oregon as a state "of nearly 100,000 square miles with a variety of climate, scenery and vegetation." He said he covered

4,000 miles by car, air, boat, and on foot.

He quoted Ontario attorney Max Taggart who told him of the local Japanese community. "To me, this is not a colony. It is a classic example of integration. The Nisei themselves deserve great credit, of course, but I like to think that the spirit of Oregon also played a part. Here a man is judged by what he is, not by his race, religion or pigmentation."

As one of the "inland" areas which attracted Japanese Americans during World War II, it is now the base of the Snake River Valley JACL.

Do laws exists for society, individuals judge asks at Alameda 'CL installation

By ROLAND KADONAGA
ALAMEDA — Superior Court Judge Folger Emerson, who addressed the Alameda JACL installation dinner on Jan. 25, prefaced his talk on "The Criminal Law Today" by saying that he would not draw any conclusions, nor give his opinions—but challenged the audience of about 100 members and guests to think about what he said and to reach their own conclusions.

In recent times, the judge noted, there has been criticism of the courts, laws and even the U.S. Supreme Court in that they are too lenient or too strict.

There are many laws changed yearly. The judge interprets the law as to justice, liberty and rights in dispensing judgments. The fundamental question is: Does the law exist for the individual or for society? Judge Emerson recalled that student rebellion in Spain was quashed by Generalissimo Franco's edict-taking away civil rights. The Spaniards to day wonder why Americans do not do the same and Americans wonder about their procedure.

Cahan Decision
Safeguards and rights of the accused have been changed. Until "People vs. Cahan," police were able to use any evidence no matter how it was obtained. Now, if the evidence is obtained illegally, it cannot be submitted, the judge pointed out.

Another important change in the realm of individual rights when police interrogate an accused occurred with the

History of racism in California topic of Kitano speech to Contra Costa 'CLers

By MERIKO MAIDA
MAYOR John Sheridan, Richmond; Mayor & Mrs. Warren Boggs, Concord; Assemblyman & Mrs. John Knox, 11th District; and the Rev. and Mrs. Kenji Kikuchi, Sycamore Congregational Church.

George Blumenson, assistant to the Superintendent, Richmond Unified School District, and chapter member was the installing officer. Eddie Nomura and his cabinet and board for 1969 were sworn in as well as Barbara Inouye and her cabinet of Jr. JACL officers.

S. Richard Komatsu presented recognition awards to Kunio Shibata, Mas Iwahara, Flora Niomiya, and the Rev. Raymond Sawyer, all chapter members, for devoted service to the JACL and community.

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Mike Masaoka

At the outset, it should be explained that this piece on Mike Masaoka will not dwell on his past accomplishments in the field of civil rights, immigration and naturalization, or U.S.-Japan relations, already well known to many of us, but will be a character portrait. It should also be explained, as it might be mistakenly interpreted, that this is not an obituary. Quite the opposite is true, for this man man is much alive with an enormous amount of the energy and enthusiasm for life.

In an age when individualism is slowly, but ungracefully, becoming an extinct bird and in a nation where originality and personal identity are lost in a maze of computer punch cards, it is rarely to know a man who has yet to succumb to this prevailing atmosphere.

Working as Mike's assistant for the past two years in the nation's capital has given me the opportunity to study the nature of a man who has won the respect and admiration of many, and at the same time, known the bitterness of his enemies. Among the notables in the JACL organization, Mike could well be the most misunderstood and misquoted individual.

Although there is little more than a generation of years between Mike and myself, there is little evidence that today's clichés associated with the generation gap exist. Perhaps as a timely suggestion, it should be noted that while we do have our ideological differences, there is never a lack of communications or an awareness of those stereotypes usually attached to "older" and "younger" generations.

As a man of sensitivity, Mike speaks to the heart and reason of a man. At the same time, Mike, who is past the "half-century mark" as his daughter Midori often reminds him, is a learned pupil of the necessity to listen with an attentive ear and mind as well; and when reason and good conscience prevail, he is willing to accept new ideas.

When asked to comment on a personal matter, he will give you his honest opinion, even though it may not be what you would want to hear, but he is never offensive or abrasive. On the other hand, he readily accepts honest criticism from others, although he is the first to admit that he is more sensitive nowadays about his age than his race, a feeling most of us in the younger generation will eventually experience.

Through it all, he has the ability to maintain a level-headed sense of humor. This is especially evident when blood pressures rise above normal and he invariably interjects a light hearted remark to ease the tensions.

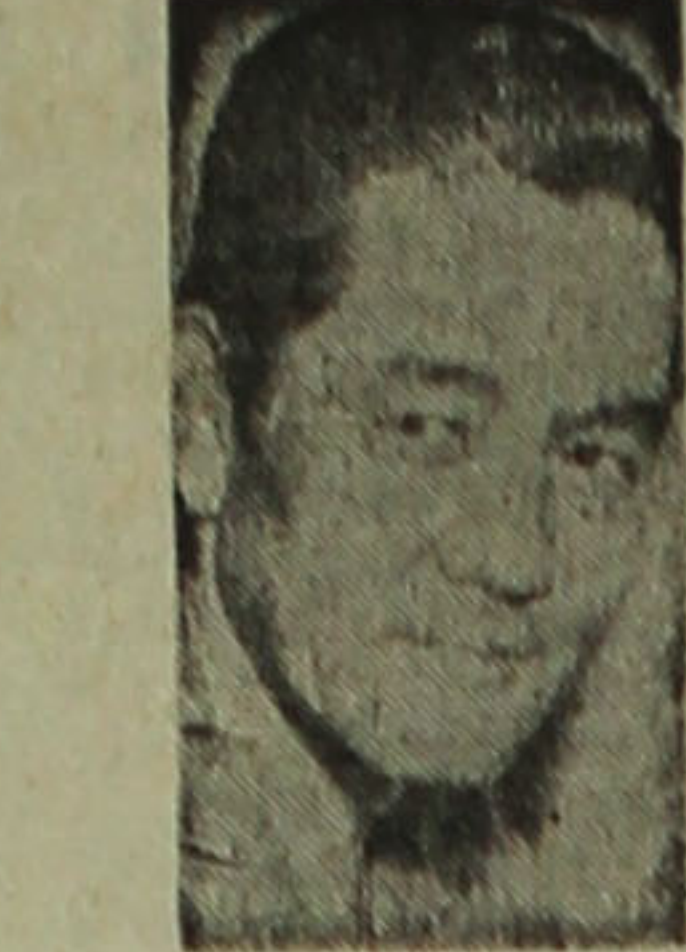
One incident which immediately comes to mind happened during a strategy meeting on U.S. foreign trade policy. One Washington lawmaker rudely interrupted the discussion by asking Mike for his opinion on a recent and "shocking" government report predicting that within the next 20 years half of the earth's surface will be inhabited by Oriental faces. To this somewhat derogatory remark, Mike replied with a serious tone of voice, "According to my confidential sources, the government estimate is much too conservative."

Since objectivity is also becoming a rarity these days, this short character portrait of Mike will not go without mentioning some of his lesser qualities.

Probably undetected by most of his acquaintances, Mike is not a humble or modest man, although many who know him well will attest to the contrary. However, for a man to be prideful and even boastful at times of his achievements and talents is more a luxury many of us have yet to deserve than a sore spot in one's character.

Mike is also a very insecure man, particularly when it involves his profession, which is an irony for a man of his celebrity and accomplishments. However, in his case, this insecurity has reversed itself to where he seldom rests on his laurels but pushes himself even further.

If one were to select the appropriate words that summarize Mike's philosophy in life and which have distinguished him as an individual and given him an identity, they might well be, "To ask to learn—To learn to know—To know to do—To do to be."



Honolulu Stadium

Hopes for a new Honolulu Stadium may rest on middle ground between former Mayor Neal S. Blaisdell's \$23 million Halawa project and present Mayor Frank Fasi's proposal for a privately-owned structure. This is the view of City Council Chairman Walter M. Heen who says that the council's plans for a stadium may be revealed in the near future. The Blaisdell-approved contract with Charles Luckman and Associates was allowed to lapse by Fasi. There have been reports that the new mayor has been in touch with a Mainland firm interested in building both a stadium and a shopping center at the Halawa site.

Rex Ellis, Los Angeles attorney, said here Jan. 22 that he and his Los Angeles construction company already have arranged financial backing for the private construction of a new stadium in Halawa. Ellis said that the firm he represents, Myers Bros. Construction Co., would bring a stadium costing between \$15 and \$16 million. However, Mayor Frank Fasi says that nothing has been assured to anyone yet and that he also is negotiating with several other companies about the possibility of private financing of the stadium.

Fasi also has announced that Bill (The Kneec) Pacheco will head a group that will field a professional football team in the Continental League in the fall. Pacheco announced last year that he had applied for a franchise in the Continental League, which has franchises in cities like Seattle, Wheeling, W. Va., Orange County, Orlando, Fla., Spokane, Sacramento and Las Vegas. Pacheco said it would take an attendance of 8,000-10,000 to break even on the league—depending on ticket prices and the salaries demanded by players.

Mayor's Office

Mayor Fasi on Jan. 22 named Aaron Levine as chairman for the building which is expected to cost between \$5 million and \$6 million. The building referred to is the proposed new municipal building. Named to serve with Levine are city engineer Albert Zaitz, acting planning director Robert Way, building superintendent Edward Y. Hirata, K. C. "Doc" Palmer and city councilman Charles M. Campbell. Fasi says he wants the municipal office building, which will house city administrative offices, to be the most imaginative architectural design possible.

The honeymoon period between Mayor Fasi and the city council ended abruptly Jan. 21 when councilmen voted 5-2 to reject Robert R. Way as new city planning director. Way was stunned, councilmen were tight-lipped and Fasi said he was "deeply shocked." He vowed to fight the decision.

Gov. John A. Burns

Gov. John A. Burns on Jan. 20 released more than \$44,000 from the general obligation bond fund for work on the Lahaina restoration project. Funds are earmarked for the restoration of buildings and other features of historical interest on state and other public lands. The funds are to pay for preparing the remnants of the Kamehameha I "bird" palace for exhibition. Also included are the restoration of Hale Paahao (the old Lahaina prison) and Hale Aloha.

Traffic fatality

Elaine K. Wakumoto, 12, daughter of the late Wakumoto family, died Jan. 18 as the result of injuries suffered Jan. 17 in an accident on Kapiolani Blvd. Elaine's sister, Annette, 4, died an hour after the accident. Five members of the Wakumoto family were hit by a car in a crosswalk. Driver of the car was Mack M. Fukuda, 68, of 2836 Alphonse Place. The Wakumotos had only recently visited Japan.

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Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

Education

The Univ. of Hawaii regents are reliably reported to have settled on a new pres. for the university. Two men, it is reported, appear to have the inside track - Joseph R. Smiley, 58, pres. of the Univ. of Colorado, and John W. Henderson, 40, pres. of Washburn Univ. in Topeka, Kan.

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Names in the news

Merton S. C. Lau has been elected pres. of the Hawaii chapter of the Institute of Real Estate Management. Edward Y. S. Wong of Finance Securities, Inc., was elected president of the Honolulu Stock Exchange. Robert G. Whitmore continues as executive sec.

Businessman Aaron Marcus

the Rev. Dr. Thomas Crosby of Central Union Church and Gen. Bert Kobayashi will be honored Feb. 22 at the third annual presentation of National Brotherhood Week awards by the Men's Club of Temple Emanuel. The three will be cited for their contributions to inter-racial understanding.

Miles Muraoka of Aiea High School

has been named Hawaii's outstanding high school biology teacher of the year by the Hawaii Committee of the National Assn. of Biology Teachers. Manuel Kwon has been elected pres. of the Korean University Club. Joseph Leong is the new pres. of the Waiwala Community Assn.

Five Honolulu Jaycees were honored

Jan. 25 as recipients of Distinguished Service Award of the state Jaycees. They were Adolfo Ten Mina, Dr. Samuel T. Sakamaki, Willard Mirasol, Thomas F. Tully and Robert W. Hoffman. Edward Y. Hirata, 36, pres. of Hirata, Shimabukuro & Associates, Inc., was sworn in as the city's new building superintendent Jan. 22. Also sworn in was Kekoa D. Kaapu, new Urban Renewal Coordinator. Kaapu is a former city councilman. Dr. Orlando S. Leforage is the new coordinator of community services with the Univ. of Hawaii community college system. He is a former administrative assistant to Sen. Daniel K. Inoué.

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Ho vs. Duke's

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Weather note

The lowest temperature ever recorded officially in Honolulu was marked at Sundrise Monday, Jan. 20. Cold records were set on three of the four major islands. It was 52 degrees at Honolulu Airport at 7 a.m. The previous record low as 54 degrees on Dec. 20, 1962.

School needs help

St. Anthony High School of Wailuku, Maui, is in need of dire help. It has sent out more than 14,000 letters requesting financial aid to keep it from closing. The school was reported recently to

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SACRAMENTO — Paul G. Robertson, chief of the Division of Compliance of the State Department of Agriculture, who is retiring from state government service after 32 years, was an official of the War Relocation Authority during the Pacific War.

After the devastating attack on Pearl Harbor, the alarmed federal government banned persons of Japanese ancestry from the Pacific Coast. Ten relocation centers were established throughout the nation.

The camp housed 86 relocated Japanese and was guarded by 150 armed soldiers. The compound was sprinkled with guard towers and surrounded by manproof fences.

"The funny part of it is that most of the men sent there were not incorrigible at all," Robertson recalls. "One fellow was brought down from Utah in a blacked-out truck, complete with security precautions. I eventually allowed him to work outside the fence, however, and he did my gardening, washed windows and stayed with my children on numerous occasions. He wasn't in the least bit dangerous."

There is another man I remember who would snarl at me every time I walked past him. He had sworn he would slit the throat of any white man he saw, but later changed his mind."

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Friday, February 7, 1969

Ye Editor's Desk

NISEI WHO'S WHO

February is known as "National Printing Month" and it was coincidental that this week's Pacific Citizen should note the forthcoming publication of Bill Hosokawa's book by Morrow, recommendations by the JACL public relations committee about books or brochures and the action of the school board in Orange County banning one book.

The JACL publications committee is meeting this weekend to seriously consider the task of publishing a "Nisei Who's Who."

Perhaps this is the year to start on a Nisei Who's Who—to crow about the achievements of the Nisei among us—this being the Year of the Rooster. Incidentally, Lincoln University in San Francisco has undertaken to celebrate its 50th anniversary with a similar publication of an Oriental who's who.

There will be snickers among those who regard a Nisei Who's Who as a pure prestige item. They may cry it's "undemocratic," too. And we can agree with them if "democratic" is taken in its original Greek sense of the word. The Greek word "demos"—the people—referred to the "mob" or the "rabble" of ancient Greece. It has taken some 3,000 years in history to make the word what it means today.

But for research and reference purposes, a Nisei Who's Who would be a valuable tool. Some may find it a source of inspiration that Nisei within its own generation are making a niche in the greater world.

It remains to be seen whether there are Nisei recognized by their colleagues in the fields of aeronautics, automation, chemistry, construction, electronics, engineering, geology, industrial and mechanical arts, machinery, physics, transportation, in archeology, architecture, arts and crafts, fine arts, graphic arts, industrial design, interior decoration, photography and films, planning, landscape design, in writing fiction, non-fiction, prose or poetry, in the field of anthropology, archaeology, classics, economics, education, folklore, geography, history, language and literature, law, music, philosophy, political science, religion and theology, sociology, theater and humanities.

From a PC standpoint, a Nisei Who's Who could inject "life" to the gray list of national and district officers, chapter presidents, and recognition pin awardees listed in our annual Holiday Issue supplement. There is a natural curiosity about who these people are and what they are doing.

From a general viewpoint, a Nisei Who's Who will help reduce the racial stereotype, help Sansei in their identity crisis. It may also prove a guide for political executives in search of "new" blood.

The Bircher responsible for having Hersey's "Hiroshima" removed from the Orange County high school reading list and library may be commended for calling wider attention to a sorry bit of history and a poignant story of the atom-bombed victims. Students will now want to know why they can't read it by getting the book elsewhere.

And we now have the hydrogen bomb, infinitely more devastating than the original atom bomb that leveled Hiroshima in a matter of seconds and affecting the lives of some 150,000 survivors and leaving a death toll of some 200,000—though officially, the number is nearer 90,000.

THIRD WORLD FRONT

An articulate young man, Warren Furutani, ate home-cooking last Sunday before returning to the College of San Mateo, where he was among those arrested for campus disturbance. With him was Penny Nakatsu. San Francisco State College co-ed, whose quiet "Japanese" ways hide a bundle of raw emotion. They were guest speakers at PSWD Ethnic Concern Committee's third workshop—drawing the best attendance to date, according to Dr. David Miura, chairman.

As eminently concerned Sansei in the current struggle on the college campus, and leaders in the Third World Liberation Front—whether one agrees or disagrees with its unintendedly volatile but dramatic confrontations—their pursuit for what they see as true is not to be minimized as "kid's play". It is mature in concept and responsible in action.

Furutani and Miss Nakatsu are free on bail at the present time. JACL, when it started a civil rights fund four years ago, realized there would be occasion when some of its members might be in similar straits. "Bail" is not a word to be ignored or feared. The Third World Legal Defense Fund has been established to cover such incidents as meeting bail. Here are Sansei showing the "yellow" man won't rest content on their haunches in the "battle of the generations". If you're inclined to side with the underdog, if you believe human rights in the area of education, or if you wish to see more youngsters become acquainted with Japanese American heritage—the Third World Legal Defense Fund beckons.

There are two addresses: 117 Westwood Dr., San Francisco 94112, and P. O. Box 557, San Mateo, Calif. 94403.

The "Third World" comprises the nonwhite races or the neutrals in the arena of the "free world" vs. "communist world". TWLF as an organization includes the Blacks, Chicanos, Orientals, American Indians.

One of the panelists during the afternoon, a history teacher, offered what students confronting college administrators ought to consider as the next step—bending the ear of the state legislature in Sacramento. He urged students (21 & up in California) be registered. Fact that Senator Eugene McCarthy, who attracted early student support, didn't cut it at the Chicago nominations convention shouldn't be given up for a loss. There is always another time, another personality.

Changes in American way of life through the ballot are accepted means. The power of the ballot is one that should never be underestimated, the teacher assured. . . . And this has been JACL's stance since it was founded.

BY THE BOARD:

New look at old friends in the Northwest

By HENRY KATO PNWDC Governor

Portland One of the results of the new concern over pollution, it seems, is to make enemies out of things that long have been regarded as interesting, friendly parts of the Northwest landscape.

The sawmill's wigwam burner, which glows so cheerily in the rainy dark, now is seen as a source of soot and smog. The State Sanitary Authority is applying pressure to mill owners to clean up burners that are excessively smoky. And the state and forest products industry jointly are financing a study at Oregon State University on how pollution from the burners can be reduced.

Similarly, log rafts and log storage ponds also have been regarded as a picturesque and typical part of the Northwest scene. They recall the bygone river drives and the burling contests of "cork"-booted loggers.

But now water-stored logs are being pointed out as a source of pollution from bark and possibly from chemicals leached out of the wood. The Weyerhaeuser Co. has just announced that for the sake of pollution control it is abandoning its log ponds at Klammath Falls, where it operates the world's largest pine mill and going entirely to dry-land log storage.

Neither the burners nor the log ponds are likely to vanish rapidly, and as they do many will miss them. The horse is missed, too—but not by street-sweepers.

High Interest Rates

Oregon, so heavily dependent on the timber and building industries, is likely to be hurt by the latest increase in the prime bank lending rate to a record high of 7 per cent. But it is nauseating to hear members of Congress damn the banks for the raise, instead of recognizing that federal overspending, for which they bear heavy responsibility, is the chief cause.

The Federal Reserve Board, and the banks, are reacting to the inflation which is devouring savings and endangering jobs in this country. Raising the interest rates is intended to decrease the demand for money. That demand has been stimulated because borrowers, from the largest corporation to the individual planning to buy a house, have become convinced that inflation will be with us for a long time, and it is wiser to have one's money invested in things—a factory or a house—than in bank accounts which are devaluated every day.

The Federal Reserve Board has had the guts to take the unpopular course of raising interest rates, while Congress and the Johnson administration dawdled for months last year over approving the federal tax surcharge and the spending cuts to reduce the federal government's contribution to this inflation.

Mr. Johnson fought those spending cuts, yet he was hypocritical enough the other day to point to them as one reason that, he says, there will actually be a small surplus instead of a deficit in the federal budget this year. Many members of Congress resisted the tax surcharge, and fought to exclude their own pet projects from the spending cuts. Yet now they blame those handy whipping boys, the banks, for the natural consequence which flows from their own—the Congress' and the administration's—irresponsibility.

The economy of Oregon is more vulnerable than that of almost any other state to an increase in interest rates. It produced a local depression here in 1966, and it might do so again.

For that reason we should expect Oregon's members of Congress to be among the leaders now in pressing for reductions in federal spending and a balanced budget. The sooner that happens, the sooner interest rates can come down and the surtax can be removed.

We should expect it, but will we see it? (Henry Kato is governor of the Pacific Northwest District Council.)



Wisdom from the Past—Strength for the Future

Letters from Our Readers

Creation—Nippon-style

Editor: Back in 1943 at Granada Relocation Center, we heard this Japanese version of Creation from the Rev. Herbert Nicholson, a former missionary to Japan.

In seven days, God created the world but it looked bleak and empty. So he decided to produce a man after His own image to inherit the earth.

He molded a figure out of clay and placed it in the oven to bake. But in His anxiety to see what He had made, He took it out too soon. This was half-baked and became the first white man.

Then, God shaped another man and put it in the oven. This time He left it in too long and the result was our first black man.

God resolved to do better. On the third try he brought out the first Japanese—nice and brown all over.

Was this prejudice? No, just our normal human ego to think we are better than anyone else.

BERRY SUZUKIDA 922 Leland Ave. Chicago, 60640

Nikaido cut short

Editor: Someone cut short Roger Nikaido's interesting "Unisex" article (PC, Jan. 24). What happened?

FAITHFUL READER The last line was inadvertently dropped. The entire sentence should read: "Perhaps, without knowingly doing so, Miss Yayoi Kusama who dresses naked on the streets of New York City in protest to the Vietnam war has given us the best solution for eliminating a dull grey world of pretentiousness."

Racial epithet Dear Harry: I am enclosing a page from the New York Times, Sunday, Dec. 15, 1968 issue. There is a description of an interview with Lee Marvin; a good story and an item of general interest is marred by his reference to Mr. Toshio Mifune, whom he compliments, but yet uses a descriptive adjective, that good and intelligent people everywhere now abhor, and I quote . . . "about a picture I was making with Rogers, Ford, Isaac of California and Coffey of Washington) . . . Colorado group wants special state session to urge laws limiting ownership of property by Japanese nationals . . . Colorado State Assn. of County Commissioners in own state . . . New York municipal Judge Crawford sets precedent of "special oath" to protect legal rights of Issei plaintiff . . . Nisei wife (Mrs. Lun P. Woo) and children reunited with Chinese American husband in Seattle . . . Police arrest arsonist boasting of setting more than 200 fires in L.A. Japanese-owned hotels during 1941-42 . . . Detroit Free Press notes "strange gaps" in final Gen. DeWitt report . . . West coast conference mayors continue opposition to return of evacuees . . . Salt Lake JACL war bond drive buys 16 jeeps for Camp Shelby, Miss.

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First Koreans

Editor: I enjoyed reading about the Wakamatsu colony (1968 Holiday Issue) and I thought your readers might like to know:

The first-known Koreans to visit U.S. were a group of diplomatic officials headed by Prince Yong-ik Min, who visited U.S. in September-October 1888.

The first Korean immigrants came to U.S. (Hawaii) in 1902.

Based on various surveys and reports, we estimated the number of Koreans of all categories in U.S. to be about 65,000.

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25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, Feb. 5, 1944 Japanese Canadians refuse gifts of miso, shoyu and tea sent from Japan Red Cross via Gripsholm; Nisei asks Ottawa for rights of citizenship . . . Japanese treatment of Bataan survivors denounced as inhumane by JACL chapters and community councils in various WRA Centers . . . Gen. Emmons warns against retaliation of evacuees for Japanese atrocities in Bataan . . . Hawaii Nisei major factor in rebuilding military defenses in the Islands; most of civilians killed and wounded on Dec. 7 at Pearl Harbor were of Japanese ancestry. Army engineer deputy declares . . . Army tank units withdrawn from Tule Lake segregation center . . . California legislature asks Tule Lake segregation center be transferred to Army or FBI jurisdiction . . . California Senate urges Congress to pass bill deporting all persons of Japanese ancestry found guilty in aiding or abetting the enemy.

Seven Democratic congressmen from west coast condemn inflammatory statements against evacuees, support WRA Director Myer and propose voluntary resettlement program. (They were Rep. Outland, Voorhis, Holifield,

Rogers, Ford, Isaac of California and Coffey of Washington) . . . Colorado group wants special state session to urge laws limiting ownership of property by Japanese nationals . . . Colorado State Assn. of County Commissioners in own state . . . New York municipal Judge Crawford sets precedent of "special oath" to protect legal rights of Issei plaintiff . . . Nisei wife (Mrs. Lun P. Woo) and children reunited with Chinese American husband in Seattle . . . Police arrest arsonist boasting of setting more than 200 fires in L.A. Japanese-owned hotels during 1941-42 . . . Detroit Free Press notes "strange gaps" in final Gen. DeWitt report . . . West coast conference mayors continue opposition to return of evacuees . . . Salt Lake JACL war bond drive buys 16 jeeps for Camp Shelby, Miss.

Nisei USA: Race Hysteria by Hearst. Editorials: "Military Necessity" (on role of Nisei in Hawaii); "Not Race or Color" (on Bataan atrocities); "Draft Board and Nisei" (on having registrations transferred to midwest or camp areas).

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Appointments

Sen. Hiram L. Fong has announced his 1968 nominations for appointment to the U.S. Military Academy, West Point and Merchant Marine Academy. Principal nominees for the Naval Academy are: Mark G. Swan, James G. Pullen. The principal nominee for the Military Academy is: Joseph A. Tamura. The principal nominee for the Merchant Marine Academy are: William T. Slichter, Timothy B. Sullivan, Albert W. Bu, Edward A. Ganer, David M. Kuhn, Harold E. Yamashita, Henry J. Chalkcombe, Mark G. Swan, Sean Kim and Phillip P. Hoffman.

Two Oahu youths and another from Kauai have been named by Rep. Ratsy Mink as her principal appointments to the Military Academy and the Air Force Academy were: Gary T. Kaneshiro, first alternate for the three academy openings were: West Point, Lance M. Sakuma, Force, Mark G. Chun and Jeffrey A.S. Kato.

Last year was the second best in the history of Hawaiian sugar production, with five of the state's 25 sugar plantations breaking their 1967 production records. The total production for 1968 was 1,232,182 tons—just 1,939 tons short of the state's peak production of 1,234,121 tons in 1966. Plantations which surpassed their previous records were Honokaa Sugar Co., Hutchinson Sugar Co., Kohala Sugar Co., Paauhau Sugar Co. and Kekaha Sugar Co.

Deaths William K. Matayoshi, 32, of 55-479 Kamehameha Hwy., died Jan. 22 at Queen's Medical Center. He was critically injured in a three-car accident Jan. 19.

The body of Kaoru Abe, 46, of 2650 Liliha St. was found Jan. 24 partly suspended in the water from his 16-foot skiff about 200 yards offshore Hickam Golf Course. Police said no foul play was indicated in the death.

Keigo Murakami, 45, superintendent of the Maui Publishing Co.'s printing plant, died Jan. 21 at the Maui Memorial Hospital. He lived at 315 Naniloa Drive in Waiuku, Maui.

Japan Communist Party STANFORD — "The Japanese Communist Party, 1922-45" by George Breckmann, professor of history at Claremont Graduate School, and Genji Okubo, political adviser to the Canadian Embassy in Tokyo, was published by Stanford University Press (\$12.50). It is the first detailed account in any language of the development of the Japanese Communist Party.

Ethnic Concern

The Ethnic Concern Committee located in Southern California was formed mainly to alleviate the deterioration of relationship between the Japanese Community and the other minority communities.

Dr. David Miura chairs this committee of seventeen which has thus far tried to bring about more awareness of the problem to the Nisei by speaking to the Japanese news media, business groups, JACL chapters, community organizations.

The committee has also initiated a program of mailing gift subscriptions of the PC to minority organizations to improve communication; held three civil rights workshops in conjunction with the Pacific Southwest District of the JACL and; presently in the final stage of planning on the distribution of posters Japanese-owned businesses to gain their participation in the program.

To many Nisei communities today establish external PR programs directed at the White Community and ignore completely the need for improved relations with minority groups. And this may yet prove to be a grievous fault.

Last week there were two news items that caught my eye. First, was a five page story appearing in the Jan. 31 issue of Time titled "The Black and the Jew: A Falling Out of Allies." The article is relevant to the Nisei and

Second item concerns the "homicidal maniac" sought in the cold-blooded murder of five persons in central Los Angeles. According to the Saturday L.A. Times . . . Businessmen were warned to be on the lookout for a man described as a Negro in his late 20s or early 30s . . . Police think that since Jan. 16 the man has killed a Japanese-American couple in their small cafe at 1167 W. Jefferson Blvd. two men in a liquor store at 4259 S. Western Ave., and a liquor store clerk, 5444 E. Washington Blvd. . . . Each of the victims was shot in the head or neck with a .22-caliber weapon coldly and deliberately although they offered no resistance while being robbed, police said.

The liquor stores and the cafe were businesses operated by non-Negroes in a largely Negro area.

Americans attack the "Establishment" — the powering ruling force — as racist. Their strategy for change sometimes violently shakes with vigor in a manner that their Nisei counterparts of a bygone era could never muster because of their own psychosis and situations.

We see the complacent, non-concerned, non-involved Sansei as well in vast majority. This may be a consolation or delight to some.

Accent on Youth Alan Kumamoto

Thoughts for 1969

A couple of weekends ago people in Southern California were screaming "Water, water everywhere!" And on that particular evening of Saturday, Jan. 25, seven JACL installations were taking place heralding in a new set of officers for the coming year. Four chapters in the Pacific Southwest District Council ranging from Arizona, Riverside, Santa Barbara to Venice-Culver were scenes of scurrying National officers and staff.

We had thought beforehand that the most adventuresome team might have been National First Vice President Henry Kanegae and District Governor Al Hatate flying in Henry's plane tree-hopping from Newport Beach to Imperial Valley then on to Phoenix. This did not prove to be the case in our books as my wife and I detoured through and along the coast between Los Angeles and Santa Barbara. We were caught in one of the worst storms, closing down highways, etc. Perhaps not so unusual to midwest and eastern JACLers but it is a strange happening for the usual year-round open-road travelers in California.

But to end a long story from even getting started, we arrived at the Santa Barbara Inn to an awaiting delegation of youth and adult enjoying a festive sparse gathering in a relaxed informal manner. Because some of the fire was washed away from my prepared speech, we shot a few words off the cuff.

But for those who seek proof that I did prepare something in writing, excerpts are here in evidence. The application of these words hopefully extends beyond my quaint California Spanish town.

Direction — Dimension Many times isolated chapters, such as yours, find themselves in the foreign but enjoyable pleasant situation of a relaxed rural suburbia nestled near a large urban complex feeling the encroachment of the outreached thongs of a bubbling megalopolis.

Many changes in the past year have come to the Japanese American community especially among its young segments.

The thread of hope is that the young are finally coming of age — free thinkers and independent. We have created them — you and I with our money, sweat, and sacrifice. We have educated them, freed and isolated them from disease.

Groups such as Oriental Concern and Asian American Political Alliance reflect a changing mood among some collegian Sansei and those just graduated. Perhaps enraptured by the idealism of the youthful, but still seeking to create that "better world" concept for all men to live as brothers. These Oriental

Encounter groups, sensitivity sessions may all have a too frightening connotation with its mystic glare or aura, but the process is simple and may be necessary. It may be an impossible task with Nisei to do something which their very past reflection renders them incapable of — or conditioned to believe.

To learn to express feelings: to be honest; to seek obtainable goals; to find the truth and work for the making of that "better America" we dream and often repeat, all may be the tangible result.

The time is not too late to help us plan at the JACL level for the direction is based on what you are seeking as a member and we wish to probe your mind. Help give us the dimension as we find ourselves on the threshold of the '70s.

It is here and now that our very organization seeks your special and particular help — to have hope, renew your commitment and make your chapter something of pride.

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