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National President

What is in a label? For my own frame of reference, I identify the political and social philosophies of people with whom I deal into liberal, moderate and conservative. In my very limited exposure to many JACL people, I have found generally that liberals do not mind being tagged as such and most people profess to be moderate and a

### On Labeling People

great many people dislike being referred to as conservatives. However, some people have openly confessed to being conservative and have given, what, in their opinion, is sufficient justification for their position.

Regardless of what I have classified other people, I have found that I have been classified as an arch-liberal, liberal and moderate liberal. I classify myself to be a liberal; however, I realize that even liberals have hangups.

I have been accused of working for nothing but blacks, browns and Indians. I have been accused of pushing too hard among JACL members the twin sins of our country, racism and poverty. To the extent that I may have enlightened some people, I am happy. To the extent I may have offended some people, it is regrettable. To the extent that I did not communicate adequately with many people, I am, indeed, sorry.

Whatever may be the case, it is imperative that we understand one thing: the quality of life for all human beings, regardless of race, color, creed or national origin, must be made as equal as humanly possible.

When approximately 5% of the earth's population, the United States, consumes about 40% or more of the world's resources, reasons are evident that the have-nots are not particularly happy with the status quo.

I have been in homes where families have practically nothing and I have been in homes where families have practically everything. This disparity exists in every country in the world. What is totally incomprehensible to me is that abject poverty can exist in this country which is the strongest, wealthiest and most productive the world has ever known.

We have the resources to cope with this problem. We have manpower, we have money, we have technological and scientific knowledge and equipment, we have everything it takes to solve the evils of racism and poverty, but, commitment. It will not be solved overnight and we will make many mistakes in the process, but I can guarantee, if we do not act, individually and collectively, we face some very grave and tragic consequences.

When I make reference to "we," I do not mean JACLers alone, but every person who lives in this country.

One of my big hangups is that I have been deeply influenced by the Japanese culture. As many others, the language, the food, and the many customs brought over here from Japan are a part of me. I love and take a great deal of pride in many things Japanese and I am not ashamed of it. I know "on" and "giri" as well as "gisei." I know "oya koko" and the many other traditions learned in the process of growing up among Japanese. I have conscientiously pursued my education, my work, my family, and have tried all in my power to share the good things with my friends. I have read many books, magazines, and articles about Japan. I have, finally, lived in Japan for almost three of the most impressive years of my life, and I loved Japan.

In spite of all this, I see and feel for change: a need to adapt the old with the new, yesterday with today, and today with tomorrow. In attempting to make some changes, I have found that traditions are not susceptible to rapid and sometimes even slow change. Therefore, when working to make changes, I have experienced agonizing frustrations and disappointments. I have not, however, and will not give up. I am, in that respect, "make-giri." I have no intention of turning the world upside down to suit my own selfish purposes. What can and should be done, by JACL, I will mandate that it be done democratically, but as the Supreme Court of the United States stated in the matter of integration, "at once."

Our true strength lies in our collective effort and action. Where we can reach unanimity, we will; if we cannot, we must reach a consensus of the majority and act as one.

However, a democracy is only as great and effective as it protects its minority. Therefore, I intend to see that our organization protects the rights, and listens to the views of any and every member of our organization. This should not be interpreted to mean we will not act because of dissent; quite the contrary. We will

# Gardenan reigns over 30th Nisei Week Festival

By HARRY K. HONDA

LOS ANGELES—The one time the Japanese community blissfully fuses over its youth might be the Nisei Week queen's coronation for it's an evening when beautiful people—spectators, friends and candidates—gather in their fineries to match wits with the judges who have the crushing task of selecting a queen.

This year, nine personable young ladies from the Greater Los Angeles communities sought the 1970 Miss Nisei Week crown and the bevy of prizes that accompany the title, including a trip to Japan.

Qualities that distinguish one candidate over another were visible but elusive to define. Figure, poise, beauty of face, personality and attitudes all came into play in the ultimate selection—while each girl paraded last Saturday (Aug. 15) before some 500 packed into the Beverly Hilton's International Ballroom and a panel of seven judges.

Until the runner-up was announced, the guessing game was animated suspense as the first seven shared the spotlight. The orchestra kept playing Pomp and Circumstance.

When the emcee revealed Charlotte Kiyon of San Gabriel Valley as runner-up, the din from the tables reserved for Garden Valley JACLers was louder for their girl, JoAnn Hisayo Uyemura, proved to be the judge's choice for Nisei Week queen.

### Garden Valley Beauty

A wide-eyed beauty of 19, she is the daughter of the



JoAnn Uyemura  
1970 Miss Nisei Week

Richard Uyemuras of Gardena, majoring in pre-nursing at Cal State Long Beach. She stands 5 ft. 2, weighs 103 with a dainty figure of 33-24-34.

Statuesque Toni Sakamoto, outgoing Nisei Week queen who stands 5 ft. 7, removed her tiara and passed it almost unceremoniously to the new queen. A joyful JoAnn then donned the regal robes and carried the jeweled scepter before a corps of bulb-

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## Chinese American sanitarian named after L.A. county civil service hassle

LOS ANGELES—Edward Lee, a Chinese American who placed first on a recent promotional civil service examination for a position as chief sanitarian, was appointed to the position in the Firestone-Wilkinson Section, it was announced last week (Aug. 11) by Walter Wilson, director of the County Bureau of Environmental Sanitation.

Lee's appointment came after some controversy when the position, which was first open in the East Los Angeles Health Office, was rumored as going to a Mexican American who had placed 26th in the exam, because of pressure

from the Spanish-speaking community for a bilingual director.

The Chinese American Citizens Alliance had sent a night telegram in protest to Supervisor Ernest E. Debs regarding the Lee case.

The East Los Angeles appointment still has not been made. Richard White, chief deputy for Supervisor Debs, told the Kashi Mainichi last week that a Spanish-speaking chief sanitarian was thought desirable for the post. He admitted that it was probably a mistake not to have included the Spanish-speaking requirement in the civil service exam before it was announced, "but it was a routine promotional exam. If it were one being made up for recruiting new people, I think we would have included the bilingual requirement," he explained. "At any rate, I went over the results, and there were only six or seven points separating the top scorer from the 26th man," he said.

Lee, who has a bachelor of arts from UCLA in bacteriology, has been working for the county for the past 12 years, the most recent as senior supervisor at the Alhambra Office of the County Health Department.

### NC-WNDYC to meet in Monterey Aug. 22-23

MONTEREY—The Northern California Western Nevada District Youth Council third quarterly will be hosted by Monterey Peninsula Jr. JACL on Aug. 22-23.

An exciting and fun-filled weekend has been planned to include such activities as: a car rally, beach party, dinner, and a dance featuring the music of the "New Miracles."

Registration begins on Saturday at 9 a.m. at the El Estero Presbyterian Church (Pearl & Estero).

The DYC meeting on Sunday is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. at the Estrada Adobe (on Tyler between Pearl & Bonifacio). Discussion and evaluation of the National Jr. JACL Convention in Chicago, nomination of DYC officers for 1971, and the NC-WNDYC fund raising project are on the agenda.



1970 CHAMPION—Lorraine Takahashi, who won the 1970 National JACL oratorical contest at Chicago, represented the Central California district. Daughter of the Yoshito Takahashis of Clovis, she recently served as Secretary General of the Model UN session at Fresno State. Active in student government while at Clovis High, she participated in forensics and debating. She transfers this fall from FSC to USC.

## \$15,880 RETURNED TO CENTRAL CAL FROM CAPITOL

Sum Represents Experience Refund of JACL Group Policy

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FRESNO—A sum of \$15,880 was presented by Capitol Life Insurance Co. to Central California JACL District Council during its Aug. 11 meeting here.

The sum was a result of "an experience rating refund" under the Capitol Life major medical group policy issued to the district council, explained Paul Chinn, Capitol Life general agent at Los Angeles.

On his own initiative, Chinn first requested the company to consider an experience rating retention for CCDC on April 1, 1966. It was approved April 16, 1966, and Chinn was assured appropriate retention estimates and administrative procedures would be instituted at the earliest possible time, consistent with proper underwriting and reserve accumulations.

### Experience Refund

"It takes a group, such as the CCDC, a period of time before trends and certain group characteristics begin to take on definite patterns," Chinn continued. "As stated, insurance is not an exact science. There were many areas that were responsible for the 'experience refund.'"

Four areas were cited:

1—Underwriting costs were reduced by eliminating some costly investigation fees.  
2—Claims were and are settled as soon as possible, reducing the cost of maintaining open files.  
3—Efficient administration of all matters pertaining to the group have been most helpful in reducing costs.

4—The close cooperation of associate agents in the field have been extremely beneficial to the District Council.

In presenting the check, Chinn also praised his associates in the Central Cal district:

Kiro Kusaka, Tom Shimazaki, Kaz Komoto, Johnny Nizawa, Ed Yano and Yoichi Katayama.

## Calif. legislature passes Wakefield school bussing bill

SACRAMENTO—A bill that would require a school to get written consent of parents before it could transport any of its pupils by bus for any purpose whatsoever was approved by the Senate last week (Aug. 14) and sent to the Governor, who supports it.

The bill, AB 511, by Assemblyman Floyd Wakefield (R-Dowry) originally only required parents' consent if the bussing were for the purpose of racial integration, but he amended it when advised that would probably be unconstitutional.

The bill was opposed by the National JACL in action at the 1970 convention at Chicago.

At the Senate Education Committee hearing Aug. 5, a representative of Attorney General Thomas C. Lynch, said the bill is still unconstitutional, even as amended.

### Hot L.A. Issue

The Wakefield bill became a hot issue after a Los Angeles Superior Court judge ruled that the city's school board was violating laws concerning racial segregation in the schools.

The ruling made no mention of bussing, but most legislators assumed it did, and the Los Angeles School District estimated that to comply with the court ruling by means of bussing would cost millions.

The Assembly passed the Wakefield bill by 49-18 on June 22.

Wakefield told the committee he had never denied he was talking about bussing for the purpose of integration.

The NAACP last month said it would take to court any school district using AB 511 for that purpose.

## MSG not hazardous generally: FDA say

WASHINGTON—The Food and Drug Administration last week (Aug. 14) reported on the safety of monosodium glutamate (MSG), indicating no evidence of hazard was found in the reasonable use of this additive in foods for older children and adults except for those who are individually sensitive to the substance.

Since MSG was not found to benefit infants, the FDA said it should not be added to foods specifically designed for them. The study was made in the wake of reports questioning the safety of MSG in baby foods and last year, baby food manufacturers quit using it.

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## WANTED: SAKINI SANS SCOTCH TAPE

# Asian actors protest snub

By FRED KAI

Los Angeles  
The old saying that you have to be at the right places in Hollywood or Beverly Hills in order to see movie stars doesn't always apply. I ran into Mako recently in the mundane setting of El Camino College, near Torrance and Gardena, where he had gone to check out the auditorium for a staging of last year's popular "Kvogen" that the East-West Players will revive for children on Oct. 24 and 25. Not having seen my stellar

friend face-to-face in some time, and having just wound up a final exam that I had tormented my summer session students with, I invited him and a mutual friend, Stan Mori, assistant cashier at the Gardena Bank of Tokyo, to lunch. We enjoyed a tasty meal of tempura and tonkatsu, but as I had feared, our banker friend beat me to the tab — my strenuous protest notwithstanding.

Although defeated on that score, I was fortunate not to have forgotten my memo pad that day, and well before the

food arrived we were launched into an interview of sorts.

### Sakini Role

Recalling that the musical version of "Teahouse of the August Moon" would soon be arriving in Los Angeles, and that a few sparks have already flown over the casting of a Caucasian actor, Ken Nelson, in the lead role of Sakini, I expressed curiosity as to what the local Asian American actors were planning to do when "Lovely Ladies, Kind Gentlemen" opened at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion. Quite

a bit, I soon discovered. The Brotherhood of Artists (BOA), of which Mako is the chairman, has already filed a formal complaint with the Fair Employment Practice Commission, protesting that

## RAPPIN' AWHILE

the hiring of a Caucasian actor to play the role of Sakini, an Okinawan, was discriminatory insofar as no qualified Asian actor was ever interviewed for the part. Since it may take two years before the case is brought up for a hearing before the FEPC, Mako views this protest as primarily one of principle—and one that serves notice to directors and producers that legal papers and not just placards and leaflets alone will be used hereafter to fight racial discrimination in the acting industry.

On the East Coast, the Oriental Actors of America, a New York-based equivalent and senior group to the BOA, has also filed complaint with the Human Rights Commission on the same issue. A representative from Mako's organization was sent to confer with the OAA on matters pertaining to protest tactics that will be employed when "Lovely Ladies, Kind Gentlemen" is staged in Philadelphia. Los Angeles, and San Francisco before its Broadway debut around Christmas time.

### Pickets Scheduled

OAA members are presently picketing the office of Harmon Levin, the New York producer of the play, and they intend to picket its opening in Philadelphia on Aug. 18. After a brief run in Philly, the musical will open in L.A. on Sept. 8, and the BOA and supporters will be waiting with posters aloft on the western front.

Actually, the BOA will initiate local picketing of the Pavilion's box office on Aug. 24 when the advance sale of tickets for the play begins. Besides carrying signs, the protestors will distribute leaflets requesting patrons not to buy tickets for the play and stating the reasons.

In meeting with various ethnic groups in the L.A. area, Mako said he was heartened to have received vocal support and many offers to help man the picket line from members of such organizations as the JACL and the Yellow Brotherhood.

Mako is under no illusion that the protest action will seriously dent the Pavilion's coffers, as the bulk of tickets for the L.A. Civic Light Opera season are purchased on a subscription basis. He is just as certain that the protest will not cause Edwin Lester, the general director of the Civic Light Opera, to put in a hurried call to James Shigeta to replace Ken Nelson.

But though the picket line at the Music Center will most

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FIRST PRIZE—Idaho Falls JACL entry in the annual Fourth of July parade at Idaho Falls won first place in the civic entry division. Janice Yamamura holds the trophy for

the JACL float entitled, "A Symbol of Freedom", which featured an eagle with its wings spread. The Idaho Falls JACLs assisted in the construction.

## Culture of new Mainland arrivals may smother diverse life-styles of Hawaii

HONOLULU—As Kenji Kawakami found out, it's not easy to know who you are in this world if you're from Hawaii.

Kawakami, a Honolulu businessman of Japanese ancestry, visited Kyoto recently and was told politely but firmly by a Japanese cab driver that he was not from Japan.

"It's your accent," he was told.

A few weeks later Kawakami visited Atlantic City.

"There they don't accept me as an American. My only choice is to be Hawaiian," he said with a broad grin.

Workshop Dilemma

Kawakami's story demonstrates the dilemma encountered by the workshop of the Task Force on People & Life Styles recently at the Governor's Conference on the Year 2000.

What does it mean to be a Hawaiian and what is the future of the Aloha State's cultural diversity? What does it mean to be a Japanese or Chinese or Samoan and what will it mean in the future?

"What is important is not what one's forebears were but what he identifies as his home," said Dr. Douglas Yamamura, former head of the Sociology Department at the Univ. of Hawaii.

Buc Buxton, a worker with Youth Action and an advocate of the idea of world citizens, added to Yamamura's statement:

"Whoever lives here and contributes is an Islander no matter where he comes from."

### Ethnic Identity

Not everyone in the Task Force agreed with Yamamura and Buxton. Many feared that minority Island cultures are in danger of being smothered by a superculture, a homogenized hybrid dominated by Mainland arrivals.

Marya Pettit, who works in Gov. John A. Burn's office, said "majorityism" is the

greatest enemy of Island cultural diversity.

"We have to fight majorityism with everything we've got," said Miss Pettit.

"The culture and self-esteem of the Islands has been destroyed by the Protestant ethic. It is being forced on people."

### Not All Pushy

However, Dr. Harry Ball, a sociologist at the Univ. of Hawaii, disputed the notion that white Anglo-Saxon Protestants are necessarily trying to smother all other cultures.

Ball said recent studies conclude the people who most support the give and take implied in world citizenship are WASPS (White Anglo-Saxon Protestants) under 35.

Ball and others, including

## JAPAN GNP \$174 BILLION, PER CAPITA INCOME 16TH

TOKYO—Japan's gross national product for fiscal 1969 (ending March, 1970) surpassed the \$60 trillion mark for the first time, reaching \$62.7 trillion (about \$174.2 billion), the Economic Planning Agency announced Aug. 7 in a preliminary report.

Japan ranks second to U.S. in GNP among the free world nations. Growth rate was pegged at 13 pct.

National income totalled \$49.3 billion (about \$137 million), up 16.9 pct. over fiscal 1968. Per capita income was \$480.48 (about \$1,335) or about 16th in the world after Finland.

### Japanese sword

LONDON—A record price of \$11,340 was paid at Christie's Auctioneers for a 14th century sword made by Kanefuji of Yamato who was a pupil of Japan's most famous swordmaker Masamune by an American collector in Tokyo.

student Allen Ho, felt that tolerance is the key to guaranteeing the diversity of Hawaii life styles.

"Ethnic background doesn't make a man good. Tolerance isn't built into a person; it's developed," Ho said.

## Hollywood film industry anxious to sign Orientals in technical work pool

LOS ANGELES—The motion picture industry is seeking persons of Oriental ancestry to register for a special program set up to bring racial minorities into the industry.

Charles S. Boren, executive vice president of the Association of Motion Picture and Television Producers, reports that Orientals have been slow to register for the industry's new minority labor pool.

He said that special provisions in an agreement with federal government allow for up to 20 percent of minority man days worked under the agreement to be filled by Oriental and other racial minorities besides Negroes and Mexican-Americans.

There is no finale date for registration for the minority labor pool which began April 1, 1970, and with specific exceptions, will remain in effect for two years.

About 4,000 Negroes and other minorities are now in the unique "minority labor pool" created by the recent government-approved agreement between unions and management. But less than 10 pct. of them have been given jobs.

Many white craftsmen are angry because they feel they are being forced to share the few jobs left in the industry with untrained minority group workers. And many Negroes are angry because of unfulfilled promises of jobs in Hollywood.

Unemployment among Hollywood's 20,000 craftsmen is running about 46 pct.

A joint labor-management motion picture committee this past week said it would ask Congress for a 20% tax-ex-

emption on gross income from sales of films made in this country to help the sagging film industry.

The purpose of the minority labor pool is to build up, over that two-year period, minority employment in certain crafts of the movie industry.

Movie makers have agreed to hire two persons from the minority pool out of every seven persons hired in nine categories of work.

Those categories are camera sound, costume, film editing, grips, laborers, lamp operators, make-up and hairstyling, and propmaking.

Boren urged Orientals to take advantage of the opportunity and register with the industry's minority labor pool. Applications must be filed in person at any of the following places:

Association of Motion Picture and Television Producers, 8480 Beverly Blvd., Room 21, Hollywood.  
Any AMPTP member company, Local 44, Affiliated Property Craftsmen, 7425 Sunset Blvd., Local 708, Motion Picture Costumers, 1427 N. La Brea Ave., Local 706, Make-up Artists and Hair Stylists, 13335 Ventura Blvd., Local 727, Motion Picture Crafts Service, 12754 Ventura Blvd., Local 728, Studio Electrical Technicians, 1087 N. Fairfax Ave., Local 716, Motion Picture Film Editors, 7715 Sunset Blvd.

## DEADLINES

Aug. 15—JACL Student Aid Program application deadline. So. Calif. JACL Office, 125 Weller St., Los Angeles.  
Sept. 22—NCWDC executive board nominations: Jim Kimoto, nomin. comm. chmn.

## Equal Rights for Women

Last week, as the House rushed toward a three week Labor Day recess (Aug. 14 to Sept. 8), perhaps its most far-reaching action was to approve on Aug. 10 by an overwhelming 350 to 15 margin the so-called Equal Rights Amendment for women.

Actually, the proposed constitutional amendment doesn't mention women; it is a marvel of legislative brevity guaranteeing equality to both men and women. The main clause of this historic proposal (its other parts are procedural) simply states that "Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex."

It was the first time that the House had ever voted on the amendment, though it has been introduced in one form or another every year since 1923, when—coincidentally—Democratic Congressman Emanuel Celler of New York, who for the past 21 years has been the liberal, pro-civil rights Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, first took his seat in the House. Now the dean of the entire Congress in length of continuous service, he led the fight against the Equal Rights Amendment.

Though the Senate has twice before (1950 and 1953) passed a similar amendment, both times it was after accepting a rider-amendment that provided that so-called protective legislation for women be retained on the statute books, language which—according to women's rights advocates—practically nullified much of the effects of the constitutional amendment. In both instances, the Senate Judiciary Committee had reported the amendment to the Senate with a recommendation that it be passed.

This year, however, in order to assure that the Equal Rights Amendment would not be buried in the Judiciary Committee, Majority Leader Mike Mansfield moved that it be placed directly on the Senate calendar, where it may be considered when scheduled, rather than being referred routinely to the Judiciary Committee. At the same time, however, the Majority Leader said that he would try to work out a timetable with Chairman James Eastland of the Judiciary Committee that would enable that Committee to consider the House-passed amendment and to report it to the Senate by a certain date. At the moment, our understanding is that Senator Eastland is prepared to report the constitutional amendment on or about Sept. 18, while Senator Mansfield is hopeful of a Sept. 8 deadline.

There is also speculation that Senator Mansfield may try to link the Equal Rights Amendment with another less popular constitutional amendment that has also passed the House, the amendment abolishing the Electoral College and providing for the direct election of the President and Vice President. If the two amendments are approved by the Congress by the constitutionally required two-thirds majority of each House, they could be separated when referred to the various states for their ratification. A precedent was set when the Bill of Rights was adopted as the first ten amendments to the Constitution. As passed by the Congress, there were 12 amendments but the states failed to ratify two of them (one provided a permanent ratio of population to representation for the House and the other related to pay raises for members of Congress).

In any event, the House vote was taken after a rarely successful parliamentary maneuver known as the discharge petition. Under the leadership of Michigan Democratic Congresswoman Martha Griffiths, some 218 members of the House signed a petition which discharged the Judiciary Committee from its responsibility for considering the amendment. On the technical vote to confirm discharge of the House Judiciary Committee, the vote was 332 to 22, thereby assuring eventual passage of the Equal Rights Amendment.

Chairman Celler and William McCulloch of Ohio, the senior Republican on the Judiciary Committee, teamed in an effort to defeat the amendment, charging that such an important constitutional amendment should not be considered by the House until its Judiciary Committee had had the opportunity to study the many implications and ramifications of the constitutional proposal. In his charge, the Chairman neglected to assume responsibility for the fact that in the 21 years since he became Chairman, the Judiciary Committee had failed to even order public hearings on similar proposals.

Congressman Celler based his arguments as to the merits of the amendment on the probability that it would render invalid special laws aimed to protect women, such as those relating to military service, to special rights in courts involving alimony, custody of children, etc., and to prohibitions or restrictions in certain lines of work, etc.

On the other hand, proponents of the amendment stressed their willingness to accept such changes as might be necessary in order to gain equality in pay, in opportunities for employment, etc. Democratic Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm of New York said that she suffers "more discrimination as a woman than as a black." She added that she regarded the House action as "only a fine first step."

The House has ten female members. One of them, Democratic Congresswoman Leonor Sullivan of Missouri, opposed the amendment but was not on the House floor at the time the final vote on passage was taken. Mrs. Sullivan thinks that the amendment may have serious and adverse effects and consequences in such areas as family relations, child support and custody arrangements, selective service legislation, and labor conditions for women. She believes that such laws as those which prohibit women from working over certain hours or in certain lines of work are in the women's best interests.

Among the 15 who voted against the Equal Rights Amendment were California Congressmen Jerome Waldie (Democrat) and John Schmitz and Charles Wiggins (Republicans).

The amendment was supported by the Democratic and Republican leadership, however, with Speaker John McCormack and Majority Leader Carl Albert (Democrats) and Minority Leader Gerald Ford and Chairman of the GOP National Committee Rogers Morton (Republicans) speaking for enactment.

The JACL and the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights are among many presumably liberal organizations which have taken no position on this constitutional amendment. Perhaps by the time the Senate considers it on the floor possibly next month, they will have to make their positions known.



## NATIONWIDE PROTEST ORGANIZED AGAINST NEW 'TEAHOUSE' MUSICAL

LOS ANGELES—Spearheaded by the Brotherhood of Artists (BOA), a nationwide protest is being mounted against what spokesmen label discriminatory casting in the upcoming Broadway musical, "Lovely Ladies, Kind Gentlemen," a musical version of "Teahouse of the August Moon."

BOA spokesmen charge that producers of "Lovely Ladies

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likely not result in any satisfaction for Asian actors and their supporters on this particular issue. Mako strongly feels that the grievance should be aired in order to inform the public that minority group actors will no longer be supplied accept second-class citizenship in the theatrical world.

Those who sidestep the pickets and see the play may be surprised to observe genuine Oriental actors in some of the supporting roles. They won't be scabs, but some of the same people the patrons saw outside theater a few minutes before carrying signs and handing out leaflets.

According to Mako, the actors have decided that the protest can be more effectively furthered by working through the theater rather than confronting it head-on in a do-or-die conflict.

Thus, the actors will carry on the protest in a pedestrian manner during their free time, but once behind the footlights will make every effort to drive home their point to all concerned by performing like true professionals.

### Who's Nelson?

Mako feels that Ken Nelson, caught in the crossfire of the casting dispute, is a talented young actor, but he's hardly a box office magnet as yet. There may have been some justification in casting the late Sir Cedric Hardwicke as Mr. Asano, an affluent Japanese gentleman in the comedy "A Majority of One" because of Hardwicke's box office prominence, but Mako doesn't believe that excuse applies in the case of Nelson as Sakini.

There are at least three Asian American actors, James Shigeta, Sab Shimano, and Bob Ito, who Mako believes have the necessary singing and dancing abilities to fill the Sakini role. Shigeta, incidentally, was the first Oriental actor to ever portray Sakini when the veteran actor performed in a Honolulu production of "Teahouse" not long ago.

What provokes Mako and other Asian actors the most, perhaps, is that Herman Levin, the producer of the musical, did not even extend the courtesy of an interview or audition to any Oriental actor who might qualify for the lead role. The current controversy has pointed out the need for organized activity in order to effectively combat discrimination in the hiring of actors. Mako believes that "a pattern of discrimination exists in the acting industry" and that minority group workers need to exert group pressure in order to break through it.

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The Brotherhood of Artists, composed of actors of varied ethnic backgrounds, was formed in May as a direct result of the Sakini dispute, but it will remain as a permanent group which seeks to increase employment opportunities for minority group actors and to eliminate racial stereotypes in scripts.

Most BOA members belong to Actors' Equity which is presently undergoing an internal struggle to put teeth into the association's Rule 26, a bylaw that is supposed to fight discriminatory hiring practices, but which has proven feeble to date.

The BOA also intends to cooperate with the Writers Guild and the Directors Guild in an effort to eliminate stereotypical roles in films and plays.

### Other Incidents

Although it is primarily concerned with the grievances of actors at present, the BOA eventually plans to extend its functions to non-acting personnel in the entertainment industry.

According to Mako, there are some conspicuous inequalities involving technical workers that need to be rectified. He mentioned the case of a Nisei camera operator's assistant who has been waiting for 15 years to get into the cameramen's union although he is well qualified to be a camera operator.

The fact that discrimination in hiring and an opportunistic attitude toward perpetuating racial stereotypes still exists in the ballistics of the film and theatrical magazines should be of direct concern to all minority group members. An injury to the dignity and equal rights of black, brown, and yellow actors is an affront to the dignity and equal rights of all their brothers. We're all involved—like it or not—and the fight will not fade out with the mere passing of "Lovely Ladies, Kind Gentlemen."

... cast the major part of Sakini, an Oriental, with an accidental actor without even a tryout by an Asian American actor for the role.

"The show perpetuates existing discrimination against Asian American actors and further encourages the worst features of Asian stereotypes by the entertainment media," spokesmen declared.

The BOA has contracted such groups as the City and County Human Relations Commission, the Anti-Defamation League of the B'nai B'rith, the Japanese American Citizens League, the NAACP, Council of Oriental Organizations, TELACU, Yellow Brotherhood, Asian Hard Core and the Equal Opportunities Commission and won their endorsements of protests.

The protest is being waged through the Ethnic Minorities Committee of Actors Equity, both here and in New York, to test the anti-discriminatory rulings of the union.

Protest is also being organized around the country by actors and concerned citizens in Philadelphia, San Francisco, New York and Los Angeles where the show will play.

SAN FRANCISCO—Oriental and other minority ethnic actors in the New York area have filed a formal protest against the hiring practices of the stage, television and film industries which, they contend, have consistently frozen them out of roles which should be assigned to them.

This was revealed by Kazu Obayashi, New York human rights specialist, who returned East June 1 after a Northern California visit.

Miss Obayashi evinced great interest in the recent report (PC, May 29) from Los Angeles where the ethnic minority committee of Actors' Equity voted to boycott auditions for "Lovely Ladies, Kind Gentlemen" in protest of casting a Caucasian in a key role.

This production is a musical version of "Teahouse of the August Moon" and is set for a September premiere by the Los Angeles Civic Light Opera Assn.

### Boycott in Los Angeles

The protest was a vote in Los Angeles because the role of Sakini went to a non-Oriental.

In Los Angeles it was reported New York producer Herman Levin did not try to interview any Asians for the part on the grounds that the role had already been committed.

Miss Obayashi said this refusal to consider an Oriental for the Sakini role was the basis of a complaint filed with Mayor John Lindsay's New York city human rights commission.

She is serving as a specialist on the commission with offices at 80 Lafayette St., New York 10013.

### Trying to Organize

Miss Obayashi said that an attempt is being made to organize an Asian Community Forum in New York and those associated with the group have apparently succeeded in thwarting plans to produce a play, "Dr. Fish and the Chinese," which was reported replete with stereotypical portrayals.

In commenting on the Los Angeles boycott, Miss Obayashi deplored the lack of organization among Asian and other minority actors in New York.

The Japan-born human rights expert said that even among the Japanese it is difficult to get together in a concerted program.

### Wide Golf Exists

Noting that in New York there is two distinct Japanese communities, the Issei residents and U.S.-born Nisei on one side and those coming from Japan in recent years, mainly Japanese students and artists on the other, Miss Obayashi said, "they look down on each other." This also seems to be the case in the theatrical field, she added.

Unless they can band together and mount a strong protest with their talents will continue to be overlooked by the producers, she declared.

"I hope they can also coordinate their program with the West Coast group to make their effort nationwide," Miss Obayashi added.

—Nichi Bei Times

## NEWS CAPSULES

### Government

The Los Angeles City Council confirmed all of Mayor Sam Yorty's latest reappointments and appointments to municipal commissions last week (Aug. 12). Yoshio Takagaki was unanimously confirmed 14-0 as human relations commissioner for the term ending June 30, 1974.

Also confirmed by the L.A. city council the same week were Jural C. P. Rhee, a Korean American, to a five-year term on the Board of Social Service Commissioners ending June 30, 1975; and Toshikazu Terasawa, Nisei architect, to the Board of Building and Safety Commissioners. Terasawa is board chairman.

The Los Angeles County board of supervisors commended Fred I. Wada, Little Tokyo community leader since the war, for his contributions to the economy of Southern California, active participation in service organizations and his many humanitarian endeavors. Wada, who was reappointed a member of the Los Angeles Harbor Commission, also submitted his resignation for reasons of health.

Sen. Hiram L. Fong (R-Hawaii) was lauded for his work on behalf of America's disabled citizens and presented with a 50th Anniversary medal by the U.S. government's Social and Rehabilitation Service. Fong was cited by John D. Twinn, administrator of the Social and Rehabilitation Service, "for your support in committee and on the floor of Congress in helping the rehabilitation program keep its commitment to America's disabled citizens."

### Education

Former HEW Sec. John W. Gardner and Dr. S. I. Hayakawa of San Francisco head a list of about 600 most often suggested as Harvard University's new president. The UPI learned Aug. 11, Nathan Pusey plans to retire next June after 17 years as president.

Dr. and Mrs. S. I. Hayakawa, on a visit of Japan as guests of the Foreign Ministry, are spending 10 days touring, lecturing and visiting his parents in Yamanashi before returning Aug. 25. At the Japan-America Society luncheon held Aug. 10 at Tokyo, Dr. Hayakawa spoke on racism in the U.S.

Dr. James Hirabayashi, 43, has been offered the post of director of the San Francisco State College ethnic studies program, the UPI learned. He has not yet decided whether to accept the post. He has been on the faculty for 10 years and holds a Ph.D. in anthropology from Harvard.

Irene Yasutake, 21, of Los Angeles, has been named special project administrator at the USC Center for Social Action. The eldest daughter of the Michael Yasutakes, 6739 Shenandoah Ave., is a candidate for the master's degree in the USC School of Public Administration. She earned her bachelor's degree at USC last June. Her new responsibilities will include budgeting, and assisting with co-ordination of a proposed project, "Public Administration Development in Black Southern Colleges," a program to increase the number of Black public officials in the South and throughout the nation.

### Business

Tyler Tanaka of Japan and Orient Tours, Los Angeles, heads the So. Calif. chapter committee hosting the 1971 ASTA western regional convention April 21-23 at Mar del Plata, Argentina.

Westinghouse's first nuclear reactor in Japan, Mihama I, in Fukui, began producing electricity for the Kansai Electric Power Co. Aug. 11. The plant required 44 months to complete. A second plant is scheduled for operation in 1972.

Toyota Motor Sales (USA) is recalling 45,879 Toyota Mark II series vehicles for possible check deficiency. An improved fitting between the reservoir and master cylinder would be installed with a complete kit to eliminate the possibility of having air enter the master cylinder. Both Toyota and Nissan plan to raise prices from the 1971 models by about 4 pct. in anticipation of the possible move in the U.S. to include Japanese cars in the anti-dumping law cate-

gory. Vincent E. Kikugawa, Host International commissary, will be reassembled in Moscow to show the Russian people what their Expo display was like. The San Francisco cable car is for sale at \$5,000 after the fair closes.

Expo '70 officials are now pondering what to do with the huge profits, optimistically placed at between \$2 and 5 billion (\$5½-13.8 million). Various proposals have been expressed, including repayment of loans from banks for construction and to governments and local units which supplied subsidies to Expo '70.

Uwajimaya, Seattle's Japanese department store, covering 15,000 sq. ft. at Sixth Ave. and King St. is due for completion soon, according to a sloping roof, heavy timbers, and flared corners.

James Tsurumoto, CLU, field underwriter of Hayward General Office, was honored as a member of the 1970 Million Dollar Round Table and again qualified for the 1969-1970 Top Club of the New York Life Insurance Co. He will attend the Top Club Convention at Scottsdale, Ariz., Sept. 24-27.

### Agriculture

Fresno State College professor of vegetable crops, Dr. Tom Ishimoto, is developing a new strain of cherry tomato, about 1½-2½ inch in diameter, slightly tough-skinned, and one vine yielding about a 12-basket crate. The vines under experimentation were about 2 ft. tall in contrast to traditional cherry tomato vines from 8 to 12 ft.

### Sports

One of the oldest Nisei in Hawaiian public life, former State Sen. Steere G. Noda, 78, of Honolulu made the sports column reminding about his days as a baseball player, manager and promoter with the Asahis in the early 1900's. He was one of the finest southpaws in Hawaii, was the outstanding hitter with a .575 batting average in 1912, and later brought over such tears as the House of David, a bearded baseball team; the Philadelphia Royals, an all-black team; and the Filipino All Stars from Manila. He was awarded the La Croix de Chevalier avec Ruban from France for his dedication to amateur sports in 1968. He also holds the Order of the Rising Sun from Japan.

A Japanese swimmer, Shochi Nakajima, 23, got within 3 miles of England in his attempt to swim the English Channel from Calais Aug. 1. Currents took a tricky turn at Goodwin Sands, the "graveyard of ships", and having been in the waters 9½ hours, he had to quit. The record for swimming the Channel northward is 8h.35m. set in 1964 by Barry Watson of England. The following Saturday (Aug. 8), Nakajima succeeded in a second try, in 10h.15m., though the Channel Swimming Assn. did not recognize the feat because the Japanese wore a rubber wet suit. He is the first Japanese to swim the channel.

A national winner in the All American Youth Bowling Tournament at Washington, D.C., Lane Nakao, son of the Jiro Nakao of Oregon Slope, came home with a \$1,000 scholarship. The BPA-A-sponsored event attracted state youth champions, with Lane representing Idaho. As state champ, he won a \$250 scholarship and an all-expense paid trip to the national finals. A 1970 Weiser High school graduate, he plans to enter Oregon State in the fall.

Ronny Miyaoka, son of the Ben Miyaoka of Salinas, was selected as one of 34 boys from 19 states to the National Pop Warner All-American Team. This honor is based on scholarship, leadership, sportsmanship and athletic ability. As a member of this All-American team he was privileged to make a one-week pilgrimage to Cincinnati.

### Expo '70

The 45-millionth visitor passing through Expo '70 gates occurred Aug. 10 15 days earlier than the mark accorded at the Montreal Expo '67. No buyer has been found yet for the U.S. pavilion, which will have to be dismantled after the fair closes Sept. 13. The Soviet Pavilion will be reassembled in Moscow to show the Russian people what their Expo display was like.

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### Census - 1970

For every 100 single women over 14 in the State of Hawaii there are 191 single men, according to state statistician hunting grounds in the nation for gals in search of husbands. Single males outnumber single females by 91 pct. If widows and divorcees are counted, the difference drops to 151 single men for every 100 women or 51 pct. The 1970 census shows Hawaii with 748,182 persons — a near 17 pct. increase over 1960 at 632,772.

### Flowers-Garden

Ben T. Suzuki, Hawaii-born Nisei of Montebello, has the distinction of being the first fully accredited teacher of bonsai in a U.S. college, conducting classes for Pasadena City College at the County Arboretum since the past spring semester. Most of his students this summer are seeking advanced techniques and their enthusiasm overwhelms him. He took up bonsai as a hobby 20 years ago and is a

graduate of Fukushima Agricultural School.

### Awards

Joyce Adachi of Chicago, daughter of the Bill Adachis, was named winner of the Fred Nitta scholarship, administered by the Buddhist Churches of America, for the outstanding Buddhist high school graduate in the nation. Miss Adachi was valedictorian of her class of 841, tutored children at the Montrose Urban Center and has done volunteer work at Illinois state mental hospital. She plans to major in biology at Univ. of Chicago. She is president of the Midwest Buddhist Church in YEA. The Nitta award consists of a plaque and \$150.

A handsome plaque from the Los Angeles County board of supervisors was awarded to Sen. Hiram L. Fong (R-Hawaii) in recognition of his "distinguished public service and constant dedication to the advancement of human progress throughout the nation." Supr. Ernest E. Debs, board chairman, made the presentation in Washington.

### Churches

Dr. Paul Nagano, executive director of Japanese Evangelical Missionary Society, Los Angeles, has accepted the call to serve as pastor of Seattle Japanese Baptist Church next January. He recently received his Doctor of Religion degree from Claremont School of Theology, was pastor at Evergreen Baptist Church 1946-51 and at Makiki Christian Church for 8½ years when he returned to JEMS in 1962. The Rev. Harry H. Murakami, pastor of Blaine Memorial Methodist Church, Seattle, for the past six years, is on a year's sabbatical.

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## Naturalizations lag while number of aliens increase; 4 million reported

24E—NATURALIZATION ... NEW YORK—The number of aliens in the United States has steadily increased in recent years while the number of immigrants being naturalized has steadily declined, the American Council for Naturalization Service here announced after reviewing the annual report of the Immigration and Naturalization Service for the fiscal period ending June 30, 1969.

More than 4 million (4,002,668) aliens reported their addresses in 1969, the highest in over 25 years. Mexicans made up the largest national group, followed by Canada, the United Kingdom and Cuba. The Philippines, China (including Taiwan) and Japan were 8th, 9th and 12th, respectively. California has close to a million aliens in the state,

followed by New York and Florida. Less than 100,000 immigrants admitted for permanent residence (98,709) were naturalized in 1969—the lowest number in 15 years. Most of them (73,489) were naturalized under the general provision of the law which requires continuous permanent residence in the U.S. for five years. As spouses of U.S. citizens, 14,946 were granted citizenship after 3 years' residence.

A fact that may be reassuring to those who fear that naturalization is a difficult process is the relatively small number of petitions denied, withdrawn or not processed—altogether 2,043. Of these only 306 were for insufficient knowledge of English 212 for insufficient knowledge of U.S. history and government.

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## From the Frying Pan

**A MAN WITH MANY HATS**—In this space a couple of week ago we noted that Shiro Kashiwa, assistant attorney general of the United States, was responsible for a good many matters in addition to adjudicating Indian claims. That, if you recall, was the basis for awarding him a Nisei of the Biennium Silver Medallion in Chicago. Well, what are some of his responsibilities? Kashiwa heads the Land and Natural Resources Division of the Department of Justice, and the job requires him to wear many hats. For example:

—Any litigation concerning lands and natural resources of the federal government (one-third of all in the United States is owned by the federal government) comes within his division's jurisdiction. One of the largest cases now pending involves the matter of federal permits to lay a 48-inch pipeline from the newly discovered Alaska North Slope oilfields to southern Alaska. Nine major oil companies are interested in the line.

—In October, the division will take before the Supreme Court of the United States a case relating to oil shale in the Colorado Plateau. Billions of barrels of oil, locked in shale beds hundreds of feet thick, are involved.

—All civil litigation arising from offshore oil extraction on the continental shelf beyond the three-mile limit falls within the division's responsibility. This includes, of course, the controversy-ridden Santa Barbara Channel area.

—All federal land acquisition by way of eminent domain is handled by the division. In the last fiscal year more than \$600,000,000 worth of property was acquired in this manner throughout the United States.

—Environmental problems relating to land and natural resources are also within Kashiwa's jurisdiction. The division recently filed then cases involving mercury pollution by industries, and many other major environmental cases are under study.

It is of more than passing interest that a Nisei is responsible for representing the interests of the United States government—and therefore the interests of the 200 million citizens of the U.S.—in each of these vastly important areas. Oddly enough, Kashiwa's name does not appear in either Who's Who in America or Who's Who in the West.

**NISEI PIONEER**—They buried Kameo Nakamura here the other day, and his passing would have attracted no particular notice outside this community except for the fact that he was born in Port Blakely, Wash., back in 1896. That's a good many years ago, 74 in fact, and not many Issei now living have been in the U.S. that long. Port Blakely, on Bainbridge Island across Puget Sound from Seattle, was the location of a lumber camp that employed a number of Japanese before the turn of the century. Kam was a devotee of Japanese dramatic arts and in terms of both years and cultural interests, he was able to span the Issei-Nisei gap. His death also is a reminder of how far back in time Nisei roots go. Kam's twin brother, Tura, who is remembered both as a shrewd baseball coach and kabuki actor in Seattle, is now a resident of New York City.

**OFF TO L.A.**—Denverites this week bade farewell of another kind to the Rev. Jonathan Fujita, pastor at Simpson United Methodist Church, who is being assigned new responsibilities in Los Angeles. The Rev. Mr. Fujita arrived here for Tokyo 11 years ago, landed at a dead run. He has been running at top speed ever since. His energies and concerns are too great and too broad to be held within the ecclesiastical limits of a single church. He was involved in scores of good causes here and did a fine job at each of them as was evidenced by the presence of a large delegation from the Tri-State Buddhist Church, among others, at his community farewell dinner. Denver will never be quite the same after his departure; Los Angeles would do well to get set for his arrival.

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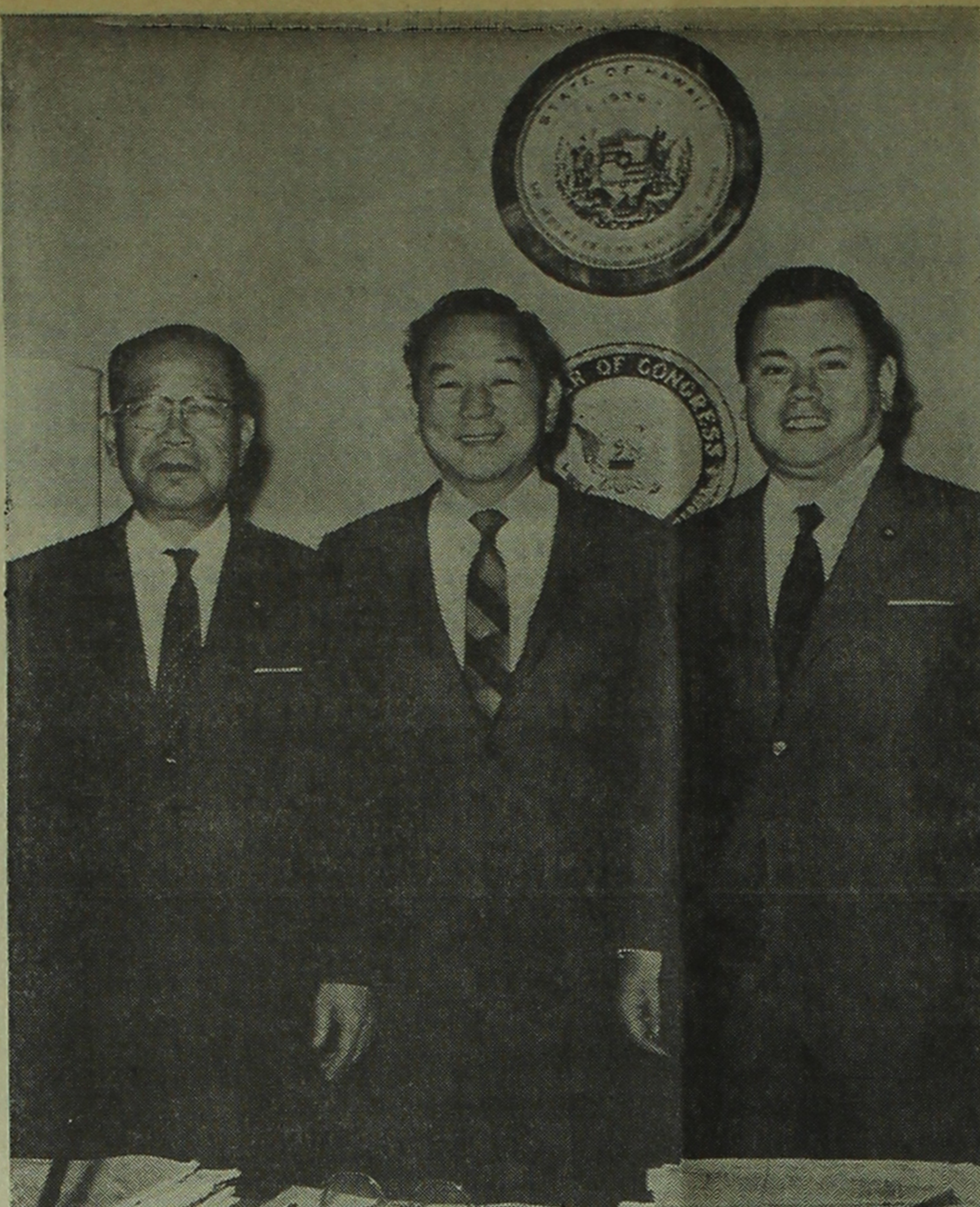
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**HOST DIET MEMBERS**—Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) discussed U.S.-Japan relations with Hisamari Yamada (l) and Eiichi Nakao (r), both members of the Japanese Diet during their visit to Washington, D.C. on July 28. Yamada, ranking member of the House Foreign Relations Committee

in the Diet, is a former Japanese Ambassador to the U.S.S.R. and Iran. He also served as Deputy Minister in Japan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Nakao is a member of the House Foreign Relations Committee and also serves on the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry in the Diet.

## Japan film classics excite N.Y.

By JOE OYAMA

New York  
If someone were to ask me what was the most exciting thing going around town, my reply would be, "the Japanese Film Festival, which has been showing for three months, almost daily, at the Museum of Modern Art on 53rd St. in Mid-Manhattan."

For this showing, 90 film classics had been especially imported by Donald Richie, curator and authority on Ja-

New York showing, Tokyo's National Museum of Art celebrated the opening of their new film museum with a festival of American film classics. Also selected by curator Donald Richie, the screening included classics by Chaplin, Griffith, Sennett, Von Stroheim and other well-known film directors, dating back from 1894 to 1924.

The Japan Air Lines publishes an excellent monthly bulletin, embellished with interesting and colorful photographs, short features on travel, cultural subjects, traveler impressions of foreign countries and many other tidbits and odds and ends, which I enjoy reading.

Recently after reading "Japan's Movies Proves Revelation for Westerners," I was surprised as to how much of a Westerner I am. Frankly, I am no real Japanese film buff like my wife who read Donald Richie's book, "Japanese Films," and who knows most of the actors and actresses and directors and producers.

### Japanese Attitude

Japanese films began as early as 1898 only four short years after Thomas Edison took his first one-minute motion picture named "Chinese Laundry" (across the river) in Menlo Park, New Jersey.

From the beginning the Japanese had taken a serious attitude towards film, so that the industry became an important part of the country's cultural life, "adopting the conventions of drama and the novel."

"This serious approach, derived from centuries of tradition, helped Japanese directors reach a high level of achievement early."

One thing I find in Japanese films is a lack of exaggeration, and an honesty of expression. In contrast to many Hollywood films of the thirties and the forties, "in Japanese movies there was the depiction of the everyday life of poor folk."

### Postwar Themes

Feudalism had been the theme of early Japanese films, but after World War II, "the Japanese began to remodel their society with such ideas as democracy, equal rights for women, and the importance of the individual." (Here my daughter seriously interjects, "Where do women have rights? In all the films at the Buddhist church the widows and divorcees open up new bars!")

In retrospect, I remember Simultaneously with the having heard some young lady

in the audience sitting behind us criticize the action in one of the old films, saying, "The women don't have any rights, do they?" And yet in recent films seen at the Buddhist church, the women in some of the films not only dominated, but cowed the men. Here my wife explains that the victims are mostly men who married into families having no sons to perpetuate the family name.

American films are exemplified by action, European films have depth of character, and Japanese films "are richest in mood and atmosphere." If you think that an American audience cannot sit through and enjoy a rich although slowly paced Japanese mood film, you would have been pleasantly surprised at the discipline and pleasure exhibited by the audience at the Museum of Modern Art festival of Japanese films.

## Hamilton Senior Center marks 12th anniversary

SAN FRANCISCO—Civic dignitaries as well as Sansei well-wishers were present Aug. 12 to help celebrate the 12th anniversary of Hamilton Senior Center, where 90 per cent of its 100 members are elderly Issei men and women.

A program of Japanese dance and folk singing was provided during the afternoon. Community volunteer workers were recognized and senior citizens responded with entertainment of their own.

## Assembly unit Oks Song's bill on warranty

SACRAMENTO—A comprehensive consumer warranty protection act, first in California's history, cleared the Assembly Committee on Commerce and Public Utilities at a special meeting of the committee Aug. 10. The bill's author, Sen. Alfred H. Song (D-Monterey Park), won approval after agreeing to accept several minor clarifying amendments.

The bill, SB 272, now goes before the full Assembly where a hard-fought battle is expected.

Song's bill had been vigorously opposed by Al Davis, lobbyist for the California Manufacturers Assn., who said the bill would place too heavy a burden on small, out-of-state manufacturers.

Song replied that if a manufacturer wants the advantage of having a warranty, he should pay the costs of servicing his warranty instead of pushing them off on the Californians who buy his products.

"There are always lobbyists here representing the manufacturers," Song said. "I am here to represent the people who pay their hard-earned money for a product that does not work. They need the protection that my bill gives."

The Song bill would make manufacturers live up to the terms of their warranties.

Under the bill retail stores would be responsible for getting defective products promptly repaired if the manufacturer fails to maintain his own repair facilities. The manufacturer in turn would have to reimburse the retailer for his full expenses in making warranty repairs.

### Teahouse concession

SAN JOSE—The City Council approved a three-year contract to have Fred and Masako Kondo operate the teahouse concession in the Japanese Friendship Gardens at Kelley Park. The Kondos will offer tea, snacks, curios and Oriental wines.

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PACIFIC CITIZEN—3

## Seabrook to host next EDC-MDC meet

SEABROOK, N.J.—Plans for the 1971 EDC-MDC convention set for Sept. 9-12 on the Boardwalk in Atlantic City were realistically approached by the Seabrook JACL host chapter committee which met on July 29.

Headed by newly-elected Chapter President John Nakamura, with past presidents Charles Nagao and Vernon Ichisaka shouldering responsibilities as co-chairmen, the convention committee for the ninth biennial joint gathering is being expanded to meet the needs for an all-out successful gathering.

Meanwhile the steering committee was represented at the national convention held in Chicago by Mrs. Sunkie Oye, Mrs. Mary Nagao, Mrs. Ellen Nakamura, John Nakamura, Vernon Ichisaka and Kiyoshi Nakamura.

This being the first convention ever slated on the Atlantic seaboard by the Eastern and Midwest District Councils, the committee has set Thursday as the opening date for business, leaving the weekend for sight-seeing.

### Pre-Registration Package

With Hotel Shelburne as the convention site, an attractive package including registration, room for Thursday through Saturday nights, breakfasts and a banquet, and tickets to Miss America contest finals, is available at pre-convention price of \$79 per person for double occupancy and \$99 per person for single occupancy until May 31, it was disclosed.

Any inquiries regarding the convention should be addressed to Seabrook JACL, Box 3, Seabrook, N.J. 08302.

John Nakamura, who succeeded Ted Oye as chapter

president, was installed by EDC Governor Ira Shimazaki at the installation and graduation recognition dinner held June 20 at Centerton Golf Club.

The dinner featured Father Clement of Philadelphia, missionary of the Maryknoll Fathers, as guest speaker and was attended by some 200 persons.

Other new officers of the Seabrook Chapter are as follows:

Dr. Paul Morita, 1st v.p.; Lenore Nakawata, 2d v.p.; Kiyomi Nakamura, treas.; Mrs. Sunkie Oye, sec.; Mrs. Kimi Nakamura, cor. sec.; Mrs. Ellen Nakamura, del.; Gary Sakamoto, Mrs. Josie Ikeda, alt. del.; Marilyn Hashimoto, hist.; Ted Oye, ex-officio; bd. of directors—Mrs. Audrie DuBois, Mrs. Peggy Fukawa, Vernon Ichisaka, Henry Kato, Mike Minato, Charles Nagao, Sam Serata, Morio Shimomura, Jim Taniguchi, James Yamasaki.

Fr. Clement spoke on the "Timelessness of the Generation Gap" and saw nothing new in that and related the problem to a hit song, "Two Different Worlds." He charged the generation gap was over-emphasized and said the radical youth of today do not represent the voice of the youth any more today than they have in the past.

He said he didn't believe the radical 10 per cent could be reached but emphasized the other 90 per cent must be reached and said it was up to the adults to "think things through and come to conclusions."

The young people need models rather than critics, he continued. "We must want to know what they think and make them know we want to know. The stakes are highest now, perhaps than ever before," he concluded. "We've come a long way but there is still a great step to be taken."

## Matsunaga calls for withdrawal of all troops from Vietnam by July 1972

WASHINGTON—Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) is the co-sponsor of a House Concurrent Resolution calling for the withdrawal of all American military personnel from South Vietnam by July 1, 1972.

The Resolution reaffirms our determination to bring to an end as soon as possible the military involvement of the United States in Vietnam and to seek a just political settlement of the issues involved in the conflict," Matsunaga said.

By setting a specific date for withdrawal of military personnel from Vietnam, Congress would be acting in accordance with its Constitutional authority to declare war

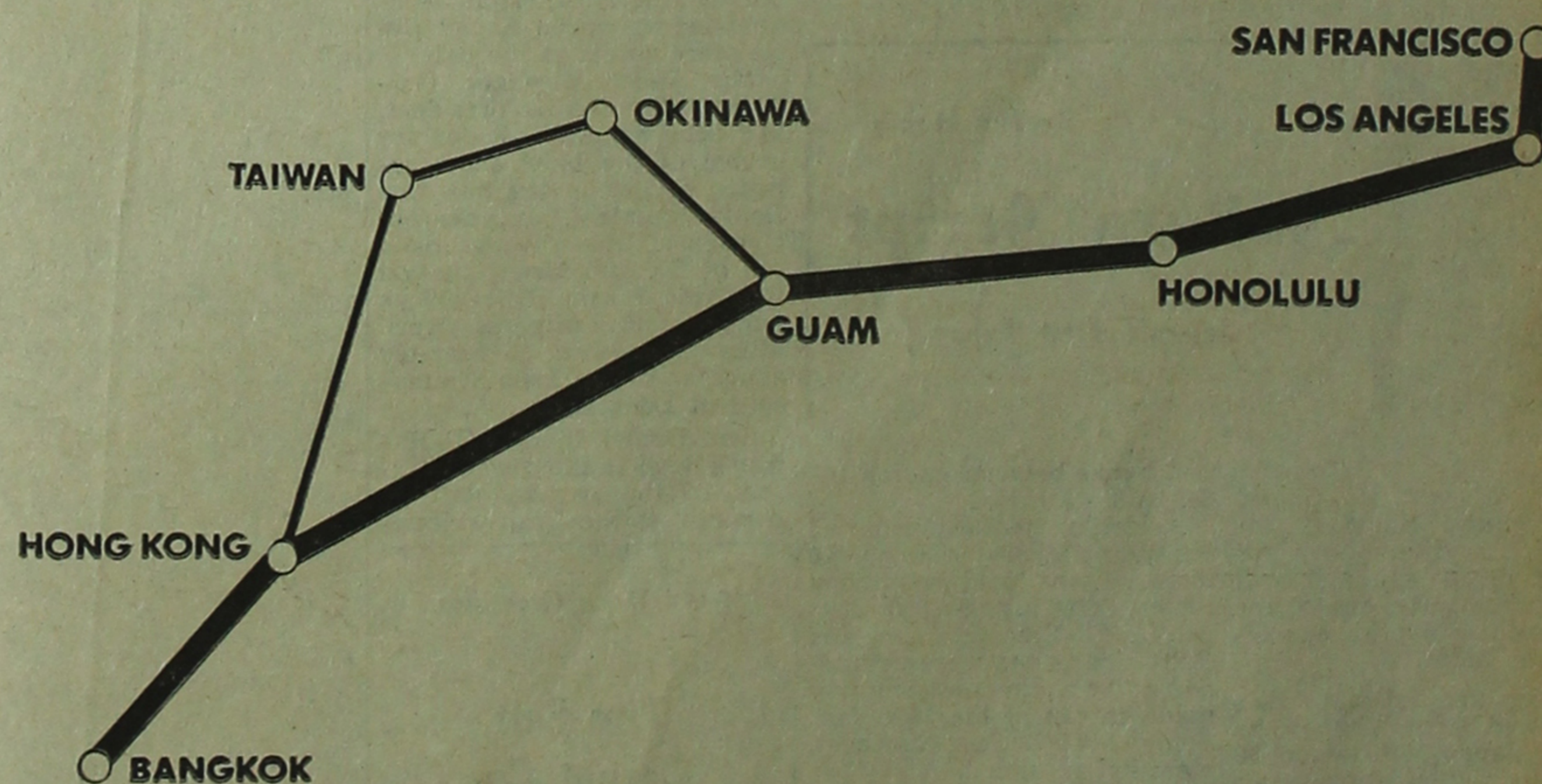
ready been withdrawn from Vietnam and that President Nixon has announced plans for a further reduction of 150,000 troops by May 1, 1971.

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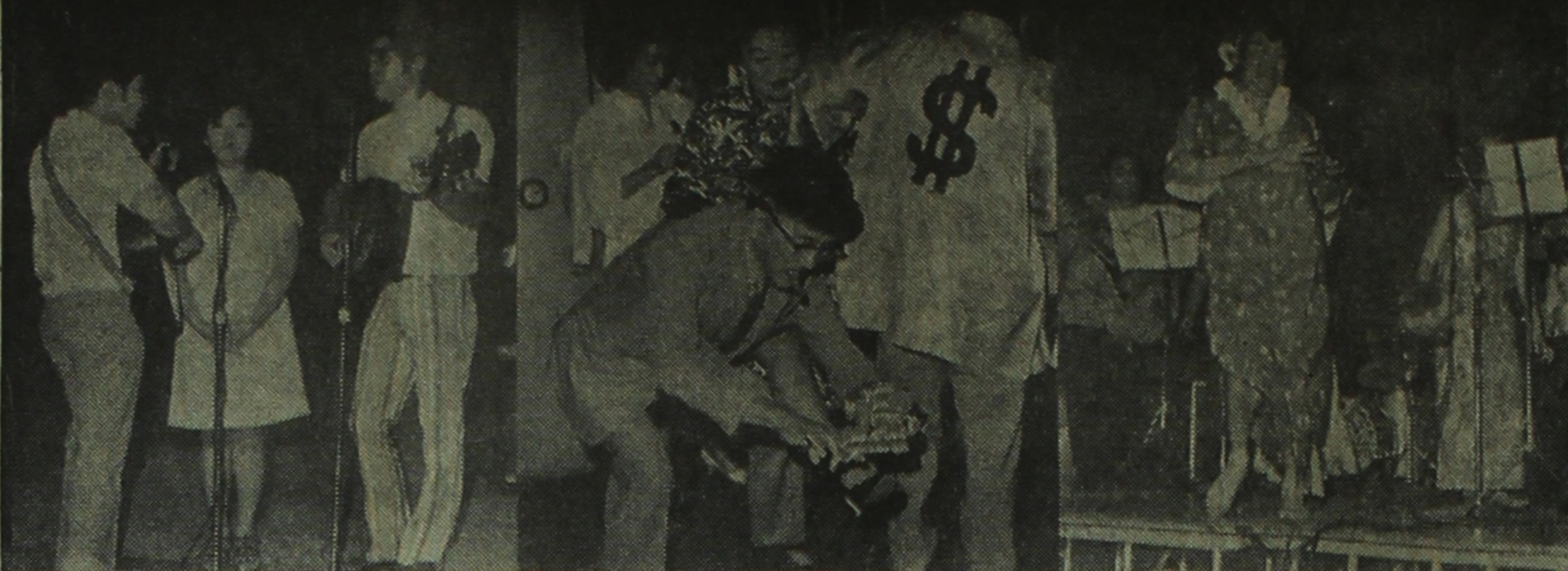
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**IT'S A GAS** — Ray Hirasaka of Chicago catches 1000 Clubbers frolicking at their National Convention whing ding. Upper left photo—PSWers Betty Yumori, Gov. Mas Hironaka and Chizu Kameta. Upper right—Dr. Tom Tamaki leads his Philadelphia chorus with Harold Gordon in straw hat of Chicago strumming his ukulele. Dollar sign happy coat is being worn by Al Hatate. Lower left—That's Wild Bill Matsumoto ripping off a corny joke. Lower middle—Mas Satow with a Gaslight Road Show girl swings in a charleston number. Lower right—Another Gaslight Road Show gal warbles.



**IT'S A GAS**—Other highlights of the 1000 Club whing ding at the recent National Convention in Chicago are pictured. Left—Folk songs sung by Ernie, Lynn Watanabe and Dr. Ron Shigio of Chicago open 1000ers' talent show. Middle—

Mrs. Lily Okura gets her garter from ticket taker. Men wore derbies and bowties—traditional wear at all whing dings. Right—Joe Kadowaki renders a hippy hula with Milwaukee 1000ers providing accompaniment.

#### CONVENTION RECALL

## It Was a Gas!

By Dr. Frank Sakamoto

Chicago  
The National Whing Ding was a huge success at the 48 Club. People were packed "standing room only," and they seemed to enjoy every minute of it as they swayed to the music of the Gaslight quartet. I am still receiving compliments, but the Chicago National Whing Ding Committee, headed by Tak Ochiai, certainly should be commended.

For those who missed it, here are the minute-by-minute happenings. A busload and many individual cars took the convention delegates to the

48 Club. Then the first hour of serious drinking commenced. In the dim-lit atmosphere women in garters and men in derbies prevailed. Peanut shells and table knockers were flying everywhere. Dr. Ron Shigio, Lynn Watanabe, and her brother, Ernie certainly got the vocal groups going with their guitars.

"Wild Bill" Matsumoto (past 1000 Club Chairman) set the tone for an energetic evening, and with his wild jokes he had everyone simply howling. By popular request, Dr. & Mrs. Tom Tamaki and the Philadelphia 1000 Club sang to the tune of "As the Caissons Go Rolling Along." There were many people standing on table tops singing and rocking along with the entertainers.

Then the Midwest dinner was served. The menu consisted of sirloin of beef, baked chicken, and all the trimmings. The motto of the dinner hour was "All you can eat." The 1000 Clubbers were good and hungry, and be assured that they had plenty to eat. We thank the caterers for not only selecting such a tasty menu for us, but also supplying such delectable beauties to serve us. They were really gracious, charming girls. Everyone was in such a mel-low mood that I had to ask them not to dance with the waitresses and to let them serve first. It was every man for himself.

Then the Gaslight Road Show swung into action, and everyone was taken by surprise by not only the beauty but the energy of the group. After being entertained by the Gaslight combo, the Hawaiian troupe from the beer capital, Milwaukee, put on a tremendous Hawaiian review. They finally asked Joe Kadowaki (past 1000 Club Chairman) to do his favorite rendition. Joe did a terrific job and brought the house down on all of us.

Then the balloon nets were opened and balloons floated down everywhere. Inside of these balloons were prizes, and some people certainly went home loaded down with goodies. Incidentally, one of these lucky people was my wife, Toe. She happened to hit the jack pot. This was the first time that she had ever won something, and she received tremendous razzing that it was fixed.

Dr. Tak Inouye of San Jose was noticed serenading Mrs. Betty Yumori, but Betty said that this was one convention where she was not going to lose her voice. I noticed Tom Miyayama floating around as if he had roller skates on. Tak & Helen Kawagoe, adorned with their Gardena happy coats, had a real whale of a time. Everybody was admiring Shig Sugiyama's beautiful voice after he had had 1 or 2 (of you know what!). It was nice to see Ritsuko Kawakami circulating again. I noticed Dr. Jim & Tilly Taguchi having a really good time. Nobu Tsuboi was really cutting a mean charleston. And I have to thank Eddie Jonokuchi for collecting some \$60 from those who did not want their ties

cut and the girls who weren't wearing their garters. When the Gaslight group came back on they called many prominent leaders to "do their thing". I must say that immediate past president Jerry Enomoto certainly can do a mean jig. I also noted that National Director Mas Satow does a mean charleston as well as many who were asked to make this Whing Ding a successful one.

I'm sorry I can't remember all the names, but I thank each and every one of you for coming to make this Whing Ding the great success that it was. Believe me, it was a pleasure to be your 1000 Club Chairman four years or two bienniums. I hope to see you in Japan on Oct. 22, 1971, in Tokyo for the international Whing Ding. If you think this one was good, wait till you get to Tokyo! And just for now — "Sayonara!" (Please note the pictures by Ray Hirasaka.)

#### EVACUATION PHOTO

#### DISPLAY EVOKES INTEREST

SAN FRANCISCO — "Nisei: Americans Once Removed," a dramatic photographic display of the Evacuation, has been attracting considerable interest and attention at the Western Addition Public Library. The exhibit was part of a July 29 lecture when Edison Uno spoke on "Concentration Camp, U.S.A. — Can It Happen Again?" to a capacity audience.

Before coming to the library, the travelling display, through the efforts of the Sacramento Samsel group, was shown in the rotunda of the California State Capitol. Negotiations are underway for the display to be shown next at the California State Fair.

#### Fuji film coming

NEW YORK — Fuji Photo Film Co. will introduce its film products in the U.S. this summer. Fuji accounts for three-quarters of the Japanese photo film market.



#### Strictly Marginal

Roy Sano

## Nisei Week —

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popping cameramen that will be following her for the rest of the week.

This being the 30th annual Nisei Week Festival, but the 29th queen, traditions have encrusted the Nisei community's most fashionable event to one of quiet fury. Celebrities from the greater community abound, but the queen committee has a responsibility seen to it that the night belongs to the candidates. It was an elegant production, despite slight delays caused by what appeared to be some on-the-spot improvisations.

Before Nisei Week closes this weekend with its Little Tokyo parade Sunday afternoon, Queen JoAnn and her court of eight princesses will have endured a whirlwind of tours and visits, calls upon city and county officials and smattering of Japanese culture.

#### One Withdrawal

As a footnote to the Coronation Ball, one girl, Joy Kodama representing Hollywood JACL, took ill a week prior and had to be hospitalized. This was the first time in Festival history a candidate had to withdraw.

With the Pacific Southwest JACL as sponsors of the Coronation Ball this year, called to dance in the Queen's Waltz were a number of JACLers led by district governor Mas Hironaka of San Diego. Akira Ohno of West L.A. and Kiyoshi Kawai of Downtown L.A., were co-chairmen of the coronation ball.

The panel of judges was composed of: Hidekazu Tamura of C. Itoh & Co., Taro Muramatsu of Mitsui & Co., singer Aki Hara, director William Chulack of Paramount Studios, film star Barbara Werle, former Nisei Week queen Faith Higurashi Ono and TV star Peter Lupus of "Mission Impossible".

#### Festival Footnotes

For the first time, the entire five-member court of the Honolulu Cherry Blossom Festival led by queen Kathy Horio were guests at the ball.

Mrs. Helen Kawagoe, Gardena Valley JACL president, had been beaming all day for prince of the baby show selected earlier in the day was Denis Nakatani, Jr., also of Gardena. The five-year-old son of Dr. and Mrs. Nakatani will ride in the Nisei Week parade with princess April Mika Thompson, 3-year-old daughter of the Dale Thompsons of Long Beach.

Sen. Daniel Inouye (D-Hawaii), who is the grand marshal of the parade, will be honored at the Festival banquet.

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## AURA in Oakland

Oakland  
Can Chinese, Filipinos and Japanese work together in the Oakland Asian town project? Many people doubt they can. The doubters base their opinions on a record which reach far into the past. Cooperation has virtually been absent.

The organizing meeting for the Oakland Asian town project gives us reason to think times have changed. It took place Aug. 6, at the Lincoln Elementary School, 10th and Jackson Sts., Oakland.

Charles Chao, metallurgist and community leader, presided at the meeting attended by nearly 100 people. Gerald Leo, director at the Richmond Model City program and an Oakland resident, presented the report of the interim committee.

The committee drew up the plans for a citizen's participation organization which will advise the Oakland Redevelopment Agency. The report circulated in the community for three weeks. It called for a governing body with four representatives from the Chinese, Filipino and Japanese communities. In addition the immediate neighborhood would provide five more representatives.

The proposal was adopted by 26 persons voting for and 16 voting against the measure. The vote came after a lengthy discussion and, at times, heated debate. An alternative plan which would have given the Chinese an even larger control over the Board was rejected by a large majority.

The vote which adopted the proposal represents a broad base in favor of an Asian town, instead of a strictly Chinatown project. And yet, the debate preceding the final

decision manifested the persisting isolation, if not competition, within the East Bay Asian community.

The participation of the Chinese, Filipinos and Japanese in this cooperative venture might prove the best means of developing greater trust and mutual understanding among these groups. Community spirit, social betterment and economic profit will not come easily nor quickly. The coming months and years call for considerable work, quality leadership and widespread participation.

James Ishimaru gave many hours to the work of the interim committee, serving as the vice-chairman. The Oakland JACL board members attending the organizing meeting included Charles St. Germaine, David Iino, Roy Maru and this writer. Iino represented the Lake Park United Methodist Church at these meetings.

Charles Chao, the temporary chairman, brought back a banner from his recent vacation in Asia. The huge red banner fringed in yellow read in English, Chinese, Japanese and Filipino: Asian Urban Renewal Association. It spells AURA.

Some people are waiting to see what emanates from this organization. We hope more people will try to help determine what comes from AURA. It could mean an attractive center for Asian residents, business operations, professional services and cultural activities.

We would welcome hearing from Asian developers, restaurateurs, photographers, hair stylists, merchants, etc. Do you have any prospects we might approach?



By Jim Henry

## Sakura Script

Japan's First Expo

Tokyo  
Expo '70 with its theme, "Progress and Harmony for Mankind", is drawing toward the end of its run and will surely prove to be one of the most popular world exhibitions ever held.

It brings to mind that Asia's first world exposition to be held in Japan with some 50 countries participating was planned for 1940 to mark the 2,600th anniversary of the founding of the Japanese empire. The slogan then was "Harmony Between Eastern and Western Cultures." Concrete plans were already afoot by 1930 to have the major fair site located at Tsukishima in Tokyo and a second site in Yokohama. Advance tickets were sold in 1937.

However, due to the worsening international situation involving Japan the fair was postponed for an indefinite period. Plans to hold a Tokyo Olympics the same year were also shelved.

#### 1938 Tickets

Some 1,000,000 ¥10 sets of 12 tickets went on sale at the time and ¥5 sets of six tickets were sold through post offices

and banks between March 10-24, 1938.

According to documents of the Association for Expo '70 most of the sold admission tickets offering ¥2,000 first prizes, ¥100 second prizes and ¥10 third prizes were refunded after the decision was made to cancel the 1940 fair. Some 140,000 sets, however, were not refunded.

Though most of the unredeemed tickets were burned or lost during the war, the association believes at least 14,000 sets have been preserved by enthusiastic collectors.

The association decided to make the old admission tickets valid for the current exposition. One set of six or 12 old tickets is exchanged for one adult or child admission ticket for the present fair.

#### 400 Tickets Exchanged

Over 400 tickets have been exchanged so far. Most of them came from the Tokyo and Yokohama areas, according to an official. He said one person exchanged 10 sets at one time.

Like they say, if you save something long enough you'll find a use for it, even if it takes 30 years.

## Hawaii attorneys ask end to S.E. Asian war

WASHINGTON — Sen. Daniel K. Inouye last week (Aug. 10) inserted in the Congressional Record a petition signed by 61 lawyers in Hawaii in support of the Church-Copper and McGovern-Hatfield amendments.

The Hawaii Democrats said, "As a co-sponsor of the amendment to end the war, I am gratified by this positive response in the Hawaiian legal profession."

The petition was forwarded by attorneys Jeffery Watanabe and James King. Inouye commended them for "their initiative and forceful response to the continuation of this tragic war in Southeast Asia."

## Japanese Mini Park

SAN FRANCISCO — A Japanese cultural mini park was dedicated Aug. 12 on Post St. between Fillmore and Webster. It was constructed under a Youth for Service program, which trains youth, most of whom are black, for jobs. Happiness was evident on the faces of the black youngsters when Mayor Joseph Alioto and Nichibei Kai president Eizo Miyahara praised the workmanship.

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JoAnn Uemura of Gardena in regal splendor as 1970 Nisei Week Queen. —Photo Courtesy Kashu Mainichi

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By UTE HIRANO

Seattle  
The Seattle Betsuin Boy Scouts Drum & Bugle Corps and 23-member All-Girl Color Guards are currently on a 23-day visit to Japan. When their chartered Boeing 707 from World Airways left here at the ungodly hour of 3 a.m. (July 31), the passenger list showed 185 persons as there were parents and families plus 50 in the Tacoma Boy Scouts kankodan.

## NORTHWEST TODAY

Tour leader Rinban Kenryo Kumata will be reporting to his new assignment with Buddhist Churches of America after seeing all the tourists are boarded on the return flight for Seattle Aug. 23. Tour manager George Mamuya hopefully left here with his family of five to enjoy a few days of vacation when he isn't bogged down with his additional duties as chief.

Plans for this trip were formulated two years ago, following a visit here by Nippon leaders and Scouts who were enroute to Camp Farragut, Idaho, for an international encampment. Theirs was an invitation to attend an international gathering in Japan in 1971.

### First Extended Trip

It is the first extended trip for members of Seattle Buddhist Church Troop and Explorer Post 252. The invitation had the blessing of troop committee as it would be educational and further goodwill. Most of the youngsters are third or fourth generation and it was felt the trip to Japan would help them become better aware of their heritage.

The boys, girls and their parents have had to work hard to meet their \$24,000 travel fund. Their 3-year plans were cut to two when it was decided to make the trip this year rather than next summer because many of the boys would be too old for Scouting and would be left out.

At the civic sendoff, Mayor Wes Uhlman officially designated them official goodwill ambassadors for Seattle and for the state.

After sightseeing the Tokyo-Kanagawa area for six days, the Scouts left the kankodan to attend the all Japan Scouts Jamboree at Asagiri. The corps directed by Frank Minear was to have played in the opening ceremony, officially representing the Chief Seattle Council of Boy Scouts of America.

Scoutmaster is Kuni P. Sakaguchi, assisted by Ben Sakai and Shigeto Ishikawa. Explorer adviser is Tsu Kanazaki and institutional representative is Aizo Kosai.

### Visit Kobe-Osaka

The Scouts rejoined the group after two days to proceed south to Kobe, Seattle's sister city for a 3-day stay and Expo 70. More performances were on the schedule at these places as official emissaries, but spreading good will is nothing new for this group.

The Betsuin Corps has been called upon to perform a variety of civic affairs such as the Portland Rose Festival, Tacoma Daffodil parade, Seattle Seafair and other community functions in the Puget Sound area.

Performances at Bon Odori including jaunts over the border to Vancouver, B.C., dedication of the Portland Buddhist Church, welcome banquet for Lord Abbott and Lady Ohtani and Northwest Chinese conventions are some of activities participated in by the corps.

### The Imperials

Meanwhile back at home, Seattle's other corps of note, the Imperials, are preparing for the National American Legion competition Aug. 29-30 in Portland. They took an 18-day trip to the North American Championship in Milwaukee and Midwest earlier this summer.

The Imperials this year successfully defended their state championships for corps and color guard competition at the PNW and American Legion meets.

They will put on an exhibition for their sponsors, boosters and public on Aug. 23.

## L.A. seeks center to aid Orientals

LOS ANGELES — A county community center to service the four Oriental groups (Chinese, Japanese, Korean and Filipino) within an area bordered by Little Tokyo, Chinatown and Temple-Alvarado with personnel reaching out to the groups may be established, according to a study committee which has been meeting for the past two months.

Among organizations participating are: JACL, Oriental Social & Health Society, Oriental Service Center, Assn. of Asian Social Workers, JACS, International Institute, Chinatown Youth Assn., Wah Chin Chinese Youth, Commission on Human Relations.

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6:30-10 p.m.—Japanese Pop Music (I).....Koyasan Hall

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19

1-9 p.m.—Art Show.....Nishi Hongwanji (New)  
6:30-10 p.m.—Japanese Pop Music (II).....Koyasan Hall

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 20

1-9 p.m.—Art Show.....Nishi Hongwanji (New)  
7-10 p.m.—Minyo (Folk Music).....Koyasan Hall

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 21

1-9 p.m.—Art Show.....Nishi Hongwanji (New)  
1-9 p.m.—Bankai and Sunae.....Sun Bldg. (Rooms 302-303)  
7:30-9:30 p.m.—Shigin Talkai.....Nishi Hongwanji (Old)  
7:30-11 p.m.—Talent Show.....Koyasan Hall

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 22

3-5:30 p.m.—Shorinji-Kempo Embukai.....Koyasan Hall  
6-9 p.m.—Ono Dancing.....Weller St.  
6:30-8:30 p.m.—Sen. Daniel Inouye dinner.....Los Angeles Hilton  
7-10 p.m.—Karate (So. Calif.).....Koyasan Hall

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1-9 p.m.—Artistic Doll Crafts.....Zenshuji  
1-9 p.m.—Art Show.....Nishi Hongwanji (New)  
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1-9 p.m.—Bonsai.....Zenshuji  
1-9 p.m.—Calligraphy.....Zenshuji  
1-12 p.m.—Carnival.....County Parking Lot  
1-11 p.m.—Flower Arrangement.....Union Church  
1-9 p.m.—Photo Exhibit.....Zenshuji  
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8-12n.—Skeet Shoot.....23000 S. Alameda, Long Beach  
9-12n.—Tennis.....East Los Angeles College  
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### The Real Dope

A few years ago, a number of social scientists like Dr. Kitano of UCLA were talking about the loss of racial identity among the Sansei. Along with this loss of identity, he and others made predictions of an increase in juvenile delinquency among the Sansei.

A little more than a year ago, the Yellow Brotherhood was organized. The YB set their program up to, hopefully, deal with the problems of drug abuse, gang fighting and school dropouts. The general response from the community seemed to be a rather simplified rationalization. Since the Yellow Brotherhood was the only organization addressing itself to these problems in the Asian American community, it was dismissed as an isolated phenomenon. In short, the general analysis was that there was no problem.

In subsequent months, a group in Gardena was formed called the Come Together Family. Though Come Together varied from YB in its approach to the problem, the problems were the same. In Gardena, last year, about nine Sansei died from drug overdose.

More recently, groups sprang up in East Los Angeles and Silverlake area. All of these groups, Yellow Brotherhood, the Come Together Family, Asian American Hard Core, Go For Broke, League of Volunteered Enthusiasts are saying, "There is a problem. We are the problem." And, sadly, the general response from the community is, "It's not my kid."

In all honesty, I will state that I cannot give enthusiastic endorsement to any of the groups. I make this statement with a deep sense of disappointment and frustration. For awhile now, I've had associations with all of these groups and have worked closely with one in particular.

From the beginning, I understood that the track record on drug abuse rehabilitation was poor. If we would make statistical comparisons on rates of rehabilitation between these groups and other groups, the record might look good on paper. But that's like saying that we are satisfied by the fact that only nine died in Gardena rather than ten. The numbers game seems in poor taste when you're talking about human lives.

Then, too, the numbers game detracts us from noticing that a great many others, who have not as yet died from drug abuse overdose, are facing a serious crisis in their lives. The numbers game neglects the anguish of parents and friends. It's a poor game and we ought to quit playing it.

I said that I was disappointed and frustrated. You see, when I returned from the Chicago Convention, I found out that some of the people in these groups had gone through a serious setback. I think I understand that they were sniffing paint and glue, and dropping Red Devils (second capsules), not because they wanted to screw up, but because "they like the high." I know that they understand the effects of these drugs, because we've gone over that a number of times.

I don't think that any of the people working in this area have the answers. The state of things pretty much indicates that. We've made the progression from "there's no problem" to "It's not my kid."

Recently, the Yellow Brotherhood began a campaign to bring the issue into the community on a number of levels. They began their fund drive, sending out 30,000 letters asking for contributions for a youth center. They had about a 3% response to date.

Then, they began a community information seminar on drug abuse to educate adults on the problems, and brought in various professionals to participate in this program. I was away at the National Convention, when this series began, but I understand that very few people attended.

Today, I received a number of calls from frantic parents. It's like answering the phone is beginning to become a bummer.

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### IN CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

### Matsunaga in tribute to Jr. JACLers in wake of Chicago Convention tragedy

WASHINGTON—The Jr. JACLers attending the recent Chicago convention "might have erupted in righteous rage, but they didn't," declared Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) in his preface to the Congressional Record reprint of the lead story appearing in the July 24 Pacific Citizen; "Murder Stuns Convention; Youth Maintain Calm, Order," written by Edison Uno and Raymond Okamura.

In commending the Jr. JACLers for their responsible actions in the wake of tragedy, Matsunaga said, "they have set an example for the Nation's youth to emulate."

The remarks and PC story appeared in the Aug. 6 Record. The preface follows:

Mr. MATSUNAGA. Mr. Speaker, over the last few years we have all seen instances where a violent incident has provoked an

even more violent and regrettable reaction. Although this lawless reaction can never be condoned, we can nevertheless understand how flagrant injustice can often set off a conflagration.

Recently in Chicago such a violent incident occurred during the convention of the Japanese American Citizens League. Two young girls had been brutally knifed in their hotel room; one was dead. Under different circumstances, the Junior JACLers might have erupted in righteous rage.

These young men and women instead fashioned themselves into an extension of the authorities who were investigating the tragedy. As the article from a recent issue of the Pacific Citizen relates, they conducted themselves in a remarkably poised manner.

I commend the members of the Junior JACL for their responsible actions in the wake of tragedy. They have set an example for the Nation's youth to emulate. In the hope that I have given the wide readership it deserves, I include the article from the Pacific Citizen into the Congressional Record.

William "Mo" Marumoto, 34, charter president of the Orange County JAYs and now assistant to the Secretary, Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare, Washington, will be guest speaker at the OC JAYs installation banquet Sept. 3, 7 p.m., at the Airport Inn, opposite the Orange County airport in Newport Beach.

The Orange County JACL rummage sale for the benefit of Justin Ogata, Costa Mesa high school student who was paralyzed in a freak wrestling accident, grossed \$320, according to Karen Kaizuka, chairman. The sale was conducted July 25 at Fountain Valley Shopping Center, owned by John Tadokoro, longtime chapter 1000 Clubber.

All seats are reserved. Tickets are \$10 (\$8 for Jr. JACLers), and must be purchased in advance as none will be sold at the door. For tickets contact:

Grace Kozen, 241 - 10th Ave. (221-0209) or Louise Koike, 267 - 24th Ave. (386-5980); Jr. JACLers—Susan Yoshimura, 271 - 6th Ave. (221-4933).

Claudia Kadota, Miss Pasadena in the 1970 Nisei Week queen contest, was introduced to Pasadena JACL members and friends enjoying their annual steak bake Aug. 2 at the

residence of Dr. and Mrs. Joe Abe. The ever hilarious white elephant auction concluded the annual event.

The chapter is also manning booths at the Japanese Cultural Center bazaar Aug. 30 and at the Altadena First Presbyterian Church bazaar Sept. 9, turning over proceeds to the sponsors to further their work in the community.

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## Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

### Crime File

A tipoff by neighbors who were concerned about strangers in their peaceful neighborhood led to the raid in which suspected bank robber Earl H.B. Lum, 23, was killed July 22.

Lum, an ex-convict and Hawaii Jail escapee who had spent most of his life behind bars, was shot several times by police and once by a shotgun in a rented house at 165 Kapaa St., Windward Oahu. He was the prime suspect in two bank holdups in a period of two weeks, the \$9,000 robbery at First Hawaiian Bank's Kaimuki branch on July 10 and the \$5,300 robbery at the Bank of Hawaii in Kapahulu July 20.

Lum first made newspaper headlines at the age of 17 with a bold escape from the Hawaii Youth Correctional Facility. Lum's holdup of the Kapahulu bank was the island's fourth bank robbery this year and the second in 10 days.

Sen. Heiden Porteus believes "the Governor ought to call former police chief Dan Liu back" and put him in a cabinet position to coordinate statewide operations against crime.

The Oahu grand jury has indicted for first degree murder the three men involved in the June 27 fatal beating of Masaharu Obara, 60 co-owner of the XYZ Market, they are Warren K. Kaahani, 24; Delbert K. Wakinekona, 26; and Harold A. Kalani, 24.

Because of the Obara murder case, one will not find many small stores open in the Kapaemahu area of Honolulu. The merchants are afraid. An example of what could happen to merchants as a result of the case may be cited. Jane and Charles Takara, owners of the J & C Store, 612 N. School St., have sold their store to the William Pules. The Takaras did so after they were robbed three times within a few months.

Jimmy's Meat Market, owned by Jimmy Miyashiro, now closes at 9:30 p.m. during the week and 8:30 p.m. on Sundays. Closing times used to be 11:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m., respectively.

Mrs. Charles Onishi, wounded June 14 when police fired a shotgun at a car driven by her ex-convict former husband, Edward Onishi, has filed a \$1 million lawsuit against the city through attorney Hyman Greenstein. Mrs. Onishi allegedly had been abducted by her ex-husband and was an unwilling passenger in his car. Mrs. Onishi is asking \$500,000 in general and \$500,000 punitive damages.

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and raise armies, Matsunaga said. "The Resolution would not interfere with the president's authority as Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces," he concluded.

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### Military News

Gen. William C. Westmoreland, Army chief of staff, decorated six Isle of GIs during his recent trip to Honolulu. Receiving medals from the highest ranking army officer in the country were Lt. Thomas P. Tisdale, Spec. 4 Leroy T. Kuboyama, Capt. Hiroshi Kato, Sgt. Walter L. Takamori, and Spec. 4 John L. Sullivan. Presentation ceremonies were at Tripler Army Hospital where the soldiers are confined.

Two Hawaii soldiers have been posthumously awarded the Republic of Vietnam's Military Merit Medal, they are Cpl. Rodney T. Fukunaga and Sgt. Rodney Yano, both of Kealahou on the Big Island.

### Rep. Spoke

Rep. Spark M. Matsunaga has told his campaign workers he has decided against challenging Republican Sen. Hiram L. Fong this year and instead will seek re-election to the U.S. House of Representatives. Under Hawaii's new two-district plan, Matsunaga will run from Honolulu; incumbent Democrat Mrs. Patsy T. Mink will run from rural Oahu and the neighbor islands. Republicans have not yet fielded any candidates for Hawaii's two U.S. House seats.

Joy Ann, 32, has announced her candidacy for the state house of representatives. She's a Democrat. Other candidates: State House Speaker Tadao Beppu (D) for re-election; State Sen. Kenneth F. Brown (D) for re-election; David Hagino, 23, (D) a Univ. of Hawaii senior, for the House; Masaru Honbo (R), an employee of the state dept. of accounting and general services, for the House; Peter S. Iha (D) for re-election to the House; Charles V. Kanehiro (D), director of special services for the Hawaii Education Committee, for the House; Robert S. Kimura (D) for re-election to the House; Toraki Matsumoto (D) for re-election to the city council; Raymond S. Ford (D) retired principal of Waianae High School, to the board of education; and J. J. Walker (D) for re-election to the House.

Ralph Kiyosaki (R), who was recruited into 1970 politics by Republican Samuel P. King, says he will "not run in tandem" with either King or Heiden Porteus, the Republican gubernatorial candidates. Kiyosaki resigned in June as superintendent of schools to seek GOP nomination for Lt. Governor.

Dr. Tom Ige, Univ. of Hawaii professor and chairman of the Thomas Gill for Governor Committee, is in Lehi, Hawaii, undergoing treatment for tuberculosis. Royce Higa, who resigned recently as deputy director of the Dept. of Social Services, will replace Ige as the active co-ordinator of the Gill campaign.

### Health Statistics

The latest tabulation shows that Hawaii, again, leads the nation with the highest active tuberculosis case rate. Hawaii's rate for 1969 was 41 per 100,000 population, which is just about double the nationwide rate, according to the Hawaii Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Assn. The association attributed Hawaii's high rate primarily to high incidence among foreign-born persons. While the foreign-born make up only 12 per cent of the state's population, the new active TB rate among them is 206 per 100,000. That compares with a rate of 15 among U.S.-born persons in Hawaii—lower than the national average.

The latest study of the American Social Health Assn. shows that Hawaii's venereal disease rate is one of the lowest in the nation. However, state health dept. statistics give little reason for island-

ers to rejoice because the low represents a high in Hawaii. Gonorrhea is on the increase in Hawaii as elsewhere. There were 267 gonorrhea cases reported in the state in 1969, for a rate of 44.4 per 100,000.

In 1968, the caseload jumped to 385, giving a rate of 79.4 per 100,000. The 1969 total reported caseload was 996, of which 289 occurred among military personnel.

### Gun Smugglers

Joseph Gadan, assistant U.S. district attorney, has urged long prison terms for two convicted gun smugglers, charging they are involved in organized crime in Honolulu. The two, George Ekita, and Richard Kaneshiro, were found guilty by jury trial of two charges involving the smuggling of police revolvers into Japan.

### Names in the News

Kathleen P. O'Sullivan, 18, daughter of the Francis L.K. O'Sullivans of 734 Kanaha St., Kailua, has been named the 1970 Miss Hawaii. She has succeeded Sheryl Akaka, the 1969 Miss Hawaii. In addition to a farewell appearance by Sheryl, Judith Higa, the 1969 Miss Aloha Hawaii, danced a hula, and Debbie Gima, the 1968 Miss Hawaii, repeated her show-stopping vocal rendition of "Kanehoehoe."

Milton De Mello, deputy superintendent of the State Dept. of Education's windward Oahu district, has been appointed to the \$30,000-a-year post of director of education in American Samoa. He was named to the post by Gov. John M. Haydon of Samoa. Daid K. Trask, executive director of the Hawaiian Government Employees Assn., is now the highest paid labor leader in Hawaii. His salary has been raised to \$28,150 a year. For a number of years, Arthur A. Rutledge, pres. of the Hawaii Teamsters and of the Hotel Workers Union, had been the top paid labor chief in the islands.

James Yamamoto has been elected to a two-year term as pres. of the Hawaii chapter of the American Institute of Planners. He succeeds James Bell, who was elected to the executive committee.

### At City Hall

City Councilman Clesson Y. Chikasyue, has been elected president of the National Assn. of Counties. Chikasyue, a Sansei, is the first member of a racial minority group to become pres. of the association. He was elected at the organization's 35th annual convention in Atlanta.

### Traffic Accidents

Two persons were in the Queen's Medical Center Aug. 1 with serious injuries from a two-car collision on Pali Highway at Waialana St. In guarded condition was Takeo Yoshikawa, 66, of 6036 Kailanaloa Highway, pres. of Yoshikawa Development Co. A passenger in his car, Shigeo Hirata, 53, of 108 Waokanaka Place, was in serious condition.

### Deaths

Shigetō Kanemoto, 46, chief clerk of the state house of representatives since 1962, died July 13 of cancer of the stomach at Queen's Medical Center. An attorney, he had long been active in the Democratic party.

Mrs. Kiko Ito, who observed her 100th birthday July 5, died July 25 in a Honolulu hospital. She was a Waipahu resident.

Harao Kato, 58, of Kukuia, Kauai, died July 24 of injuries received in a two-car accident.

## New health act jams up hospital

LOS ANGELES—The Metropolitan State Hospital in Norwalk has been providing hospitalization for 800 to 1,000 new admissions each month as well as handling the regional job of screening and providing certain out-patient services under contracts with the

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## BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman

### Tribulations of Paul Rusch

THE ROAD TO KEEP: The Story of Paul Rusch in Japan, by Elizabeth Anne Hemphill, Walker/Weatherhill, 196 pages, \$4.95.

About 1850, Harriet Beecher Stowe, wife of a professor at Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine, began to release installments of Uncle Tom's Cabin; or, Life Among the Lowly for serialization in an abolitionist newspaper. This dramatization of the plight of the Negro slaves, published in book form in 1852, hardened sentiment against slavery and helped to bring about the Civil War.

The author of The Road to Keep points out a novel that played an analogous role in our own time, forming public opinion and affecting American foreign policy: The Good Earth.

Pearl Buck, who was to write The Good Earth, had been born of American missionaries in China. As early as 1923 her articles and stories about Chinese life had appeared in U.S. magazines. But she first gained wide attention with The Good Earth, which appeared in 1931. The novel sympathetically describes the struggle of a Chinese peasant and his family to acquire land and status.

Effect of Pearl Buck

Wooded by this heady, though unintentional, propaganda, American opinion was swayed to the cause of China; American prejudice hardened against Japan. "China missionaries became not only pro-Chinese and pro-Chiang but bitterly anti-Japanese. This bias extended to include the missionaries to Japan."

Of all the obstacles Paul Rusch had to surmount on his road to KEEP, the prejudice of his own countrymen was possibly the most formidable. He had arrived in Japan in 1925 to help rebuild the YM-C.A. headquarters in Tokyo, which had been destroyed by the great earthquake two years earlier. A veteran of World War I, age 28, he aspired to be a hotel manager. He planned to remain in Japan only one year.

He stayed to become treasurer of St. Paul's University, Rikkyo, which had been established by the Episcopal Church, reluctantly becoming a missionary. Out of St. Paul's had grown St. Luke's Hospital; he branched out into fund-raising for this institution.

Returning in 1931 from a fund-raising campaign in America, Rusch founded the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, directed toward the young men of Japan. He found a campsite for the brotherhood near the village of Kiyosato, in the mountains of Yamaguchi Prefecture, within sight of Mount Fuji.

### Mountain Camp

The camp, Seisen Ryo (Pure Spring Hostel), was a success. But Japan had gone to war

county. Dr. George Y. Abe, superintendent, said it has received no extra personnel to staff the contract services, thus forcing a number of Metropolitan staff to "steal" personnel from regular wards to handle new admissions, which have nearly doubled since the new mental health act went into effect.

The Metropolitan staff is also angered by the state's apparent attempt to save money by depriving the hospital of extra staff. They are further incensed by the fact that a nearby county agency responsible for out-patient services has been operating below its potential because of the lack of space.

The first of October, the county agency is expected to operate in new quarters—about 35 months from the date of the original request for space—to alleviate matters at Metropolitan State Hospital.

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### ON UNDERSTANDING DISSENT AND LOYALTY

Concerned observers of JACL may look with consuming interest and with compassion and good will of the open controversies which have confronted the organization. Recent examples are the Hosokawa book title and Hayakawa for Nisei of the Biennium. Dissent in JACL is not new but the extraordinary measure of its emergence this past biennium within a supposedly monolithic organization is a phenomenon sociologists might care to study some day—not so much the dissent but the nervous reaction that it has occasioned.

Given a set of circumstances, one can expect an upsurge of dissent, the sociologists tell us, and a testing of one's loyalty in the life experience of any organized group. Studies made on a variety of groups suggest that dissent increases when the following conditions prevail: (1) Expansion of new ideas within a group, (2) Traditional sources becoming inadequate for solution of current problems, (3) Frustrations caused by unfulfilled expectations.

Getting more involved in the community as an organization is an expansion of the old idea that JACL encourages its members to get active with other groups. That JACL become more active means stepping up its own resources rather than "letting George do it". And some have been frustrated at the speed, or lack of, with which the JACL moves.

So the sociologist would tell us to expect more dissent. We can agree as the diversity of opinion among members about the direction in which JACL should move can be considerable. We've seen the questions raised: How far should JACL go in civil rights, international relations, with membership benefits, etc.

In the same context, people in JACL's basic area of concern—those of Japanese ancestry—are experiencing a general upgrading of its educational level, a heightening of sensitivity on many issues and thus causing them to wonder what JACL can do. At least the pace of leadership will be challenged.

Sociologists explain tension in a group can develop from the tendency to honor "sacred cows", imposing an air of mystery to the decision-making processes and to a lack of communication. But the sociologists would consider the phenomenon of loyalty more important in the life of a group since dissent can be disruptive or unhealthy. They do not assume dissent to be always productive or helpful.

Sociologists define loyalty as an affirmation of the highest things one finds within oneself rather than the suppression of oneself for the sake of an institution. Loyalty is a desire to have those highest things shared by others as well as a recognition of present inadequacies.

Loyalty is a feeling of desire to protect and foster an organization because of its importance to one's own identity and as a means to insure its ability to nurture others in the same way one has been nurtured by it. Sociologists see loyalty as something necessary to the life of any group.

While the roles of leadership will include gearing the organization to live with and benefit from dissent, loyalty can be increased by sharing of responsibilities and accountability at all levels, the sociologists advise. Much help can be had from greater openness with respect to the processes of the organization, thereby insuring greater legitimacy of decisions.

As for the individual, he must realize JACL is still growing though it can be painful. By understanding change as a factor of life, it is also a sign of one's loyalty to the traditions for which JACL was established—"For Better Americans in a Greater America."

### FOOTNOTES TO HIROSHIMA-NAGASAKI

This year, more than any other in recent years, there have been more stories of the nuclear havoc wrought upon Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Release of the hitherto secret films of the devastation, a copy of which National JACL has purchased for chapter and community use, and its showing on television during the week marking the 25th anniversary of the horrors of Hiroshima has had a telling effect for the viewers of the latest news from Vietnam are well aware of what conventional weapons can despoil.

Leslie Nakashima, veteran UPI correspondent in Tokyo who had been stranded in Japan during the war, was the first American to file a Tokyo dateline story since Pearl Harbor by describing Hiroshima two weeks after Aug. 6. He had gone there in search of his mother who lived in the outskirts.

"Alighting from the train, I found that the Hiroshima station—once one of the largest in western Japan—no longer existed. The only thing left was a concrete platform I was dumbfounded at the destruction before me.

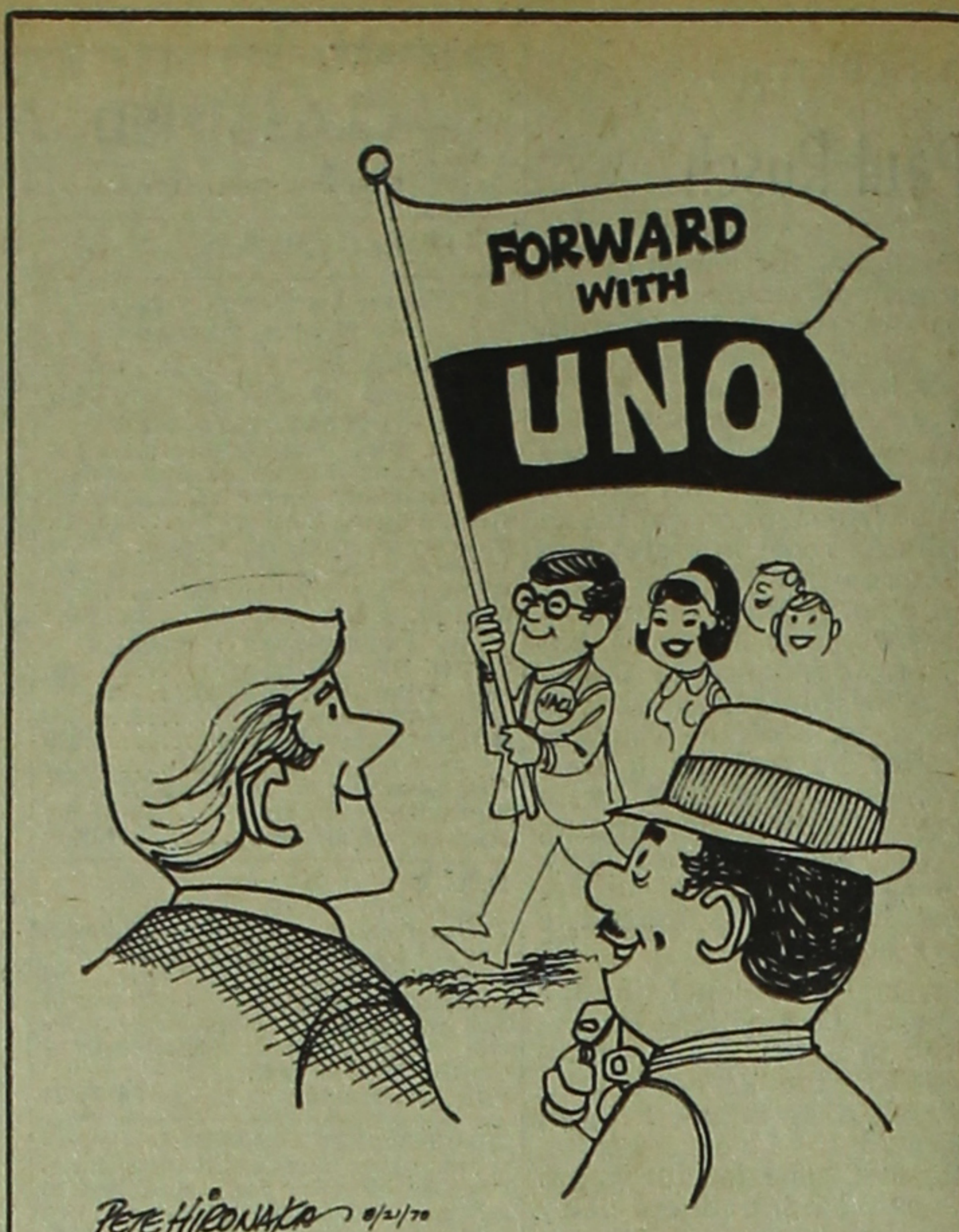
"The center of the city immediately south of the station (toward the sea) was razed to the ground, and there was a sweeping view to the foot of the mountains to the east, west and north of the city. In other words, what had been a city of 300,000 had vanished.

"As I trod my way through the debris, wondering if my mother were still alive, I realized that in reality Hiroshima had been destroyed through the stupendous destructive power of a single atomic bomb."

"But I found my mother safe. She had been weeding grass in a relative's vegetable field about two miles southeast of the city when she saw a flash. She immediately threw herself face down on the ground. Then the next moment she heard a terrific explosion. Arising she saw columns of white smoke from all parts of the city, high into the sky. She said she started running away to her home as fast as she could because she didn't know what would happen next."

Nakashima was on the Star Bulletin staff until 1934 when he left for Japan to cover sports for United Press. But his report on Hiroshima will probably rate a footnote in the annals of American journalism.

A personal footnote might be the remark National JACL Director Mas Satow made when we saw him after he had visited Hiroshima. For him, it was the most moving experience of the JACL Japan Tour to go through museum at Peace Memorial Park and thought every Nisei should see it. We could have—but we had relatives to visit near Kokura—which we are reminded was another target for Enola Gay. Kokura was weathered in so Nagasaki was next.



'Well—yes, I guess you could say it stands for United Nisei Organization.'

### LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

Letters to the Editor are subject to condensation. Each must be signed and addressed, though withheld from print upon request.

#### Hayakawa vs. Sansei

Editor:

The combination of Bill Hosokawa reporting S. I. Hayakawa discussing the Sansei (Aug. 14 PC) gives me an uneasy, apprehensive feeling. The cards seem somehow stacked against the Sansei.

Dr. S. I. Hayakawa, with his great power of semantics, is far from understanding the "Sansei Activist" thought. His authority on this subject is questionable; therefore the validity of his conclusions is doubtful.

It would be easy to accept Hayakawa's conclusions about Sansei, but first question how much understanding these conclusions reflect.

Let's take conclusion No. 1 "Sansei activists seem determined to reject middle-class American values in reality they are thoroughly and aggressively middle class Americans when they emulate the Negroes." What exactly does "emulate the Negro" mean when he relates it to Sansei? Is thinking in terms of human lives as opposed to material gains "emulating the Negro"? Is it middle-class American thought? Is dealing with direct services to the people "emulating the Negro"? Is wanting a truly cooperative, humanistic society "emulating the Negro"? Hayakawa's support (music, fashions, figures of speech)—for his conclusions seem ridiculously superficial.

Conclusion No. 2 states, "... Sansei college activists, who talk passionately about the need for retaining and keeping their ethnic heritage pure, are abandoning the very traits that were the hallmark of Issei behavior." This again reflects the deep understanding Hayakawa has for the subject, he presumes to make conclusions about. If he is speaking of some cultural nationalist group that I have no knowledge of, excuse me; but if Hayakawa is referring to those who are working for ethnic studies, then he should check into it. Asian American studies by its very name is a study of a culture that is not "pure". Ethnic studies is an everchanging, dynamic subject and there is no contradiction if "gaman" and "enryo" change into other traits.

These are some live conclusions that try to throw up a smokescreen to cover some vital issues with superficial bull sh\*t.

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#### Vietnam Conflict

Editor:

I was pleased to see a negative response from a non-Nisei JACLer. Somehow, my written assumptions became presumptions and arrogance in Mr. Greene's mind (July 17 PC Letters). Nor did I mention betrayal, cowardice or greed.

I am completely for "Thou shalt not kill" as a solid moral teaching in which everyone should believe. Unfortunately, many of our world citizens do not seem to believe so. To them, "The end justifies the means."

In my letter, I merely asked that Americans need to search not only their own consciences, but those of others. Since Mr. Greene feels that this war is immoral and inhumane, he may soothe his conscience by supporting U.S. withdrawal. While withdrawal may be the only alternative, I doubt whether this will soothe the consciences of those who depend on U.S. aid. Evidently, it doesn't bother him greatly if some traitors are exterminated. Who are these traitors of whom he speaks?

In regards to slogans like "You can't win a political war", I say that nearly all wars and revolutions are political, directly or indirectly. Yet, wars are won or lost. Someone loses or wins, or there is a compromise (an acceptable and often realistic solution).

For a self-professed humanitarian to say that we could bring Vietnamese into the United States because it is cheaper than killing seems to cast reflections on one's humanitarianism. The costs of war should not be measured in terms of dollars spent or saved, but in terms of human

lives preserved with justice and dignity.

The national policy for the United States rightfully should be decided by the ballot boxes and legitimate political activities. The right to dissent works both ways. Too many Americans today are pseudo-liberals, uninformed about world affairs. Look closely at our current U.S. policies and see what changes have occurred. The isolationist Republican Party of the 1930s are now the main supporters of our foreign commitments and of free trade. Today, the Democratic Party, which favored free trade in the '30s are the backers of restrictive trade and non-interventionist policies.

There are those who would make the Vietnam War the scapegoat for our own changes in values. The real truth is closer to saying that we have lost our convictions and have become more self-seeking. Rather than the Vietnam War causing degeneration, our permissive society has spawned a rootless, selfish and opportunistic character. After all, we are the masters of our own morality, Vietnam notwithstanding. Let's not blame Vietnam for our own failings.

I also question whether people who can't be concerned about foreign people, can really be concerned about their own countrymen; for, humanity extends beyond our town, our country and our hemisphere. Admittedly humanitarianism cannot be appreciated by our poor or oppressed or the Vietnamese peasant who wants to live peacefully, while faced with the immediate problem of survival. Thus, if we are making our withdrawal from Vietnam peace, we are weighed down by our own social problems, let's acknowledge that we have changed our world outlook. To claim this is humanitarianism is at best demeaning.

Finally, what does it matter to Mr. Greene, if I considered this withdrawal as a betrayal, as long as he believes he is humane. The withdrawal merely bothers my conscience but not his.

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#### National Convention

Editor,

We were pleased to see (July 31 PC) that the JACL has adopted an anti-war resolution relative to our involvement in Southeast Asia.

However, the resolution is incomplete. It should include a reordering of priorities. The monies currently expended to continue the war, defense measures (ABM), etc. should be reallocated for human services. We have poverty, civil disorders, pollution, etc. These all have low priority and almost no funding.

If the war in Southeast Asia could be terminated and the monies for this venture reallocated, we could mount a "war" to provide adequate maintenance for the poor, handicapped and aged, fight pollution and reduce crimes and other civil disorders. In other words, the resolution should have been a "reordering of priorities", with human services at the top instead of destruction and killing.

The allocation or reallocation of priorities should apply not only to legislators in Washington, but to JACL as an organization and each of us as individuals. Have you given thought as to what is highest in your list of priorities of interest and involvement in life? It may be a matter of survival of the human species.

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#### Nisei of Biennium

Editor:

It was a tremendous disappointment to hear the announcement that the recipient of the Nisei of the Biennium Award was Dr. Paul Terasaki. While I am confident that Dr. Terasaki was well qualified to receive this award, Dr. Hayakawa's decisions and action

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"In such a fantastic and dangerous world we will not find answers in old dogmas, by repeating worn out slogans, or fighting on ancient battlegrounds against fading enemies long after the real struggle has moved on. We must rethink all our old ideas and beliefs before they capture and destroy us..."

The premonitory words of the late Robert F. Kennedy

Oratorical 3rd Prize

for this the biennial convention of the Japanese American Citizens League, have a special significance. Two years have lapsed since JACL has formed and in that span of time the world has truly become fantastic and un-

fortunately, dangerous.

In this time of turmoil, turbulence and tremors, many dramatic changes are taking place.

And changing with the times will be the JACL, because like the dinosaur unless adaptation or change takes place, the only thing that remains are old bones and fossils that gather dust.

It is time to change the old JACL.

It is time to change the old dogmas by which the JACL has grown.

For too many years, the JACL has been relatively quiet, repose, humble. Somewhat conservative and acting within rigid borders so as not to offend or attack unless, of course in one's own self-interest. Neither of these, not degrading perhaps the JACL has operated, as someone has

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The Chicago National Convention saw the first concerted and broad-front movement by young Sansei and middle-aged Nisei to move the JACL into an organization more responsive to the 1970s. Some called it the "New JACL," others referred to the "Liberation Caucus"; while still others simply said "J.A.C.L.—Japanese Americans for Confrontation and Liberation."

Whatever one calls it, the Movement had a telling impact on the 1970 convention. Delegates first became aware of a different kind of convention as they walked into the opening ceremonies and were handed the "JACL Liberation Newsletter." The Liberation Newsletter was published daily during the convention and it reported and made commentaries on the previous day's events. It was such a hot-seller that about 300 delegates somehow grabbed the entire press run of 500.

On the afternoon of the first day, delegates were treated to a dramatic encounter which they will not forget for a long time. Never has a JACL convention seen or heard anything like this before, and most delegates left the session emotionally drained, if not converted to the cause.

#### Lead-off Speakers

As a gentle lead-off, the middle-aged section of the Liberation Caucus (ages 30-45) presented a relatively straight-laced 14-point program proposal. The ideas may have been radical for JACL, but the approach taken by Caucus spokesmen Dr. Bob Suzuki, Edison Uno, William Hohri, and this writer, was strictly conventional.

EDITORIAL: Pasadena Star-News (Aug. 7)

## Hiroshima Recalled

A quarter of a century ago the world was stunned by a new weapon. On Aug. 6, 1945, the United States dropped the first atom bomb on Hiroshima and on Aug. 9 the second was dropped on Nagasaki. The Japanese surrendered five days later to end World War II.

The feeling of guilt which pervaded stories of the Aug. 6 observances of the event demands that the horrendous happening be put into perspective—memories being fragile things after 25 years.

Nearly four years before those bombs were dropped, on Dec. 7, 1941, the Japanese had suddenly, without provocation and without warning bombed Pearl Harbor—killing and wounding thousands of American servicemen and civilians in an American port nearly 4,000 miles from Japan.

The militaristic dictatorship which controlled Japan had previously enslaved half of Asia and was moving to conquer the rest. Using the Japanese religious belief in the deity of the emperor as a whip, the dictatorship was able to goad the populace of Japan (willingly or unwillingly) into maniacal missions of aggression.

In the perspective of the times, it was the force of the bombs, not the lack of warning, which surprised the world. The development of the bomb had been one of the top secrets of the war—even after its initial test in New Mexico on July 16, 1945—but bombing raids were common for both sides in WWII.

Even though thousands of Allied lives had been lost in the island-by-island warfare during the South Pacific and Asian campaigns and even though thousands more would have been lost in an invasion of the Japanese mainland, American officials were reluctant to use the A-bomb. President Harry S. Truman has taken the ultimate responsibility for employing it.

It was necessary to use two bombs to demonstrate to the Japanese that the U.S. had more than one and would continue their use until surrender.

Since the war, the United States has moved heaven and earth to perform constructive acts of assistance for the defeated nation. Through these acts, Japan has been able to build itself into the economic giant of the East and, as C. L. Sulzberger pointed out in a Star-News article (Aug. 6), is on the verge of becoming a superpower along with the United States and the Soviet Union. Only the military might is lacking. America has taken the defense burden all these years.

The Japanese people as a whole have demonstrated gratitude for this help—but what happened at Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1945 remains a festering sore even though both cities have been rebuilt.

The time has come, therefore, for the sore to be healed. This could be done through a mutual apology. Japan could formally express its regret for the attack on Pearl Harbor and the loathsome acts of World War II and the United States could express its unhappiness over having had to drop the atomic bombs on Japanese soil.

Such a mutual apology would be instructive to the new generations of Japanese and Americans who are bitter over the past.

There is every reason to believe that Japan and the United States can work hand-in-hand in developing the emerging nations of Asia and overcoming the current challenges of the Orient. It is ridiculous for the guilt of the past to stand in the way.

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# Understanding: Basis for Change

already formulated, in kowtow. Students might call it "not wanting to get involved." But be it kowtow, apathy, or just plain laziness, it must be put to its death.

It is not enough that the JACL back other organizations by giving verbal support or donating so-much money. It's time to go out and become active, demanding, maybe even violent. Violence is not the accepted way, but it has worked in the past.

It is time too to rethink old slogans that have lost their meaning.

Slogans can be powerful weapons. The cry of "Security Through Unity" once had a powerful meaning. But when unity leads to segregation, the entire meaning is altered. When a populace bands together because of race and forms a national organization be-

cause they are of one race then the cry of "security through segregation" must rightly be heard.

Too long we have surrounded ourselves with Oriental friendships. It's time to reach out and grasp hold of a hand that is in need of help. The cry of "security through unity" must be again heard, but as a nation, not a race.

And, it's time to stop fighting ancient battles against fading enemies.

Too often I have heard the story of evacuation, relocation and concentration. The sacrifices, the hardships, the injustice all have filled my ears more than once.

But this is an old battle that was fought against enemies now fading or gone. The name-calling of "dirty Jap" has long died as has that of the concentration camps. Yet we of the younger generation are continually told by books, by word of mouth, by displays that tell of what things happened in the past.

But like an old army soldier who brags of his war ribbons, the Issei and Nisei seem to brag of the fact that "they made it through the camps". There seems to be a certain pride of arrogance which exists because of the camps.

These stories we would like to leave with the past. We the Sansei realize the hardships and agony that once was and sympathize with you. But this is now and the struggle has moved on. Leave the ancient battleground and forget the now faded enemy.

"The real struggle has moved on." We are one minority that has made it. But the struggle is now with others, the Blacks and Indians, the Puerto Ricans, and those whose cries are held in pride and those whose wounds cannot be nursed. Surely we can act out of empathy and aid those whose pain and desolation was the same as was ours years ago. The racism, the poverty, the ignorance must again be triumphed over.

This is why the change must take place. Changes that will only come from understanding. As simply as RFK phrased it, "We ourselves must change, a master change." But the key word here is not change, nor is it master. The key word is we; you and me. Each and every one of us here today must look at ourselves; look to see the prejudices, the ignorance, and the bigotry. We must understand ourselves and understand that the change must begin from within; if we can do that, the rest is easy. Then in the words of a famous person, we will truly be able to "seek a new world."

Keynote to Speaker

The real old-timers of JACL may have pleasant memories of Mrs. Mary Kochiyama and Chris Iijima, they juxtaposed films on American concentration camps, the Hiroshima bomb, and the Vietnam war, with chants flowing back and forth through the audience, "Hiroshima!" again, and again they shouted.

Many of the delegates might have joined the final driving march down the center aisle, but they were so stunned they could not move from their seats. One gasps at the terrible effectiveness and creativity of this kind of presentation of a viewpoint.

How It Started

The Liberation Caucus came into existence in February, 1970, with a nation-wide exchange of correspondence. After the volume of mail indicated that a national caucus was feasible, a meeting of key leaders took place in Los Angeles in April. That Los Angeles meeting set the machinery into motion for the programs and tactics at the national convention in July.

In other words, it took six months of evolution to stage the Chicago liberation movement.

Now that the convention is over and most of the proposals were accepted, the Liberation Caucus, as such, will disband and the individual members will turn their attention to implementation of the programs.

However, the liberation movement will undoubtedly be back for the next national convention in Washington, D. C. But the faces and names will be brand new. After all, the individuals who carried out the Chicago project will have, by then, passed on into the JACL establishment and will no longer be the ones with the innovative ideas. Younger, more revolutionary, people whose names are totally unknown today, will emerge to confront the JACL in 1972 and demand an ouster of the 1970 leaders who are no longer relevant to the times. That is as it should be.

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Indians move into vacated Poston WRA Center to live and farm. 442nd Capt. Thomas Crowley of Wisconsin in Seattle to tell of Nisei heroism. Investigation of San Francisco race tensions asked by CIO; report Nisei girl lost job because of threat. AC-LU charges state prejudice in denial of San Francisco Issei real estate license. Five Tule Lake segregation center teenagers appeal jail sentence. Conflicting views on evacuees heard in Visalia High auditorium.

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