

Asians among poor requiring OEO aid, JACL tells House body

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National JACL President

Keeping the PC supplied with a weekly article has its trying times. My last article is what I refer to as the "Writer's Nightmare." When proofing my own article, I occasionally experience a psychological block and overlook an obvious mistake even on careful reading. One little letter can change the entire meaning of what is meant. Such was the case here.

The Writer's Nightmare

I mentioned the Arizona Chapter was getting the Sansel involved in the third to last paragraph of my article. I said, "Hopefully, we can attract some of them to JACL to provide the youthful leadership that John Kobashi and Richard Matsui are not getting started." That not should have read now. John and Richard are making a big effort with the help of others in the Chapter to expand the base of the Phoenix Chapter leadership to include the many Sansel who could and need to be in JACL to keep it moving and meaningful.

My sincere apologies to John and Richard for whom I have the deepest admiration and respect.

The following is the text of the speech given at Phoenix. It was in outline form and I have not included various side comments and introductory remarks about the national officers, staff and committees, their functions, and JACL programming for this biennium. The speech was geared for graduating students from high school and was intended merely to suggest some ideas to, perhaps, help them in some way meet the brutal onslaught of the "system" and "establishment." These thoughts have been gleaned from my own personal experiences, and, therefore, may have merely incidental or peripheral value, if any at all.

Quest for a Japanese American Identity

A young lady friend of mine once remarked, "All men are beasts, but I can help you do an animal lover." Likewise, I love people and have found this love affair a most intriguing, challenging and rewarding one.

It is a difficult task to understand human nature. Every individual is different. Each, however, people respond favorably to kind and considerate treatment. A reasonably simple action requires a reasonably simple effort. I would like to briefly expand on this concept in the style—a Japanese American one.

First, we should remember, as I noted before, we are all different and I should remind each of you, what I have to say should be modified and flavored and tailored to what is most comfortable and acceptable to you and no one else.

Role of Education

In a democracy you can fool all the people all of the time, but it isn't necessary. A majority will do. Therefore, education does play an important part in a democracy. In getting an education, regardless of what kind, try to make yourself a well rounded person. I have found a good liberal arts education extremely helpful. It is my firm belief that vocational schools should also stress a liberal arts education. A liberal arts education takes the characteristics of a specialty, sprinkles in a liberal arts education. The dimensions of learning should correspond to the needs of the individual.

Whether we go on to higher education, vocational school or what have you, education always plays an important part in what we learn. It is not really necessary to have a formal education to be learned. Simply doing a lot of reading can make a person extremely educated. If you have not already done so, read a book or two. I suggest you read "The Catcher in the Rye" by J.D. Salinger. It is a very good book and will assist you to look for certain things in certain ways.

As you begin to read more often and perhaps faster, you will automatically, in my experience, become more selective in what you read. As you become more selective, you will also become more knowledgeable about many areas and very kind and interested in some areas of peculiar interest to you. Actually, you become "hungry" for knowledge.

As you do more reading, you will learn to scan. Scanning helps you to sift out the important from the unimportant matters. It is virtually impossible to read everything. By scanning, you can digest many things and do wonders on subject interests you, you can read to complete or satisfy your curiosity on some subject.

Progressively, as you read more, you will start to unconsciously or consciously organize the material you read. This you begin to associate similar things and remembering various items becomes easier and faster. It is like a tree with all its branches.

Daily Routine

Organizing is the key to success for most, but not all things. The better you organize, the better the chances of your projects will succeed. A simple way to start is to establish a daily routine. For instance, securing a daily pocket calendar can do wonders for you. Divide your projects into brief tasks first and get them out of the way. Set aside some block time for the more difficult and time consuming projects.

Also, set aside some time for less important things, which, possibly, by the passage of time may take care of themselves. If you do not, you have set time aside to do it. If you are organized, you will find you will have time to do more things and do them well and still have time to do things you like to do.

Delegating responsibility helps to get things done. In hiring people, try to get competent, dependable people. Periodically, when you run an efficient office, you can help other less fortunate people through the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation or the Work Incentive Program (WIN) whereby you can donate supervision time to help disabled or welfare recipients get training through your office. This on the job training for unskilled people is a way of reducing the tax load taxpayers complete and do nothing. Helping to train people will put them in the job market and make them independent and productive citizens.

The daily pocket calendar will help organize your week and month. It will direct you in the appointments and time schedule. It

Ariyoshi urges greater Japan role

WOLFE — Japan was urged by Lt. Gov. George R. Ariyoshi of Hawaii to go beyond its role as an economic leader and to tackle problems of developing nations, the environment and quality of life in Asia and the Pacific.

Ariyoshi headed a 22-man Hawaii trade mission to Japan and made the remarks May 10 kicking off the week-long tour.

He said he has already sensed a "growing sensitivity" to these challenges on the part of Japanese leaders, adding that Hawaii and Japan can play a central role in the development of the Pacific Community of Nations.

(Special to The Pacific Citizen) WASHINGTON — In a statement presented before the House Committee on Education and Labor, the Japanese American Citizens League through its Washington Office endorsed the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Coalition for the Extension and Full Funding for the Office of Economic Opportunity.

David Ushio of the Washington Office represented JACL at the hearings held May 12.

JACL joined the Ad Hoc Coalition, comprised of more than 90 organizations, in stressing the need for anti-poverty legislation and specifically for retaining OEO programs. Recommendations submitted to the House Committee included:

- 1—That the Economic Opportunity Act be extended for at least two years with full funding;
- 2—That Community Action programs and local initiative programs be retained under OEO with the added stipulation that Congressional approval be required before any such program be terminated or transferred to another agency;
- 3—That OEO received increased funding;
- 4—That the legal service program be strengthened and expanded with the EOA;
- 5—That the VISTA program be preserved and maintained as an integral part of OEO;
- 6—That the local share for community action and other OEO programs should not be raised to 25 percent as suggested by the administration.

'NISEI: THE QUIET AMERICAN'

Nihongo-version of Hosokawa book due in July, translated by Issei

SAN FRANCISCO — Publication of "Nisei: The Quiet Americans" by William Hosokawa late in 1969 enabled many Nisei and their families to learn a great deal of the historical background about the Japanese in America.

Some 30,000 copies of the book written by the Denver Post associate editor under a commission from the JACL have been sold in the past 18 months.

Now the Issei in this country will soon have an opportunity to read this historical account which not only reveals the activities of the pioneer Issei, but also the wartime Evacuation, JACL's role in the war and postwar, and the exploits of both the 442nd regimental combat team and Nisei servicemen in the Pacific war.

For Hosokawa's book has been translated into Japanese and will be published next month, according to Jiji Press, which acquired the translation rights from Hosokawa.

On Sale in July

The book will be placed on sale in the United States early in July.

The translation was handled by Isamu Inouye, one of

Japan's top translators of English and French books. A former San Francisco and Los Angeles resident, Inouye was on the editorial staff of the old Japanese American News for several years in the late 1920s and early 1930s.

Dr. Edwin O. Reischauer, former U.S. ambassador to Japan and now professor at Harvard again, who wrote the foreword for Hosokawa's book, has written a special introduction for this new Japanese edition.

The 620-page volume will be available in July at \$10 at Jiji Press offices in San Francisco (1820 Sutter St.) and Los Angeles (1250 Wilshire).

MASAO MAEDA, A BUILDER:

Housing & Understanding

The Saturday (May 8) morning edition of the Sacramento Bee featured across the top half of its front page a heartwarming story by its minority affairs writer, George Williams, about a Nisei who built an 18-unit apartment for the elderly for that Sacramento Housing Authority. He is Masao Maeda, Sacramento JACLer and long-time 1960 club member. His son, Wayne, incidentally was a 1970 JACL-JAL Summer fellowship winner.—Editor.

By GEORGE WILLIAMS
Sacramento Bee

Sacramento

It was good news day in Oak Park. Youngsters from the heart of the area converged on a brand new apartment project for the elderly at 2845 37th Street.

Ice cream. Cookies. Soda pop. A fiesta.

The kids were celebrating completion of the project with the builder Masao Maeda, architect James Dodd and realtor Al Hollis. (Dodd and Hollis are both blacks.)

Yesterday (May 7), the keys were turned over to Harry Zollinger, executive director of the Sacramento Housing Authority, marking another milestone in the authority's program to construct public housing for the elderly at reasonable rental rates throughout the community.

The project, said Maeda, Dodd and Hollis, has been the most successful they have ever been connected with. There was absolutely no vandalism — no broken windows, no writing of dirty words in fresh concrete, not even one scratch on the stucco walls.

In every other project, no matter what part of the community it is in, they said, the builder can count on a substantial amount of vandalism.

Neighbors Help

Maeda recalled one day soon after he started building the Oak Park project. A black youngster walked over to the site.

"I went over to him and put my arm around his shoulders and I asked what I could do for him. He was friendly. I showed him around the site and told him what I proposed to build. You want to see this building go up beautifully?" I asked him. He said, "Yeah." I told him I wanted his help to see that nothing went wrong. I asked him to bring his friends over and pretty soon about 12 showed up and we showed them around and they said they would help us.

"I told them we were going to have a big party after it was built. And they all smiled — 10 blacks and two chicanos. After awhile, I used to look across the street and I would see one of them sitting on a bench watching the building.

Additional rates for PC subscriptions raised

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as Head Start, Job Corps, and VISTA have provided young people with avenues of opportunity that have changed the direction of many lives; from despair and delinquency to lives of purpose and productivity."

Legal Services

4—That the legal service program be strengthened and expanded with the EOA;

Asian Poor

JACL indicated to the committee that in many cases Asian Americans are among those minority groups that need the type of help that OEO programs can offer.

Pointing out that the problems faced by Asian Americans are similar in intensity and number to those plaguing other minority groups, JACL reminded the policy makers that Asians, also, are entitled to benefits and grants made available to larger minority groups to combat poverty and social problems.

JACL called attention to the fact that in many cases Asian Americans are not eligible for certain benefits designated specifically to aid minority groups. Under the definition of "minority groups" only Negro, American Indian, Mexican American, and Puerto Rican ancestry" are deemed eligible which eliminates Asians from possible consideration.

Sen. Javits Bill

JACL noted that progress has been made in this area of late as demonstrated by the action of Senator Jacob Javits of New York.

Sen. Javits recently, in introducing the Emergency School Aid Act of 1971, specifically included "Oriental Americans" in the definition of minority groups eligible for benefits. The previous legislation did not include Asian Americans as possible recipients.

The statement elaborated on this point, "JACL commends Senator Javits and HEW for making this change which will help correct not only an injustice to deserving Americans but also will provide a measure of equality to Asian American communities. While we applaud the fact that the change has been made in this one instance, JACL still respectfully reminds those who would propose future legislation to alleviate poverty and racism, that in terms of numbers, in terms of discrimination, in terms of denial and deprivation, Asian American minorities are presently experiencing the same bitter experiences in this country as most of the other minorities."

The Chairman of the House Committee on Education and Labor is Carl Perkins (D-Ky.) Other committee members

Original Book

Meanwhile, the original book published by Morrow continues to be mentioned in newspapers.

Most recently, the Colorado Springs (Colo.) Gazette Telegraph in its editorial entitled, "They Made It!," quoted from Reischauer's introduction to the Hosokawa book and added:

"Although they constitute less than half of one per cent

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Recalls Incident

Maeda said he remembered one incident in which one of the subcontractors saw a piece of conduit pipe on the site.

"Put that back or I'll call the police," the subcontractor yelled.

"Yeah and I'm gonna bust your apartment house," the boy shouted.

Maeda intervened.

"Look," he told the subcontractor. "Try this approach. Go over and ask the boy to show you what he picked up. Take him inside and show him how the conduit is used in the project. Give him some other pieces of pipe. Show him how they fit together. Tell him to take them home and show his mother and father. Tell him to invite his parents and friends over and we'll show them around. Tell him we're going to have a big party and invite him to come."

"How much will it cost for the pipe? Fifty cents? A dollar? I'll pay you. How much time will it take? Ten minutes? I'll pay you for your time."

He said the man agreed. Maeda then visited the other 19 subcontractors on his project and told them the same thing. And they agreed.

Maeda Approach

And it worked. The result is a beautiful building.

Dodd and Hollis said they have gone to the builders of other projects in their neighborhoods and asked them to use the Maeda approach. They said all agreed.

"Why don't you do this all over town?" Maeda asked. "You treat people decently and they give you decency."

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DILLON MYER TO ADDRESS MAY 30 ARLINGTON RITES

JACL Services Slated at Gravesite of Lt. Grant Henjyoji

(Special to The Pacific Citizen) WASHINGTON — Dillon S. Myer, relocation director of the War Relocation Authority, will be guest speaker at the annual Memorial Day services sponsored by the Washington, D.C. JACL Chapter at Arlington Cemetery, according to Ira Shimazaki, chairman of the event.

The services this year will be held on Sunday, May 30, 9:30 a.m., at the gravesite of Lt. Grant Henjyoji of Portland, who was killed in action in Vietnam. Lt. Henjyoji is interred in Section 34 of the national cemetery.

Toro Hirose, immediate past Chapter Chairman and a veteran of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, will serve as the master of ceremonies for this traditional National JACL event. Rev. Shoji Honda, a Buddhist minister, will also participate in the brief services, after which the individual graves of some 24 Nisei and Saneis killed in World War II, Korea, and Southeast Asia and interred in Arlington will be decorated by those attending the memorial services.

Shimazaki, himself a veteran of the European Theater and who has a brother-in-law interred in Arlington, was honored by the National JACL for his many years of personal dedication as the volunteer chairman of this event. He expressed his satisfaction that Mr. Myer had accepted the invitation to be the guest speaker on Memorial Day, noting,

"Probably more than a single individual, Mr. Myer had more to do with persuading the then War Department and President Roosevelt to accept Nisei volunteers for units which became the 442nd Regimental Combat Team and military intelligence in the Pacific. Accordingly, he understands the meaning of these services more than most, for as Director of the WRA he was in charge of the lives of most of the Japanese on the mainland during most of World War II."

In addition to Shimazaki and Hirose, other members of the Arlington Committee are: Henry Wakabayashi, Key Kobayashi, Joe Ichijui, Norman Ikari, Harry Takagi, and Mike Masooka.

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Cabinet-level committee for Asians sought in bill

9 Northern Cal JACL Blue Cross chapters organize

(Special to The Pacific Citizen) WASHINGTON — A bill to establish a Cabinet Committee on Oriental American Affairs was introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives on May 5 by Rep. Glenn M. Anderson (D-Calif.) of Harbor City.

Congressman Anderson, former Lieutenant Governor of California, proposed the creation of the Committee whose function will be to insure "that Federal programs are reaching all Oriental Americans and to seek out new programs that may be necessary to handle problems that are unique to such persons."

The Cabinet Committee may institute any surveys, studies, research, and assistance programs it deems necessary to fulfill the needs of the Asian community. The Cabinet Committee will encourage and promote participation of local and state governments along with the private sector to help solve the problems faced by Oriental Americans.

Committee Makeup

The Cabinet Committee as outlined by Congressman Anderson includes:

The Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of Labor, the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, the Attorney General, the Director of the Office of Economic Opportunity, the Administrator of the Small Business Administration, a Commissioner of Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the Chairman of the Civil Service Commission, and other persons of the Committee.

An Advisory Council on Oriental-Speaking Americans appointed by the President will also be created by the proposed legislation. The Advisory Council will be composed of nine people who are "representative of the Japanese-American, Chinese-American, Korean-American, Polynesian-American, and other elements of the Oriental-speaking and Oriental-surnamed community in the United States."

The duties of the Advisory Council as outlined in the proposed bill is to "advise the Committee with respect to such matters as the Chairman of the Committee may request." The President will appoint the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Advisory Council.

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2,000 jam rally at Billmore Bowl on Peace Sunday

Anderson's Remarks

In a speech on the House floor on May 6, Anderson who is in his second term as Congressman, outlined the reasons he felt such a Committee was justified. He stated,

"The well-being of individual members of the Oriental minority is unjustly tied to the modes of acceptance and rejection by which the large-

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Anti-war marchers break windows of Togin, Sumitomo

SAN FRANCISCO — Although anti-war demonstrators numbering some 500 fled recently (May 5) to the up business in downtown San Francisco as planned, two local Japanese banks were among the few business houses sustaining property damage during the day.

The demonstrators staged one rally at the Standard Oil Bldg. on Market St. and then split up in groups to move to the Bank of America Bldg. on Kearny St.

One group in passing the Bank of Tokyo of California office at 64 Sutter St. threw nuts, bolts and other small objects and shattered two large plate glass windows.

Shortly after noon, another group threw similar items at the Sumitomo Bank of California at 365 California St.

Those inside said they heard a sound similar to a pistol shot as one plate glass window was broken. Demonstrators also daubed signs with red paint on the outside white wall of Sumitomo Bank which read — "NLF Will Win," "Every Day Is May Day" and "Resist the War."

Asians participate in Illinois peace march

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. — Twenty-five Asian Americans at the Univ. of Illinois led the local anti-war march of over 1,000 on May 5. This was the first time that Asians here have protested against the war as a group. Two Asians also spoke at the rally following the march.

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Hawaii delegate issues harsh anti-white report

ESTES PARK, Colo. — A critical look at the life in Hawaii was distributed to 1,000 delegates attending the White House Conference on Youth here recently. It was written by Lehua Lopez, 22, Univ. of Hawaii senior, who called her report "harsh, bitter and anti-white."

Miss Lopez, who is of Hawaiian, Chinese, English and Puerto Rican ancestry, says in her report that the different cultures of the Islands are being submerged by the "dominant white American culture."

Young Hawaiians "dress, talk, and think like Americans," she said.

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Ethnic Studies

LOS ANGELES — Summary of the ten workshops conducted April 16-18 at the first Asian American Studies Conference at USC-UCLA is available at \$3 per set, according to Alan Nishio, of Asian American Studies Center, UCLA.

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Mike Masaoka

Asian American Breakthroughs



Washington

Within the past two months, there have been at least two major breakthroughs in the political front for Asian Americans.

One was the overwhelming election of Norman Mineta to be Mayor of San Jose, California, and the other was the nomination and confirmation of Herbert Choy of Honolulu, Hawaii, to be a Judge of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Mineta was elected over 14 other candidates with more than 62% of the votes cast in the primary in the nonpartisan election for chief executive of the fourth largest city in the most populous state in the Union, the 31st in the entire country, and the fastest growing metropolis in the nation. He is the first Japanese American to be chosen Mayor of a "big city" in the United States and as such is probably the highest ranking elective officer among all Americans of Japanese ancestry on the continental mainland.

Choy was nominated by the President over many other qualified attorneys and judges for a position that ranks second only to membership on the Supreme Court, that of a Judge on the appellate court. He is the first Asian American to be so honored. The Senate unanimously confirmed his nomination to this high responsibility, which represents another significant breakthrough since the Korean American from Hawaii is also the first of Asian ancestry to be named to the federal judiciary.

Mineta's election was about as widely publicized a news event as any regarding Asian Americans in recent history. Practically all of the newspapers and news magazines in the country, as well as radio and television, reported the precedent-breaking event. Indeed, the story of his victory was headlined in many publications throughout the world, and especially in Japan and the Far East.

Particularly heartwarming was the fact that, as far as we know, every report was favorable, though we personally would have preferred that less emphasis had been placed on the facts that he was of Japanese origin and that he had spent some two years in a war relocation camp in Wyoming. After all, Mineta was elected not on the basis of his race but on his merit as an individual.

In San Jose, which has a population of about half a million, only two percent of the population is of Asian origin and only another two percent black, although almost 20 percent are Chicano. It certainly was not the Japanese American vote, or those of minority Americans, that elected Mineta mayor but his solid record, first, as a City Councilman and, then, as his Vice Mayor.

When it is recalled that it was only a little more than a decade ago that the first Japanese American mayor of any mainland community, James Kanno of Fountain Valley, Calif., was elected, Norman Mineta's triumph becomes particularly impressive.

The next major breakthrough on the elective front is that an Asian American is elected to the national Congress from the continental United States.

Choy is probably the first Korean American lawyer in the country. A long-time member of the highly successful Asian American law firm of Fong, Miho, and Choy (Chinese American, Japanese American, and Korean American, respectively), he also served as the Attorney General of Hawaii.

And the fact that the first of Asian origin to be appointed to serve on the federal bench was named to the appellate court and not the district court is another impressive precedent.

The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals has a Chief Judge and nine circuit judges. It serves Alaska, Arizona, California, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Idaho, Washington, Hawaii, and Guam.

That there are hundreds of local, state, and federal judges in these ten areas and thousand of attorneys indicates the competition that Choy had to overcome before his nomination was confirmed.

This historic breakthrough brings memories also of more than a decade ago when Ben Tashiro of Kauai was nominated to be a Judge in the then Territory of Hawaii. To our recollection, his confirmation by the Senate, after being approved by the Judiciary Committee whose Chairman then and now is Democrat James Eastland of Mississippi, was the first time that any Asian American had been confirmed for the federal judicial system.

'UPROOTED AMERICANS'

The election of Norman Mineta and the confirmation of Judge Herbert Choy simply underlines how improved are the opportunities for those of Asian Americans in general and of Japanese Americans in particular to become equal participants in the democratic system that is our country.

The measure of that improvement is emphasized by the fact that recently the University of Arizona Press released "Uprooted Americans: The Japanese Americans and the War Relocation Authority During World War II", authored by Dillon S. Myer, director of the WRA.

A reading of this valuable contribution to the history of Americans of Japanese origin in the United States can serve to point up how well and how far Americans of Japanese ancestry have come insofar as American society is concerned in the past 30 years.

To most evacuees, that mass wartime military movement in the spring of 1942 and the subsequent life in the WRA camps are the most memorable experiences of their lives.

Just how the WRA looked from the inside, and not from the outside, therefore, should be a most revealing narrative. And, Dillon Myer tells his story in a most meaningful way, especially to those who may have wondered during their stay in the camps why certain actions were taken.

These comments are not intended as a "book review" of an outstanding work. But they are intended to commend "Uprooted Americans" not only to all Japanese Americans but also to all who want to learn about the amazing and fascinating administration that was the WRA.

We personally believe that Dillon Myer's revelations of the WRA should be a part of every Nisei's library, and of every other American who wants to understand how one government agency administered a most difficult program under the most adverse of circumstances, and earned the goodwill and plaudits of most of those whom it served.

(A limited supply of Myer's books are available at \$7.50, cash & carry, at the PC Office.—Ed.)

NEWS CAPSULES

Military

The Navy commended Commander Takeshi Yoshihara of the Naval Construction Battalion Center at Port Huene-me, Calif., with the Meritorious Service Medal for his outstanding performance of duties as public works officer at Huene-me from 1969-71. He is a 1953 graduate of the Naval Academy at Annapolis, and the son of the Takeshi Yoshihara of Seattle.

Monterey Peninsula Nisei VFW Post 1629 installed Kats Nishijima as its commander for the coming year. Some 130 persons witnessed the ceremonies at the Beach Club, Pebble Beach recently. He previously headed the San Jose Nisei VFW Post 9940. Orange County's Kazuo Mutsuda Memorial VFW Post 3870 will hold its installation dinner-dance June 12 at the Airport Inn, Newport Beach, with Hide Kawaratan taking over command.

Politics

Hawaii County Mayor Shunichi Kimura has indicated he would turn down the job offer as president of the Hawaii Visitors Bureau as he intends to run for his second term in 1972.

The candidates have qualified for the state 27th Senatorial District special election in Los Angeles June 22, five Democrats, four Republicans (including Edwin C. Hiroto, of 1731 Redcliff St., director, health services) and one Peace and Freedom party member. The county Democratic central committee also endorsed Assemblyman David Roberti. The Democrats have a 2-1 edge in registration. If no candidate gets a majority of the votes cast, top finishers for each of the qualified parties battle in the July 20 runoff.

Assemblyman Alex Garcia (D) reacted angrily to the primary endorsement, saying "some people are desperately trying to prevent a Mexican American candidate from being elected to the State Senate."

Meanwhile, the Hiroto for

Estes Park -

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eat, talk, act, sing, laugh and think white. Some even mourn the fact that they cannot look white. The Hawaiians may survive in body, but are dying in spirit," Miss Lopez writes.

Values, Ethics, Culture

The report was one of 12 written by members of the White House Conference's task force on values, ethics and culture.

Each member of the task force wrote about his life, background and feelings about the problems the country faces. The individual reports were part of the task force's full report called "A Framework of the Ideal Society."

Miss Lopez was the task force's representative for youth of all minority groups, except blacks.

At the beginning of her report Miss Lopez says, "If I seem harsh, bitter or anti-white, it is because, at this very moment, I am. I also know that maybe tomorrow, next week, next year, soon I won't be and I shall be disturbed by what I said today."

Land Use

There can be no righteousness in a land, says Miss Lopez, where "56 per cent of all the land (more than half of a once great nation) is controlled by the military of the United States. Another 37 per cent is owned by the large landholders and private Mainland corporations. Only 7 per cent is used by small landowners to live on. Of this, precious few are native Hawaiians."

(Editor's note: Miss Lopez's figure for the land in the hands of small private owners is approximately correct. However, while the armed services have large areas under lease, actual federal ownership of land in Hawaii amounts to only about 9.8 per cent of the total area of the Islands.)

Miss Lopez says she does not want the delegates to come to Hawaii because she is "too ashamed to let you see the smog, hear the noise and smell the air over Honolulu."

She tells her readers Hawaii has the highest taxes in the Union and the highest cost of living. Some poor people are forced to "go hungry at night" and rob from others to survive, writes Miss Lopez.



CAIN'S CHILDREN—Peeking between the legs is Roger Nikaido, former PC columnist and now a member of "Cain's Children", a new and exciting improvisational comedy group which has been appearing before colleges and New York night clubs. They are (from left) Bob Tassie, Ray Dariano, Penny McDonald, Jeff Baudo and Nikaido. They were taped by Metromedia for the David Frost Show for national release May 26. Cast met last summer when they were all on the NBC guest relations staff.

State Senate campaign has been stepping up with appearances before groups at homes and clubhouses. He holds forth on Saturdays, 9 a.m., at Denny's Restaurant just off the Santa Ana Fwy, east of the Union Depot, with "Meet Your Candidate" breakfast meetings, according to his campaign manager Gino Carozzi. Campaign headquarters (680-2460) will commence a telephone trace survey this week.

Mas Fukai of Gardena is campaign manager and George Kobayashi is campaign treasurer for Bill Cox, senior management analyst, who is a candidate in the special June 8 elections for a vacancy on the Gardena City Council. Cox is past president of the predominantly-Nisei and Sansei "FOR" Club, a city recreation and park commissioner and active with the VFW, YMCA, Boy Scouts and Gardena Evening Optimists.

School Front

Special education teacher, Mrs. Ellen Kishiyama, of San Antonio, the local merchants' Mother's Day contest after relating the wish of her class of 12 emotionally disturbed children to dine at Rick's Rancho Restaurant. She is also active in the Santa Maria Valley JACL and is president of the Council for Exceptional Children.

Six Asian Americans from the San Francisco Bay Area attended a national conference at Chicago, May 12-14, sponsored by the Training Teachers of Teacher, on bilingual and bicultural education. James Louie, chairman of the Berkeley Asian American Education Task Force, headed the group comprised of: Mrs. Fumi Hayashi, Mrs. Kazuo Louie, Berkeley; Edison Uno, San Francisco State; Mrs. Katherine Reyes, San Francisco Unified School District; Dai Wong, Stanford.

Among the top 345 students of Chicago's public high school honored at the 10th annual Chicago Tribune academic honors dinner were seven Sansei students:

Marie Ito, Kenwood; Joyce Kinoshita, Lakeview; Betty Ann Okawa, Lindblom; Julie E. Ozaki, Roosevelt; Sandra Lynn Hirai, Kennedy W.; Wakamoto Annie M. Wakaguchi of Walter High.

Redevelopment

Two buildings near completion for occupancy early August are the Iwamasa Bldg., first to be completed under the San Francisco Nihonmachi Community Development

THOMAS H. GREEN, 82

Man who halted mass internment of Japanese Islanders to Molokai dies

TUCSON—Maj. Gen. Thomas H. Green (ret.), a key figure in Hawaii's military government in the early years of World War II, died here April 30. He was 82.

Green played a role in preventing Hawaiian Japanese from being interned en masse on Molokai shortly after the attack on Pearl Harbor, according to Joseph Hodgson, former territorial attorney general, in Honolulu.

"The Army wanted to move people of Japanese ancestry to Molokai, but Green argued against it. I passed this on to Gov. Joseph Poindexter, who helped prevent the move," Hodgson said.

"The Japanese owe a lot to both Green and Poindexter."

Green was executive officer to the military governor, Lt. Gen. Delos C. Emmons, the principal liaison with the territorial governors Poindexter and Ingram M. Stainback under martial law. He was in charge of the military court system after Dec. 7, 1941, until the martial law was lifted in October, 1944.

Green headed the bureau of information, alien hearing board and controlled both alien and impounded properties.

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Local Scene

Los Angeles

To staff the second Community Information Services Day in Little Tokyo, scheduled for Sunday, June 6 on Weller St. with the street closed to vehicular traffic between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., volunteers will be needed, according to June Okida, chairman of volunteer recruitment.

Volunteers may call Miss Okida at the JACL Office, MA 6-4471.

Nichiren Buddhist Church celebrates Wesak Day this Sunday, 10:30 a.m., with Dr. Richard Iwata speaking on "Youth: Behold the Mysteries of Nature."

The South Bay Asian Involvement opens its office this Sunday, May 23, at 16408 S. Western, Gardena. A potluck luncheon, entertainment, demonstrations in tie-dyeing, draft counseling and other community information services are planned.

Longtime president of the So. Calif. Japanese Women's Christian Federation, Mrs. Tomiko Nakazawa, was among elder Americans cited by the County Board of Supervisors April 24 at its sixth annual Older Americans Recognition Day program. She was principal of the prewar Seinan Gakuen, a founder of the Little Tokyo Pioneer Center where she originated the

at Stanford and in Europe.

Courtroom

Former Los Angeles police officer Peter J. Lupton was placed on two years probation May 11 on his plea of guilty to a federal charge of violating the civil rights of a young Chinese American woman.

Miss May Ling Lu, by forcing her to disrobe in his patrol car in Chinatown, U.S. Dist. Judge Warren Ferguson said, "When a government official engages in conduct in total disregard of human values and degrades people as humans, then all of us are in serious trouble." . . . all government agencies and officers must realize that their job is not to protect the government, but to protect individuals. Maximum sentence applicable was a year in prison and \$1,000 fine.

Fine Arts

A mural depicting the life of Shakyamuni Buddha which was completed after about a year and half by Hideya Chiji, master artist from Japan, for the new Nishi Hongwanji Temple at 815 E. 1st St., Los Angeles will be unveiled and dedicated May 16, at 1 p.m. The painting adorns the walls of the main chapel.

Deaths

Lawrence E. Davies, 71, head of the New York Times bureau at San Francisco from 1941-70, died of heart attack Apr. 30 at his home in College, Alaska. He had been news service director for the Univ. of Alaska since retiring from the Times. Among his major stories were the evacuation of Japanese in 1942, scoring a beat by more than an hour of the Japanese submarine shelling the coast of Santa Barbara in 1942, and the 1951 San Francisco peace conference.

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in return." At the party, the wives of Maeda and Dodd served refreshments. Dodd and Hollis greeted youngsters and their parents at the door.

But Maeda was outside on the sidewalk looking one way, then the other.

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weekly cultural seminars, and is adviser to the Musashino-kai, a group of former residents of Tokyo. Also honored the same day was Masao Nishimura, who has been managing the Little Tokyo Pioneer Center.

Application form for the Japanese American Treaty Centennial scholarship for 1971 winter and summer high school graduates of Japanese ancestry in Southern California may be obtained by writing the Japanese Chamber of Commerce, 125 Weller St., Los Angeles 90012, and enclosing a self-addressed envelope. Applications are due June 14 noon.

To raise fund for Oriental Language scholarships for qualified and needy students, the Oriental Section of the Modern and Classical Language Assn. of Southern California is sponsoring a movie benefit May 21-22, 7 p.m., at the USC Hoffman Hall and El Camino College Music Hall, respectively.

Monterey Peninsula The much awaited Japanese cultural talent show with performers hailing from San Francisco will be sponsored by the Monterey Buddhist Temple this Sunday, May 23, 7:30 p.m., at the Pacific Grove Jr. High School auditorium.

The JACL Youth baseball clinic for youngsters, 8 to 12, has been extended to the last Sunday in May. The effectiveness of the clinic training has been manifested by the number of boys who were selected this year for various Little League teams.

San Francisco San Francisco YWCA is honoring Dr. Kazuo Togasaki, recently recognized as among the 10 most outstanding Bay Area women of the year by the Examiner at its 93rd annual dinner May 21 at the San Francisco State College cafeteria. Wilson Riles, state superintendent of public instruction, will be main speaker.

Oakland East Bay Japanese for Action, Inc., will present Chris Iijima and Joanne Miyamoto in a benefit concert May 28, 8 p.m., at Willard Jr. High School, Berkeley. The two young people from New York will sing about their feelings on social issues confronting America. KQED's documentary, "Subversion!", and local talent will round out the program.

Sacramento While the Calif. Water Commission was holding its monthly meeting here May 7, the member wives enjoyed a program of cultural Japanese arts at the Japanese United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Molly Kimura, Ikebana instructor, demonstrated flower arranging techniques, emphasizing the history, philosophy and development of this art. Mrs. Etsuko Wakayama, language instructor at Sakura Gakuen, demonstrated calligraphy. Serving refreshments were: Mmes. Robert Matsui, Ken Arimoto, Tom Fujimoto.

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From the Frying Pan

Bill Hosokawa

Denver, Colo.

ON CHANGE—Some things change swiftly and cataclysmically. Others change so slowly and gently that we are almost unaware that it has happened until someone points them out.

Item: On April 7, 1942, all but one of the governors of Western states summoned to Salt Lake City by federal authorities were hostile toward the suggestion that they accept Japanese American evacuees from the West Coast. (The only friendly one was Gov. Ralph Carr of Colorado.) Yet, within a month, in view of a worsening farm labor shortage, officials in many parts of the West were pleading for temporary agricultural laborers from the Assembly Centers. By the end of June 1,500 evacuees were working in Idaho, Utah and Montana farm, mainly in sugar beet fields. During the fall harvest 10,000 evacuees left the camps to bring in the beets and thus assure the nation of an ample supply of sugar. This amounted to one-half of all male evacuees between the ages of 25 and 50.

A few days ago Bob Sakata, transplanted to Colorado from California by the evacuation, represented the entire American sugar beet industry in a Salute to Agriculture conference in Washington, D.C. Later he was one of a handful of farmers who met with President Nixon to exchange views about agricultural problems.

Item: In the fall of 1943 Paul Hagiya, a refugee from the West Coast, was elected president of the student body at Southwestern College in Winfield, Kan. Some local superpatriots considered this outrageous and indicated their conviction that they could help win the war in the Pacific by doing violence to Hagiya. College authorities spirited Hagiya out of town until the patriotic fervor cooled, then brought him back and "permitted" him to resign from office.

This week the Rev. Paul Hagiya, pastor of the Simpson United Methodist Church in a Denver suburb, returns to Southwestern College by invitation as baccalaureate speaker.

Item: When the evacuees began to pour into Denver from the War Relocation Camps in 1943 and '44, it quickly became evident that a fresh fish market was needed. Frank Tsuchiya, a dispossessed Los Angeles fish merchant, in association with Frank Torizawa and others, opened the Granada fish market. A couple of blocks away in the warehouse district, in a roccoco mansion where once a famed madame named Mattie Silks had conducted her business, the Tri-State Buddhist Church held its devotionals.

Today the Sakura Square apartment and business complex, sponsored by the Buddhist Church, is rising from its concrete foundations on a square-block site in Denver's vast downtown Urban Renewal project. Soon, the apartment tower will begin to grow at the rate of one floor every six working days until it reaches its 20-story height.

But before the tower is topped out, work will be under way on a major supermarket on the ground floor, which will be the new home for Frank Torizawa's Granada fish market. Poking around recently in a maze of lumber, reinforcing bars and newly laid concrete, Torizawa pointed out where the new refrigerated showcases would go, where the meat and fish departments would be located, how the carpeting would be laid and where the stairway would lead to the mezzanine level. "This will be a little bit of a monument to remember me after I die," he said, and the listener wondered whether he thought, when he first came to Denver during the war years, that he would still be here nearly 30 years later. Certainly the Buddhists didn't have any idea of their growth. But now they are renovating and expanding their church building to complement the apartment complex and laying plans that stretch on into the next century.



By Jim Henry

Sakura Script

'Inn' Way to Discover Japan

TOKYO—Getting off the tourist trail to meet the "real" money by renting extra space in the home, often a large farmhouse in the country, or a small one enlarged for the tourist business.

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The cost per night is usually \$1,000 (\$2.78) per person including two meals a day, breakfast and dinner, and any Japanese travel bureau can make the arrangements.

It is possible to see Japan's four major islands by moving from home to home. In fact, that is precisely the way many Japanese travel each year.

"I prefer minshuku," says one student, "not only because it's cheaper, but because I can feel some family warmth while I'm away from home. Most people who rent out their rooms to travelers are very friendly, I think, and even a gaijin (foreigner) can enjoy the experience, if he knows a little Japanese."

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NEW YORK—In reply to allegations lodged against Japan Air Lines by the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations in a New York Times advertisement on May 3 to the effect that JAL is engaged in a boycott of Israel due to threats from Arab governments, JAL emphatically denied that "We are now or ever have been engaged in such a boycott."

"JAL is engaged in the commercial airline business only and does not participate in any form of politics, either on an international scale or within any country. We are influenced by sound business practices."

"In international commercial aviation, reciprocal landing rights are negotiated by governments concerned on the basis of long, careful study to insure that any new route will be operated at a profit. In the past such discussions and negotiations have often been lengthy. For example, it took seven years of talks between the Japanese and U.S. governments for JAL to obtain air traffic rights into and beyond New York."

"At no time has JAL ever charged any nation or group with boycotting JAL. Instead we have waited for a mutual understanding to be reached through established diplomatic channels. Thus it is erroneous to say that a single air carrier is involved in refusing negotiations for traffic rights with any foreign country."

"We again reiterate that JAL is not participating in a boycott of Israel and in fact enjoys normal airline relations with El Al Israel Airlines. This fact can easily be substantiated by El Al."

JAL Profits Drop

Meanwhile, JAL, which inaugurates Boeing 747 service from San Francisco to Tokyo June 1, reported its fiscal year profit dropped from \$57 million in 1969 to \$5.1 million in 1970 (ending Mar. 31, 1971).

Revenues were off 20 pct. and expenses increased 30 pct. over the preceding year. JAL carried 1,628,000 passengers on its international routes—a 23 pct. increase.

Jewish community groups picket JAL

PHILADELPHIA—Member agencies of the Jewish Community Relations Council here joined in picketing the local offices of Japan Air Lines May 4 as part of a campaign spearheaded nationally by the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations.

The demonstration followed publication of an announcement in the May 3 New York Times of a conference statement attacking JAL. It represented the first public action against the carrier, although the agencies have been actively involved with the problem for over two years.

The conference charged JAL with negotiation in bad faith and having no intention of recommending landing rights for EL AL and for JAL to fly to Israel because of reprisals from Arab governments. The Presidents' Conference declared:

"JAL spokesmen have insisted there has been no submission to, or compliance with, the Arab boycott regulations. Each of their denials was followed with proposals for meetings with appropriate Israeli and EL AL spokesmen—in Geneva, in Teheran, in Honolulu, in New York, in Tel Aviv, and most recently in Tokyo."

"Not one of the proposed meetings has yet come about. The latest JAL commitment was to another such meeting this month."

"This most recent proposed get-together, as the others before it, has now dissolved as the time for it draws near."

Top beauty expert from Japan visiting L.A.

LOS ANGELES—Mrs. Alko Yamano, here this week to be one of the judges of the International Beauty Congress at Long Beach, will demonstrate her hairstyling techniques at Koyasan Hall, May 21, 7 p.m.

Mrs. Yamano is regarded as the foremost expert in Japan on cosmetics and hairstyling. Reiko Yoneyama, "Miss Japan" in the IBC pageant, will headline a special program being emceed by Mike Yamano.

Event is co-sponsored by the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and the 23 Ken-pinkai Presidents Association in Southern California. Downtown L.A. JACL is among the many supporting organizations.

Community bookstore

LOS ANGELES—A group of Samsui will open Amerasia Bookstore and Craft Center, 313 1/2 E. First St., and asks community support to set up shop in the form of lumber, bricks, cabinet, cash register, electrical and building services. Among the young proprietors are: Vivian Matsushige, Evelyn Yoshimura, Chieko Yamamoto, Jeanna Nishimura, Pete Mayeda, John Ito and Amy Murakami.

PULSE ON THE CHAPTERS:



44th ANNUAL—Present at the 1971 San Francisco JACL installation banquet were the following Board of Governor members (from left): seated—Sandra Ouye, Yo Hironaka, George Yamasaki (pres.), Suzie Okazaki, Pat Okamoto, Louise Koike; middle row—Jack Kusaba, Frank Minami, Mas Ashizawa, Roy Ikeda, Nob Mihara, Phil Nakamura; back row—John Yamauchi, Yoshiaki Tajima, Shig Sugiyama (installing officer, NC-WNDC gov.), Ron Kobata, Wesley Doi. —Photo by Steve Doi.



SAPPHIRE PINS—Recipients of the JACL sapphire pin at the San Francisco JACL installation dinner April 30 are (from left) John Yasumoto, Steve Doi, Mrs. Yo Hironaka and Jack Kusaba. National Director Mas Satow (right) made the presentation.

Japanese American Day proclaimed by Illinois governor as JACL cites Issei

Over 125 Issei and 200 guests participated in the successful Chicago JACL Pioneer Night celebration held at the Roscoe Hall on Sunday, April 25, a day proclaimed by Illinois Gov. Richard B. Ogilvie as "Japanese American Day."

Summer course in Nihongo at SC set

LOS ANGELES—The USC Asian Studies Department announced a special two-weeks summer course on "Teaching Japanese in Japanese American Communities" by Dr. Mioko S. Han, professor of Asian Studies and linguistics, July 1-15, 1-4 p.m.

Course may be taken with (2) or without credit. Enrollment is limited. Registration forms and class brochure may be obtained from the department.

Dr. Han, who has been teaching Samsui students at a West Los Angeles JACL-sponsored class, believes modern visual-aid and communications techniques will expand teaching opportunities of Japanese. Her innovative ideas will be discussed during the course, she added.

Japanese class at Unih adult school surveyed

LOS ANGELES—The West Los Angeles JACL will initiate a survey to determine the kind of Japanese courses might be instituted this fall at University Adult Evening School.

Mary Ishizuka and Haru Nakata were appointed survey co-chairmen by the chapter board after it was assured by Dr. Byrl Robinson, principal, he would offer every possible assistance.

Berkeley District seeks Asian American coordinator

BERKELEY—Application for Berkeley Unified School District position of Coordinator of Asian American Studies (pre-school through adult education) must be made by June 18, according to the school personnel office, 1414 Walnut St. (644-6153).

Palo Alto Nisei parents ask for Nihongo class

PALO ALTO—Nisei parents are urging the Palo Alto School Board to offer courses in the Japanese language next year. The subject was debated at the trustee meeting May 3 but no decision was made.

Mrs. Janette Arakawa, mother of several students in the district, said, "We are just beginning to get a feeling of pride at being Japanese... I feel the school district can help by having Japanese offered."

School officials said a preliminary study showed more than 70 junior and senior high school students were interested in Japanese. There are 88 students presently enrolled in Russian and 99 in Mandarin classes.

Trustees discussed program costs and alternative plans, such as a summer course and one-year pilot plan. One questioned the overemphasis on foreign languages.

School supervisor optimistic over integration plan

SAN FRANCISCO—School Supervisor Robert Finch, optimistic over the final outcome of integrated education in the district. The San Francisco court order is expected to have national repercussions on schools outside the South because it deals with de-facto segregation in schools caused by residential patterns only and not by acts of governmental bodies.

Installation

Nisei parents expressed their deep concern over the quality of education in the coming year by their questions that followed.

The JACL sapphire pin was presented by Mas Satow, national director, to Mrs. Yo Hironaka, John Yasumoto, Jack Kusaba and Steve Doi. George Yamasaki was installed by NC-WNDC Gov. Shig Sugiyama as chapter president. Roy Ikeda was banquet chairman, assisted by: Wesley Doi, Joann Ikeda, Sandra Ouye, Wayne Yamada and G. Yamasaki.

Hagiwara Drive

The San Francisco JACL endorsed a recently announced move to have the city name the Golden Gate Park road in front of the Japanese Tea Garden "Hagiwara Drive."

George Yamasaki, chapter president, said that a resolution was adopted using the city and county of San Francisco to approve this name for the roadway.

The chapter board also urged the United Bay Area Crusade to fund minority projects, to hire minority staff members and to allow minority persons to participate in decision-making processes.

It also urged the Japanese American Curriculum Project, the National JACL education committee and all other interested persons to work together to prepare a book about Japanese Americans for use in elementary schools.

In other actions, the board asking the restoration of the \$4.1 million in the state budget for the educational opportunity program and voted \$25 to the Tri-District JACL youth meeting to be held in Southern California in August.

Scholarship

EDEN TOWNSHIP JACL Achievement (\$100 ea.)—Joyce A. Kobori, d of the Yutaka Kiyomori, San Leandro Pacific High; Joan M. Kobori, twin sister of Joyce, same high school; Linda Shigekawa, d of the Tony Shigekawa, San Lorenzo High.

Portland JACL

JACL—Ann Tsuboi, David Douglas High; Okamoto Memorial Scholarship—Rex Putnam High; Oregon Nisei Vets—Kenneth Iriagawa, Washington High; Lynn Tsuboi, Woodland High; Transpacific Women's Society—Janet Grudler, Centennial High; Veleda—Rose Yamada, Clackamas High; Nikki Fukui, Clackamas High; Lincoln High; Akiyoshi Kaji, Dale Hachiya, Centennial High.

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Civic Affairs

West L.A. endorses city school bond issues

Passage of Prop. A on the May 25 Los Angeles ballot to rebuild or replace pre-1933 built public schools received endorsement of the West L.A. JACL board, it was announced by George Kanagai, president.

The board heard Dr. Byrl Robinson, University Adult

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ROBERT FINCH TO KEYNOTE LTCDAC INSTALLATION JUNE 15 AT BILTMORE

LOS ANGELES—Robert Finch, Counsellor to President Nixon, will be the keynote speaker at the third annual Little Tokyo Community Development Advisory Committee installation banquet, it was announced by Kiyoshi Kawai, LTCDAC banquet committee chairman.

Said Kawai, "We are extremely honored to announce that Robert Finch has accepted our invitation to speak at our June 15 banquet. To get a speaker of the caliber and national renown as he is, has to be a major event for all of Little Tokyo."

The banquet will be held at the Biltmore Hotel in the Biltmore Bowl.

Highly Sought Speaker

"Finch is probably one of the most sought after government officials in the nation because of his high influential position as one of President Nixon's right hand men. We feel proud and very fortunate that he will be coming here to speak on Little Tokyo's behalf," said Kawai.

Finch, whom President Nixon has called one of his "closest associates and advisers," has had a distinguished career in politics and public service, having been elected California's Lieutenant Governor in 1966, a position which he held until 1969 when Nixon appointed him to the post of Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare.

In 1970, saying that he "wanted more of Bob Finch's counsel" both domestic and

Central California testimonial set for Dr. K. Taira

FRESNO—A community testimonial banquet honoring Dr. Kikuo Taira for his many years in civic affairs will be held on Sunday, May 30, 6:30 p.m., (his 60th birthday) at the Fresno Buddhist Church Annex. Dinner ticket of \$5.50 will cover other expenses.

The Fresno Nisei physician has not only been active with the Buddhist Church, but with the Sister City, Boy Scouts and JACL, educational and professional societies.

Honorary general chairman for this affair are: Yoshisaburo Okuda, Setsugo Sakamoto, and Guzzo Miyamoto.

On the preparation committee:

Jin Ishikawa, treas.; Mrs. Eizo Arakawa, pub.; Ben Nakamura, catering; James Kubota, entertainment; Masao Araki, program; Dr. George Suda, Michio Toshiyuki, Willy Suda, Giffi Mises, Frank Tashima, George Hishida, Lillian Zenimura, guestbook; Fred Hirayama, Johnson Kebo, Dr. Fusaji Inada, invitations; Mrs. James Mukai, corsages; Morito Nakamoto, Shoji Hishida, Ben Tsudama, gen. arr.; Mmes. Jin Ishikawa, Akira Itsumyo, Robert Kimura, Jim Tsuda, George Suda, Willy Suda, Mike Iwatsubo, Flu. Inaba, James Kubota, decoration; Mmes. Michio Toshiyuki, Henry Kazato, Sam Fujimura, Lewis Toshiyuki, hostesses; Rinban Gbin Kimura, minister; Yutaka Yamamoto and Mrs. Morito Nakamoto, program booklet; Nori Masuda, telegrams.

Area Ticket Personnel: Fresno—Michio Toshiyuki, Henry Mikami, Jin Ishikawa, and Mike Iwatsubo; Madera—Joe Inami; Clovis—Tokio Yamamoto; Sanger—Johnson Kebo; Del Rey—Irving Morishita; Parlier—Rev. Shintaro Sanada; Reedley—Rev. Kakyuei Tada; Tokyo—Nomura; Selma—George Abe; Fowler—Rev. Gimyo Takemura; and Bowles—Takeo Sui.

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Portland Many Americans may describe our society as being a "throw-away society" — one of convenience. Vance Packard has called us the "wastemakers."

bottle (which makes up 55% of total beer and soft drink sales) and the throw-away can are the major villains. They argue that the deposit would remove a "health hazard."

Thanks to the publicity given Earth Day by President Nixon last year, many public spirited individuals, large corporations, etc., began discussing our "wasteful" society more openly. However, 1.0 many of us soon forgot that we still litter the other 364 days of the year. That day in April was only a brief (all too brief) reminder that the preservation of our planet Earth is becoming endangered by the rapid consumption of the natural resources and continued misuse and overuse of the environment.

The proponents asserted that an Oregon Litter Survey (conducted in three cities during March, 1971) showed that throw-aways accounted for over 95% of the litter by the piece. It also said that the throwaway is 21 times more likely to be a litter than the deposit bottle. A 1c-deposit bottle has 10 times greater chance of being littered than a 5c-deposit bottle. Furthermore, a significant percentage of paper litter was packaging and carrying containers for beverage bottles.

We teach our children in school that it is wrong to litter, but few of us question a cigarette out the car window, a piece of paper dropped below the seat at a ball game, or a piece of gum stuck below the lunch counter or seat.

Some children asserted that the 5c deposit would help "to make kids rich, and the high ways clean." Ecologists emphasized that we now have a case of dwindling natural resources, and the need to curtail consumption.

What do foreigners see when they come to America? Lady Bird Johnson made an effort to call our attention to beautifying America, but little was actually done besides setting aside some wilderness areas for national parks.

Within the next few weeks the Legislature will either pass, kill, or table HB 1036. It will make a deep mark on the beverage industry, the many proponents and opponents, and the highways, parks and front lawns.

Unfortunately, what greets tourists is ugly bottles, cans, and paper indiscriminately tossed from cars, littered campgrounds, and general container pollution.

Regardless of HB 1036 this legislative drive has affected people. They have become more conscious of our littering habits and need to clean-up our environment.

Some Oregonians are asking the State Legislature to pass a law to help stop this pollution. A 5c deposit on all beverage containers, plus a ban on pull-tab containers is included in House Bill 1036. It would make it law to charge 5c on all beverage containers (deposit and no-deposit, bottles and cans) by July 1, 1972.

Furthermore, environmentalists have urged us to recycle materials like bottles (all kinds), cans (aluminum, tin, etc.), newspaper, metal, and all reusable materials. Likewise some manufacturers are becoming interested in aiding the environmentalist. (Possibly JACL Chapters can help start or support a recycling center.)

Those favoring the legislation are largely environmentalists, young people, and anti-litter advocates. They presented lengthy testimony before the Senate Committee which indicated that the no-deposit

The world we give to our children the world which we must live in today is far from clean and beautiful. Will we be willing to make sacrifices to clean it up? Will we want to pay the costs?

CALENDAR

- May 21 (Friday) PSWDC—May Halfly, Santa Maria Jrs host.
5:30—Comedy Queen coronation, Norway Center.
May 22 (Saturday) EDC—Bus Mtg, Palmdale.
Gardena Valley—Coronation ball, Gen. Rosecrans VFW Hall, 162nd and Western, 8 p.m.
St. Louis—Udon Night, Hope United Church of Christ, 7:30 p.m.
West Valley—Cult Heritage Mtg, Grace United Methodist Church, Saratoga, 7:30 p.m.; Mrs. Florence Yoshiwara, speaker.
San Gabriel Valley—Scholarship Award Night, Japanese Comm Ctr, West Covina, 8 p.m.
Alameda—Chapter bowling tour, Mel's Bowl.
Gardena Valley—Nisei Week queen candidate coronation ball, VFW Hall, Western & 162nd St., Bob Bergara's band.
East Los Angeles—Emerald Ball, Montebello Country Club, 7 p.m. dance, 9 p.m.
May 23 (Sunday) PSWDC—San Diego JACL hosts: 2d Qtrly Session, Nisei VFW Post, National City, 9:30 a.m.
Fino—Clean-up, Hillside Cemetery, 10 a.m.
Sacramento—Social Service Information Day, Community Health Dept., 2221 Stockton Blvd., 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
May 24 (Monday) Berkeley—Ed Mtg, American S&L, 7:30 p.m.
May 26 (Monday) Monterey Peninsula—Ed Mtg, JACL Hall, 7:30 p.m.
Gardena Valley—Golf tournament, Alondra Park, 9:15 a.m.; Award Dinner, Kyoto Sukiyaki, (Evening due May 17).
May 28 (Friday) Selanoco—Gen Mtg.
West Los Angeles—Benefit movie, Mahood Rec Ctr, 6 p.m.
May 29—30 MDC—Jr. JACL workshop, Northfield Inn, Southfield, Mich.
May 30 (Sunday) DC—Memorial Day Rites, Arlington Nat'l Cemetery.
May 31 (Monday) San Francisco—Memorial Day Service, Golden Gate Nat'l Cemetery, 10 a.m.; Shig Sugiyama, spkr.
June 1 (Tuesday) PSWDC—Nisei Relays Comm Mtg, Japanese Chamber of Comm, Rm 206, 125 Weller St., Los Angeles, 8 p.m.
June 5 (Saturday) Contra Costa—Days of the Races, Bay Area Community—New Issues Institute, Oakland.
Alameda—Oakland Duplicate bridge tournament, Buena Vista United Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m.
June 6 (Sunday) PSWDC—Nisei Relays, Franklin MS Field, 9 a.m.
Sacramento—Comm Picnic, Elk Grove Park, 11 a.m.
June 8 (Tuesday) Frog, Westside—Ed Mtg.
June 9 (Wednesday) Orange County—Ed Mtg, Bank of Tokyo, Santa Ana, 8 p.m.
June 12-13 Eden Township—Bazaar, Eden Comm. Ctr.
June 13 (Sunday) Salinas Valley—Barbecue, Bolado Park.
June 26 (Saturday) Chicago—Graduates dinner, McCormick Boys Club, 6:30 p.m.
June 27 (Sunday) Dayton—Pictures of Japan.
West Los Angeles—Steak bake, Cheviot Hills Plyd.
Monterey—Community picnic.
Orange County—JAYs carnival, Garden Grove Park, 12n-9 p.m.

CHAPTER PULSE

Scholarship

Sacramento administers nine scholarships

Sacramento JACL scholarship committee revealed its winners for 1971 of nine awards amounting to a total of \$1,100, which includes two new ones established this year. Chapter established a \$100 Dr. George Takahashi Memorial and the Senator Lions is funding another \$100 scholarship, it was announced by Richard Matsumoto, committee chairman and a Sacramento City College instructor. The committee secures candidates from the 15 high schools in the Sacramento area.

Kobori twin sisters win Eden Township awards

Joyce and Joan Kobori, twin daughters of the Yutaka Koboris of San Leandro, and Linda Shigekawa, daughter of the Tony Shigekawas of San Lorenzo, will receive the Eden Township JACL achievement award of \$100 each during the eighth annual Eden Japanese Community Center bazaar set for June 12-13.

May Events

West Valley to see new JACP-produced filmstrip

By JOHN KAKU The West Valley JACL cultural heritage committee meeting May 22 at the Grace United Methodist Church, Saratoga, from 7:30 p.m., will see the new educational filmstrip on the Japanese in America produced by the Japanese American Curriculum Project and Multi-Media Productions. The film is intended as a discussion starter, according to Mrs. Shizue Yoshina, evening chairman. Mrs. Florence Yoshiwara, JACL coordinator, will lead the session on Japanese American identity. San Jose Young Adult Club and West Valley JACL youth group will be guests.

St. Louis 'udon night' to aid 'Operation Live'

St. Louis JACL Udon Night on May 22 at the Hope United Church of Christ will raise funds for Operation Live, a self-help program for the inner city, which has been very successful in aiding the low-income families, chapter president Otto Furuta said. Udon Night program, chaired by Ann Hattori, will feature fun games and prizes. Admission is \$2 donation and udon (the noodles) will be free.

Santa Maria honors graduates at dinner

By ELLEN KISHIYAMA Three chapter awards totaling \$300 were presented to high school seniors during the Santa Maria Valley JACL graduates dinner held May 7 at Alan Hancock Student Union. (Winners are listed under Scholarship in this section.) Program included spaghetti dinner, talent show, auction and door prizes. Peter Ueyehara, president, was emcee. Contributions to the chapter scholarship fund from Tami Farms and John Kawachi were also acknowledged. On the dinner committee were: Mrs. Stanley Hagita, Mrs. Leo...

Five candidates seek Miss Gardena Valley

Gardena Valley JACL will introduce its 1971 Nisei Week queen candidate at the chapter coronation ball May 22, 8 p.m., at the Gen. Rosecrans VFW Post 3261 Hall, 162nd and Western, it was announced by chairman Seichi Sugino. The five hopefuls will undergo similar paces for the midsummer pageant except for the kimono this weekend are Ellen Inouye, Karen Kitagawa, Barbara Masuda, Jeanne Munasato and Robilyn Shibao. Bob Bergara's band will play for the dance till 1 a.m. Tickets are \$2 adults, \$1 students. On the committee are: Mrs. Fumi Ishino, Mrs. Fletcher, emcee; Helen Ikejiri, ball chmn.

Cal State-Long Beach seeks new EOP students

LONG BEACH—The Educational Opportunity Program at Cal State-Long Beach will admit this fall 1,200 new disadvantaged or low-income minority students who do meet standard entrance requirements. EOP not only provides tutorial and counseling aid but allocates funds on basis of need and availability. Asian American students may secure additional information from Naomi Uveda, EOP, Cal-State LB (498-4288).

Sac'to hosts 40 teams in basketball meet

SACRAMENTO—Climaxing the 1970-71 California Saneis basketball season, forty teams competed in the Springtime Invitational tournament held over the Apr. 23-25 weekend at the City College here. There were five division winners: AA—Penthouse Lakers (L.A.); A—Sacramento JACL; B—Saints; A-Silver—L.A. Yamasa; Girls A-Gold—San Francisco Royal School; Girls A-Silver—Berkeley BMU Sangha.

Asian Studies

UCLA Extension summer program at the Westwood campus on Japanese art, architecture and brush painting will commence the week of June 21. Enrollment information may be secured by writing UCLA Extension, Los Angeles 90024, or calling 825-2401. The schedule: ART OF JAPAN—MFW 10-11:30 a.m., 3275 Dickson Art Center, asst. pro. Donald F. McCallum; 6 wks from June 2. JAPANESE GARDEN ARCHITECTURE—MW, 7-9:15 p.m., 1343 Dickson Art Center, design consultant Koichi Kawana; 6 wks from June 21. ORIENTAL BRUSH PAINTING, TH 7:30-9:45 p.m., 3209 Dickson Art Center, Hisashi Ohta; 6 wks from June 21.

June Events

'New Issei' get-together in Bay Area scheduled

Postwar immigrants from Japan or the "New Issei" met with Bay Area Community JACL members, prewar Issei and Saneis last April 10 at the International Institute in Oakland in an afternoon program typical of the Cherry Blossom festivities. The chapter's social service and social action committee was enthusiastically urged to continue the program and has scheduled Mrs. Reiko True, family counselor and psychiatric social worker, to address the June 5 get-together. The chapter acknowledged the assistance of Frank Kasama, the Rev. Nicholas Iyoya, for their participation in the April 10 program; Zoe Borokowski, International Institute; and Mas Yonemura.

Oakland-Alameda chapters hold duplicate bridge meet

The Oakland and Alameda JACL chapters co-host a duplicate bridge tournament June 5, 7:30 p.m., at the Buena Vista United Methodist Church in Alameda. Participants may register with co-chairmen Bob Mochizuki, 1815 Minturn (522-3393), or Howe Hanamura, 1314 Hampel, Oakland (534-0087) by May 22. Trophies and prizes will be awarded the winners.

Chicago schedules its dinner for graduates

JACL scholarship winners will be announced at the Chicago JACL graduation dinner set for Saturday, June 26, at the McCormick Boys Club, 4835 N. Sheridan Rd. Program starts at 6:30 p.m., according to Sharon Deguchi (835-3679), who is handling reservations until June 21.

OC JAYs carnival scheduled for June 27

Orange County JAYs will stage its 16th annual carnival June 27 at Garden Grove Park from noon to 9 p.m. Proceeds will be used for the JAY scholarship fund. Most organizations in the Orange County Interclub Council will participate manning the various game stands and food booths.

Chow mein dinner

LOS ANGELES—The Christ Presbyterian Church, 4011 Clinton St., holds its annual chow mein dinner May 22, 4:30-7:30 p.m., at \$1.25 per plate. Managers of restaurants advertised in the PC appreciate your identifying yourself as a PC reader.

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Politics is a favorite theme of mine. I think it is extremely important for each of us to take an active part in politics. From the time we get up to the time we go to bed, we are governed by some kind of law.

Who makes these laws? We are involved in passing laws if we care to, or we can help in opposing laws we don't like. We can be instruments of change.

But, if we don't get involved in politics, we have no one to blame but ourselves for what happens to us. We should start grooming our young people to get involved in politics and have them run for office early to get experienced and to make "connections." We have been far too complacent about politics. We must change this image.

For me, there have been three primary areas of life's concern. They are the family, work and community activity. I believe that we should spend about one-third of our time in each area, daily if possible, but in such proportion sometime during our lifetime.

If each of us becomes involved in various ways, we will be able to solve many of our problems facing us today. But, if we are selfish and think only of ourselves and our family, we will be hard put to complain about the problems of society that plague all of us.

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We include the total spectrum of Japanese Americans in one way or another and to some degree or another. We are the only national

organization that has sustained a geographical membership and a national program by and for JAs. At the present time, JACL and JAs are faced with a dilemma. The dilemma is one of assimilation or cultural integrity. Some may question whether we serve this dilemma. It may just be a point of view, particularly mine.

I have now travelled far and wide for JACL and it is my opinion we have this dilemma. We have advocates for both sides. We also have some who believe in both without being inconsistent in their position. I am in this latter group.

It is our belief that there must be a peaceful and harmonious co-existence between those who wish to assimilate and those who wish to maintain their cultural integrity or identity. Whatever one's choice, such person should have the freedom to make such choice without being ridiculed or attacked. We must each contribute to our society in the way we think we can do so best.

It is my fond hope that JACL can play an important part in your life and vice versa. Each of you will make your mark in this life. Like all people, we have a certain uniqueness; that is, we are Japanese Americans. Whatever contributions you make, it will be because you are an American.

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Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

Hawaii Today

Honolulu

Despite the new abortion law, the islands' birth totals are up. In fact more babies were born in Hawaii in 1970 than in any other year since 1962. Births in the state numbered 16,463 last year compared to 15,668 in 1969. The 1970 total, however, is still below the high of 17,932 recorded in 1962. Researchers have attributed the increased birth rate to a large number of war babies now at child-bearing ages. Divorces and annulments rose to 2,589 in 1970, compared with 2,310 in 1969. And there were 4,132 civilian deaths in 1970, compared with 4,146 in 1969. Births less deaths equaled 12,331 for 1970, giving a rate of natural increase of 17.3 per 1,000 civilian residents. The median age was listed as 25 for Hawaii, compared with 27.8 nationwide.

Incomes of island residents are rising, but their buying power still lags behind that of mainland residents. Robert Schmitt, state statistician, says Hawaii's average income per capita in 1970 was \$4,350 a year, up from \$4,165 in 1969. This compares with the per capita income on the mainland of \$5,910 a year, according to Schmitt. Schmitt says the cost of living in Hawaii is 200,000 to 21 percent above the mainland average while per capita income here is only 15.9 per cent higher than the mainland. In 1970, 553 retired persons over age 65 came to Hawaii, but 332 others left the state, many of them apparently hoping to stretch fixed incomes in mainland areas where living costs are lower. Some 200,000 people who were born in Hawaii and are still living now make their homes out of the state, Schmitt said. He added that the cost of living here may have something to do with the unusual number of islanders now making their homes on the mainland or other places. He said the 200,000 figure represents 23 per cent of all persons born in Hawaii and still living.

Fifty unarmed military policemen forcibly cleared it and antiwar demonstrators from the Army Recruiting Office on Millani St. on May 5. The riot lasted about five minutes. It was the only violence in a day-long session of demonstration.

Crime File

Two men wearing ski masks and trench coats held up Stanley Morikawa, a Foster Tower clerk, May 3 and escaped with \$2,500 in cash. It was the third robbery at a Waikiki hotel in seven days. On Monday, April 26, five men took about \$44,000 in cash and checks from the Outrigger Hotel after tying up eight employees. On Friday, April 30, a night auditor was robbed of more than \$1,000 at the Hotel Tropic Isle on Beach Walk.

Albert B. Fu, 36, pleaded guilty April 30 to a charge of betting which was brought against him when he appeared in district court. A former

City employee, Fu conducted a bookie operation out of a City office. It was patronized by hundreds of City-County employees. Vice officers said that thousands of dollars a week in bets on Mainland and local sports events changed hands through a betting system conducted in the City Information Systems Dept. Fu was a former systems analyst in the data processing operation that serves City departments. He quit his post about a month ago. He is now employed by the Hawaii Government Employees Assn. Fu was fined \$500 but Magistrate Frank Takaka suspended payment of \$400 of that amount.

Congressional Score

Sen. Hiram L. Fong said in Washington May 3, "I favor demonstrations by anyone within the limits of the law, but I deplore such actions as the planned traffic tieup to disrupt government operations in our nation's capital. I also cannot condone the vandalism which I understand has occurred subsequent to the clearing of city parks Sunday (May 2) morning." He added: "The metropolitan police dept. and other law enforcement agencies deserve great credit in displaying fine judgment and admirable restraint in all their activities over the weekend and on Monday (May 3)."

Sen. Daniel K. Inouye said in Washington May 3 that he hopes to be able to visit China when he makes his planned trip to the Far East this summer. Inouye has been invited by the Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions to be one of five U.S. representatives at a conference scheduled to be held in Kyoto, Aug. 19-21. Inouye will be making the trip while Congress is taking its summer recess and Mrs. Inouye will be accompanying him.

Rep. Spark M. Matsunaga told public employees April 24 that a minimum salary of \$500 a month should be one of the first objectives in future collective bargaining talks. Matsunaga made the suggestion before the Hawaii Government Employees Assn. and the United Public Workers. Matsunaga said, "Inasmuch as the Office of Economic Opportunity is providing guidelines for Hawaii sets \$4,200 annual income as the property level for a family of four, it is reasonable, I believe, for this employee union to seek this absolute minimum of \$500 a month."

Rep. Patsy T. Mink suggested in Washington May 4 that there be new paper work for the government. She would make all that government paper work over and over by recycling it. The federal government, Mink said, is in a press release, is one of the most prolific users of paper and could greatly reduce the volume disposed of as solid by re-using at least part of its supply.

Medical Notes

The State Dept. of Health has completed a draft of noise control regulations governing autos and other vehicles on Oahu streets. The regulations establish noise limits for light and heavy vehicles on Oahu. The regulations will mean that there will be a reduction in the noise made by motorcycles, scooters, concrete mixers and heavy equipment used to haul sugar cane. Most automobiles in good condition and with adequate mufflers could meet the standards until Jan. 1, 1977. On that date a more restrictive series of standards will go into effect.

Kuakini Hospital held dedication ceremonies May 2 for its 18

million administration building. Taking part in the ceremony were Harry Tagawa, president of the hospital's board of directors; Masachi Tasaka, executive vice president; and Dr. Walter Quisenberry, director of the State Dept. of Health, who was representing Gov. John A. Burns. About 500 persons attended. Speakers included Dr. Albert Shimamura, Senate Pres. Day McClung, Speaker Tadao Beppu, Mayor Frank Easi, Wallace C. Fulton and Masayuki Takikawa.

Dr. Herbert Y. H. Chinn, a urologist, has succeeded Dr. John Lowrey as president of the Hawaii Medical Assn. Chinn, father of six children, was the 1966 Father of the Year. Dr. William Jaconetti has been chosen president-elect.

Univ. of Hawaii

The People's Coalition for Peace and Justice, a local peace group, announced May 4 that it had been bluffing in threatening to destroy the East-West Center's Japanese Garden. The coalition had announced on April 29 that it planned to use chemicals to defoliate the garden on May 4. When the hour came, John Whitek told a crowd of about 500 that the coalition never had intended to destroy the garden, but rather had held it as a "hostage" to get publicity and support for antiwar demonstrations.

Kamaboko confusion

Red & White Foods, Inc., manufacturers of kamaboko (fishcakes), went back to full operation May 5 after a 10-day layoff caused by the recent fishcake scare. Dennis Goto, general manager, said his company may have lost \$12,000 in sales during the work stop. The scare began with a report that high levels of mercury were found in some fishcakes during tests in January and March.

Where's the Fire?

The Dole Pineapple Hut on Kamehameha Hwy. in Waimanalo and Halewa was destroyed by fire May 5. A new building is expected to go up as soon as possible.

Honolulu Scene

Plans for a Japanese-style shopping center appear ready to get off the ground after more than two years of planning. The \$12 million Plaza Plaza project is scheduled to be built on a four acre block of the Kukui Redevelopment Area. The site, bounded by Beretania, Maunakea and Kukui Sts. and Nuuanu Ave., is now a parking lot. Those who use the 800-stall parking lot already have received notices that parking will be discontinued there within the next month. Plans for the project call for a three-level shopping center similar to Ala Moana Center. Major concerns would be Gibson's Discount Store, a supermarket and a Japanese teahouse.

City Hall sources say that Hira Hara, Inc. is the apparent low bidder in the demolition of Queen's Surf. Hara's bid was \$40,485. The city council in March appropriated \$50,000 for the demolition of the two-story building on the site and landscaping of the grounds. Ten bids have been received. Demolition, it is expected, will be finished by the end of May.

Under a new one-way traffic change in Honolulu, King and Beretania have been converted to one-way between Kapiolani Blvd. and University Ave. King is moving kokohhead and Beretania ewa. This has made King St. one-way kokohhead from Ala Park to University Ave. and Beretania St. one-way ewa from University Ave. to Maunakea. At the same time, South St. between Auhai and Pohukaina Sts. has been returned to two-way operation.

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BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman

Ambush of Japanese Naval Chief

GET YAMAMOTO: by Burke Davis, Bantam Books, 163 pp., Paperback, 95c.

At 8:02 a.m., April 18, 1943, Comdr. Edwin T. Layton, fleet intelligence officer at Pearl Harbor, entered the office of Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, Commander in Chief, Pacific Fleet and Pacific Ocean Areas. Layton handed Nimitz the text of an intercepted Japanese message.

The message gave the itinerary of Adm. Isoroku Yamamoto for April 18. Layton suggested they use the information to ambush the Japanese.

Commander in Chief of the Combined Japanese Imperial Fleet, Yamamoto had planned the attack on Pearl Harbor. He had led his country to a series of brilliant victories. Now he was in Rabaul, in the South Pacific, exhorting his followers to do their utmost in an offensive against the Americans in the area. He had to wring every ounce of effort from them; since the Battle of Midway, in June of the preceding year, the war had begun to turn against Japan.

Japanese Code Known

Unknown to Yamamoto, American cryptologists had cracked the Japanese code. This feat had enabled them to anticipate Japanese moves at Midway. Though outmaneuvered and outgunned, the Americans had won the battle.

American ability to read the Japanese code had now enabled Layton to know that Yamamoto was scheduled to arrive at Buin, Bougainville at 10 a.m., April 18. Yamamoto would be aboard a bomber, which would be accompanied by six Zero fighters.

Knowledge of Yamamoto's schedule offered the Americans a unique opportunity. Though the mission might be fraught with difficulty and danger, they might be able to intercept and destroy him.

So unusual a proposal naturally provoked doubts. Learning of the scheme in Washington next day, Sec. of Navy Frank Knox wondered about the ethics of wartime assassination. A subordinate found precedents for him.

At Pearl Harbor, Nimitz and Layton explored the possibility that the Japanese might replace the slain Yamamoto with a commander of equal or greater ability, but quickly dismissed the suggestion. Yamamoto, the most audacious strategist in the Japanese Navy, was head and shoulders above his subordinates; he was irreplaceable.

Most Respected

Not only would the loss of Yamamoto impair the efficiency of the Navy, it would deal the Japanese a severe psychological blow. Next to the Emperor, Yamamoto was probably the most revered man in Japan. His subordinates idolized him. The death of Yamamoto would demoralize the Navy and stun the nation.

Still, if he were ambushed, the Japanese might suspect their code had been broken. Thus warned, they could radically change the code so that valuable information, otherwise available to America, would be prevented from falling into American hands.

Despite this grave consideration, the importance of eliminating Yamamoto made the risk worth taking. As a precautionary measure, how-

ever, Layton leaked a cover story to those who might be expected to participate in the scheme: Australian coast-watchers around Rabaul had forwarded Yamamoto's itinerary.

Nimitz sent the order to intercept and destroy Yamamoto. Handed the assignment, a group of crack American fliers at Guadalcanal hammered out the details of the ambush. They planned to intercept and destroy Yamamoto ten minutes before he was to land at Buin.

Two Bombers

Sixteen American P-38s, Lightnings, arrived at Bougainville to keep the rendezvous. Only one minute off their calculated time of interception, Japanese planes approached. An extra bomber had been added to the Japanese group, giving the Americans two essential targets instead of one, for they had no way of knowing which bomber carried their quarry.

The Americans prepared to attack.

In the early part of the book, the author slows and diverts the flow of the story by introducing extraneous information. For example, he writes in detail of the planning of the Pearl Harbor attack. Once into his theme, however, he weaves a gripping narrative about one of the most dramatic incidents of the Pacific War.

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Nixon and Kerry

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By HAROLD GORDON

Should I tell you what I consider to be wrong? Well I consider to be wrong is that most of the people in the Western Hemisphere are stark, staring mad and the few people who recognize this are regarded as lunatics by all these stark, staring mad people.

—Montague

Chicago

When one is lying on his back in the hospital recovering from a coronary episode, he has plenty of time for reflection. The sheltered and antiseptic atmosphere lends a clarity to one's thinking.

(NB—For my friends who might be concerned, the attack was a mild one, and I am again feeling fit and back at work.)

I watched TV—heard the stories announcing the casualties and body counts. I listened to the speeches of the politicians and I found myself thinking that the inmates have taken over the asylum, as so succinctly put by Ashley Montague in the quotation above.

I listened to an interview of the President by the agreeable and complaisant Howard K. Smith, who asks all the right questions and challenges none of the answers, and in my frustration, I imagine what such an interview would be like if the questioner were someone like John Kerry—what it would be like if Kerry, as spokesman for the Vietnam Veterans Against the War, assembled in Washington, was given the opportunity to interview the President.

Since Editor Harry is kind enough to allocate space in the PC for an occasional column of mine, I can alleviate my frustration by giving full reign to my imagination in reconstructing what such an interview might have been like.

Lt. (jg) John Kerry, USN

For those of you who missed seeing Kerry on Meet the Press, or addressing the peace rally on April 24, or who did not read the transcript of his testimony before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, John Kerry, in my opinion, might be the catalyst for a universal demand that we immediately negotiate a cease fire and halt the insane killing. Yale '66; 3 years in Vietnam, wearing a Silver Star for heroism and a Purple Heart with three clusters; articulate, with language that is prose-poetry, sincere, knowledgeable, and who, from personal experience on the scene, has sensible answers to all the clichés we have been hearing from Washington from the time of L.B.J. to date.

The following imaginary interview (with some literary license) is derived from published speeches by the President and by Kerry.

Kerry interviews the President

KERRY: Mr. President, I am not here as John Kerry but as one of a group of 1,000 which is a small representation of a very much larger group of veterans all of whom would have liked it, if it were possible, to be sitting here and participating in this interview. Mr. President, why are we fighting in Vietnam?

PRESIDENT: We are fighting to protect the people of South Vietnam from aggression from the Communists of the north.

KERRY: Mr. President, we have heard the same thing from the previous administration which sent us off to fight, and we are angry because we have found from personal experience on the scene that we were not participating in any mystical war against Communism.

We found that not only was it a civil war, an effort by a people who had for years been seeking their liberation from any colonial influence, but that we are looked upon by the Vietnamese as a successor to the French in attempting to maintain colonialism in Vietnam, and not as the saviors of South Vietnam, or their protectors against aggression.

Only Want to Work

We found that most of the people there did not even know the difference between communism and democracy. They only wanted to work in their rice paddies without helicopters strafing them and bombs with napalm burning their villages and tearing their country apart.

PRESIDENT: You wouldn't have us bug out without guaranteeing that the South Vietnamese have a democratic

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government of their choice and a reasonable chance to survive as a free people?

KERRY: Mr. President, the government of Thieu and Ky is not a "government of their choice" but a corrupt dictatorship regime which was maintained in power by a fraudulent election in 1967 in which virtually all the peace candidates were ruled off the ballot. A regime which in spite of the fraud and double voting by the Arvin troops received only 37% of the vote— a regime which could stay in power for one week without our military support.

Isn't it time, Mr. President, that we cease to concern ourselves with Saigon and begin to be concerned about New York, Chicago, Los Angeles and all the other bankrupt cities in the country—about inflation, devaluation of the dollar, starving Americans, pollution and all the rest of our pressing problems? Isn't it time that we begin to bind up the nation's wounds?

Opposition Jailed

Mr. President, what would have happened in this country after the '68 election if you had clapped Hubert H. Humphrey and Ed Muskie into jail and had kept them there to this date?

PRESIDENT: You must know that nothing like that would be countenanced in a free democracy.

KERRY: Then why did we permit Thieu and Ky to jail Dzu, the next leading candidate with 33% of the votes cast as well as many other political prisoners whose only crime was that they advocated a negotiated peace—and why do we permit their continued incarceration to this date?

PRESIDENT: We cannot interfere with the sovereign government of South Vietnam. However, as you know, I am winding down the war. I have implemented a plan to train and equip the South Vietnamese, to withdraw American forces and to end American involvement in the war, just as soon as the South Vietnamese have developed the capacity to defend their country against Communist aggression.

As a result of our Laotian operation, I can report that Vietnamization has succeeded. The South Vietnamese demonstrated that without our advisers or combat troop support on the ground, they could fight effectively against the best troops North Vietnam could put in the field. Consequently, I have announced an increase in the rate of American withdrawal.

ARVN 'Incapable'

KERRY: I can tell you from first-hand knowledge, Mr. President, that you have been grossly misinformed about the fighting capabilities of the Arvin. We have only too often seen in the field that our support by Arvin units on our flanks had faded away as soon as the going got tough and that American men were dying in the rice paddies for lack of such support.

We found that the Arvin troops have no stomach for the war and that their desertion rate is the highest of any army in history—that Vietnamization will never succeed!

Mr. President, when the Arvin marched into Laos and met little opposition, General Abrams announced that they had demonstrated that they could "hack it." However, as soon as the North Vietnamese attacked in force, the Arvin broke and ran, leaving their wounded behind in a mad scramble to grasp the runners of the helicopter flying them to safety behind the lines.

We announced, Mr. President, that none of our ground troops are in Laos so it is all right to kill Laotians by remote control. But, believe me, the 450 members of the 105 helicopter crews which were shot down in the operation fill the same body bags as ground troops. The Arvin losses, as you know, were tremendous. The people of South Vietnam are so incensed at the heavy losses of their troops in the Laotian operation designed merely to protect withdrawing American troops, that Thieu fears he may not be re-elected in October no matter what election frauds are committed.

Casualty Roll

PRESIDENT: But if we fail in Vietnam, the blood-bath that follows would be a blot on American history.

KERRY: Mr. President, the Kennedy subcommittee has pieced together a picture of the terrible cost of the Indochina war:

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That isn't exactly a bubble bath, Mr. President! In issuing his committee report, Senator Kennedy stated "We cannot allow the spectre of a highly dubious 'bloodbath' of the future to blind us from the 'bloodbath' that is going on today—every day—in Vietnam and all of Indochina."

Vietnamization, Mr. President, merely means the substitution of Vietnamese bodies for Americans. We are asking Vietnamese to die so that Thieu and Ky, who are universally hated in South Vietnam, can be maintained in power with some of our support troops and with our massive bombings. It is because Thieu and Ky lack the support of their own people that we have had to adopt the tactics of free fire zones and search and destroy missions killing innocent women and children and creating millions of refugees. Vietnamization could last another ten years and there still would be no will to fight on the part of the South Vietnamese.

Gradual Withdrawal

The gradual withdrawal of American troops, merely means that those luckless Americans remaining will be more and more vulnerable to attack with each contingent of troops coming back to the United States. Between now and October when you have promised your next announcement of further troop withdrawal, we can expect the death of at least another 1,000 Americans and the wounding of many times that number.

Mr. President, you cannot expect American boys who have fought and watched their buddies die, to watch quietly while American lives are lost so that we can exercise the incredible arrogance of Vietnamizing the Vietnamese. The fraggings, and refusals of our troops to obey orders sending them on combat missions, will increase as their morale decreases, and as more of them become dope addicts because of the increasing supply of heroin, obligingly furnished for profit by the corrupt generals surrounding Thieu and Ky. As this process develops, we will be faced at last with the spectacle of an entire army refusing to obey the commands of their officers to fight and die for the biggest nothing in history.

A Mistake

Mr. President, each day while we facilitate the process by which the United States washes her hands of Vietnam, we are asking our boys to give up their lives so that the United States doesn't have to admit something the entire world knows—that we have made a mistake. They have to die so that you, Mr. President, won't be—and these are your words—"the first President to lose a war."

We are asking you, Mr. President, and all Americans to think about this because how do you ask a man to be the last man to die in Vietnam? How do you ask a man to be the last man to die for a mistake?

PRESIDENT: We have tried to negotiate a peace in Paris but the Viet Cong and the North Vietnamese refuse to negotiate.

KERRY: Mr. President, the only thing they will not negotiate is our insistence on maintaining Thieu and Ky in power against the will of the South Vietnamese. All the other points are negotiable once we have set a firm date for withdrawal.

PRESIDENT: Once you set a date we say, in effect, to the enemy, "We quit, regardless of what you do," then we destroy any incentive the enemy might have to negotiate and of course we destroy our bargaining position with regard to POW's.

The Negotiations

KERRY: Mr. President, you are stating the problem in reverse. As long as we have troops in Vietnam our prisoners will not be released. The Vietnamese have very recently stated in Paris that they are willing to simultaneously negotiate a firm date for total withdrawal and for the release of our prisoners.

This agreement for withdrawal and for release of our prisoners, Mr. President, can be followed immediately by a cease fire, if necessary, over the heads of Thieu and Ky and an immediate stop to the killing of Americans and Vietnamese alike. This we can accomplish by making up our minds once and for all that we have spent too much of our substance in lives and money in order to maintain a "presence" in Southeast Asia by supporting a murderous thugs like Thieu and Ky.

PRESIDENT: I have advocated a policy of Vietnamization with some American support troops, and by American airpower, so that when we leave Vietnam we will insure a generation of peace.

KERRY: Mr. President, Vietnamization will not insure a generation of peace, rather a generation of continued war in an attempt to prop up a government which will fall as soon as we leave, whether it be tomorrow or ten years from now.

Meaning of 'Firm Date'

Setting a firm date, Mr. President, for withdrawal of American troops does not say anything to North Vietnam that they do not already know. On the other hand, setting a firm date will convey the message to Thieu and Ky that the jig is up—that if they wish to save their skins they had better allow a broad based government to be formed which will negotiate an immediate cease fire and which will hold truly free and honest elections. Having done this, Thieu and Ky fear for their own safety, they can fly to Switzerland to enjoy a life of ease with the funds in their numbered accounts there.

Mr. President, my fellow veterans and I have come to Washington to undertake one last mission, to search out and destroy the last vestige of this barbaric war, to pacify our own hearts, to conquer the natives and the fear that have driven this country these last ten years and more, and so when in thirty years from now our brothers going down the street without a leg, without an arm, or a face, and small boys ask why, we will be able to say "Vietnam" and not mean a desert, not a filthy, obscene memory but instead the place where America finally turned and where soldiers like us helped in the turning.

Comment: Light at the End of the Tunnel

This "light" is not the one promised us by L.B.J. and Dean Rusk—but the light of peace brought about by an aroused public that have had it with the war and want out now.

The politicians in Washington (with a few shining exceptions who have consistently opposed the war) are slowly (too slowly) becoming aware of the fact that there are signs all around us that the "turning" which Lt. Kerry speaks of is taking place. The first indication was the Jan. 15 Gallup Poll which reported that 73% of Americans favor the setting of Dec. 31, 1971, as a firm date for withdrawal (an increase from 55% only last September).

Madison, Wis., the same electorate which voted 27,000 to 21,000 against withdrawal in 1968, voted in a new referendum several weeks ago two to one for immediate withdrawal (31,500 to 15,900). Wisconsin State Senator Fred Resser was quoted after the referendum as saying "The people are frustrated. They are fed up with the war. It is a message to the government that they want out and want out now."

On April 12, an news story out of Galesburg, a conservative Southern Illinois town, quotes Thomas B. Hering, the city manager: "That attitude (pro war) has switched completely. The number of people in Galesburg who would say our action in Vietnam is correct has changed drastically. I would say that people in Galesburg would like this country to get out of it completely—now."

Super-hawks Change

From Griffin, Ga., on April 18 came the story headlined "EVEN SUPER-HAWKS OF 'PATRIOTISM BELT' ARE SICK OF VIET." The story tells of Rep. John J. Flint, Jr., a former superhawk who has now voted against the extension of the draft on the basis that his constituents who were formerly saying, "Win the war in Vietnam," are now saying, "Get out of Indochina."

The Lt. William Calley affair finally brought about the awakening of millions of Americans to the atrocities we have been committing in Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia in the name of protecting the peoples there "against aggression from the north."

Greater than the impact of the 300,000 to 500,000 protesters who assembled in Washington on April 24, was the impact of armless and legless Vietnam veterans walking up in front of the television cameras tossing their medals over the fence in front of the Capitol Building (a first in American history) and the bursting tears because of the memory of their dead buddies whom they felt had really earned the medals—the impact of the imposing presence of Lt. Kerry himself and his unanswerable rhetoric.

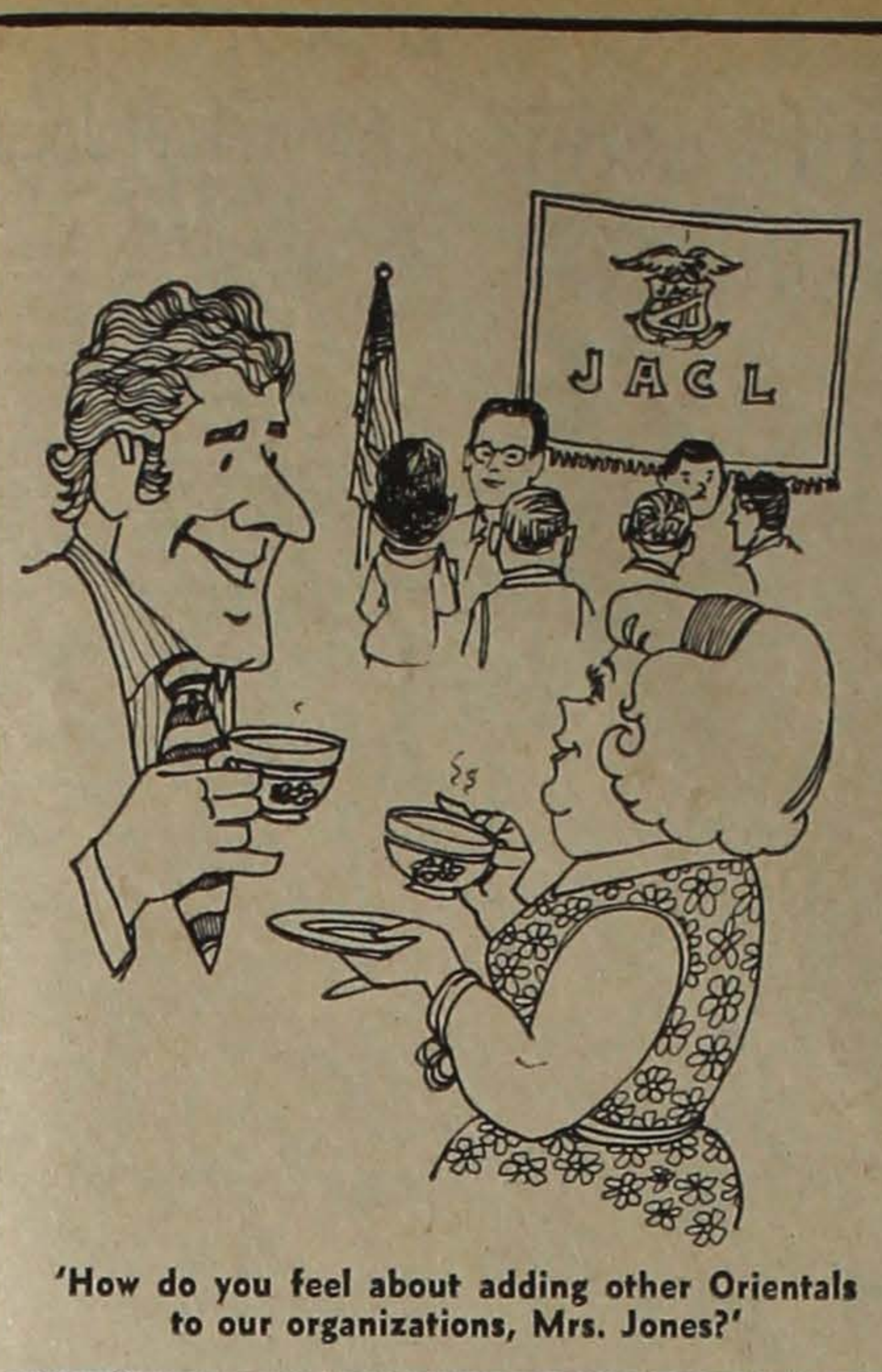
The McGovern-Hatfield amendment aimed at setting a firm date for withdrawal is now being considered by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. If you feel, as Lt. Kerry does, that the killing must stop immediately, you might send a letter to your senators and congressmen asking them to support this amendment and an additional resolution for the negotiation of an immediate cease fire. You might send them a photocopy of this column and additional copies to similarly-minded friends around the country.

QUESTION BOX

Justice Aiso

Q—When was Justice John Aiso appointed to the State Appellate Court?
A—HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT Los Angeles

Q—He was appointed to his present post Dec. 1, 1967. Also was first appointed municipal judge in Sept. 1953, superior court judge in Sept. 1957.



'How do you feel about adding other Orientals to our organizations, Mrs. Jones?'

CAPITAL SCENE: David Ushio

First Impressions

A month has passed since Dave Ushio reported to Mike Masaoka's office as the assistant Washington JACL Representative. This is his "maiden column" though he has prepared several special stories which have already appeared in the Pacific Citizen.—Editor.

Washington
Driving along the George Washington Parkway overlooking the Potomac River, my first impressions of Washington were highly favorable. The beautiful azalea and dogwood blossoms were replacing the last remnants of the sakura, and the lush greenery of the East provided a marked contrast to the rugged, bleak majesty of Utah. Washington's collection of monuments, museums, and historical minutiae were overwhelming to me for their cultural value.

My wife, Judi, and I had just driven across the geographical heartland of America, quickly sampling a taste of the diversity which makes up our nation. From the Rockies which we had considered home, we traveled across Kansas which offered little in terms of scenery but conversation with the people we met supplied us with a first hand view of why President Nixon could dare speak on a university campus in this locale.

The Ozarks of Missouri supplied us an insight into the life style of many of the characters of whom we had read in the novels of our school days. The other states came and went as we pushed on toward the East. The most vivid memories of the trip came during a day in the Appalachian Mountains of West Virginia. The poverty that shocked John Kennedy in 1960 shocked me in 1971. It still exists.

The comments of the people who readily admit that they had never met a person from West of Kentucky startled me. People who talked of being born, raised and buried in a very small area, who express little hope of leaving the conditions of poverty, renewed my personal conviction in the responsibility of Americans to eliminate these conditions.

We came at right time . . .

But soon we were in Washington enjoying the beautiful spring. (Everyone keeps telling us that we came at the right time.) A week went by and Washington was transformed from a beautiful city enjoying Spring into a city choked by virtual martial law. Driving along the same beautiful Parkway near the Potomac, the beautiful blossoms were still in view on Monday morning May 3, but a strange and sickening feeling engulfed the area. Helicopters hovered over Washington like a small swarm of locust. Helmeted soldiers with bayonets visible lined bridges and major intersections of the city. Hertz rental trucks were stationed at key points to serve as additional paddy wagons. Squad cars and groups of police on scooters stood ready to spring into action.

It was as though a foreign, invading enemy had overrun the nation and Washington was the last bastion of resistance. At an early hour, Judi and I drove to the city from Virginia (so that she could get to work by 7 a.m.). To one point a group of 10 to 15 young demonstrators with arms and legs bound together with nylon rope, lay face down on the side of the road. I parked the car and proceeded to the office. Ten scooter cops waited on the corner for possible trouble. Twenty young people entered the area, began to throw garbage into the street, and attempted to stop traffic.

Hosokawa—

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of the population, Japanese Americans today have distinguished themselves in almost every major field of endeavor.

From an interview with Gov. John A. Burns of Hawaii in the May 4 Honolulu Star-Bulletin: "The Governor admitted that the press of State business had kept him away from reading recently. 'I've read one book in the last four years . . . I've read parts (of others) . . . no, I guess I've read two.' The books the Governor has read are 'Not Without Americans' by Keyes Beach which 'a lot of people ought to read . . . particularly Americans,' and 'Nisei' by Bill Hosokawa because of Burns' personal interest in the subject and because 'I know Bill.'"

And from "What Milwaukee Is Reading" in Insight, the Sunday magazine of the Milwaukee Journal: "The reading choices of Albert Davis, executive director of the International Institute, are politics and the power structure of communities. He's reading 'They Came from Germany: The Stories of Famous German-Americans' by Dieter Cunz, and recently completed 'Nisei: The Quiet Americans,' by Bill Hosokawa. The latter tells of the hardships Japanese Americans underwent in their relocation on the West Coast during World War II."



Jerry Enomoto

Perspectives

KALEIDOSCOPE—I am sure that all of us remember as kids the telescope-like toy, in which we looked into a constantly shifting myriad of colors. Recent months remind me of this ever-shifting, always-changing scene.

Since I left the Office of National President, I have been swept up in a job that has involved the constant putting out of fires. In the midst of all this there have been some experiences in the last couple of months that have provided change of pace and stimulation.

I recall a recent invitation to share my experiences at Soledad with a graduate law seminar at Stanford University. One observation I came away with was that there was a healthy combination of respect for the sanctity of the individual, as well as the law, among those future lawyers. As a matter of fact some of them had actually tried some criminal cases in court as part of their training.

I also talked to a number of classes at Blackford High School in San Jose and found a significant amount of interest. When you talk to high school students, two yardsticks can be used to measure whether you're getting across—the number of questions and the number of heads on the desk or the buzzing of side-conversation. There were a large number of questions and a minimum of inattention. Occasional experiences like this with the young is gratifying.

Another interesting experience was service on a panel, "Prison Reform", sponsored by the California State Employees Association, at its annual Institute on Government. The number in the audience and the extent of questioning reflected the current interest in prisons. A number of interesting questions were discussed profitably with the presence of a variety of panelists, the warden of San Quentin prison, the head of the State Parole Service, a newspaper reporter, and an ex-convict.

Attendance at a week-long Institute, that dealt with the development and use of management skills in Corrections, provided an unusual opportunity to take stock and refine one's job skills in a relaxed, nonwork setting. At that session, I roomed with a Chicano administrator from Oklahoma, from whom I learned some things about the problems of a state quite different from California.

Finally, to keep a JACL flavor I spent an evening with a group of Salinas youngsters who were interested in starting a JACL youth group in that chapter. The above, plus involvement in a number of job connected conferences and task forces have left me no less busy, although less JACL dominated.

DAVID & GOLIAH—in California we have an individual, Mr. William M. Bennett by name, who has long been doing what many talk or write about. Namely protecting the consumer. As a member of the Public Utilities Commission, this man was noted for his zeal in insuring that the public got a break.

Following his election to the State Board of Equalization he is still aggressively fighting for the well-being of the average citizen consumer of public services. In an era when the rights of the consumer are freely discussed, but seldom acted upon, and when agencies established to protect the consumer are underbudgeted and undersupported, it is refreshing to have a man like this in a position to do something, doing it.

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

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

A Peace Builder

Editor: One of the courageous articles (see May 14 PC) I have read was by Mike Nakayama's "Nam and U.S.M.C." from the May issue D.C. Here is a guy after my own heart, who says it as it is, and makes no bones about where he stands. This letter is a most sincere plea for all of us to come out of hiding and declaring ourselves either for "War in Vietnam" or for "Peace." One fine group in America asks: "Do you want to make war or make peace?"

Military Budget

Most of us have become numb to this "war," and care less about knowing such facts as—"military portion of the 1971 U.S. budget (exclusive of debt service and custodial funds) is 51%, and another 10 billions of dollars (7% for veterans benefits), which totals to \$76 billions in fiscal 1971." This is more than one-half of the known world's expenditures for military enterprises.

Most of us have become numb to this "war" and care less about knowing that this nation's prosperity is geared to the production of the weapons of war. And that we have been involved in the

Actions, Not Slogans

I seek peace with all my heart and life, for I see too many young men and women who are utterly depressed with the future picture of violence. I seek peace with all of my heart and life, so that our children will have an opportunity to know the meaning of "peace" and live. We are past the time for peace slogans. What America needs is a real deep commitment for peace and for peace builders.

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Continued from Front Page with substantial Japanese American constituencies include: DEMOCRATS—Edith Green (Ore.), Roman C. Pucinski (Ill.), Augustus Hawkins (Calif.), Patsy Mink (Hawaii), Lloyd Meeds (Wash.), Phillip Burton (Calif.), REPUBLICANS—A. B. Wright (Que.), Alphonso Bell (Calif.), John Dellenback (Ore.), Orval Hansen (Idaho), and Victor V. Jensen (Calif.)

25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, May 25, 1946

World War II veterans may bolt Spokane VFW Post 51 in protest for blackballing two Nisei applicants, post commander asks for reconsideration . . . Army Air Corps opens enlistment to Nisei . . . Unspecified number of Italian and French war brides of Nisei GIs leave Leghorn for U.S. . . . First group of Canadian deportees to Japan to sail from Vancouver. JACL honor Dillon Myer at New York (May 22) in tribute to success of war relocation . . . Nisei (David M. Okada) granted Rosenwald fellowship to study Dept. internment camps at Santa Fe, N.M., and Crystal City, Tex. judge in Denver stays deportation of Issei seaman . . . Chicago Tribune editorial (May 18) calls for bill to indemnification of evacuee losses . . . Nisei interpreters rout 16 Japanese from Okinawa caves . . . Court suit seeks to restrain Japanese American family from occupying southwest L.A. home. Gen. MacArthur's order opens way for return to U.S. of Nisei stranded in Japan . . . ACLU charges U.S. "kidnap" Japanese Peruvians, now facing deportation at Justice Dept. internment camps at Santa Fe, N.M., and Crystal City, Tex.

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