



U-NO Bar
By RAYMOND UNO
National JACL President

A man said to the universe: "Sir, I exist!"
"However," replied the universe, "That fact has not created in me a sense of obligation."
—Stephen Crane

Young people by the millions are stepping from the ranks of high school students to the role of an adult. Graduation ceremonies throughout the country elevated junior, senior high, and college students to a higher level of responsibility for themselves and their community. Each reaches out and says, "Sir, I exist!" For many, if not most, the community replies, "That fact has not created in me a sense of obligation."

It is difficult for me to conceive such a reaction, but our hard, cold, and competitive system really does "turn off" many of our young people who, for no other reason than sheer innocence, have a rude and devastating, in many instances, awakening. Little wonder so many of our young have so little affection for the "establishment" and the way things are "run" today.

As I listened to my oldest boy, Tab, give his commencement speech for his junior high school class on "Freedom and Accountability," it really sank deep into my mind that his generation is concerned about Vietnam, pollution, racism, and the multitude of other concerns we as adults have been troubled with. Being a shy and introverted boy throughout grammar and junior high school, my wife, mother and I sat petrified for fear he would fumble, falter, and "embarrass us to death" (Japanese syndrome), and much to our surprise, he came through loud, clear and convincingly. We learned more during those eight minutes than we had all during his schooling about his concerns and hopes. He feels deeply and intensely.

Why am I concerned about our youth? Tab is only a few short years from graduation, draft, college, marriage, among other things. He has four brothers following behind him. Each alert, curious and with a zest for life. What part of their hopes, aspirations and dreams will be punctured by the sharp and unsuspecting disappointments of life, that, but for my commission or omission, would have been an opportunity for happiness and success. People have said I am too serious, intense and overly concerned. Perhaps. But I have five good reasons for being so. My boys.

Our Sansei, to the surprise of some and gratification of most, are well-rounded, mature and promising youths. We have our scholars, in abundance, and more so than most people realize. I have travelled cross-country from East to West Coast and every Chapter I have visited has, without fail, its fair share of ranking scholars. Not only do they have outstanding young people who have achieved high academic standing, but they have young people who show promise in the arts, sciences, humanities, crafts, business, professions and other endeavors.

I keep asking myself, "are the doors open for all of them?" Wherever I have gone, I have come to the conclusion, emphatically, "no!" In some ways, the doors are more open for them than they were for us, but some doors are only partly open and some are not open at all. There is no question that racism persists in its rank and most ugly form. Because many of us have it so much better than we ever had it before and so much better than many of the other minorities, we would rather not "raise any stink" about the subtle indignities and discrimination we are exposed to today.

Eleven years ago, I moved into an area that was starting to grow old and dilapidated. I liked the convenience of living off the University campus and a five minute drive from my work and the downtown area. The older, retired people started to die or move away and the large homes that remained were broken up into rental units and the hippies started moving in. Suddenly, almost overnight, the complexion of the neighborhood changed again. Younger professional people, doctors, lawyers, architects, college professors and business men started moving in and brought up homes all around me and made a revolutionary "George" own change in the space of three years. My children were the only young ones until the change, and now there are about fifty children on both sides of my street alone.

At one time, my wife wanted to move to another area of town rather than remodel our old home. She suggested a little more exclusive place, but comparable to what our neighborhood is now. I told her if we moved, we were moving to the central city area (our ghetto). As a compromise, we stayed out, and started remodeling. Somewhat accidentally, I now live in an area which, I believe, is fast becoming what the neighborhood calls "a family residential area." They have what is called an Avenue

NEW YORK JACL FIGHTS IN COURT TO HAVE 'JAP' TRADEMARK BANNED

NEW YORK—The New York JACL chapter sued in Manhattan supreme court to bar a designer of women's clothing and the product's world marketing agent from using the word "JAP" as a trademark.

The League, with 95 chapters and over 25,000 members throughout the United States, contended that the term "Jap" was "derogatory and injurious of the petitioners and all Americans of Japanese descent."

In an order signed by Justice Isidore Dollinger in Manhattan, Kenzo Takada, the designer, and Societe Jungle Jap, the marketing concern, were ordered to show cause why they should not be forced to remove the word "JAP" from "all of their products, advertisements and publications and why they should not issue a public apology for deliberate use of such a term."

Protest Store Shop
The JACL chapter's action was taken in protest to the opening of a fashion store for Takada May 27 at Bonwit Teller, noted New York store, which placed advertisements in the New York Times containing the title of the boutique, "Kenzo for Jap."

An affidavit by George Yuzawa, of 532 Columbus Ave., a member of the chapter board of directors, complained: "The word 'Jap' is regarded by many Americans and general society as being similar to 'kike' for an American of Jewish faith; 'wop' for an American of Italian descent; 'wetback' for an American of Mexican descent, etc."

Takada, 27, who is staying at the Hotel Chelsea, has lived in Paris for the last six years. He is Japan-born.

Part-Owner in Paris
The marketing concern, of which he is a part owner, is a French corporation based in Paris, which markets its clothes around the globe. "The term 'Jap' may not be derogatory in France," Yuzawa said. "It is derogatory in Japan. Their definition of the term is 'A word intended to injure a person's honor.'"

Before, during and after World War II, he said, "hated was stirred up against Americans of Japanese descent and the most derogatory term used against them was 'Jap.' It is still regarded, he asserted, as "scandalous, defamatory, shameful and derogatory."

N.Y. Times Stops Ad
It was also learned that following a protest from a JACL representative, the New York Times decided to refuse to publish any more store advertisements using the word "Jap."

Yuzawa said that meetings had been held in the last few days between the complainants and the respondents, as well as with some of the stores and advertisers that

L.A. SCHOOL BOARD SEEKS ASIAN ADMINISTRATOR

LOS ANGELES—The Asian American Education Commission of the L.A. Unified School District is seeking a certified employee to serve as commission coordinator, and who will serve the Chinese, Filipino, Hawaiian, Japanese, Korean and Samoan communities.

Applications may be secured from the L.A. Board of Education, Rm. G-372, 450 N. Grand Ave., (887-4353) and be filed no later than 5 p.m. June 21. The coordinator's position is for 12 months.

Asian confab on aging in San Jose

SAN JOSE—A conference to focus on the aging process of Asians in America will be held on Saturday, June 26, 8:30 a.m., at the Leininger Community Center, 1300 Senter Rd.

Richard A. Kalish, Ph.D., associate professor of public health at UCLA is the conference keynote speaker. In the spring issue of the "Gerontologist," he and Sam Yuen of San Francisco published their paper, "Americans of East Asian Ancestry: Aging and the Aged."

Dr. Kalish is currently conducting a cross-ethnic study of death, dying and bereavement.

Three ethnic groups will present panel discussions in the afternoon with the following as moderators: Mrs. Grace Gan (Chinese), Dr. Antonio Abio (Filipino), and Ed Hoshino (Japanese).

The arrangements committee needs to know how many lunches to prepare. The \$3 fee covers registration, lunch and a conference packet. It should be sent to: Asian American Service Committee, Wesley United Methodist Church, 566 N. 5th St., San Jose 95112.

Deadline extended for Prog. Westside contest
LOS ANGELES—The Progressive Westside JACL photo contest deadline has been extended to Aug. 10—an extension from July 13 with one grand prize for the best color and best black & white depicting an Asian American experience. Entry forms are available by writing to: Progressive Press, 359 N. Alexandria Ave., Apt. E, Los Angeles 90004.

had displayed the garments under such titles as "Jap Boutiques" and "Kenzo Jap Collection."

He said the respondents first claimed ignorance of any "derogatory" connotation in the word, but later contended it stood for "jolly and pretty."

Yuzawa said a number of acceptable substitutes were suggested, but which Takada all rejected.

Prior to the court action, Takada had reportedly been considering adding a "p" and making it read "Japp" as a compromise. (Japp is listed a family surname in the San Mateo telephone directory.)

Takada himself appeared bewildered because the term "Jap," he said, "was a good word for young people with lots of punch."

Tokyo Asahi columnist says 'uncalled for'
TOKYO—The New York JACL's court action last week to prevent a Japanese fashion designer and New York stores from using the word "Jap" in Paris fashion experts displays was prominently reported in Tokyo newspapers.

The Asahi carried special stories about the protest against designer Kenzo Takada's "Societe Jungle Jap" from its New York correspondent on June 6 and two of its columnists added their comments in Monday's issue.

One pointed out that the use of the term may not be objectionable in either France or Japan, but because of its derogatory use in the United States before and during World II, Takada's use of the term in New York "was uncalled for."

Asian Coalition picket educate store, passers-by
By TAXIE KUSUNOKI
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NEW YORK—A group of Asians appeared outside Bonwit Teller at the corner of Fifth Ave. and 56 St., this past Saturday noon (June 5), some sandwiching themselves between placards with such messages as "Jap is not fashionable!" "Fashion begins from the inside." "How would you feel to be called kike or wop?" and began passing out leaflets explaining the derogatory connotation of "Jap" to passers-by.

Most of those who accepted the explanatory leaflets indicated their own ignorance of the term's perjorative nature and a few expressed a lack of sympathy with the demonstrators (why don't you go back - where you came from?). But most were seen to seek satisfaction of their curiosity about the term's history, nodding in comprehension before walking on.

An interested teen-ager, who had stopped for an explanation, listened attentively, then exclaimed, "Oh, that's icky; I won't go in there."

Double-Parking Motorist
A woman driving down Fifth Avenue stopped her car to lean out and ask one leaflet passer what was going on, listened to a run-down, when a police officer walked over to tell her to move on, said to him, "I'm being educated, officer!"

Before the demonstration had run its course, Marjorie Downey of Bonwit's public relations department, emerged to tell the picketers that they had "won their point" and that the sign over the boutique had been taken down.

Asked about the labels, she declared that the store had no jurisdiction over the trademark, but that she would change it, Bonwit would then sell the clothes under the new trademark.

Bonwit's position was that inasmuch as "Jap" is the label of a French corporation of which Kenzo is a partner, they had no authority to remove the label or to change it.

Non-Asians Join
Radio WBAL reporter Deloris Costello spoke to some of the demonstrators, including one of the Black picketers who had joined the protest.

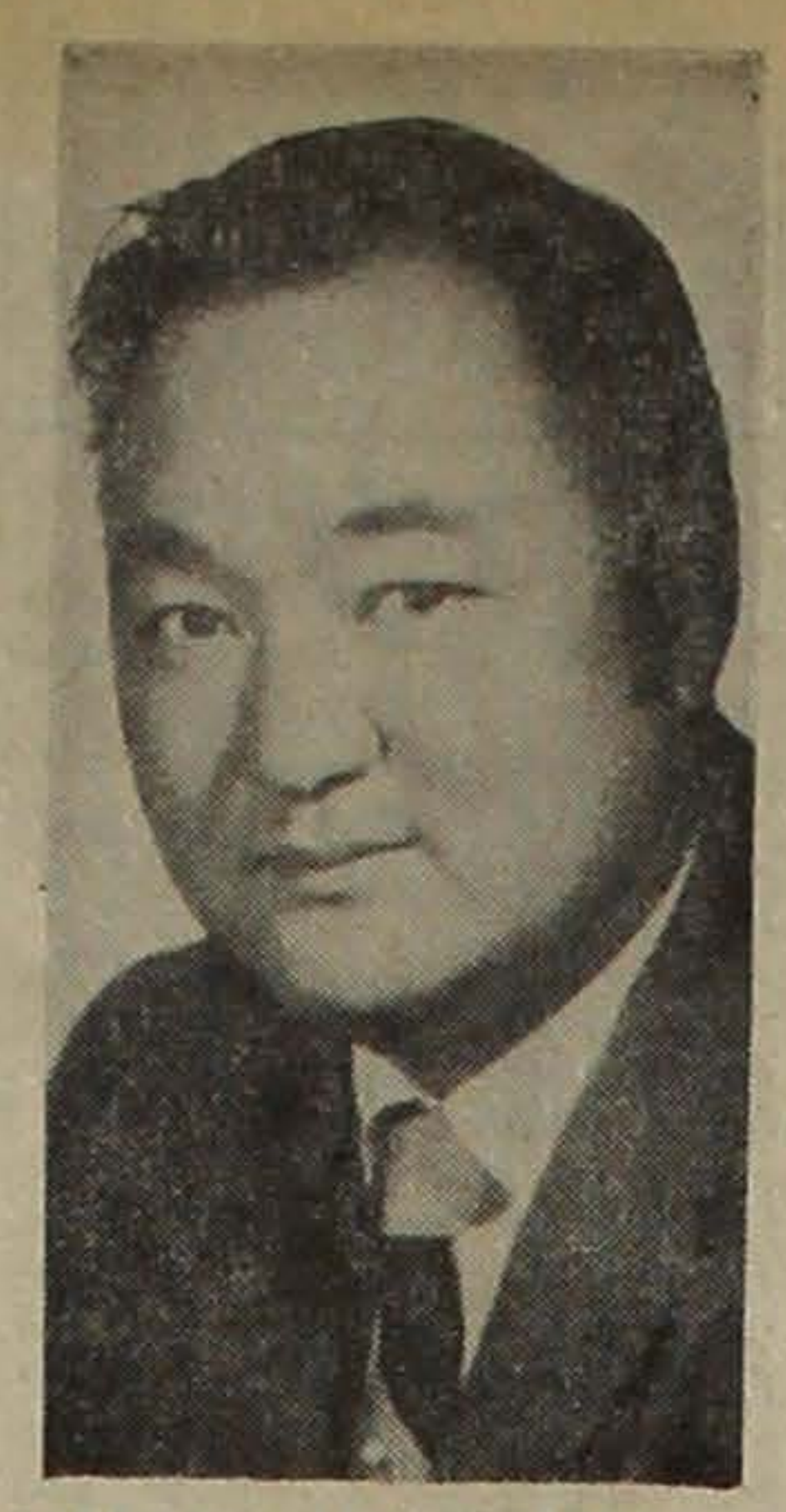
Called by the Asian Coalition, the demonstration was unique in that it had drawn not only Nisei and Sansei participants, but an Issei as well, and—in addition—sympathetic Blacks and an American Indian woman who said that she saw the issue as one common to all minority peoples.

Ford's statement in Japan questioned
SAN FRANCISCO—JACL Ethnic Concerns Committee chairman Dr. David Miura of Long Beach questioned whether Henry Ford II said "Just wait until the Japs get into middle America" as reported May 14 by Norman Pearlstine for the Wall St. Journal.

If he had, "we deplore the fact that such a prominent person still uses this derogatory term," the Wall St. Journal was told. If Mr. Ford did not, then a grave injustice was done by misquoting him. "In any case, its use is unbecoming of your prestigious publication," Dr. Miura concluded.

Dr. Miura noted the United Press International the same day had quoted Ford as saying, "Wait until the Japanese get hold of the market in the central part of the United States."

The story was in reference to an expression of fear by Ford that foreign imports, especially from Japan, would cut deeper than expected into the sales of U.S.-made subcompacts. He was disappointed that the Pinto and Vega have not met expectations.



SALINAS COUNCILMAN
Henry Hibino, 36, is the first non-Caucasian elected to sit in the Salinas City Council. A past JACL chapter president for two years (1968-69), the native son-farmer is also active in the Lincoln Ave. Presbyterian Church. He assumes office July 6.

History of Issei in English lack personal feelings

SAN FRANCISCO—Research associate Yui Ichiohka with the Asian American Studies Center at UCLA rendered an interesting talk on the "Sources in Japanese American History" at the May meeting of the San Francisco Center for Japanese American Studies. He reviewed the secondary sources in English on Japanese Americans as well as the American experience of Japanese.

Ichiohka's primary criticism on the secondary sources in English did not focus on the Japanese per se but rather on the issues. Literature, for example, in the early part of this century dealt with some aspect of the anti-Oriental exclusion movement and later, assimilation, naturalization, alien land law, language schools and the Gentlemen's Agreement became issues discussed in the articles and books in English.

The human element is neglected, Ichiohka, a Berkeley resident, pointed out. "They tell you what happens to Japanese Americans, but not anything about them." Further, the studies are generally superficial and do not deal with the Japanese experience in depth. "They make little use of Japanese language sources."

Human Elements
The human elements are to be found in the original Japanese language sources, Ichiohka continued. Autobiographical accounts are very personal and humanistic, revealing how the Japanese were actually feeling during their initial contacts in a new environment.

The human element must be built back into the historical studies, he urged, "if we are to get a clear understanding of our heritage."

Sources which should be collected and analyzed include the vernacular newspapers, Japanese government and prefectural records, records of the Japanese Assn. of America, churches, yearbooks, community and regional histories, biographical and autobiographical accounts.

Such sources may be in the hands of parents or Issei pioneers, Ichiohka suggested. "It is important that we collect as many of these primary sources as possible."

HIROSHIMA ATOMIC BOMBING Japan publicizes 1946 city survey—180,000 casualties and 3,600 missing

HIROSHIMA—A long preserved document disclosing the results of the most comprehensive survey ever made on damage suffered by Hiroshima citizens in the Aug. 6, 1945, atomic bombing has been made public.

The survey, which was conducted by the Hiroshima City Office Aug. 10, 1946, estimated the number of people killed in the bombing at 118,661, and the injured at 9,130 listing 3,677 others as missing.

A photostat of the valuable document will be included in the "Hiroshima Atomic Damage Report" to be published by the city office this fall.

The number of deaths, injuries and a missing persons in the disaster, however, has never been made available and will probably forever remain unknown.

Initial Survey
A rough survey made shortly after the end of the war by a joint American, Japanese Government and Tokyo University Medical Department group placed the population of Hiroshima at the time of the bombing at 255,200.

The Hiroshima Prefectural Government's Health Section in its survey conducted Aug. 25, 1945, estimated that 48,135 citizens had been killed, 16,691 seriously injured, 44,979 slightly injured and 17,428 others as missing.

Based on another survey conducted Nov. 30 of the same year by prefectural police, it was reported that a total of 176,987 citizens had been affected, including 78,150 killed, 9,997 seriously injured, 27,994 slightly injured and 13,983 missing.

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ST. MARY'S DRUM & BUGLE CORPS Chinese reject Elks parade invite

(Special To The Pacific Citizen)
SANTA MARIA—The St. Mary's Chinese Drum and Bugle Corps was their contribution against racism," National JACL Director Mas Satow declared.

"We trust this will be another evidence to the Elks that they cannot continue to maintain their whites-only membership restriction," he added.

The Santa Maria Valley JACL first alerted the St. Mary's Chinese Drum and Bugle Corps a week before the parade that the Chinese corps was announced as a participant in the Elks parade.

Jeffrey Matsui, associate national director, relayed the disappointment of the Santa Maria Valley to national and district JACL leaders in San Francisco.

JACL in Action
Two days before the scheduled parade, Bay Area Community JACL chairman Raymond Okamura contacted Fr. Charles Donovan, CSP, director at St. Mary's Chinese Mis-

sion, through the Social Concerns Commission of the San Francisco Archdiocese.

On the basis that tremendous harm would fall upon the efforts of men of good will in Santa Maria working for social change, Okamura urged Fr. Donovan to reconsider the Elks Club invitation to participate.

NC-WNDG Governor Shig Sugiyama of Fremont credited Okamura's effort and his many contacts in the community that had been established by his past involvement.

He was also gratified that the drum and bugle corps had actively participated in the unending common struggle against racial bigotry even at great personal sacrifice.

The band is composed of elementary school students, most children of recent immigrant families.

Boycott of parade started by lone youth
Los Angeles
The Santa Maria Elks Club parade has been under sporadic attack over the past five years. Protestors threatened to disrupt the parade in the beginning but were headed off by promises to have the lodge change its membership ruling.

In 1969, Solon Rosenblatt galvanized Southern California interest in the restrictive Elks membership clause when the Los Angeles Times publicized his personal boycott of the parade by not marching with the school band.

His teacher even threatened to give him an "incomplete" grade for refusing to march.

The Santa Maria Elks Lodge with some 1,700 members is the most influential and largest club in the valley. Its members serve on school boards, city councils and

Main Function
The department's main function has been to administer the city's two major laws dealing with discrimination—the open-housing ordinance and the contractor compliance law, which requires city contractors to hire and train minorities.

"We found out, we don't even have effective subpoena power," he said. "The subpoena power the Council gave us is worthless."

The department may issue subpoenas but it has no authority to enforce them. It may ask the mayor or Board of Public Works to do so.

Hayasaka is asking for teeth in his subpoena authority.

The major area in which the department has gone beyond administration of the two laws is in police relationships with minorities and minority-training programs in the Police and Fire Departments.

Internal Bias Cited
Involvement in those areas by the department and its advisory Human Rights Commission led to accusations of police brutality and of prejudice in the trainee program.

That led to alienation of the two public-safety departments and resignation of some Human Rights Department staff members, who said they were disenchanted with lack of progress against internal discrimination.

"The biggest problem we face is the white community," Hayasaka said. "That's where the problems of discrimination are."

But Hayasaka does not believe those problems will be solved unless the mayor and Council make a lot bigger commitment in both money and determination.

Budget for L.A. human relations bureau restored
LOS ANGELES—Funds for operation of the city Human Relations Bureau were restored by the Los Angeles City Council last week (June 7) as it began considering the cuts recommended by the finance committee in Mayor Yorty's proposed 1971-72 budget.

Abolition of the bureau had been recommended by the finance committee of the city council.

Restoration of the \$284,076 budget for the Human Relations Bureau was approved by only one vote, 7-6.

Councilmen Gilbert Lindsay and Billy Mills carried the fight for the bureau, which was created after the Watts riot in 1965.

Mills declared the need for the agency was even greater now than in 1965 because of the "depression" and summer vacation.

Lindsay maintained the unit has saved taxpayers "untold millions of dollars and misery beyond point of imagination."

chambers of commerce. It has sponsored the rodeo parade annually since 1946, giving the club its high status in the community.

JACL Protest
The JACL at its 1970 national convention protested the all-white membership clauses of the fraternal organizations.

In some states, efforts have been made to revoke liquor licenses or tax-exempt status of private clubs that exclude specific racial or religious groups. Legislative action has been underway in Massachusetts, New Jersey, Maryland, California, Oregon, and Washington.

The state of Maine liquor commission has vetoed licenses for the Elks last year after the state legislature passed a law prohibiting state licenses to any organization that practices discrimination but specifically exempted groups "oriented to a specific religion or which are ethnic in character."

Pennsylvania Case
The Pennsylvania courts re-oked a liquor license of the Moose Lodge in Harrisburg after a Negro guest (who was the Speaker of the House at the capitol) was refused service. The case is now on appeal before the U.S. Supreme Court (see Apr. 9 PC). The decision is expected to affect all fraternal or social clubs which have an all-white membership policy.

The Fraternal Order of Eagles, at its Kansas City national convention last year, repealed its all-white membership policy.

The Portland JACL reported earlier this year the Longview (Wash.) Elks Lodge had initiated its first Nisei, George Tsugawa of Woodland and a Portland JACLer.

Industrialist predicts private clubs will drop restrictive policy in '70s
"Because of ethnic origins, among other reasons, millions of Americans are excluded from city clubs, country clubs, social clubs, business clubs and even 'do-gooder' clubs," Heiskell declares. "Rejection by the admissions committee of a country club or a rebuff by a fashionable country or bathhouse to a back table of a restaurant might seem to be superficial manifestations of bigotry. But that's not the point. They do indeed represent 'the last bastion of discrimination, and as such must be overcome.'"

Mrs. Morris's 72-page paperback traces the history of snobbery at resorts, in prep schools and colleges, in housing and in private clubs that have been practiced against virtually every ethnic minority in America.

Snobbing Society
Upper levels of society became snobbish, she explains, with heavy immigrations from eastern and southern Europe in the late 19th century. The first Social Register was issued in 1887; the Sons of the Revolution was founded in 1883, the Daughters of the American Revolution in 1890, and Society of Mayflower Descendants in 1894.

Blacks, Orientals and Spanish-speaking Americans fare worse than Jews in social discrimination, Mrs. Morris concludes. "More and more members of these groups are starting to bid for prestige and status and are running into the same resistance the Jews have known."

While some downtown clubs are starting to admit minorities, Mrs. Morris finds less progress has been made to date in fraternal lodges. The Improved Order of Red Men does not accept American Indians as members, while Elks and Moose explicitly bar non-Caucasians. Some individual Elks lodges not only discriminate by color but also by faith, naming the case in Kenosha, Wis., where eight Jewish applicants had been blackballed in 1970.

(Copies of "Better Than You" is available at \$1 per copy from the Institute of Human Relations Press, 185 E. 56th St., New York City 10022.)

Colleges Respond
He cited an instance last year in which Philip E. Hoffman, AJC national president, wrote to college and university presidents across the country, suggesting they ask their administrative staffs, alumni associations and other groups affiliated with the universities not to use facilities of clubs practicing discrimination.

In reply, more than 300 presidents strongly affirmed their support of AJC's request and indicated they had instructed their affiliated organizations to comply.

As a result of these converging pressures, Sonnabend added, "ten years from now, discrimination by private clubs will be ancient history."

The AJC national committee on social discrimination has mailed copies of the paperback book to chief executive officers of major American corporations, to heads of selected private social clubs, executives of charitable organizations that conduct social functions and to other groups, encouraging them to become aware of the problem of social discrimination and take steps to end such discrimination.

PSWDYC elects new slate of officers
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MIKE MASAOKA FAMILY SET FOR WORLD TOUR
WASHINGTON—Mike Masaoka and his family are set to take their two-month world tour beginning June 26. The tickets were presented to the family last summer during the JACL National Convention testimonial for the Washington JACL representative.

The itinerary stops include London, Paris, Rome, Athens, Istanbul, New Delhi, Agra, Bangkok, Hong Kong, Taipei, Japan and Hawaii.

The Masaokas intend to visit their West Coast relatives both in San Francisco and Los Angeles before returning here Aug. 27.

During his absence, the Washington JACL Office will be manned by David Ushie, assistant Washington JACL representative, and Mary Torda, office secretary.

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Mike Masaoka

Title II Clearance

As feared, last week on Tuesday, June 8, the House Rules Committee failed to consider Title II legislation, which would either (a) repeal outright the emergency detention-concentration camp authorization, as urged by JACL, or (b) revive and reactivate those dangerous concepts by adding so-called clarifying amendments, which is opposed by JACL.

Title II legislation was displaced almost at the last minute on order of the Speaker by military procurement legislation.

While JACL places top priority on repealing Title II of the Internal Security Act of 1950, it must be conceded that on an impartial basis most would have to admit that military procurement was of more interest to more Americans and more urgent in terms of national priorities than this never-invoked but still threatening law.

While disappointed that the Rules Committee failed to favorably report the Matsunaga-Holifield-Kastenmeier-Mikva Bill (HR 234) last week, JACL is gratified that, thanks to the active leadership of Congressman Spark Matsunaga, the House Rules Committee has agreed to a special meeting on Wednesday, June 16, to consider Title II legislation. On its regularly scheduled Tuesday meeting morning, the Committee is scheduled to consider some social security measure.

Hopefully, this time repeal legislation will not be displaced.

On a not-so-good note, several Congressmen who are strongly supporting repeal have reported that they are receiving more and more mail, though not presumably on an organized campaign basis, opposing repeal of Title II on grounds that in times of internal crises, such as the disruptions that took place in Washington late in April and early in May, the government needs such protective and preventive laws as Title II. Of course, the writers are unaware probably that Title II could not have been invoked during such rallies and demonstrations since this Title can be put into effect only in cases of (a) a declared war, (b) an invasion, and (c) an insurrection in aid of a foreign enemy. But, they are misled by what they think is covered by the law and hope thereby to cause their lawmaker-representatives to retain this dangerous, un-American sanction. Indeed, there is some fear that some effort might be made to amend Title II to make it effective at any time that the President or the Attorney General or Secretary of Defense might believe that preventive arrests and emergency detention are required for the public safety, internal security, etc.

OKINAWA REVERSION TREATY

This week, as the House Rules Committee hopefully clears legislation that will result in the repeal of Title II, which is the bitter reminder to Japanese Americans of their World War II concentration camp experience, the diplomatic representatives of the United States and Japan are slated to sign in simultaneous ceremonies in Washington and Tokyo the Treaty for the Reversion of the Ryukyu Islands, including Okinawa, to Japan.

Thus, 26 years after the surrender, the last "occupied territory" of Japan will be returned to its homeland and, officially, the final reminders of World War II defeat will have been erased.

On November 1969, on the eve of the arrival of Prime Minister Sato to discuss and to agree on the principle of the reversion of Okinawa to Japan with President Nixon, JACL addressed a letter to the White House urging early and generous reversion terms. A seven page statement explaining JACL's views that was prepared by Dr. Mary Watanabe of Philadelphia, then the Chairman of the National JACL Committee on International Affairs, was submitted with the letter.

Few in either this country or Japan question the wisdom of reversion at this time. And it is to America's credit that a peaceful return is being made, for seldom in history has a victorious nation voluntarily returned territory seized in war to its defeated former enemy.

This goodwill that is being generated on both sides of the Pacific by this unprecedented and magnanimous gesture, however, could be quickly and easily dissipated if the President tolerates Senate action during its "advise and consent" deliberations on the ratification of this Treaty that will permit economic, commercial, and financial issues to be raised to cloud the political implications of this bilateral agreement.

Moreover, those Senators, and others, who have been most demanding that the Chief Executive submit reversion as a Treaty, which requires two-thirds of those present and voting in the Senate to provide the necessary approval, instead of as an Executive Order that does not require any congressional action, have an equal obligation to exert their leadership to demonstrate that the Senate can act responsibly on such a vital foreign policy matter as this.

As one of the most concerned organizations in the United States that American-Japan relations remain friendly, cooperative, and mutually helpful and profitable, JACL has a special obligation—it seems to us—to help assure Senate ratification of the reversion Treaty without rancor or bitterness or undue pressures and influences against either of the signatories.

END OF RED CHINA TRADE EMBARGO

Also last week, on June 10, another important political step was taken that may help usher a new era in United States-Asian relations. This was when President Nixon ended the 21-year-old American embargo on trade with Communist China by announcing a long list of non-strategic exports that may be sold and shipped to the Asiatic Mainland.

The White House action follows an April 14 announcement by the President that he intended to take "practical steps to normalize relations with Red China."

Whether Peking will reciprocate this Washington initiative is problematical. And, there are many who question how meaningful American trade with Communist China can be under present circumstances.

But, there are more who insist that, regardless of the economic ramifications, the United States simply can no longer ignore de facto recognition of a nation with more than 800 million people if it is truly interested with world peace and progress.

To Japanese Americans, and JACL, future relations between the United States and Japan, between the United States and Mainland China, and between Japan and Communist China—all will have profound effect upon them as individuals and as a nationality minority in this country. Neither JACL nor its constituency of Japanese Americans can afford to ignore the implications of the June 10 listing of goods that may now be shipped to Red China. It could be the harbinger of things to come.

NEWS CAPSULES

Health

K. Patrick Okura, in youth and mental health work at Omaha since 1942, has been appointed executive assistant to Dr. Bertram Brown, director, National Institutes of Mental Health, at Bethesda, Md. The past National JACL president has asked for a year's leave from the Nebraska Psychiatric Institute, where he is administrative director in the division of preventive and social psychiatry. The appointment is effective July 1. The Okuras will maintain their Omaha home as "I plan to be back about every other weekend," he said. One of his duties will be to meet with the directors of the 15 programs within the Institute, which is part of the Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare, and will probably represent the director in some dealings with regional HEW offices.

Gov. Reagan signed into law on June 2 a bill to increase the number of Spanish-speaking doctors in California introduced in the Assembly by Frank Lanterman (R-Pasadena) and Gordon Duffy (R-Hanford) and in the Senate by Alfred H. Song (D-Monterey Park). This will allow some 900 Americans presently attending medical schools in Mexico to intern in a California hospital and be eligible to take the state medical examinations.

The San Francisco Tuberculosis & Health Assn. awarded Karen Nakamura, daughter of the Motohiro Nakamuras of El Cerrito, a \$675 William C. Voorsanger scholarship, established three years ago to help meet the critical need for nurses. Miss Nakamura is in her second year of training at UC Medical Center School of Nursing.

Education

Thais Kishi of Livingston was appointed assistant dean of students at Sacramento City College after the Los Rios Community College district board met in executive session to consider the selection from a list of 74 candidates. An honor graduate from Univ. of Pacific and with a master's degree in guidance and psychology from San Jose State, she had been asst. dean of students with the New York State university system and at Elmhurst (Ill.) College. She was in market research at Chicago prior to her latest appointment.

Dr. S. I. Hayakawa will remain as San Francisco State College's President for a year longer than his scheduled retirement. California State College Trustees voted the extension for Hayakawa who on July 18 will be 65, the usual retirement age in the system.

After 44 years of continuous service at the Univ. of Illinois, Prof. Seichi Konzo will retire this fall from the Dept. of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering. A native of Tacoma, Wash., he graduated from the Univ. of Washington in 1927 and started his career at Illinois as a research graduate assistant that fall. He was engaged in full-time research for 22 years on such projects dealing with residential air conditioning, combustion of fuels and heating. He assumed teaching duties in 1947 and in charge of the graduate program for 23 years. He was also acting head of the department from 1962-70. Dr. Konzo has authored over 100 publications, was a founder of the Small Homes Council in 1944, member of several professional engineering societies including the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air Conditioning Engineers. He originated the merit training plan for young future ice skaters, served for eight years as University coordinator for the annual exhibition of the Jr. Academy of Sciences and received several awards for teaching and research. He and his wife, Kimi, will maintain their residence in Champaign after his retirement. (Oldtime JACLers will remember him as attending the first National JACL Convention in 1930 at Seattle, the only participant registering from Illinois.)

Nisei Week

A representative from the Long Beach Harbor JACL, whose name is yet to be announced by the sponsoring organization, will be the seventh and final entry of the 31st annual Nisei Week Festival queen contest, according to queen committee co-chairmen Roy Hoshizaki and Harry Yamamoto. The candidate will be known at the chapter's Coronation Ball, June 26, at the Golden Sails Restaurant on Pacific Coast Highway in Long Beach.

The Nisei Week Queen coronation ball will be sponsored by the Nisei Week Festival.

Health

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Local Scene

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ed this year by the Japanese American Optimist Club, under the chairmanship of Kiyo Maruyama, at the new Ballroom of the Beverly Wilshire Hotel on Saturday, Aug. 14.

Tom Okamoto is in charge of the publication of the Festival souvenir booklet. The 1971 edition with over 100 pages will be published Aug. 4. Joe Hazama has been named as business manager to assist Roy Hoshizaki, and his crew which is currently soliciting ads to meet their deadline of July 2. Further information may be obtained by writing the Nisei Week Souvenir Booklet Office, 307 East First St., Los Angeles, 90012 or by calling 625-8615.

Courtroom

Ronald Inouye, son of the Yukus Inouyes of Salt Lake City, is associated with Attorney Tom Hayashi, New York, upon completing law school at George Washington University in Washington, D.C. (Ron's sister, Geraldine, is secretary to the assistant Washington JACL representative David Ushio.)

Unemployed laborer Alejandro Castro Figueroa faces a fine in prison for setting the Ponet Square Hotel fire in downtown Los Angeles which killed 19 persons last Sept. 13. A motion for a new trial for Figueroa, 44, a father of five, was denied June 10 by Superior Court Judge Paul Breckenridge Jr., after formally pronouncing sentence.

Government

John Fukushima, long associated with San Lorenzo Nursery, was reappointed to the Los Angeles County Dept. of Arboreal and Botanic Gardens board of directors for a three-year term by Supervisor Ernest E. Debs.

Long Beach Mayor Edwin Wade appointed the Rev. David T. Nakagawa of the Grace Presbyterian Church to succeed Roy Shiba as a member of the citizens advisory committee for community improvement. The minister, who hails from Santa Maria and attended schools in Watsonville, Hill served a three year term. He also a Long Beach Harbor District JACL board member.

The Los Angeles City Human Relations Bureau this past week added Mrs. Carole Ng as a field adviser in response from the Asian American communities. The wife of the Rev. William Ng of the Faith Presbyterian Church will work in Chinatown, Little Tokyo, Baldwin Hills-Crenshaw and the councilmanic districts No. 4 and 10. A cum laude graduate in psychology from USC, Mrs. Ng has been associated with the M.A.-5 training programs developed by the U.S. Dept. of Labor and private industry. She joins Ron Yamaoka, part-time student working in the area of public relations with the Bureau.

Travel

The first bulk shipment of live eels, (6,000 lbs.) which were iced in San Francisco to reach Tokyo fresh and alive was dispatched by Japan Air Lines May 26. The eels come from a Maryland farm.

When Japan Air Lines inaugurated its 747 Garden Jet flights from San Francisco to Tokyo June 1, among the passengers were Kaoru Matsumoto, 1971 San Francisco Nihonmachi Cherry Blossom Festival queen, and her mother, Mrs. Natsu Matsumoto. She is taking a documentary film of the Sakura Festival taken by John Kono of the Kinmon Camera Club.

Awards

Roger Hamada of Hood River, who first won the local Elks Most Valuable Student Contest scholarship, then the district and state competition, received an additional \$600 award from the lodge's National Foundation for a total of \$1,850.

Barbara Sue Ino of Denver's Ives C. Ramon High School received the 1971 Outstanding Teenager of Colorado award in recent ceremonies held at the State Capitol. She competes in the national program, now in its fourth year, for \$1,000 college scholarships. Daughter of the Jimmie Inos of Westminster ranks No. 3 in a class of 497, tutored disadvantaged children, is helping to raise funds to build a center for retarded children, participated in Girls State and elected treasurer, elected to offices in many organizations on and off campus, named senior prom queen and played piano at the Colorado Music Festival. She plans to major in psychology. Lt. Gov. John Vanderhoof officiated at the awards ceremonies.

Les H. Watada, 18, son of the Albert Watadas of Fort Lupton, was awarded a \$4,000 scholarship by the Great Western Sugar Co. He will receive \$1,000 for each academic year at Colorado State and will be eligible for summer employment at Great Western.

The Teachers Assn. of Long Beach is sponsoring a contest for the best teacher in the district.

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Local Scene

Orange County

Steps to form an Asian American Task Force in Orange County are being initiated by Karen Kaizuka, who had attended an Asian American studies workshop in Berkeley recently.

The task force, to be comprised of school personnel, community persons and students, collects, develops and arranges study material in this case on Asian Americans. (Recently, a similar task force was recognized as the Asian American Education Commission to assist the Los Angeles City Board of education.)

Sacramento

Asian Community Services will show several films this summer at the William Land School, 1116 U St. Event is free of charge, according to Peggy Salki, ACS coordinator. The filmfare: June 19—"Yo!Yo!" starring Toshiro Mifune, and "Subversion?" TV documentary of Evacuation camp experiences. June 26—"China, 1/4 of Humanity," documentary.

Chicago

The 28th annual Fourth of July Festival will be held (July 3-4) by the Buddhist Temple of Chicago, 1151 W. Leland Ave. Cultural demonstration will take place in the

Beach honored 10 individuals or groups for their efforts to improve local education. Cited as the 1971 Citizen of the Year was Dr. John E. Kashivabara, long active with youth activities, the JACL, City District Committee and Memorial Hospital staff.

Deaths

Noboru Don Yamada, 55, of Seattle, died June 12 in Portland, where he was acting director for the Portland district office of Internal Revenue Service. He served in military intelligence during WW2, and after graduating in business administration from Univ. of Minnesota in 1948, he entered the IRS, where his management capabilities were recognized. He was promoted in 1963 to his present post, asst. district director for the State of Washington. He is survived by wife, who just finished a complex assignment as chairman of the queen contest and coronation, at which their daughter Lynn stepped down from her 1970 throne for the new queen. Another daughter, Gall and two brothers, Susumu (Honolulu) and Isamu survive.

Mrs. Ryo Kanetomi, 79, of Ontario, Ore., died June 1 and is survived by a son (Seattle), Jim Roy (Los Angeles), d. Mary Itami, Helen Yamamoto (Denver), 10 gc and 7 ggc.

Census - 1970

Latest Census Bureau compilation shows nearly half (48 million) of the nation's black population (223 million) live in 50 cities and in Washington, D.C. Compton (Calif.), East St. Louis (Ill.), Newark (N.J.), Gary (Ind.) and Atlanta, they constitute a majority. Persons of Spanish origin total 9.2 million.

Hiroshima—

Continued from Front Page

The document had been filed in the basement of the city office, was discovered by accident and has been kept at the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Material Hall since then.

Hiroshima doctors to treat A-bomb victims in U.S.

HIROSHIMA — The team of Hiroshima doctors will be sent to treat A-bomb victims currently residing in the United States, the Hiroshima World Friendship Center said this past week.

Doctors in Los Angeles have been dismissing atomic radiation complaints as anemia and fatigue as mere neuroses, according to Tomoe Okai, currently on a home visit here. She said some 60 victims from Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombings have formed a group of their own here.

It is estimated 400 A-bomb victims live on the west coast of the U.S. Pleas for help made in the past by Mrs. Okai were turned down because U.S. laws forbid Japanese doctors to practice there. It is the intent of the Friendship Center to dispatch a semi-official medical team to give their U.S. counterparts first-hand information on the sufferers' condition.

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afternoons in senryu (Japanese poetry) flower arranging, tea ceremony, and sumi-e painting. Exhibits will include bonsai, sumi-e, and flower arrangements. Japanese and American foods, including the ever-popular chicken teriyaki, game booths for the children, refreshment and miscellany stands compliment the festival.

New York

The Asian American Resources Center, located in Chinatown at 54 Elisabeth St., has been established with Rockwell Chin as project director. A specialized collection of material on Asians in the East Coast and a Chinatown community service project have been started.

Los Angeles

Justice Stephen Tamura of the California state appellate court will address the award banquet June 22, 7 p.m., at the Los Angeles Biltmore Hotel, when cash grants totaling over \$4,000 will be awarded by the Japanese American Treaty Centennial Scholarship Fund, Inc., it was announced by Masami Sasaki, fund president. Awards are reserved for high school graduates.

Up to a 1,000 Japanese Americans spanning four generations converged on Weller St. in Little Tokyo's second community information service day June 6 between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Information booths with pamphlets in both Japanese and English were arranged on the street. Volunteers and medical-dental professionals examined in the Sun Bldg. rooms, while capacity audiences heard lectures on cancer and heart diseases in the Chamber of Commerce conference room. Pioneer Center members conducted a mini-bazaar. New booths offered assistance in filing out application forms for senior citizen property tax relief, alien registration cards and welfare. A high school service group served cookies and tea free.

San Francisco

Kimochi, Inc., which has been operating a bus corner protection patrol in Nihonmachi for Issei movie goers on weekends is currently surveying the service to determine whether it should be continued or develop an alternate plan.

Ron Kobata, survey chairman, said the survey form will be passed out and collected at the entrance to the theaters.

Takayoshi Ohno's documentary film, "Matsuri", is now available on 16-mm color sound. The 28-minute film deals with the Issei, Nisei and Sansei on the west coast and for the most part was filmed in San Francisco during the 1969 Sakura Festival.

A professional filmmaker from Japan now residing in San Francisco, he has added many flashbacks and oral reflections which answers the subtitle, "What are Japanese Americans like?" Film may be loaned at a \$50 fee by nonprofit groups. (The charge is being asked because he bore the entire cost of the film and is still in debt.) He may be reached at the Consulate General of Japan, San Francisco 94115 (res. tel. 221-9265).

U.S. involvement in Vietnam and its implication for Japanese Americans was subject to discussion June 11 at the San Francisco Center for Japanese American Studies series held at Pine Methodist

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From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

THE TRIALS OF ORGANIZATION—It's no big thing any more that for the last several years the Mile-Hi (Denver) chapter of the JACL has been in something of a deep coma, arousing only infrequently to stir and snort a little. The reasons are too complex to go into here. But it is interesting to note that the national prexy, Raymond Uno, who has been here a couple of times lately, has observed that Denver's problems are not unique. They exist in like degree elsewhere, he notes, with the main difference being that some of the folks hereabouts have been struggling to get things going again.

At Uno's last appearance here some 75 to 100 persons, representing most of the more viable organizations of the community, turned out to listen. Largely as a consequence of his report about the national body's activities, there was no great opposition (nor enthusiasm, either) when Dr. Takashi Mayeda was elected temporary chairman of a "community council" to see what might be done about getting the chapter on its way again. What shape the chapter takes, if any, remains to be seen.

However, it has become obvious that even before Dr. Mayeda's election, planning for at least two meaningful community-wide programs had been under way. The result of careful preparation was evident when the community Memorial Day service was held May 29 at Fairmount Cemetery, site of the Nisei War Memorial. Traditionally the service is in the hands of the fellows at Cathay Post 185 of the American Legion, and as usual they did an excellent job under the leadership of Commander Sus Matsunaga of honoring their departed comrades. But what made the service particularly meaningful was the turnout of a lot of folks who usually don't bother to attend.

The second event was the scholarship award banquet, co-sponsored by various community organizations. This is the one function in which all groups can join together to do honor to the young people being graduated from area high schools and to present the more worthy ones with token sums to help them in their pursuit of higher educations.

The turnout this year was so unexpectedly large that the main ballroom of one of the city's major hotels had to be used. What made the evening even more eventful was that numbers of men and women not usually associated with community functions had stepped forward to work on committees charged with the details. And men like Lt. Art Arita of the Denver Police Department, who took a night off from his duties to serve as an urbane and polished toastmaster, made it evident that it is not necessary to call on the tired oldtimers when someone is needed at the head table.

The evening's atmosphere was thoroughly refreshing. Moreover, it was a demonstration that with a worthwhile program, it is possible to stir community-wide cooperation. And out of these experiences it may be possible to re-establish an active, working JACL chapter which will develop a local program based on the local community's needs. The key to getting this done obviously is pinpointing the needs of the members of the community, and meeting them with a vigorous program carried out by the people who are most concerned and interested.

On the national level, the organization is moving along at an encouraging clip. It is on the local scene, particularly in this city, that much needs to be done, and it begins to appear that at long last something will be accomplished.



By Jim Henry

Sakura Script

Compatible Cabaret Partners

Will wonders never cease? The days of the incompatible partners may well be numbered.

Tadashi Nemoto, 40, who operates a chain of cabarets and clubs in Tokyo, has started using a computer to aid customers in finding hostesses most suited to their tastes.

His motive? Nemoto hopes to disprove Newsweek magazine's recent allegation that "even Nemoto can not computerize hostesses."

Newsweek described how Nemoto, working with humor and courage, achieved his present success as an operator of big cabarets and clubs. Nemoto started in the cabaret business only eight years ago. "It was a challenge I had to take up," he says. "I am determined to prove that I can do what Newsweek said I could not."

After reading the story, Nemoto worked quickly and set up an electronic computer section in his office. He persuaded a professional electronic computer programmer working at a trading company to change to his company and put him in charge of the new section.

After installing a small do-

mestically produced electronic computer in the section, Nemoto subjected all hostesses at his cabarets to personality tests to determine what types of customers they were most suited to.

The hostesses were shown a number of photographs, including those of a bride at a wedding ceremony and others depicting bed scenes. They were asked to select the ones they liked.

The results of the test were fed into the computer, which quickly classified the hostesses into different types.

The types include "full of motherly love," "romantically inclined," "sexy" and "wild." Similar tests were conducted on customers to determine what types of hostesses they preferred as companions.

Nemoto is now training a number of hostesses to act as "computer ladies" at his cabarets and clubs. As "computer ladies" at his do a make-believe act of operating an electronic computer, will be a new attraction at the cabarets and clubs.

One other untold advantage of the system is, if the hostess and her customer decide to tie-the-knot, it will eliminate the expense of the age-old go-between. On the other hand, if things don't pan out afterward, can the computer be charged with incomputability?

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LICENSING OF GARDENERS UP AGAIN IN SAC'TO

Another Bill Affects Gardeners Bidding With Commercial Firm

LOS ANGELES—The So. Calif. Gardeners Federation, Inc., is opposed to two measures before the California legislature in the commerce and public utilities committee.

Assemblyman Mike Cullen (D-Long Beach) proposes in AB 3058 to revise the scope of definition for the "contractor" as used in the Contractors License Law with respect to certain persons who engage in designated landscaping activities.

Assemblyman Edwin L. Z'berg (D-Sacramento) proposes in AB 2988 to issue licenses for landscape maintenance gardeners, create a California State Board of Landscape Maintenance Gardeners and prescribe the board's membership and duties.

The Z'berg bill was introduced at the request of the Professional Gardeners Federation of Northern California, the SCGF reported.

Major Opposition

Heaviest opposition was registered against the Cullen bill, which, the SCGF contends, stemmed from non-Japanese contractors who seek to "protect their own interests" when bidding with private residents without limit but curtail the work of gardeners who contract with commercial firms to \$100 a month.

The proposed Cullen measure discriminates against the gardener in bidding for larger jobs, according to Robert Iwasaki, SCGF legal counsel.

The SCGF is not wholly against the Z'berg bill but the local members would like to have more time to discuss the merits and demerits, Iwasaki added.

Attempts to "professionalize" the maintenance gardeners date back to 1955 when Issei-Nisei gardener groups in both Northern and Southern California opposed a bill introduced by San Francisco Assemblyman Thomas Maloney.

1955 Maloney Bill

A few Nisei gardeners with contractor licenses, however, were in favor of improving the standards to protect the homeowners against improperly trained or incompetent gardeners.

The Maloney bill then provided allowances for youth engaged in gardening during the summer or an elderly person who would suffer undue hardship and unemployment if licensing were required.

When the two predominant Japanese American gardener federations in California met in convention for the first time at nearby Universal City in 1969, the issue of licensing maintenance gardeners came up but it was unresolved.

Some felt the more experienced gardeners without language barriers would prefer state regulations to elevate their trade standards and help prevent cut-throat competi-



PROJECT DISPLAY—Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project display at the Sumitomo Bank at First and San Pedro will be on exhibit till the end of June. Inspecting it are (from left), Kiyoshi Kawai, bank public

relations officer; bank manager Hyu Asami; Al Hatate, newly-installed chairman of the Little Tokyo Community Development Advisory Committee; and project manager Kango Kunitzugu.

BLACK U.S. STUDENTS IN TOKYO BACK HOME DISHEARTENED BY BIAS

TOKYO—Two black students from Santa Clara University in California, who have been studying for a year at Sophia University returned home this month, disappointed and disheartened at the discrimination against Negroes they found in Japan.

The two are Lorraine Green, 19, and Richard Bradley, 19. Miss Green's experiences were backed by "testimony" by Joanne Sheider, 19, her white roommate in the Nihon Shiman dormitory in Shibuya ward, Tokyo.

They listed some outstanding examples of discrimination against Negroes but pointed out that discrimination is an everyday thing in Japan.

'Everyday Thing'

For instance, when an American serviceman is drunk and misbehaving, the Japanese say "A GI is drunk" if he is a Caucasian serviceman. If it is a Negro serviceman, the Japanese say "A Negro is drunk."

Bradley was taking a shower when he heard someone in there say, "Won't the bath water become black if he comes into the bath?"

Miss Green has had Japa-

nese adults point fingers at her and whisper among themselves. She has also had Japanese touch her hair and points out that there is discrimination even in the curiosity Japanese have toward non-Japanese.

Entertainers and diplomats are treated royally even if they are Negroes in Japan, but the ordinary Negro, for instance, who is studying in Japan like Miss Green and Bradley, suffers discrimination.

Cabbie Ignores

Miss Green and Bradley called on a Negro professional wrestler at the Hotel New Japan. The Negro wrestler had been treated well because he was an entertainer. The three were waiting at the entrance for a taxi, but at least three taxis refused to take them as passengers.

The two students were used to such discrimination, but it was the first such experience for the Negro wrestler.

Miss Sheider was teaching English at a Catholic convent. One day she was unable to go, so she asked Miss Green to take her place.

When Miss Green went to the convent, the woman in charge of the class asked, "Are you going to teach?"

Minority hiring plan ordered for S.F.

WASHINGTON — The Labor Dept. announced last week (June 3) it is imposing a mandatory racial hiring plan for construction workers in San Francisco.

Plan calls for opening some 1,100 jobs for minority workers in plumbing, pipefitting, steamfitting, electrical, structural-metal, sheet metal and asbestos work.

"No contracts or subcontracts will be awarded for federally involved construction projects exceeding \$500,000 unless the bigger agrees to specific minority hiring goals," the Labor Dept. said.

Her face showed more contempt than surprise.

'Yellow Brothers'

There are countless other cases which Miss Green and Bradley related, including the popular club in Akasaka which permits Caucasians to enter freely but stops Negroes on the pretext that it is a membership club.

Bradley selected Japan to study in because he wanted to study with "yellow brothers." He has found that "yellow brothers" were just an illusion.

He said, "I did not know that there was such a thick wall in Japan against Negroes. Rather than just being far short of expectations, this is just too much."

Exchange student curious about Issei, Nisei—will motorcycle cross-country

LOS ANGELES—Tatsuzo Kawamura, 27-year-old Osaka exchange student here and a Waseda commerce graduate, plans to spend the summer touring the United States on his Honda 350.

Having lived on the west coast for the past half-year and studied English at the Cambria Community Adult School, Kawamura will not have a language barrier to complete his sociology studies on anti-Oriental discrimination in the U.S.

He has read many books on the Emancipation and history of the Japanese in the U.S., though "there are many in Japan who are still in the dark about the Issei, Nisei and some Sansei who were whisked into camps during World

War II," he added. Kawamura plans to travel only during the day and weather-permitting, camp along the way. He will take his cooking stove, utensils and Japanese food.

His itinerary will cross the continent through the Southern states and return by way of Chicago, Wyoming, Utah, and San Francisco.

Kiyoji Kishi, Universal Studios employee with the ad-art section, in briefing him, said he should visit with Mike Masaoaka when he reaches Washington, D.C., in mid-July. (Masaoaka will be on his world tour at the time), the Seabrook Farms in New Jersey and other midwest and eastern communities where JACL chapters exist.

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NEW COMMUNITY CENTER

San Gabriel Valley's plans disclosed

WEST COVINA—After several years of discussion and preparation, the East San Gabriel Valley Japanese Community Center has decided to go ahead with its new building project. The project will cost approximately \$250,000 and will be located at 1203 W. Puente Ave., West Covina.

Much interest has been generated by the new plan, which was designed by Kiyoshi Sawano and Associates, architects. Henry Miyata, chairman of the building committee, declared "Mr. Sawano's design meets our community needs and will give us something to be proud of. With the advent of this ambitious project, we hope to expand our membership and create a true spirit of community among all our people."

500 Families in Area

At present, the center has an active membership of 100 and a mailing list of 500 families; 17 various groups and organizations use the present existing facilities. The center serves an area from East San Gabriel to as far east as Upland. Leo Hayashi is the current president.

The new complex will be comprised of six classrooms, kitchen and dining facilities, conference room, and a large multi-purpose gym. The building committee asked that the design be Japanese in character and reflect the best of that heritage.

At present, the finance committee, headed by George Taguchi, is preparing a campaign at the June 20 picnic at the Pomona Fairgrounds to kick off the project. Tom Yamashita is chairman of this event.

N.Y. restaurant destroyed by fire

NEW YORK — An early-morning fire destroyed the Saito restaurant and the three-story building in which it was housed last week (June 6), despite the efforts of one hundred firemen using 12 pieces of equipment to control the blaze. The three-alarm fire, burned from 2:55 to 5:30 a.m.

The Saito, one of the first of the more posh Japanese restaurants to be built in New York during the past ten years, originally opened for business at 70 W. 55th Street in November of 1957. It moved to its new location at 131 W. 52nd St. in October of 1963. Its proprietress is Mrs. Moto Saito.

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Why—The Quiet American?

Sacramento After reading Bill Hosokawa's excellent book "Nisei—The Quiet American" and reflecting on the status of Japanese Americans today, I began to wonder if we can afford to continue to be characterized as "quiet Americans." At the outset, I don't want to give the impression that I advocate being vociferous just for the sake of making noise. However, I sincerely feel that we should make

This is particularly true in our state government where there are many Japanese American employees but too few Jerry Enomotos (our past National JACL President who was recently named as the Superintendent of the California Correctional Institution at Tehachapi). We have some of the most qualified employees in state government service, yet middle management is the zenith of their advancement.

Like one state administrator recently told me, "I like Japanese employees because they are quiet, mind their own business and do their work."

However, maybe these traits do not make the qualities of an administrator? My point is this: We have not eliminated all forms of discrimination against us. If it requires speaking out in order to make known the distinguished forms of discrimination being practiced today, then I advocate that we should speak out after carefully collecting the facts and studying the issues. How else can we rise above just being "good average citizens?"

Our history shows that we are capable of being leaders as well as followers in the so-called white dominated society. Think about it!

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our position publicly known whenever and wherever the situation requires it.

Many Japanese Americans have fallen into the "middle class syndrome," i.e., we feel that we have it made and that problems of discrimination are past history. This attitude, whether conscious or subconscious in nature, lulls us into accepting our present comfortable position as being a sign of total acceptance in the American society.

But why then, for example, are there so many Japanese Americans employed in the fields of education and government service and yet so few of them are serving in administrative capacities?

Host families, summer jobs sought for Japan college exchange students

LOS ANGELES—A group of 180 Japanese college students are arriving in the U.S. this summer on homestay and employment exchange programs on the West Coast. These programs are sponsored by the International Student Visitor Service which has received permission from the State Department to sponsor a special visa enabling these Japanese students to work to help pay for their own travel costs.

Announcements of the program brought applications from over 1,000 eligible students out of which only these 180 were selected because of the difficulty in finding jobs and host families on this side of the ocean.

The job categories include camp counselors, resort area work, waiters and waitresses, kitchen help, farm work, dish washing, clerical assistance, & sales work, ticket vendors and hotel bellhops & desk clerks. The family-stay program is

seeking host families who will sponsor one or more of these students for four weeks, providing room and board and activities which are part of life in the family's normal way of life to give their visitor a view of family life in America.

The Japanese students will be arriving on June 26 and will stay until Sept. 9. Any one with employment opportunities in Southern California, and interested in sponsoring a student as a host family may call:

Jeffrey Matsui, Associate National JACL Director, 125 Weller St., Suite 310, Los Angeles, CA 90012. (Phone: 213-626-4471).

The JACL office will act as liaison between all interested parties and the ISVS Regional Office in San Francisco, 260 Kearny St., 94108. (Phone: 415-397-8588). All applications forms and information can be obtained from Matsui or from ISVS.

DR. KIKUO TAIRA

600 well-wishers honor physician on 60th birthday in grand testimonial

FRESNO — A capacity crowd of over 600 well-wishers filled the Fresno Buddhist Church annex to honor Dr. Kikuo H. Taira on his 60th birthday recently (May 30), especially for his accomplishments and services to the community.

The festivities paused for a moment of silent meditation in memory of the late Setsugo C. Sakamoto, one of the honorary co-chairmen of the Dr. Taira testimonial, whose untimely death came a few days before the scheduled banquet.

Fred Hirasuna, the articulate and witty toastmaster, speaking in both Japanese and English kept the party in a very merry mood. The congratulatory "utai" was sung by U. Kaniyama, S. Doi, and J. Tsubota.

The Fresno Nisei physician's associations and influence within the Buddhist Churches of America, JACL, Boy Scouts, Sister City Program, Central Calif. Black Belt Jud. Assn., educational and professional societies were eloquently cited

by Bishop Kenryu Tsuji, Gunzo Miyamoto, Dr. H. Ginsburg, and Mikio Uchiyama.

Key to City

Fresno City Councilman P. Camarota presented Dr. Taira the Key to the City. Recognition plaques were presented by Uchiyama representing the CC Black Belt Jud. by Dr. George Suda representing the Central Calif. Japanese community, and by Bishop Tsuji representing the Buddhist Churches of America.

Travelling the greatest distance to attend the testimonial banquet was Mrs. Lily Ota Shirakawa of Chicago, and it was noted that a telegram was received from Mrs. Geraldine Kebo Wakida of Pearl City, Hawaii, who was the first baby delivered by Dr. Taira.

Others who participated in the evening's program were the Rinban Gibun Kimura of the Fresno Betsuin who gave the invocation, and the Rev. Norio Ozaki of the Fresno Japanese Congregational Church who gave the benediction. For the entertainment program, several Japanese selections were played by the Bowles Band.

To celebrate his 60th birthday, the traditional red cap and birthday cake with a single red candle were presented to the honored guest.

The Nisei physician was presented with several gifts from all those present.

In addition to the stereo set, a monetary donation in his name is being forwarded to the Asoka Hospital in Tokyo, the only large charity hospital operating under the wings of the Nishi Hongwanji. An album of photographs depicting the evening's events was also given to him.

Morimitsu-Witcher

CHICAGO—Carol Morimitsu, teaching in special education at the Univ. of Oregon, is engaged to Victor Witcher of Springfield, who is also teaching in the Eugene, Ore. school system, it was announced the Arthur Morimitsu. A summer wedding here is planned.

Japan-born designer opens N.Y. boutique

NEW YORK—A hint of old Japan remains in the style of Kandi Ohno, who opened an East Side boutique bearing his first name about a year ago at 1625 Second Ave. He left Japan 14 years ago when he was 20 to study at Parsons School of Design. He apprenticed under Charles James and is now teaching fashion design at Pratt. (Store will be closed during July and August.)



Izumi. The center is located at Washington Ave. at Mar Vista.

The chapter also announced the family potluck picnic will be held July 24 at Pamell Park in East Whittier with Ted Kunitsugu as chairman.

OC JAYs carnival June 27 at Garden Grove Park

Proceeds of the all-day Orange County JAYs carnival June 27 at Garden Grove Park are earmarked for the community scholarship fund. Organizations of the Interclub Council will man the booths where food and games will be plentiful. The family-oriented affair starts at noon and will close at 9 p.m.

Birch Society staffer on Prog. Westside panel

A most stimulating panel discussion on the American involvement in Asia looms at the Progressive Westside JACL meeting next Monday, June 21, 8 p.m. at Senshin Buddhist Church, according to Charles Furutani, evening moderator.

As part of the community information series, guest panelists include Alan Nishio, associate director of Asian American Studies Center at UCLA; Pat Sumi, community worker; and Rex Westerfield, regional staff coordinator of the John Birch Society.

Potluck dinner meeting for Reno CLers June 19

Reno JACLers will have a potluck dinner meeting June 19, 6:30 p.m., at the home of Ron and Jane Yamamoto, 2450 Del Monte Lane.

The sukiyaki dinner last month was very successful and thoughts of having it become an annual affair were considered, according to Dr. Eugene Choy, chapter president.

Scholarship

SNAKE RIVER VALLEY JACL
Chapter Awards: \$150: Wesley Nishimura, Ontario High; of Chizuo Nishimura; \$75: Arlene Huiga, Weiser; \$50: Janis Takami, Nyssa.

Snake River holds 26th annual graduate dinner

Snake River Valley JACL honored 53 graduating high school seniors May 29 during their annual banquet.

Three scholarships were awarded. Wesley Craig Nishimura, Ontario, received a \$150 scholarship; Arlene Huiga, Weiser, \$75 and Janis Takami, Nyssa, \$50.

Tom Uriu, chapter president was toastmaster for an evening which drew a large crowd of 200 to the Eastside Cafe for the banquet.

Sam Harsin, Baker, past vice president of the national FFA, was speaker. Originally from Korea, he told the grad-

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UC Berkeley elects

BERKELEY — Alan Fong and John Sugiyama were elected president and vice-president respectively, of the UC Berkeley student government, assuming office this summer. (Sugiyama is the son of NC-WNDC Gov. Shigeki Sugiyama and a junior majoring in political science.)

U-NO BAR

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ness Improvement League, Inc., an organization, which intends to make the avenues an elite area. I was invited to join the "in group" as a token gesture, but must have frightened them because I told them I was glad to accept their invitation because I wanted to "know what was happening and how."

They don't appear to seek my advice as readily as they first did, but they have asked for assistance in certain key assignments. Having run for the State Senate in this area, my "notoriety," as I put it, is still quite recent.

My "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" existence works my conscience over. I know most of the important political figures of both parties in this state, the prominent businessmen, the university community and live in a comfortable neighborhood. I know well the leaders of the Black, Brown and Native American community. I have defended many indigents and have worked with the militant young Black, Browns and Native Americans. I have worked hard with liberals, moderates and conservatives. I believe I know well how each feels and what they are working so hard for.

Having been brought up on the "west side of town" most of my life and having spent 3½ years in Heart Mountain, Wyoming, 3 years in a segregated school in El Monte, Calif., and having served 4 years in the service with

servicemen from Oklahoma, Texas, Arizona, New Mexico, Utah, Nevada and California of all colors, races and religions, and then having attended the University for 11 years, and travelled all over the United States, I still have a strong conviction that racism still confronts "our" young people.

My law partners are Caucasian prominent Republicans, leaders in the Mormon Church, and my neighbors are almost all "white." My friends say I am "accepted" (whatever that means) and more "respected" (whatever that means) than most of my white friends and neighbors. I admit I have my fingers in more things in this community than I probably should, but my influence is dubious, but better than none at all. Whatever I do, has been to "try" to be an influence on the conscience of the community; if I may, "the devil's advocate" regardless of what group I am with.

Ralph Nader has said, if you want to be effective in the community in making changes, you must learn to be "unloved" and can couch for his observation. The only sad thing is we have too few people who want to risk being "unloved" at a time when we need so many. Therefore, I have put myself on the chopping block and the anticipated risks and dangers have come unabated.

When my children and their peer group come of age and say "Sir, I exist!", my hope is that the community will feel some obligation to accept them and their peers regardless of race, color, creed or social status. If so, the labors of the little Ralph Naders in each of the communities who are or may be "unloved" will not have been in vain.

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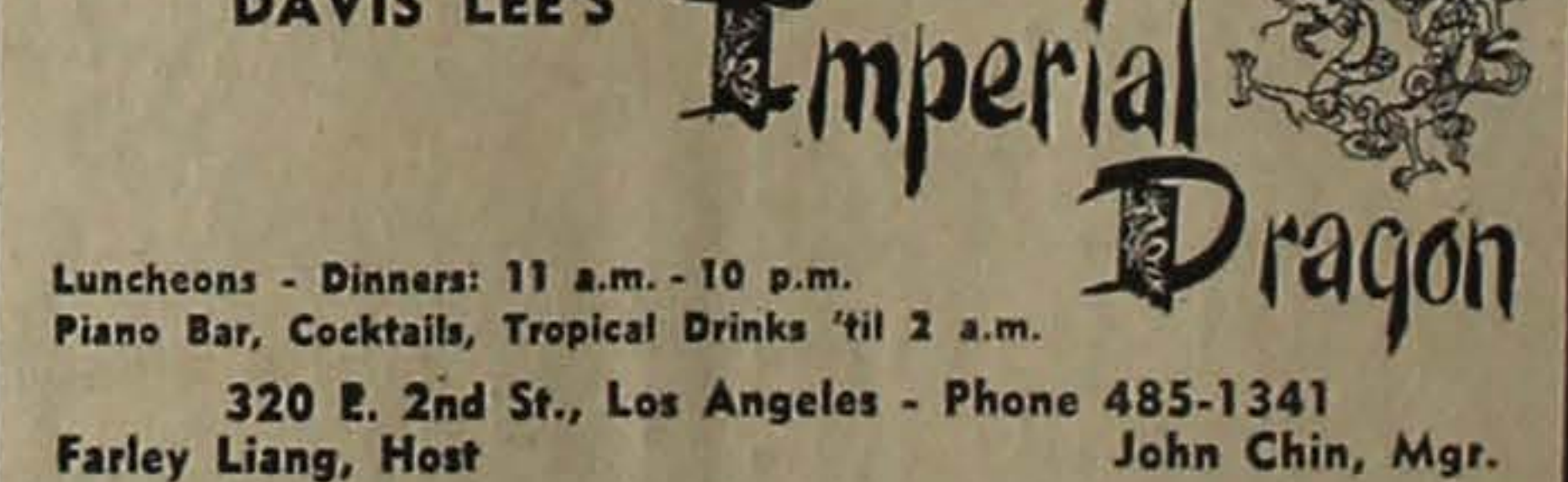
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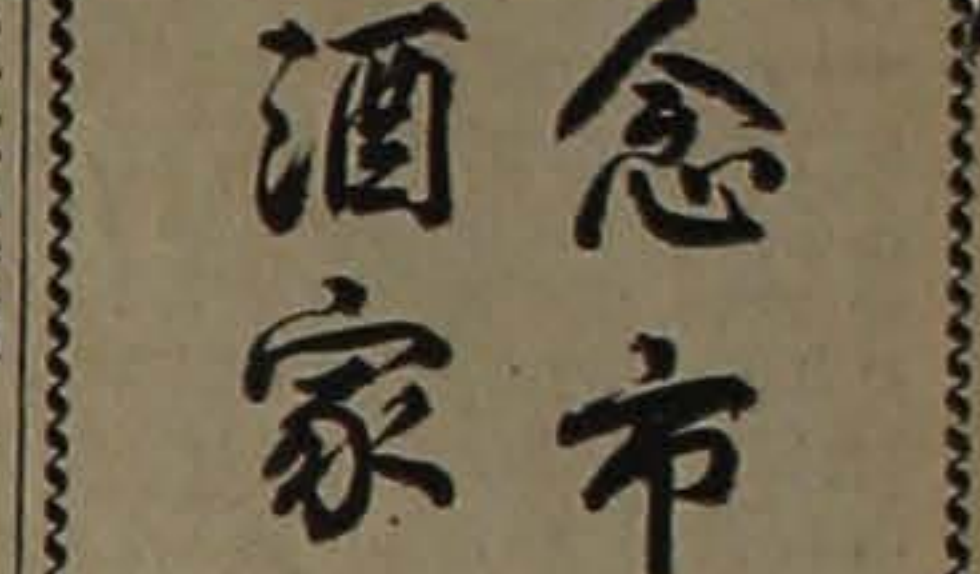
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Courtroom

Honolulu Attorney Herbert Y.C. Choy, a Korean American, was sworn in June 1 here to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. The appeals court has its headquarters in San Francisco. Federal Judge C. Nils Tavares administered the oath of office to Choy. Sens. Hiram L. Fong and Daniel K. Inouye, both of whom voted for Choy's confirmation, were among the speakers.

Robert W.B. Chang of Honolulu and Norito Kawakami of Kauai will be elevated to the circuit bench on Oahu by Gov. John A. Burns. Chang, 48, has been a district magistrate since March, 1968, and Kawakami, 58, has served as district magistrate since June, 1966.

Hawaii Today
The Honolulu Advertiser suggests that Islanders put into effect a proposal that will deter burglars from stealing valuable possessions from homes. Called "Operation Identification," the program originally was started in 1963 in Monterey Park, Calif. Here is how it works: The city purchases electric engraving machines and lends them to citizens. They use the machines to imprint their social security number indelibly on their possessions. Citizens make a list of their possessions which they have engraved so they can supply police with lists in the event of a burglary.

Chances for finding jobs by 32 of the 2,300 recent graduates of the Univ. of Hawaii appear quite encouraging in spite of the present tight job situation in Hawaii. So thinks Edward Barne, dean of the school of travel industry management, for his former students. "By and large, these kids are quite in demand," Barne said. "Already two of our alumni are heads of hotels and have only four years old as a school."

These Islands don't seem like a safe place in which to live any more, it seems. Fourteen—yes, 14—holdups within five days! A man robbed the Kaimuki branch of Hawaii National Bank of about \$700 on May 27. It was Hawaii's third bank robbery this year—and the second in May. That same day—at 8:40 p.m.—the Hana Hotel was robbed of \$34, making it the 15th holdup between May 22 and 27. The other bank robbery took place May 7. In this robbery the bandit got \$2,230 from First Hawaiian Bank's Waikiki branch. On March 18 two gunmen held up the Kaimuki branch of Central Pacific Bank and escaped with \$10,272. And so it goes. This place certainly has changed. It's not the carefree and safe place that it once was.

Some 11,000 students from Japan are expected to visit Hawaii this summer. They are scheduled to begin arriving July 25 for visits of 11 days to six weeks. This is the result of several pro-

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Sports Scene

Duffy Daugherty, grid coach at Michigan State Univ., has signed up four Honolulu prep stars. They are Punahou's Arnold Morgado, Kale Ane and Peter Hata, and St. Louis Doug Won. The Spartan coach said that he is interested in Gary Campbell, the St. Louis High School ball carrier. "I'm trying to contact him," Daugherty said. He added, "Prep football in Honolulu is just as good as anywhere in the nation."

Names in the News
Kim Swoon Geum was guest of honor at the 12th Pan Pacific Architectural Citation held in Honolulu June 5 at the Pacific Club. The citation is given by the Hawaii chapter of the American Institute of Architects. Kim, the first native of Korea to win the award, which was established in 1957. The awards are not made annually, there being none in 1958 and 1970. Kim was cited for 11 specific major works. They include the Korean Pavilion for the 1967 Expo in Montreal, the master plan of Yoi Island District in Korea, the Korean Pavilion for the 1970 World Expo in Osaka and the Central Postal Administration Building in Seoul.

Big Island Mayor Shunichi Kimura has decided to continue his term of office and reject an offer to succeed Dr. Thomas H. Hamilton in the \$40,000-a-year job as head of the Hawaii Visitors Bureau. Kimura, it is believed, feels he has an obligation to finish his mayoral term, which does not expire until 1972. In the meantime, several names are being bandied about as possible successors to Hamilton. These include those of Richard H. King, Robert H. Rink, William H. Muller, Ernest W. Albrecht and Toshio Anzai.

Education
Hawaii's public school teachers will be involved soon in collective bargaining talks with the state administration. Albert Hamai, Hawaii State Teachers Assn. executive sec., said, "The steps that HSTA has taken so far are a clear indication to all teachers that HSTA is committed to delivering the best possible contract for improved teacher conditions and better schools. It is HSTA's intent to do just that."

Appointments approved by the state board of education follow: Oei Maehara, acting deputy district of Honolulu District; Herbert Imanaka, principal of Kaimuki High School for a year; Elvin G. Kipapa, principal of Kaimuki Intermediate School; Albert Mun, principal of Jarrett Intermediate School for a year; Francis Wun, principal of Kaimuki High School; Cecelia Lum, v.p. of Kaimuki Elementary School; George Kojima, v.p. of Pearl Harbor Elementary School.

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Police Force

Kauai Police Chief Dewey Allen was fired May 26 by the Kauai Police Commission by a 3 to 1 vote in a closed meeting. Henry Takemoto, who cast the lone vote against the motion to fire the chief, resigned from the commission. Voting to fire Allen were chairman Frank Pervine, Takumi Akama and Gerardo Santos. Philip Conrad, the fifth member of the commission, is vacationing in Europe. Allen has been critical of the probation and parole systems in Hawaii, and has been outspoken against all forms of legalized gambling in the Islands.

Allen thinks his investigation into real estate dealings by Tad Miura may be partly responsible for his being forced to resign as police chief. Miura is Kauai Mayor Antonio Vidinha, Jr.'s chief administrative assistant. Allen is reporting to Vidinha about Miura's real estate dealings said Miura and his brother-in-law, Hideo Tanaka, had bought and sold lots, making tremendous profits. The price paid for six lots in 1968 was \$57,541. Since then Miura and Tanaka have resold five of these lots, with homes, for \$207,000.

Miura has denied that he was guilty of any conflict of interest arising from his real estate dealings with lots and houses on Kauai. He contends that street improvement and public utilities in the subdivision with which he had business dealings were approved by the planning department before he had purchased any lots on behalf of Molokai Hul, a group of businessmen that includes Miura.

Deaths
Dr. Richard S. Kotomori, 62, the state's first physician of osteopathic medicine of Japanese ancestry, died May 18. He was a graduate of the College of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons in Los Angeles. Survivors include his wife, two children, mother, four brothers, and five sisters. He lived at 1018 Hoawa Lane, Honolulu.

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BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman

Pacific War from Japanese Viewpoint

IMPERIAL TRAGEDY: Japan's Experience of War From the Incredible Victories to the Unthinkable Alternatives, December 1941-August 1945, by Thomas M. Coffey, New York: The World Publishing Co., 526 pp., \$12.95.

In "In Cold Blood," Truman Capote applied the techniques of fictional narration to the exposition of fact with such success it followed that the craft of writing would tend to veer in the direction blazed by the master. Historians, too, had been set a higher mark at which to shoot.

That the author of "Imperial Tragedy" has consciously used fiction technique is indicated in his foreword. He says, "... it might be better for the reader to approach the book as if it were a work of imagination rather than fact because he can then follow the sweep of the story and the development of the people in it without being distracted by the question of whether all this actually happened . . ."

The author uses a technical device unprecedented in historical narration but precedent in drama. The ancient Greek dramatist imparted a swifter pace to the play by observing the unities of time, place, and action—the events springing from a single plot, occurring in one day, in a single place. The compression of events in this work, with Tokyo as the chief locale, seem a liberal, skillful application of this principle.

The author divides his story into two parts: the first be-

Hawaii court opens census trial

HONOLULU—Prosecution of alleged violators of the 1970 Census continues in the courtroom of Federal Judge C. Nils Tavares.

In effect, the census required those of Asian ancestry even though born and reared in Hawaii to certify they are neither Hawaiian nor American. The authorities enjoined compliance through threat of fine or imprisonment.

Census officials have issued charges against four persons who refused to answer census questions on ground they constituted an invasion of privacy.

U.S. Atty. Robert K. Fukuda is presenting the case for the government.

Case of David Watumull, local businessman and former owner of radio KTRG, was first called. His attorney William O. Bittman, Washington, D.C., argued that Hawaii census bureau chief Leland H. Gray had violated the confidentiality of the censusform of Watumull by showing the incompleteness of his record to prosecuting officers. Because of this alleged violation by Gray, Bittman moved to dismiss the charges against his client.

Tavares ruled, "I find this disclosure is not in violation of the law. The U.S. Attorney acts as attorney for the Census Bureau."

Bittman argued that Watumull is being "selectively prosecuted" because he had exercised his rights of free speech over the now defunct KTRG radio station. In cross-examination, he drew the admission that Gray had filed a complaint about Watumull's criticism of the census with the Federal Communications Commission.

Bittman demanded the government produce any statement about Watumull that Gray may have made to attorneys for the FCC. Tavares postponed the case while the court seeks information from Washington.

The court then began hearing the case of William Steele, also charged with failing to complete the census form, but put over the case until this week. —By Allan Beekman

ginning a half-hour after midnight, Dec. 8, 1941 (Japanese time), and ending at 2:30 p.m., December 17 of the same year. The narrative starts with U.S. Ambassador Joseph Grew arriving at the official residence of Foreign Minister Shigenori Togo. Less than two hours before, Grew had received a telegram from President Franklin D. Roosevelt directed to the Japanese Emperor. The message was so urgent, Grew had come at this unreasonable hour to arrange an audience.

The message was a plea for peace. But the telegram ignored the concessions the Japanese had offered in striving for a modus vivendi with America; it offered no American concessions. From the Japanese viewpoint, the message was patronizing and insulting. Even if they had taken a more favorable view of the message, it might have been impossible to reverse the events set in motion by the Japanese-American dispute; a Japanese task force was nearing Hawaii, ready to launch its planes for an attack on Pearl Harbor.

On this dramatic note the narrative begins. The drama is sustained through 17 days and 245 pages as Japan goes on to victory after victory.

Last Ten Days

The story then leaps to 8:16 a.m. Aug. 6, 1945, the day the atomic bomb was to fall on Hiroshima. Gloom and despair now pervade Japan, and the reader is artfully informed of the events that have led to this new mood. The more astute Japanese knew that Japan had lost the war at the Battle of Midway, three years before. In the prostrate Japan of August 1945, even the fanatic Gen. Korechika Anami, minister of war, opposed the only because he felt that better conditions than unconditional surrender might be wrangled from the Allies.

The narrative concentrates on the fateful nine days left before surrender. Despite the fictional technique, the author insists the reader has "read no fiction" here; with one proviso, the claim seems justified.

The exception is in some of the dialogue. The author says, "Though the conversational exchanges could not be recorded word for word since almost all of them were in Japanese, which does not lend itself to literal translation, their sense and tone in English have been preserved as closely as possible." Actually many of the conversations must have been imaginatively reconstructed by someone, if not the author, because the original was unrecorded.

The use of copious dialogue has enhanced the dramatic rendition of the material, but the reader should recognize that much of the dialogue has dubious credentials. Nevertheless, a reader may gain a clearer picture of the events of the Pacific War from this swift-paced story than from an account aimed at scrupulous accuracy.

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EVERYTHING HAS A PRICE

"Those who benefit must not forget their benefactors. In fact, there is a sense of duty (Giri) to carry on so that others might benefit and an obligation to see that which was paid at such a high price is not lost."

That message is one many a Nisei has heard often from his Issei parents and our NC-WNDC Governor Shig Sugiyama repeated in his Memorial Day address at the Nisei services held at Golden Gate National Cemetery recently.

He ascribed the fruits and benefits enjoyed today—and which are now taken for granted—to the heroism and sacrifice of the fallen comrades. Everything has its price. Nothing is for free.

He recalled the prewar days when Japanese had to be careful where they went to eat for many places wouldn't serve them. "Perhaps that is one reason why so many older Nisei like Chinese food so much," he mused.

If you had the money to buy a home in those days, the house was usually one already 30 or 40 years old. The Issei farmer who poured their blood, sweat and tears into the soil were not permitted to buy that land. While the Japanese were respected as "good, hard-working people", they were still not to be trusted.

All that has changed—"at least for the moment", Shig added, because of Japanese Americans who defended in battle the basic principles and ideals which established this Nation. They knew that to permit the destruction of this form of government and Constitution would not remove the inequities.

Though the text of his speech was prepared with the trappings of Memorial Day in mind, the message is one that might bear repeating this month as graduates leave the universities and colleges.

Members of the graduating class of '71 are learning what it is to fend for themselves when the job picture is not at its brightest. If they can carry on, despite the bleak and dim prospects, so that others might benefit—the class of '71 will have pulled through. An indication of pulling through has been detected by the heavy interest in medicine and law for these vocations provide the student a sense of promise and participation.

SOME DEFINITE DEATHLY FIGURES

A comprehensive Japanese document surveying the damage of Hiroshima a year after the atom bomb was dropped has come to light: 118,000 killed; 79,000 injured and 3,600 missing—or about 60 per cent of the estimated 320,000 people there at the time.

Though the exact toll will never be known, these figures shall supercede John Hersey's graphic account for numbers, as abstract they are, can become tangible when materialized in terms of lives lost. And the horrendous tragedy has been etched on film which many have seen. (National JACL has a copy it can loan.) So awful was the devastation that one felt obligated to continue watching as a gesture of respect for the suffering and as an admission of complicity.

These latest figures, also, show up how more destructive the latest in nuclear weaponry is—250 times more powerful—to heighten the scale of terror. Which makes resumption come July of the Helsinki strategic arms limitation talks (SALT) as announced by President Nixon certainly welcome.

A FANFARE FOR ST. MARY'S

Is it possible to make music without emitting a sound? The St. Mary's Chinese Drum and Bugle Corps of San Francisco showed how by not accepting the tempting offer from the Santa Maria Elks Club to march in their parade on June 5. This elite corps, which had been invited to the President Nixon Inaugural, may have raised some sour notes among the parade committeemen who had announced the young Chinese American unit would appear. But to those, in and out of the Elks organization, who are continuing the campaign to denaturalize their all-white membership rule, it was like music.

The score was initiated by the Santa Maria Valley JACL, now a very active and effective chapter doing its share to extricate the inharmonious temperaments that drag the Elks. In harmony, you might say, with the Santa Maria Valley chapter were the Paulist Fathers who man the Chinatown Catholic mission, the social concerns commission of the San Francisco archdiocese, the JACL Northern California-Western Nevada District Council and particularly the Bay Area Community JACL.

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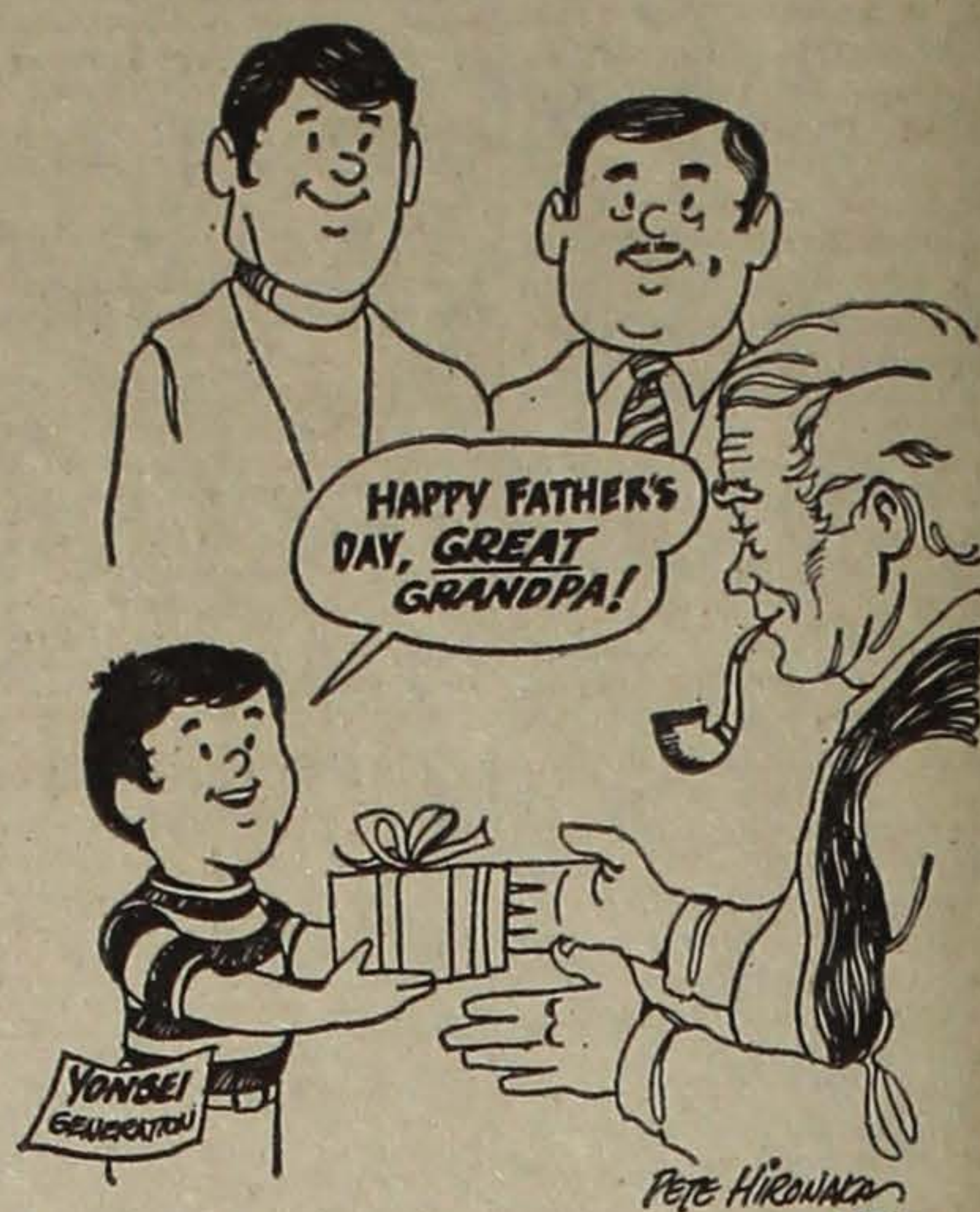
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Your comment about a subscriber not renewing PC because he couldn't stomach Warren Furutani's column prompts me to write.

It was my good fortune to meet Warren at the April Midwest District Council meeting at St. Louis and again more recently here in Minneapolis, a trip paid for by the Twin Cities Jr. JACL.

In my opinion, if JACL cannot attract and hold people like Warren Furutani, Victor Shibata, Ron Wakabayashi, Kathy Kadowaki, Hiroshi Kanno and Barb Hirota to name a few with whom we are acquainted, then we must be astride a three-legged horse—and they don't go very far, nor very fast. There is no question but what the PC must go in the direction it has chosen.

There was a time when I didn't read the PC. Now I read nearly all, because there is no other source for information such as that carried in it.

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JACL personnel

Editor:

I was surprised, though not thoroughly, that no one brought out the fact that Dave Ushio (new assistant Washington JACL representative) is a Mormon, and therefore, a member of a church that holds blacks as inferior beings. I do not doubt that Mr. Ushio is a conscientious, hard-working person and would do a good job as our representative. Yet I wonder how Japanese Americans would feel if the blacks were represented in Washington by a black American who was a sincere, just individual, but a member of a church which was anti-Japanese.

The fact that no reader of the Pacific Citizen even thought to mention Mr. Ushio's strong Latter Day Saints background proves that Japanese Americans are totally lacking in sensitivity to minority feelings.

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Fact of Mr. Ushio's religious affiliations were cited in the announcement of his appointment (PC, Apr. 2) and while Mr. Yawata is entitled to his opinions as to what the Mormon Church teaches and believes, JACL officials responsible for his appointment were completely satisfied that Mr. Ushio's religious conviction and his efficacy as a JACL representative are not in conflict. Rather than citing religious differences, stress should be made on the similarities among men of whatever faith or creed to make JACL a relevant organization in these fast-changing times.

The Orange County JACL newsletter, "Santana Wind", reports Mr. Yawata is organizing the Pioneer Project in

the county, similar to social service program for Issei in other areas, and deserves all the help the Nisei and Sansei can provide.—Ed.

A Teacher's View

Editor:

We have found that the Pacific Citizen is the most important publication to read to get a real sense of understanding of the contemporary J-A scene. I hope other Asian American instructors (will) use it as resource material. I highly recommend it. My students get much out of it.

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The Pacific Citizen is available at bulk rate to schools and instructors at the weekly rate of 6 cents per copy (minimum of 10 copies). Experience suggests copies be sent to the home address.—Ed.

Caldwell High reunion

Editor:

Caldwell High School graduating class of 1946 will have its 25th reunion this summer. We had several Japanese American classmates and have been able to locate all but two: George Morikawa from Seattle and wonder if he returned to that area, and Iida Yamasaki from Poston High, probably married and even more difficult to locate. We think she went to Chicago.

Any help would be appreciated.

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Peace March

Editor:

As an Asian in the Midwest who went to the April 24th Washington, D.C. march, I was glad to see the article in the PC (May 7). However, I felt that, as usual and understandably, the focus was on the West Coast march, even though as many Asians marched in Washington as in San Francisco, out of smaller total population.

Moreover, Asians came from as far as Illinois and Minnesota to march with Asian sisters and brothers in Washington. Those of us in the Midwest who are racially aware and sensitive have to work harder at creating a sense of community, at just being with many other Asians then you in the West.

In many ways, I think that we outside the West Coast are forced to become more aware of the national 'community' of Asians in America. Having been born in California, I feel that most West Coast Asians tend to be more provincial in this respect. We must all work at uniting Asians throughout the entire United States.

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25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, June 22, 1946

War Dept. announces 442nd Regt. due home from Italy July 8; low-pointers to be transferred to other Occupation troops in Europe. . . . American Veterans Committee national convention asks corrective legislation to end anti-Nisei prejudice, backs move to grant naturalization to parents of Nisei soldiers, to indemnify evacuees for property losses. . . . Nisei intelligence men cited as major factor in penetrating enemy secrets, says Army colonel. . . . U.S. Circuit Court hears case of 3 Poston camp Nisei charged with draft violation, judge asks government attitude for executive clemency.

Selective Service drops 4C (enemy alien) class for Nisei. . . . 1st Sgt. Toshiro Suyematsu of Wyoming singled out as "most highly decorated member" of 442nd. . . . General Eisenhower, Admiral Nimitz praise Nisei GI record during White House ceremony. . . . Calif. Attorney General Kenney believes alien land law should be repealed as referendum proposal wins place on November ballot. . . . UC Berkeley to publish findings of Evacuation study group, directed by Dorothy Swaine Thomas; two volumes, "The Spoilage" and "The Salvage", planned.

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'Hotoru' for Tokyo

TOKYO — About 20,000 fireflies were flown into Tokyo from Kyushu and Shikoku to be released at Chinzanso Gardens for children and adults to watch at night. Industrial smog has killed off most fireflies here.

TRI-DISTRICT JR. JACL FOCUS:

Zoom & Freaky

Greetings from the TDC (Tri-District Council) dynamic duo!

Hi! I'm Bruce Izumi or Captain Zoom.

Hi! And I'm Ron Masumoto or Freaky Frog. We're your friendly Tri-District Conference coordinators, extending a warm welcome to you all.

CAPTAIN: Before we fill you in on the business at hand, maybe I should explain that me and Frog are filling in for Peggy Sonoda while she's in Europe.

FROG: For those of you that don't know Peggy, she's our TDC publicity girl. She's the weird little animal from PSW that does all the TDC write-ups. I wish she were doing this one.

CAPTAIN: I hear where you're coming from Frog! But since we got a job to do, let's do it!

FROG: Right on, Captain!

Proceed. CAPTAIN: Well . . . Let's see. My job is Organization. We have the location, Bannockburn in Riverside. The chamber of commerce there has extended a warm welcome to us all. Carolyn Mitoma (super girl) is in charge of registration and hospitality. She's doing a 100%, class A, No. 1 job, too. She's a fox, too, so you guys have something to look forward to. That's if you come to the confab.

Registration Fees

Changes in fees have come up so I better fill in on that. Breakdown is as follows: Early Registration by July 17—\$25.75 R&B, \$125 registration—\$27.00.

Regular Registration by July 31—\$25.75 R&B, \$325 registration—\$27.00.

Late Registration by Aug. 7—\$25.75 R&B, \$625 registration—\$27.00.

Forms are circulating by now so sign up early! It's easier on the wallet. If you need registration forms, write to:

TDC Registration, Carolyn Mitoma, 5468 Providence Pl., Riverside, Calif. 92506

Accommodations are great! The suite—type! Two people per room, sauna baths, croquet lawn, air-conditioning, swimming pool, and everyone has their own benjo and showers. No sleeping bags are necessary here. We got real linen! I have to hand it to the Riverside chapter; who could ask for more?

Special thanks to the Senators for their immediate response to our plea for Transportation Funds:

NC-WNDC—Alameda, Berkeley, Contra Costa, Fremont, Gilroy, Oakland, Placer County, Salinas Valley, San Francisco and Sonoma County.

PSWDC—Gardena Valley, Orange County and Pasadena.

T-Shirt Contest

Financially, we're not doing so hot. Keats Funakoshi (boy wonder) has got it rough! We have a T-shirt design contest for the conference. Winner will attend our happening for free! Sorry, but if you live out of California, you have to supply your transportation. If you're interested in entering, here are the rules:

1—No larger than 12" by 14".
2—No more than three colors.
3—Must have Tri-District Conference or TDC.
4—Must say Junior JACL.
Send entries to: TDC Design Contest, 1525 W. 152nd St., Gardena, Calif. 90247.

Oh yeah! If you'd like to order a T-shirt, contact Boy Wonder Keats Funakoshi, 12-60 Crest Vista Dr., Monterey Park, Calif. 91754. Further info on that will be coming soon. Watch for it!

Peggy's last article in the PC (June 11) explained the conference. If you missed it, it might do well to dig it up 'cause she said it all. That sounds like a cue for Frog, so . . . take it away, Frog.

Program Staff

FROG: Thanks, Captain. Well, it's my thing as your freaky program coordinator to coordinate the program. Doesn't that make sense?

Moving along—the people on my staff are big John Tokeshi. He's in charge of the discussion leaders, you know, the heavy rappers. Next we have fogman Gary Kitagawa, NC-WNDC chairman. This guy's really talented. With one breath he can create a cloud of fog. Fun activities are chaired by no less than gentleman Ken Kanemoto. Sorry girls, he's already taken. Our foxy little Cheryl Yozizane goes glibly from "talkin' 'bout Cheryl, she's our awards girl. Last but not least is machine gun Shirley Kakiba. Guys, she's one trippy girl. Oh yeah! She's our secretary.

With a great bunch of guys like this working on the program, how can we go wrong? They are all working hard to make this four-day confab a foot-stompin', knee-slappin', head-kickin' experience. So be there or be square, ya hear! 'Nuff said . . . so proceed Capt. Zoom.

TDC Booklet

CAPTAIN: I got a secretary, too! Hi, Joann, longtime no see!
FROG: Yeah! Joann, my little sister. She's a good little girl, so you guys can keep your eyes and hands to yourselves.

CAPTAIN: One more thing I'd like to add. We have a Tri-District booklet. It's a combination souvenir and information type thing. All the Junior chapters in the three districts will have a page. You know, "Hi! We're from Timbuctoo" and their low-down on activities. Also included will be a directory of the people that attended. Should be interesting to see how our man in Central Cal (hi, Nob!)

gets it together. It's gonna be a pro job with art work and everything. If anyone would like one, you can check with our lovely lady from CCDYC. Write to:

TDC Booklet Sale, c/o Karen Okada, 1204 S. Crawford, Dunsmuir, Calif. 95618.

FROG: Hey, Captain. We forgot some people: Claudia Yoshimi takes care of publicity up north. Also, cultured Kathy Sakasaki is in charge of finance for CCDYC.

CAPTAIN: Don't forget Barbara Inouye (NC-WNDC v.c.). Hi, Barbara!

FROG: Oh, you mean the white witch from East Bay? (Boo—hiss.)

CAPTAIN: Heh, Frog, that's not a nice thing to say 'bout Barb.

Nasty Ole Witch

FROG: I know, but she's the nasty old witch that turned me into a frog. Now I

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Hear now the bugler's call this 30th day of May

This sensitively phrased and lyrical elegy to the Nisei war dead appeared in the Salt Lake JACL Newsletter last month, pen in hand by Issei anthropologist.—Ed.

By SACHI SEKO

Editor, Salt Lake JACL Newsletter

Hear now the bugler's call this 30th day of May. Across the space of time and place returns the bugle's sound. From beneath the son of silent places in foreign lands and across this nation, rise again the ghosts of soldiers of many wars.

Some were the youth of my time, denied full chronological manhood, answering a call

GUEST COLUMN

from the no-man's land of our incarceration—like Gila and Topaz, Poston and Manzanar; affirming in blood and life, loyalty to a country which denied and betrayed them.

I hear yet requiem intoned over the bluster of a desert storm, see yet the funeral flowers fashioned of paper by hands, browned and crinkled by weather and labor.

From the depths of my private sorrow, half fury and grief, feel yet the sting of wind-swept sand and the scorch of unrelenting sun, as yellow brothers were returned to home addresses which were American concentration camps.

In the splendor of spring when the green hills are splashed with scatterings of wildflower color, returns the memory of a time in sand brown places. How far away that is. That place in American history, blackened by bigotry, wiped clean with the scarlet blood of those who died in a dual war.

I wonder how often we pause to ponder our history. Did it end in one blaze of victory on battlefields across the seas? What it became of those of us who lived? Are we Nisei or non-Nisei? Are we the lost generation?

Call back this day that conscience which has slept, a sleep heavier than death. We are not entitled to the soldier's rest.

One generation later we stand at the precipice of another global disaster. Each war to end all wars has produced only interludes of precarious armistice. Wars, unfortunately, conceived by the old are fought by the young, our life and treasure.

But the larger battleground here at home is our responsibility. We do injustice to those whom we honor. Victims of the worst prejudice, we are the people that which is profane. We are yellow bigots. We do not penetrate the unfamiliar, we disregard problems that do not directly concern us and our compassion we desperately cried for in our time of annihilation.

Time is running out. Before the hastening twilight, seize these precious hours. Let us lose our fear of commitment and behold the afternoon in its revealing glare. In the manhood we have lived to reach, use our full voice which speaks with a conscience educated in grief. It is a dangerous proposition to even suggest that we who have lain in our selfish stupors now rouse and return to a life which has been passing us by. Change is always opposed, but is essential to growth and progress.

JACL too will have to change its directions and its now neutral position. It is no longer adequate for local chapters to rely on social activities, token representations on ethnic boards for support for aging or youth activities. The majority of JACLers are now in their middle years. We must cope with the present and the problems which exist today whether we want to believe it or not.

Remember today, that those who have fallen, sacrificed first for country. It is the only country we have ever known or wanted, born on its soil, reaffirmed by allegiance under oath of loyalty in the most undemocratic situation.

It is imperative that we not blaspheme those for whom the bugle sounds. Their battlefields are gone, but our stretches before us, jungled and wild, heavily mined. Beyond it, invisible yet is the hopeful future of our nation. And that of our children, and theirs.



Jerry Enomoto

Perspectives

MINETA, NOW HIBINO—Congratulations to JACL'er Henry Hibino for his election to a spot on the Salinas City Council. Significantly, the lettuce center of California was one of the most notoriously anti-Japanese areas of the state in the turbulent days before and after World War II. He was also the top vote-getter in a race which was hotly contested and saw a number of hopefuls entered.

Victories by Nisei such as Norman Mineta and Hibino in important political contests show that Japanese Americans are evidently able to win votes without depending only upon ethnic support. Broadly based community backing is usually essential, and it is encouraging to see that competence, personal magnetism, integrity, or whatever other traits that any candidate is judged by, finally means more today than color.

It will be truly refreshing if this "color blind" phenomena persists when minority group office-holders take unpopular public positions, particularly on controversial issues related to race, poverty, Vietnam, etc.

ESSENCE OF RELEVANCY—It was gratifying to read about the Sacramento JACL's "Health and Social Seervice Day", which was such a tremendous success. Last year I witnessed first hand an initial effort in Los Angeles "Little Tokyo" to extend a multitude of public service information to senior citizens. A host of community volunteers, many of them Sansei, backed up by public service workers, explained about available social services and health care to a number of Issei.

The Southern California JACL staff were conspicuous by their presence in this overall community effort. I remember thinking then that similar programs, followed-up by more specialized attention by volunteers, could be meaningful in many areas of high Issei concentration.

The Sacramento JACL's program is the latest indication of a chapter using its resources to meet a real need. This is the essence of relevancy today.

KEEPING JACL ALIVE—It is hard to believe that I will have been in my Soledad assignment one year, come August. In less time than that, the interim National Board meeting will be upon us. I feel for my successor, Ray Uno, whose professional and family life is obviously subordinated to the incredible JACL travel schedule he is tackling. This says nothing about the chore that befalls him to plan and lead the important discussions of JACL's status and destiny, as the interim meeting nears.

As one who has been there, I pay my respects to our National President, whose "Uno Bar" is a graphic reflection of his energetic leadership. Although the cast of characters changes, I see that the plot seldom does. It is still the same old story of trying to keep before the eyes of JACLers the values that mean something in this rapidly changing society and, while so doing, leave room for our young people. Above all, convincing them that JACL is "alive".



CAPITAL SCENE

David Ushio

The Political Process

Now that I have been in Washington for a while, my pre-Washington impressions of our government operations have been confirmed in many ways. As a student of political science, professors frequently emphasized the power of the seniority system in Congress and, consequently, the Southern Congressional delegation's strong influence because of their longevity in Congress.

Recently, I was talking to some old friends who are presently working as top staff aides to recently elected United States Congressmen. Their comments about their frustrations working in Congress trying to make even a slight impact enlightened me as to the difficulty of being a new legislator in a Congress controlled by veterans who have been here 20 plus years.

We looked down the list of major committees in both the House and Senate. For example, in the Senate, the Chairman of Agriculture; Forestry; Appropriations; Armed Services; Banking; Housing, and Urban Affairs; Finance; Foreign Relations; Government Operations; Judiciary; and Rules and Administration Committees are all Southern Senators—chairmen of committees with tremendous power as they can more or less control which bills will be considered by Congress. In the House of Representatives it appears to be the same situation.

Recently the House of Representatives provided a prime example of how powerful a committee chairman can be if he asserts his power. President Nixon's proposal for revenue sharing has virtually no chance to become law because Representative Wilbur Mills, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, directly opposed to the bill and has publicly stated that he would in effect stop it in his committee. Most Washington observers predict that Chairman Mills will indeed stop revenue sharing as proposed by President Nixon.

When you realize the intricacies and the power structure of our government, especially in the Congress, you begin to understand how very difficult it becomes to get a law passed.

JACL is presently experiencing such a problem in its campaign to repeal Title II of the Emergency Detention Act of 1950. There is some opposition to the repeal bill by the more conservative