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U-NO Bar

By RAYMOND UNO
National JACL President

During my meanderings through philosophy, I happened to take a class in ethics. During my sojourn through the ethics class, we came across the proposition of a choice between two goods and at other times between two evils; it was not a choice between good and bad. These emotionally charged decisions that cut through the sensitive nerve fibers of delicately en-

Damned if you do and . . .

trenched feelings are double edged swords and they cut both ways. Thus, regardless of the decision, "you are damned if you do and damned if you don't" by some segment of the membership.

Be it the National President, the National Council, the National Board or the National Executive Committee, members are going to ventilate their dissatisfaction and disappointment in varying degrees of heat (and cold) as well as blood-curling (and sometimes blood-letting) means and manner. It is a terrific experience for the elected (and sometimes annointed) few.

Flack from certain decisions of the recent National Board meeting may be predicted. Without going into all the names of Board members and details of all of the discussions (Harry Honda's territory), I will take the liberty of making some comments on a few items.

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However, to touch on the lighter side before commenting, the afternoon I split with the Grand Tour group, Harry Honda and I sauntered around Crenshaw Square and ran into a number of people from Salt Lake, including Yo Takagaki, the developer of Crenshaw Square. Since the festivities started in full bloom the next night, I visited the Square the following night with a political co-worker and neighbor from Salt Lake who moved to Long Beach, Marilyn Perzik, who was the secretary of my State Senate campaign.

Yo's wife, Mary (a relation through my mother's side), joined us and filled us up with delicious sushi at the Sushi Bar. Since Marilyn is a gourmet cook, she not only devoured the food, but took detailed mental notes of everything she consumed .

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Skipping from eating places to the people who grow the food, the protracted discussion and debate on the Central California District Council motions on the central California growers problems in respect to union organizing activities, certainly crystallized the two good and two evil concepts of farmer and laborer disputes. It depends, many times, on which side of the fence you view the problem.

Fred Hirasuna, an "old" war horse of JACL controversies, ably and eloquently pleaded the farmers (as well as Central California District Council's) case, as did Harry Kubo, both active JACLers. When the going gets rough, you learn to hit where it hurts and counts, in money and membership. I think Fred and Harry squeezed about as much juice out of the JACL orange as was possible, and much more than I thought the Board, as constituted, would ever concede.

As Jerry Enomoto *touched* in his perpetual verbal fencing match with Bob Takasugi, "you can take a country boy out of the country, but you can't take the country out of the country boy." Too many Nisei and Sansei have roots back in the farm where they were raised and know the hardships of the small farmers, namely their parents and relatives. The era of the JA farmer is fast coming to a close in many areas. Their demise may be attributed in some respects to the profit and loss statement. With progress, mechanization, unionization and increased costs of farming, the diminution of JA farmers is already a fait accompli.

Warren Furutani, who is fast developing sophistication and finesse in dealing with difficult problems, appeared to articulate the two good, two evil dilemma. There just is not a cut and dry answer to every problem, especially when the human element intervenes. And, when we deal with human beings, we don't just tromp over them as if they were animals (in fact, we many times treat animals better). Regardless of how wrong our opponent, or how bitter the controversy, we should always try to feel compassion toward fellow human beings. Warren, in my opinion, has this compassion. More than his sharpness of wit, and his courage to confront, his feeling for people will carry him a long way. That is saying a lot for a young man of 23.

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Since the "Untold Story" controversy was my baptism under fire, I was deeply disappointed in the decision of JACL Board to curtail any further action on the supplementary text book. As one of the Board members stated, the decision leaves a "bad taste" in his mouth, and several others who read the book and digested the pro and con of the controversy felt the same way. Compromise is a give

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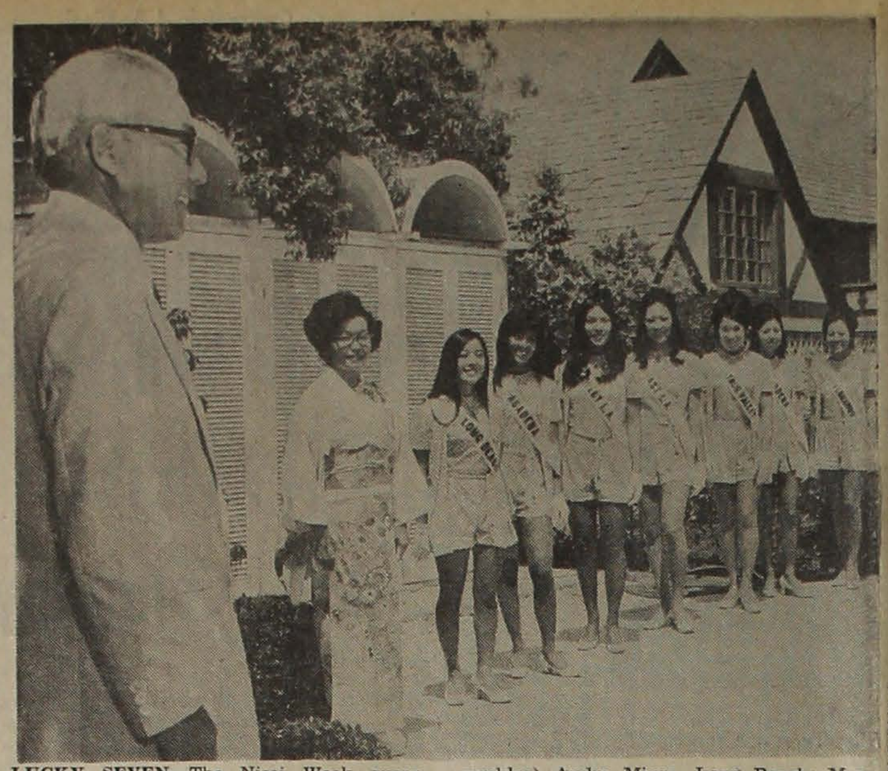

LUCKY SEVEN—The Nisei Week queen contest in Los Angeles was officially underway with seven candidates introduced at the Consul General's Residence July 25. At left is Consul General Kanji Takasugi, while on the line (in kimono) is Mrs. Mable Yoshizaki, chaperone; and (apple green ensembles) Audre Miura, Long Beach; Margaret Nishimoto, Pasadena; Diane Takei, West Los Angeles; Joyce Kikuchi, East Los Angeles; Lynn Shibata, Citrus Valley; Karen Kitagawa, Gardena; and Connie Nakao, San Fernando Valley.

—Cut Courtesy: Rafu Shimpo

Berry picker sues grower, ass'n with anti-union bias

WATSONVILLE—A class action suit charging strawberry growers in Santa Cruz and Monterey Counties with discrimination against members and supporters of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) was filed July 22 in Santa Cruz County Superior Court.

Filed on behalf of Maria Hernandez, a Watsonville agricultural worker and UFWOC organizer, the suit charges the growers with a conspiracy to deprive agricultural workers of their right, under the state labor code to name their collective bargaining agent.

The suit charges one of the defendants, Pajaro Valley Stawberry Growers Assn., was formed in May "to carry out the terms of the conspiracy."

Defendants in the suit include:

—Shigeo Tao, grower and employer of Mrs. Hernandez, who she claims fired her because of her connection with UFWOC, "at the urging of the other defendants."

—Naturipe Berry Growers, "an unincorporated association designated as collective bargaining agent for growers in Santa Cruz and Monterey counties," and association president and general manager Tad Tomita of San Jose.

The suit further charges the growers have conspired to discriminate against active members or supporters of UFWOC in the employment of farm workers for the 1971 strawberry harvest.

The growers have refused to hire such workers and are firing those who took an active part in the UFWOC strike called last summer for collective bargaining recognition, the suit states.

Sen. Zenovich shocked by vandalism at ranch

SACRAMENTO — State Sen. George Zenovich (D-Fresno), in his Capital Memo, expressed his shock by the acts of vandalism directed against the Hamada orchards in Reedley on July 11.

Such tactics indicate "a lack of genuine concern for farm workers . . . and are becoming an all too familiar aspect of farm labor relations.

"Repeated incidents of this type are certain to cause the mainstream of organized labor to reassess its posture in regards to the Chavez movement. The politics of threat and violence in the long run may prove to be most damaging to the farm workers that UFWOC claims to represent," Zenovich said.

Elks retain all-white membership policy

NEW ORLEANS — For the third consecutive year, the Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks convention voted down a move to rid its all-white membership policy.

Question came July 22 when 3,000 delegates were asked to delete the restriction. An estimated 40 per cent were in favor of the resolution introduced by the Madison, Wis., lodge. But a two-thirds majority was needed.

In separate resolutions, the grand exalted ruler was granted authority to suspend this rule during his term for lodges quartered on federal property.

Slide rule identifying drugs now available

SAN JOSE — The Sumitomo Bank here has available a limited supply of a drug identification slide rule, created by Action In Drug Education, as part of its program of continuing public service to the community, manager Ryuichi Kimura announced.

The slide rule contains data on five narcotics, four sedatives, three stimulants, three acids, marijuana and organic solvents.

1971 NISEI WEEK FESTIVAL

Calendar of Events

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LOS ANGELES—Mayor and Mrs. Norman Mineta of San Jose will be the grand marshal of the 1971 Festival Parade on Sunday, Aug. 22, climaxing the annual Nisei Week festivities in Little Tokyo.

"America Ondo", lyrics by S. Takayanagi and music by M. Koga, choreographed by Fujima Kansuma, this year's Ondo dance director, will be introduced.

Candidates for Miss Nisei Week have been the fewest in years at seven. A week-long staple of past Nisei Weeks—the art show—has been dropped. Evening programs at Union Church throughout the week have been added. The Nagoya doll exhibit Aug. 18-22 at the new Hongwanji is a special feature.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12
6:30 p.m.—Mikoshi Dedication ....352 E. 1st St.
7:30 p.m.—Nisei Week Chorus ....Koyasan Hall

FRIDAY, AUGUST 13
8-10:30 p.m.—Issei Night (Kansuma Troupe Dances)....Koyasan Hall

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14
9 a.m.—Baby Show ....Little Tokyo Theater
1 p.m.—Kempo, Aikido, Karate (All American)....Koyasan Hall
6 p.m.—Coronation Ball ....Beverly Wilshire Hotel
7:30-9 p.m.—MSA—Reach Out ....Union Church

SATURDAY-SUNDAY, AUGUST 14-15
12n-8 p.m.—Goh Tournament....Sun Bldg., Rm. 306

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15
5:30 a.m.—SCNGA Golf Touranment....Montebello Country Club
12n—SCN Women's Golf Tournament ....Alondra Golf Course
11:30-5 p.m.—Akita Dog Exhibition....N. San Pedro Parking Lot
1-10 p.m.—AAU Judo Tournament ....Koyasan Hall
1:30 p.m.—Buddhist Memorial Service ....Hompa Hongwanji
7:30 p.m.—JACS: Asian Involvement....Union Church

MONDAY, AUGUST 16
9:30-11:30 a.m.—Opening Ceremonies ....City Hall
2-3 p.m.—Pioneer Center Reach Out....Union Church
7:30-9 p.m.—Japanese Popular Music (I) ....Koyasan Hall

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17
12n—Pioneer Luncheon ....Kawafuku
7:30-9 p.m.—Japanese Popular Music (II) ....Koyasan Hall
7:30 p.m.—Yellow Brotherhood ....Union Church

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18
7:30 p.m.—Japanese Pop Song Contest ....Koyasan Hall
7:30 p.m.—JEMS: Reach Out....Union Church

WEDNESDAY-SUNDAY, AUGUST 18-21
1-9 p.m.—Nagoya Doll Exhibit ....Hompa Hongwanji

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19
7 p.m.—Minyo: Japanese Folk Music....Koyasan Hall
10 p.m.-12m.—Church Federation: Reach Out....Union Church

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2
7:30-9:30 p.m.—Shigin Taikai ....Nishi Hongwanji (Old)
7:30-10:3 p.m.—Talent Show ....Koyasan Hall
7:30 p.m.—Agape Fellowship Youth: Reach Out....Union Church..

FRIDAY-SUNDAY, AUGUST 20-21-22
1 p.m.—Bankei, Sunae (Sand Painting) ....Sun Bldg., Rm. 302-303
1 p.m.—Photo Exhibit ....Zenshuji Temple
1 p.m.—Senior Citizen Art Exhibit ....Sun Bldg. Pioneer Center

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21
12:30-3 p.m.—Kempo; 6-10 p.m. Karate (So. Calif.)...Koyasan Hall
6-9 p.m.—Ondo Dancing ....Weller Street

SATURDAY-SUNDAY, AUGUST 21-22
1 p.m.—Artistic Doll Crafts, Bonsai, E-Sarasa....Zenshuji Temple
1 p.m.—Calligraphy ....Kajima Bldg. Arcade
1 p.m.—Nisei Week Carnival ....Weller St. County Parking Lot
1 p.m.—Flower Arrangement, Tea Ceremony ....Union Church
1 p.m.—Mission Information Booth ....Union Church
1 p.m.—Japanese Sword Exhibit ....Merit Savings & Loan
1 p.m.—Roketsu Zome (Batik) ....146 Weller St.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22
8 a.m.-12n.—Tennis ournament ....El Camino College
12n-6 p.m.—Kendo Tournament ....Koyasan Hall
5:30-8 p.m.—Nisei Week Parade ....Little Tokyo

A CANADIAN VIEW

Being Japanese

The following is the complete text of a speech entitled "On Being Japanese In Canada", given by Dr. David Suzuki, University of British Columbia professor and star of the C.B.C. Television series "Suzuki On Science", given at the Toronto Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre on June 15. A capacity crowd attended.

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By DAVID T. SUZUKI

Toronto

Recent political developments in Canada and discussions I've had with Sansei have aroused my concern about the meaning of being a Japanese in this country in terms of our roles as responsible citizens and in terms of our personal identities. What I'm going to say will be highly personal and therefore based on intuition and experience rather than any scientific documentation.

While I was teaching in the University of California at Berkeley in 1969, I became deeply involved with a student group called Asian Political Alliance (APA), which was pressing for a separate college of Asian Studies. In one of the Asian Studies courses, a Walter Cronkite CBS television program about the Japanese evacuation, ("Nisei The Pride and the Shame") was shown. It was devastating and I was moved uncontrollably to tears, whereas the reaction of the Sansei around me was one of laughter and derision. This was a shocking experience to me because their reaction reflected a number of things:

1—contempt for the funny appearance and behavior of the Issei and Nisei,

2—a feeling of emotional uninvolvement which implied that it couldn't possibly happen again,

3—and many radical Sansei are now condemning the Issei and Nisei for peacefully submitting to Evacuation. The mood of activism leads them to feel that the Japanese should have actively resisted and fought for their rights. Since they didn't, they got what they deserved.

Among Sansei I meet in the university, I get two striking impressions: one is ignorance, a complete unawareness or lack of concern for past events that affected their parents and grandparents; the second is confusion, a difficulty of defining an identity or role in society.

Let me discuss the identity crisis first. Society in North America is undergoing a profound upheaval and re-evaluation of its ideals and goals.

The level of awareness generated by civil rights, the Vietnam war and the environmental crisis is creating a deep disenchantment with the gaudy promises of technology. Life styles are being radicalized to an incredible degree—just think of the use of pot,

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Dr. David Suzuki

NATIONAL JACL BOARD DECISIONS

'Involvement' key to future

By HARRY K. HONDA

Los Angeles

The capsulized resume of what transpired (see PC, July 30) at the National JACL Board and Staff session a couple of weeks ago at International Hotel indicated the scope of the meeting, but there was an hour of free-wheeling dialogue Sunday (July 25) on the future of JACL as an organization, which bears telling.

(The tapes have been preserved for replaying to the National JACL Planning Commission which meets next weekend, Aug. 13-15, at San Francisco.)

President Raymond Uno prefaced his opening statement with an overview of the current economic situation with all levels of government cutting back because funds are tight. "And the three things that get cut are in health, education and welfare," he emphasized. "In talking to university people, especially in biological research, they are in the midst of some heavy research, some starting back 10 years ago, and all of a sudden—bang—they're out of job. And the research stops."

Relating it to JACL, Uno said, "We must take a close look at what we are doing.' Funding in JACL is similarly being affected. "We have to figure out how much we make, how much we've got, where that money's going and where can we get the most results from it"—as if he were borrowing some lines National Treasurer Al Hatate had said earlier.

Who's Doing the Work

Delivering his remarks with machine-gun staccato, Uno repeated an observation he has made in his travels and visitations of chapters around the country: "We have 5 per cent or less of our membership doing 95 per cent of the work. The other 95 per cent of the membership is only doing 5 per cent or less of the organization's work. This seems true in the chapters and district councils."

Uno further observed that the same people are involved, people interested enough to serve—but they happen to be the older group. The younger people beg off because they claim the programs are not relevant or there is nothing in JACL for them.

Where some changes in direction have been effected, the younger people (Uno was referring to the 21-35 age group) pick up the gauntlet but it's only "for a little while" for they see little opportunity to better themselves within JACL. So the chapter relies on its veteran stalwarts of many years who value the importance of JACL to perpetuate it. "Of course, these are the same people we want to knock"; but the younger people discover complacency of the general membership is still the same and quit, Uno noted.

Yet this mass of the membership represents "our national budget . . . and let's not knock them either".

Uno hoped there would be 10,000 more of them though he realized it mean that those involved in JACL would assume that much more work in servicing them. At chapters which have continued to grow, Uno heard officers plead this would be their last year. "I'll pay my dues but my wife and children have priorities," they explained to Uno.

Grassroot Feelings

This frustration at the chapter board level was evident nationwide, Uno said.

He had hoped that in Southern Califorina, where the population is, there would have been more younger people chapters by now — but the Northern California District Council continues to lead.

He noted that 90 per cent of the JACL services are here but it hasn't been manifested with more young people in the chapters. Most of the Southern California chapters have the same old JACLers on board. "Thing we have to address ourselves to is—how do we solve this problem?"

It was Uno's position that the Community Involvement Program here would assist JACL relate to the community and vice-versa, getting people into JACL or having its general membership become involved.

"This is the reality with which we are faced," Uno concluded. "I have wracked my brains over this. The people whom I've talked with are interested but ask, 'how wo we get this to the membership?' "

In Central California, District Governor Fred Hirasuna said that "youth only come to us when they need funds'. He felt the problem of involvement in JACL was not wholly with the older generation for the youth appear to be more interested in things beside JACL.

At Sacramento, National Vice President Mike Suzuki reported that chapter went out consciously to get young adults into leadership and felt encouraged "though we still have our factions and problems".

"As far as young people are concerned, we have to make a strong effort to have them come in," the onetime youth commissioner added.

Two Issues Confused

President-elect Henry Tanaka was of the opinion that increasing involvement of membership in JACL and the nature of the CIP (community involvement program) were being confused in the discussion.

He defined "program" as being geared to a specific objective which is not restricted to the young. "We should not use program necessarily to involve young people. Programs are set up to concentrate on a relevant issue that's important to the function of the organization. I don't necessarily agree programs should be used for community involvement."

Takeshi Kubota, PNWDC governor, a JACLer of the Biennium, said he has counseled his chapter presidents on the value of diversified programs, noting there are many who join JACL because of golf, bowling, etc., "but we hope to involve them in other programs".

In the Pacific Northwest, Kubota noted the older Nisei are starting to become more involved in JACL with re-

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Raymond S. Uno

Alfred Hatate

MORE JACL REGIONAL OFFICES, STAFF ENDORSED BY NAT'L BOARD

LOS ANGELES — Sentiment for more JACL regional staff and offices was strong among National JACL board members meeting here July 23-25 as it urged District Councils draft detailed proposals for submission at the next national convention.

The Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council has long sought the services of a regional director, who previously doubled as assistant national director, a position unfilled for several years. The board has recommended the $8,400-10,-210 position be restored in the next budget.

The Midwest District Council had requested $10,000 at the last national convention to hire a full-time regional director headquartered at Chicago, but this was rejected by the Council. The MDC is expected to reintroduce this request.

Since then proposals for JACL staff in other districts, such as the Pacific Northwest, Central California and Intermountain have been mentioned.

New York Office

A strong case for a JACL office in New York was presented by Ira Shimasaki, EDC governor, at the interim board session. Three primary reasons were cited: (1) to help raise funds, (2) to work in the area of public relations, and (3) to assist Japanese living in the region.

Kaz Horita of Philadelphia, national vice-president for public affairs, also supported the plea, noting that many Japanese industrial firms have their headquarters there and New York City is regarded as the hub of public relations in America.

No figures were attached to the EDC governor's plea.

While the National Board concurred that more regional staff and offices are needed and referred the resolution to the personnel committee with a view of possible reorganization of national JACL staff, the national treasurer, Al Hatate, reminded that all budget requests should be itemized.

"Besides spelling out the qualifications of additional staff, we need an itemized breakdown of the budget for regional staff and offices so as to convince the National Council," Hatate explained.

Itemized Budget

"Instead of a flat figure, the budget should spell out the salary range, travel allowance, office rent, supplies, etc.

"In fact, our budget committee chairman (Frank Yoshimura of Mt. Olympus JACL) will request all committees make sure their budget items are broken down in detail," Hatate said.

Mike Suzuki of Sacramento, national vice-president for general operations, added that a matching-basis idea be incorporated when regions are seeking funds for such offices. Regions should designate how much of the staff's time is required. Maybe two districts can co-sponsor such a proposal.

"We all recognize the well is kinda dry now for normal funding. It will be up to the regions to pump a little harder," Suzuki added. "We have a greater problem in trying to raise funds nationally now."

Other Points

The resolution for additional staff, referred to both the personnel and budget committees, calls for:

1—Review of the National JACL administrative staff.

2—Review of JACL policy on regional offices.

3—Submission of itemized budgets from District Councils requesting services of staff and office, possible matching fund prospects as well as raising additional funds.

1971 budget tight but allow $5,000 for Issei film

LOS ANGELES—In his opening statement before the interim National JACL Board and Staff meeting here July 23-25, national treasurer Al Hatate said the 1971 financial picture was gloomy and expected another deficit. It was $16,000 last year.

That all but foreclosed funding of any special projects that might be presented even though the National Board sessions in previous years have anthorized special funds, it was recalled.

Yet, the merit of the Visual Communications Commit tee's special budget request for $5,000 prevailed and the National Treasurer and National Director Mas Satow were directed by the board to grant the funds "somehow". The decision was not easily arrived.

The Visual Communications Committee chairman Bob Nakamura said a 30-minute documentary film on the Issei—with scenes from the wildflower trip last spring as the prevailing vehicle—is a $15,-789 project with JACL being asked to grant $5,000.

It attempts to portray the human implications of Japanese American history, Nakamura added.

Initially Tabled

When initially introduced, the proposal was tabled for lack of budget. The visual communcations committee had hoped JACL endowment fund monies might be available if the present request was not possible from the JACL treasury.

Hatate was adamant in asking for National Board direction on where the budget might be chopped to fund the Issei film project. "Since we haven't been told where to cut, the National Director and I will try to work out something, but don't complain to us. We might have to cut down visitation by staff, unless districts are willing to pick up the entire travel expenses," Hatate said.

National Board members were checking over the June 30, 1971, financial report when they asked, "where's the $5,000 coming from?"

To date, some $235,000 has been remitted from the chapters and other sources toward the $248,000 budget. Not much more can be expected, Hatate pointed out. Expenses thus far amounted to $118,000 and Hatate projected $20,000 per month in operational expenses for the remainder of the year.

Previous Request

It was noted in the financial report that the Visual Communications Committee was funded in the amount of $3,-756 from the JACL Reserve Fund last year for its 1970 program which included a variety of educational material, including the Concentration Camp exhibit and the film, "Manzanar". It is also engaged archival works cata-

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Nat'l JACL Board joins in statement on U.S. involvement in Indochina

(Statement below had been intended for publication earlier but Dr. Clifford Uyeda, JACL international affairs committee chairman, presented it to the National JACL Board prior to its sessions July 23-25 for concurrence. It was adopted on the first day.—Ed.)

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San Francisco

In the midst of a grawing tide of anti-war sentiment from broad and diverse segments of the American populace (72% according to one recent national poll) as revealed by massive demonstrations such as the April marches held simultaneously in San Francisco and Washington, D.C., the Mayday actions in Washington, D.C., the proliferation of a multitude of organizations mobilized towards ending the war such as Common Cause, B.F.M. (Business Executives Movement), the testimony of hundreds of American Vietnam veterans of the extent to which civilian atrocities have been condoned by military authorities given at the Winer Soldiers Tribunal held in Detroit in December, 1970, as well as the continuing campaigns of more long lived peace-action movement groups — it seems that the call for an end to the Vietnam war has become not only desirable, but also fashionable.

Within the Japanese American community, untold number of Japanese American men have been sent to fight and die in this senseless war. The American public's callous response to the Calley trial verdict reawakened for many Nisei the continuing perniciousness and longevity of American racism.

Over the past few years growing numbers of Asian Americans have actively joined in anti-war and peace activities on many levels.

On Sunday, May 16 of this year hundreds of middle class Asian Americans of all ages attended a peace rally held in Los Angeles to hear speakers as diverse as Rep. Spark Matsunaga, Vietnam veteran Mike Nakayama, and actor George Takei raising their protests against the war. Yet in the face of such an unquestionable mandate to end the war, the National JACL, the most influential and largest national organization of Japanese Americans in the U.S., has as yet to add its voice and weight to this timely national call for peace.

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As members of the JACL International Affairs Committee, we feel that the value of our work lies in the presentation of issues related to aspects of American foreign policy and the disclosures of pertinent information which may not be ordinarily obtainable through the popular media.

When appropriate, the committee will also promote positions in order to catalyze rational debate and intelligent action. The committee does not feel, however, that its presence absolves the National Board, as the governing body of JACL, from en-

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Scout jamboree staff

LOS ANGELES—James Nakagawa, coordinator for the Boy Scout Southwest Region 12 contingent now in Japan for the 13th World Jamboree, was assigned to the jamboree headquarters staff. An MIS veteran from WW2 and active with the L.A.-Nagoya Sister City Committee, he headed the U.S. contingent which attended the 5th Nippon Scout Jamboree last year.

Washington Newsletter

David Ushio

For the Future: Visual Communications

Manzanar, what it was like then and what's left now. Bob Nakamura has created a poignant film that tells us visually and emotionally what concentration camps are all about. I saw Bob's film "Manzanar" for the first time recently in Los Angeles. He has done a magnificent job in putting together this sensitive film that recreates a piece of our history. I found myself living the agony of being rounded up and incarcerated in desolate camps. I could feel the despondency and futility of those who suffered the indignities of evacuation.

Ron Hirano, JACL Education Commission head, tells us that the multimedia approach to learning has a lasting effect; that the textbook, even if written in an acceptable manner, does not have the impact that visual communication has in educating the individual.

My experience in viewing Bob's film definitely makes me a strong advocate for the continued support of JACL for projects such as visual communciations. I have read most of the books concerning evacuation; I have talked to many of the Nisei who were involved in the decision making; working with Mike Masaoka has given me some personal insights into Evacuation that very few people has knowledge of as Mike has shared with me on numerous occasions many historical anecdotes that are not readily available to read.

But, even with what I consider to be a pretty good knowledge of the history, for one who did not experience Evacuation, my empathy and intellectual response to Evacuation did not fully give me a feel for the situation. You can learn just so much from books; you can learn so much from firsthand conversation with those who went through the experience. But, the impact of Bob's film on me gave me an added dimension to what I have tried to empathize and study. It was an emotional experience that nailed down the despair and injustice that our people suffered to my personal consciousness as if I were there and it were happening to me.

Hank Tanaka, our National President-elect, relates that the film was successfully used in Cleveland to illustrate the need to repeal repressive legislation. Response was most favorable as people internalized the injustice of Evacuation and made the commitment to eliminate future possibilities for such mistakes. "Manzanar" is indeed an award-winning film created by a talented young man.

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Bob tells us that he is working on a new film about the Issei. If the Issei film is as sensitive as his "Manzanar" it will be a lasting contribution to our heritage. Issei to me represent a living symbol of love. A group of courageous men and women who braved the unknown to carve out a heritage for their posterity. It's a gratifying experience for me to talk to the Issei and to explore their reservoir of history and knowledge.

A great service would be performed for the future if Bob can capture on film the beauty and the vibrant heritage that the Issei portray.

I visited the Pioneer Center in Los Angeles last week and talked to some of the Issei that congregate there. To me the light that shines from their eyes when they talk to me of their life, their struggles, and their home in Japan is inspiring. When they find out that I have visited their hometown the joy exhibited on their faces is indescribable. To capture it on film for the Yonsei and Gosei of the future is essential.

My own wish would be to have my own Obachan's smile recorded for posterity. The concern in her eyes when she asks how my wife feels now that she is four and one-half months pregnant. The longing Obachan exhibits to be closer to Washington, D.C. so that she can help take care of her first great-grandchild. The laughter she suppresses so "Nihon-teki like" when she presents me with my favorite Japanese food when I visit Salt Lake City. All these expressions so uniquely Japanese need to be saved; my children will not be so privileged to know what it's like to have an Issei Obachan. A beautiful film can be a reminder for my children.

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If a film maker such as Bob Nakamura can save even in part a glimpse of what Issei are like, the future generations of Japanese Americans will be the beneficiaries.

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HYAKUNEN-ZAKURA FUND NEARS ITS GOAL

SEATTLE — The Hokubei Hyakunen Zakura Committee has raised $12,349 from 300 people, as of mid-June, with another $2,600 due to meet its goal, according to Tak Kubota, Nisei division chairman of the fund.

The funds will underwrite the English translation and publication of the 100-year history of Issei in the Pacific Northwest (including British Columbia), authored and edited by Kazuo Ito of the Yomiuri.

Persons donating $15 to "Hokubei Hyakunen Zakura", 1414 S. Weller St., Seattle 98144, have been assured a translated copy.

Vietnam –

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tering into consideration of international issues of relevance to the JACL membership.

Certainly when Rep. Matsunaga, Mink and Sen. Inouye have not failed to take steps toward the immediate settlement of our involvement in Vietnam, when it is evident that growing numbers of Japanese Americans are actively involved in anti-war activities—the silence on the part of the National Board is notable and deserving of more than critical scrutiny.

The committee recognized that America's entrance into the internal affairs of Vietnam and other Indochinese nations may have been grievous mistakes, but can by no means been seen to be accidental. The United States supported, both politically and financially, the colonial policy of France in Indochina. After the final defeat of French colonial rule at the battle of Dien Bien Phu, the United States wilfully chose to disregard the 1954 Geneva Accords which would have provided for a peaceful reunification of Vietnam and proceeded to help bring to power and to maintain a succession of corrupt and repressive governments in Saigon under the guise of protecting the rights of the Vietnamese people.

The United States has consciously withheld vital information from the American public which would have disclosed the hypocrisy of our Indochina policy. As yet the public is only beginning to learn of the full horror American military involvement has wrought upon the Vietnamese people and their land.

U.S. involvement in Indochina is only one of the more recent episodes in a quest for economic domination and strategic control in Asia which may be seen to go back to the last half of the nineteenth century.

The war has placed tremendous strains on the internal affairs of our nation. Public trust in the government has been undermined to the point where there is increasingly less confidence in the ability of the government to rule responsibly and sanely. Military expenditures have diverted funds from many urgent domestic problems confronting our society.

Thus the very unity or minimal cohesiveness of our society more embroiled in the senseless venture.

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Recognizing these points, the International Affairs Committee requests that the National Board take immediate steps toward the adoption and communication of the following points:

1—The JACL press for the deadline date of December 31, 1971 by which all American troops and war materials must be withdrawn from Indochina.

2—American total withdrawal is the first precondition which would allow the Vietnamese people to determine their own political destiny.

3—Continued political and economic support of the Saigon government must also be withdrawn.

4—Inasmuch as the human misery of the countless numbers of Vietnamese killed, wounded, displaced resultant from the war, the destruction of Vietnam's ecology through the massive sustained uses of biological and chemical agents, the disruption of the culture and sovereignty of Vietnam are all direct consequences of American policy; the United States should assume the responsibility of equitable reparations to the Vietnamese people, such reparations to be enacted upon the settlement by the Vietnamese people, of their national situation.

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(The Midwest and Pacific Southwest JACL district councils and the Northern California-Western Nevada district youth council have publicly issued statements against U.S. involvement in Vietnam last year. Chapters wishing to make similar statements are urged to communicate through the Pacific Citizen.—Ed.)

NEWS CAPSULES

Nisei Week

The 1971 Nisei Week **Baby Show** will be held at the Sho Tokyo Theater on Saturday, Aug. 14, from 9 to 11:30 a.m., under sponsorship of Higoi Kai, Japanese Cultural Club at California State College, Los Angeles. Contestants will be judged in the following categories:

The Diaper Set—6 to 18 months old; Tiny Tots—18 months to 3 years old; and The Swingers—3 years to 6 years old. All contestants must have one parent who is of Japanese ancestry.

Applications are available at the Nisei Week office, 125 Weller St., Sun Bldg., Rm. 202. Entry deadline has been extended to Aug. 10. The entry fee is $3 per child, according to **Paul Suzuki** (737-2084).

Students of **Mrs. Kei T. Kamitani,** who has been teaching the exotic and time-consuming dye art, E-Sarasa (Batik), in Los Angeles will exhibit their pieces during Nisei Week, Aug. 21-22, at Zenshuji Temple. The art began some 50 years ago under Master Midori Motoi.

American Nippon Kenpo will demonstrate their martial art at Koyasan on Saturday, Aug. 14, 1 p.m., with **Goki Kinuya,** 7th dan master and founder of Kenpo in the U.S., expected to be present from Japan. Nippon Kenpo was founded in 1928 . . . The Shorinji Kempo demonstrations are slated Aug. 21, 2 p.m., at Koyasan Hall with the **Rev. Alfred Tsuyuki** as narrator.

Redevelopment

Demolition of two buildings on E. 2nd St. in the Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project First Action Area has been delayed pending agreements between the Community Redevelopment Agency and the local office of the Dept. of Housing and Urban Development, according to **Kango Kunitsugu,** project director. All properties in the First Action Area have been acquired or are in escrow, he added.

Business

Harley Kusumoto, general manager of Holiday-Stardust Bowl in West Covina the past Bowl in West Covina for five years and eight years with the Los Angeles, has resigned. Future plans were not revealed. **J.J. Kanegae** is succeeding Kusumoto at Holiday-Stardust.

Taul Watanabe terminated his consultant role with the Port of Seattle Aug. 1 to be closer to his business operations in the Pacific Northwest. During his 30-month association, he negotiated agreements with several Japanese firms to designate Seattle as port of entry. Datsun, Honda motorcycle and Mazda cars are now unloaded here for shipment east.

Entertainment

Best remembered for his role of Odd Job in the James Bond film, "Goldfinger', **Harold Sakata** will continue to play the role of Kenji Takichi, the Buddhist cook in a Catholic parish house in a new TV series, "Sarge", starring Academy Award winner George Kennedy. The series will be seen on Tuesdays on the NBC-TV network. The Hawaiian-born weightlifter won a silver medallion in the 1948 Helsinki Olympics, went into professional wrestling with the name of Great Togo and quit the grunt & groan exhibits for the nightclub circuit and acting.

Diane Ogimachi, 1971
Miss Teen of Crenshaw Sq.

Sister Cities

Four Los Angeles high school students left July 31 on a two-week goodwill visit to Nagoya, as part of the annual student exchange program, it was announced by **Tad Ikemoto,** chairman of the L.A.-Nagoya Sister City Committee. Last year, four students from Nagoya spent two weeks in Los Angeles.

Military

Lt. Col. Toshio Nakanishi, special assistant to the commandant at the Defense Language Institute, Presidio of Monterey, has retired after 28 years of active duty in military intelligence. The Hawaiian-born Nisei and his wife will continue to reside in Monterey. They have two sons, Calvin (in Vietnam) and Gregory (student at San Francsco State). He is author of "The Compilation of Precise Terminology and Organizational Names", listing Japanese social, political and economic institutions.

Crime

Kidnap suspect **Albert Lew,** 17, of San Francisco, turned himself in to police July 21, accompanied by his attorney. He was sought as a prime suspect in the July 16 holdup kidnapping of **Alan Mayeda,** Daly City hi-fi & stereo shopkeeper. Mayeda said he was held up by two Orientals, held as hostage for the getaway while police surrounded the shop at 1805 Junipero Serra Blvd.

Awards

Robert L. Niemann, 46, Encino real estate executive, received the Order of the Rising Sun, 5th Class, from the Japanese government in recognition of his work with blind Japanese children. He founded in 1960 while in the military service in Japan, an organization to gather funds for medical treatment of sightless youngsters.

Courtroom

The trial of John Linley Frazier on the charges of killing Santa Cruz eye physician **Dr. Victor Ohta,** his wife, two sons and secretary last October 9 has been shifted to the adjacent San Mateo County with Santa Cruz Superior Court Judge Charles Franich on the bench. The state supreme court last month ordered a change in venue. Frazier has pleaded innocent by reason of insanity.

Sports

East L.A. JACL board member **Min Yoshizaki** is back in form, firing an 8-under par 62 over the Mesa Linda course at the Japanese-owned Costa Mesa Country Club in a practice round to sharpen for the August tournaments. A 1-handicapper who underwent major abdominal surgery a year ago, he toured the front nine in sub-par 32 and the back in sub-par 30. He birdied eight holes.

Local Scene

Los Angeles

The Japanese American Junior Chamber, sponsors for the 31st Annual Nisei Week Talent Show, is seeking participants for the Nisei Week Talent Show to be held Aug. 21 at Koyasan Hall. Interested parties may call 629-2576 or 389-9543 eve.

A group from Japan called "The Young Japans" will be highlighted.

The Gardena Friends of Richard (FOR) athletic program has added junior golf for youth 18 & under during the summer at Victoria Golf Club. A tournament Aug. 16 in cooperation with the So. Calif. Nisei Golf Assn. is slated at Los Verdes with Randy Joe (321-0785) as chairman.

A party of 20 Japanese, headed by Bess Higuchi, will attend the Santa Monica Civic Aud cat show Sept. 4-5. She is a Nisei working with the U.S. government in Japan. The show is the second largest in the U.S.

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New York

While the music & lyrics of Joanne Miyamoto, Chris Iijiman and Charlie Chin of New York comprise the core of the Amerasia Song & Poetry Project, the Basement Workshop, 54 Elizabeth St., NYC 10013, is collecting additional material —poetry, artwork, photos—for a booklet to stimulate the creative consciousness of other young Asians.

D.C. JACLER SELECTED CONGRESSIONAL 'FELLOW'

WASHINGTON—Cherry Tsutsumida, with the Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare and an active JACLer here, was among 25 federal employees, eight journalists and eight political scientists selected as Fellows for the 1971-72 Congressional Operations Program, administered by the Civil Service Commission and American Political Science Assn.

Onetime Arizona Nisei is also publicity director for the 1972 national JACL convention here.

Program aims to give promising young federal executives, writers and student-teachers a thorough understanding of congressional operations.

Pioneer Fresno couple mark 75th wedding fete

FRESNO—Mr. and Mrs. Yoshisaburo Okuda celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary July 25 here at the Del Webb Townehouse. The pioneer Issei couple hail from Hiroshima, were married in 1896, and came to the U.S. in 1899, settling in the Fresno-Bowles area where they farmed ever since.

Present at the party were 90 friends and relatives, including two children, Mrs. Tomiko Ishikawa, Mrs. Ayako Okamura; five grandchildren, Bob Ishikawa, Gail Ishikawa, Mrs. Joyce Kubose, Ray Okamura, Tom Okamura; and nine great grandchildren.

Congratulations were extended from President Nixon, Gov. Reagan, the California State Senate and the City of Fresno.

DO-IT-YOURSELF PLAYGROUND

Tokyo's Tire Park Most Imaginative

TOKYO—"Tire park in Ota ward, Tokyo is most imaginative playground in the world," declared two American free lance journalists, now traveling throughout the nation to make an on-the-spot survey of children's playgrounds.

Paul Hogan, 43, writer, and John M. Hyk, Jr., 22, free lance photographer, arrived here in April to make their survey.

The park's facilities are mainly made up of used tires. Hyk filmed the whole aspect on 16mm. color to show at the convention of the International Recreation Assn. to be held in Geneva from May 28 through June 3.

They are now on a round-the-world trip to write a book about "do-it-yourself" playgrounds under the sponsorship of J. B. Lippencott, a Philadelphia publisher.

"Most playgrounds in the United States," Hogan said, "are not imaginative, just tiresome monuments of the architect.

"Children are apathetic about playing in such ready-made playgrounds. We propose to make cheap, economic playgrounds using waste materials from -industries and governments."

He stressed that a playground of this type can recycle the waste materials so that they may not cause environmental pollution, the critical problems now menacing human beings.

Hogan and Hyk insisted that children are a silent majority without an effective lobby in Washington.

"To liberate those children from the value system of the adults, do-it-yourself playgrounds will give them a spirit of independence from establishment. Paul is our technical adviser for this," Hyk noted.

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Crossroads, L.A. Nisei weekly to quit Aug. 27

LOS ANGELES — A large "R.I.P." bordered in black on the front page of its Friday, July 30 issue, announced the imminent demise of Crossroads, the Los Angeles Nisei Weekly.

The all-English weekly which began publishing in May, 1948 under the late Robert K. Uno, will fold with the Friday, Aug. 27, issue, according to Editor Publisher William Hiroto.

Hiroto will be joining the Yamato Restaurant organization, headed by Ken Ishizaki.

Wilshire Agency Members Earn Top Company Honors

Three members of Cal-Western Life's Wilshire Agency have captured top honors in competition with all other representatives of Cal-Western's field force.

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Mr. Kushida and Mr. Miyazaki, along with their wives, this week are at the Del Monte Lodge in Pebble Beach, attending a special conference of the El Capitan Club as guests of Cal-Western. Mr. Yamashiro and his wife will be honored guests at a conference of the President's Council to be held August 22-25 at the Chateau Frontenac in Quebec City, Quebec.

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From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

AN ELDERLY ISSEI LADY IS SPEAKING: I went to visit relatives in California recently. They live in a community of many Japanese families and I was amazed to learn how rigidly they cling to old Japanese customs of social obligation. After I arrived, many, many neighbors came to call, bringing me delicacies like home-grown fruits and vegetables, fresh fish they had caught, or something they had cooked. This was very thoughtful, but they brought much more than I and the relatives I was staying with could consume.

And when it was time for me to go home, I had to call on each of these families to express my thanks and say goodbye. If I had not done this, my relatives would have been disgraced. I was so busy observing old country customs that I had little time for myself. Another thing, my relatives told me they are spending more money than they can afford in gifts for weddings, anniversaries, births, graduation. This is expected of them. They feel obligated to buy gifts even for the great-grandchildren of their friends, even if they don't know the parents personally. If they don't observe these social obligations, they would be criticized, and criticism is what they fear most.

It seems the people of this community have maintained the worst features of the old country Japanese culture they knew at the turn of the century. What a relief it is that we don't observe these customs here.

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AN OLD CHINA HAND IS SPEAKING: I'm happy that our government is communicating again with mainland China. It was totally unrealistic to pretend that China doesn't exist. But the fact that President Nixon is going to Peking with hat in hand, as it were, puts us at a terrible disadvantage in the negotiations that will take place, and in the eyes of many Asians. We, the world's most powerful nation, give the appearance of being supplicants for China's attention; Nixon is the emissary of a barbaric foreign state approaching the throne of the Middle Kingdom with his gifts of tribute and a plea for favors, just as in the ancient days.

It would have been better from the standpoint of strategy, and just as dramatic, if the talks had been scheduled in some neutral area, Warsaw for instance.

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A STUDENT OF JAPANESE RADICALISM IS SPEAKING: Japanese families rather expect their offspring to become active radicals in college. It's the traditional thing to do. At the same time the parents have reasonable assurance that once the youngsters have had their fling, they will make their adjustment with society and become hard-working members of the establishment. In fact, leading Japanese industrial and business firms have recognized that campus radicals have unusual leadership and organizational ability, as well as a great deal of experience in working with people, and seek them out with job offers.

As for the students themselves, they are faced with the ultimate decision of loyalty to ideology or family. In the end the family wins. In most cases the students are unable to reject the values that their families believe in, nor are they able to disgrace that family nor ignore the sacrifices made by parents to get them into college in the first place. Thus the usual thing is that radicalism is forgotten when it is time to go to work, just as American students crop their shoulder-length haircuts when it is time to go job-hunting.

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A CAUCASIAN COLLEGE PROFESSOR IS SPEAKING: I would agree with the thesis that many Sansei students go out looking for something to get up-tight about when there really isn't that much to bug them as an ethnic group; their problems really aren't much different from those of other students. The problems that concern students as a group are real, stubstantial and difficult, but the Sansei search for an ethnic angle reminds me of what we used to say about the Japanese—they are great imitators.

AREA CODE 206: Joe Hamanaka

Golfers' Delight

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SEATTLE — Golfing tour of Japan. Sounds great!

A group is forming to leave Seattle/Portland and Vancouver, BC, Canada, on Oct. 2, sponsored by the Seattle Senior Golf Club, with five days of scheduled golf sandwiched into a 14-day itinerary. The tour goes:

Seattle, Vancouver (via JAL), to Anchorage, Tokyo, Kamakura, Hakone, Kawana, Atami, Nagoya, oba, Kyoto, Takarazuka, Osaka.

After October 16, you're on your own and one can golf Hawaii on the return leg.

In Japan, they'll tour:

Murasaki Country Club, Tokyo; Kawana Hotel Golf Course, Kawana; Aigi Country Club, Nagoya; Kyoto Golf Club, Kyoto, and Ikeda Golf Club, Osaka.

Several years ago Kats Nakayama of Portland working with George Azumano Travel Agency tried to put together such a tour, but failed to get enough takers. Now Tak Yoshijima and travel agent Frank Kinomoto in Seattle will give it a go.

The tour packages to $1,059 with no "dancho" tour director from this end. No free-loader. And one needs to take about $500 for personal expenses, so $1,500 should cover the trip.

The itinerary is a regular JTB tour. Golf from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. on the 3rd, 5th, 7th, 10th and 13th days. Morning round, lunch, then an afternoon round—if one can take that much golf in one day.

Those interested should contact Kinomoto Travel Service, 521 Main Street, Seattle 98104.

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Golf in Japan today is a strange mixture of business and pleasure. Historically, the bosses of industry led the way onto the fairways, where enforced recreation mixed with business. Bosses towing customers.

Then the younger employees flocked to the fairways to see, and be seen.

The young employee making $150 a month might take up golf to further his career. He would go into debt for the proper imported clubs ($500-$700) and proper imported clothes. If he makes the right contacts on the course and in the clubhouse, he can futher his business career.

Once eyed by the bosses, he could be invited to join the company officials and guests for golf. He learns to lose gracefully to please the firm's prospective customers. Then might be expected to do an about-face in a tournament to uphold the company's honor.

In 1950, the golfers in Japan were real patrons of the sport, and Japan then had about 60 golf courses.

In 1957 the Canada Cup (World Cup) went to Japan, and to the surprise of the world and more-so to the Japanese, Pete Nakamura and Koichi Ono won victories. Boom! Golf was on its way, for the masses.

The boom followed strong into the 1960's, fueled again by the 1966 Canada Cup in Tokyo, with U.S.A.'s Palmer and Nicklaus winning.

More and more bosses with foreign and domestic customers in tow took to the links—away from the offices to the fresh air, away from noisy hard nights of business drinking to the relaxed atmosphere of country clubs in mountainous resort areas.

Today, there are nearly 400 golf courses in Japan, and the golfing population has been reported at nearly 4 million. And every company and its bosses have club memberships. Initiation fees running as high as $5,000. A business "must".

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For the weekend golfers, there is a sad lack of public courses in Japan—something like 25 in the country. For cheaper memberships, a golfer might join a club 50 miles away, pay $800 to join this mediocre club, and spend $15 a round for green fees, caddy and rice curry lunch. His day's wages shot!

Driving ranges in Tokyo alone number close to 150. Several have 2-3 deckers, open from 5 a.m. to past midnight, catering to as many as 150 at one time.

Today there is a fanatical preoccupation with golf in Japan. The devotees practice endlessly, to perfection. On roof tops of office buildings during lunch hour. They eat up all the golf lessons on TV, in the magazines and newspapers. Swarm to see foreign pros on tour. Swing umbrellas while walking the streets.

Dedicated men practice and struggle to master the game. Dreaming not of "handi" handicaps or championships, so much as furthering careers, getting promotions, bonuses and getting closer to campany presidents and directors.

Single handicap Nisei golfers might well find new careers in Japan. Take a tour, and discover for yourself.

'Involvement' key to JACL future

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sponsibilities for rearing their children having diminished. He expected the younger people would follow in a few years.

Jeffrey Matsui, associate national director, reiterated his philosophy on the JACL role. "With youth, JACL should encourage them into community involvement. With the community, JACL's role is service and not necessarily assuming the spokesman role for the group in the community."

Matsui also believed the more staff JACL has, the more area JACL can cover. Yet much of the activities in other districts is voluntarily conducted, Hirasuna reminded.

Uno's Deep Fear

Despite the long history of involvement in JACL and by the same people in many instances, Uno feared something was lacking when he pointed to the withering of the JACL vines in such areas as the Intermountain District and Colorado.

Again he asked, "How do we get others involved? This is the problem I want answers to."

Best solution to date, he felt, was the Community Involvement Program — though it would be different from area to area. And getting the 95 per cent of the membership involved would assure continued growth, Uno felt.

National Director Mas Satow, who has worked with people and groups all of his adult life, declared "we get people involved because of programs". He admitted people have come through the backdoor, so to speak, as they do in other organizations. "But we still need their support and hopefully get them involved," he added.

Shigeki Sugiyama, NCWNDC governor, said it was unrealistic to expect 100 per cent involvement. Relating experiences with his home chapter, Alameda, it's hard to figure out what an individual member can do to help out in a chapter program.

It was Tanaka's feeling that chapter programs today are not attractive enough to involve membership. "They're not turned on," though he viewed the CIP, which is action-oriented, has merit as a possible avenue.

Kaz Horita, national vice president, wondered whether the Board was worried about the 95 per cent who will drop out. The grim picture Uno painted was that by losing the 5 per cent in leadership roles, the complacent 95 per cent would follow.

PNWDYC chairman heads Sunday board session

LOS ANGELES—Raymond Uno, national president, relinquished the chair of the National JACL Board session for portion of the critical Sunday (July 25) discussion to PNWYDC chairman Leonard Noji of Hood River, Ore.

There were several important questions before the board to settle: funding of the Visual Communications Committee, JACL action in the "Kenzo for Jap" case, the youth motion to establish a JACL national committee to check on the drug industry, and the JACL statement on farm labor crisis.

Noji was expecting to chair a critique of the board session as viewed by the new members to the board, the DYC chairmen. Reactions were mixed.

DYC Reactions

One felt parts of the discussions were repetitive and boring. Another found the Board session most interesting. Those who were present for the second time (Alan Okazaki of EDYC and Kathy Kadowaki of MDYC) felt they were able to better contribute.

First-timers, on the other hand, felt baffled by the agenda and nature of discussion. New DYC chairmen should read up on the previous year's convention minutes, one old-timer suggested, to clear up what might appear as mysterious background.

National treasurer Al Hatate spelled out his job in commenting to one youth chairman who declared JACL has a hang-up with deficit spending. JACL funds come from membership, Hatate said, and the budget is voted upon by the National Council.

Ron Hirano, education committee director, also attending his first board session, suggested more involvement by youth and wondered whether another mechanism to insure youth involvement was needed. Youth participation in all standing JACL committees was suggested.

Over-representation

Tak Kubota, PNWDC governor, observed that present composition of the National JACL Board shows youth with one-third of the voting power. "I hope the youth realize this and can give it fresh vitality and input. I believe in fairer representation or balance, but I also value the role of youth," he added.

Mas Satow hoped the district governors and DYC chairmen could sit together at board meetings in the future. He also reminded that board members represent the entire organization and act in that role, even though some may refer to programs and activities within their district or chapter.

One problem facing the youth was the plethora of paperwork prior to the meeting. One adult member admitted it was tough for him even to understand all the issues involved.

Raymond Uno, who noted that the DYC chairmen did not freely join in the discussion during the board session, wondered how they might really make an input. Uno asked: "How can we revitalize the board sessions by having the youth express their feelings? And one more point. What is the role of staff at these meetings? I notice staff can persuade the board. Can they push for what they want? Shouldn't they be recognized?"

Staff Role

Satow agreed staff role should be clarified and the matter too important to dismiss. He saw staff role as making background and clarifying input during the course of discussion. However, he sought clarification from the board as to whom should be present.

The board session closed with a reminder from Uno that youth should take back to their district the sense of the board meetings. He also pointed out that while discussions may have appeared personal, it is not intended that way. The best interest of the organization is sought when matters are discussed. As with adults, youth represent various sections and should speak their sentiments accordingly.

Proposal to use Endowment Fund loses

SAN FRANCISCO — National Headquarters reported the 1970 Convention proposal to make use of the Endowment Fund monies under proper safeguards did not receive the necessary three-fourths approval of the chapters in writing by the June 1 deadline.

The final vote was 68 Yes, 10 No and 14 Abstentions—one short of the three-fourths of 91 chapters in good standing as of 1970 Convention.

The National JACL Board, at its Los Angeles session July 23-25, ordered the suggested chapter guidelines for use of Endowment Fund principal be circulated to chapters for reconsideration after recommendations from the Endowment Fund are submitted and approved by the National Board.

The initial tally follows:

APPROVAL (68)—Columbia Basin, Gresham-Troutdale, Mid-Columbia, Puyallup Valley, Portland, Seattle, Spokane, White River, Alameda, Berkeley, Contra Costa, Eden Township, Florin, Fremont, Gilroy, Marysville, Monterey-Peninsula, Oakland, Placer County, Reno,

Sacramento, Salinas Valley, San Benito, San Francisco, San Jose, San Mateo, Sequoia, Sonoma County, Stockton, Watsonville, Fowler, Fresno, Selma, Tulare County, Downtown L.A., Gardena Valley, Greater Pasadena, Hollywood, Imperial Valley, Long Beach-Harbor,

North San Diego, Progressive Westside, Riverside, San Diego, San Fernando Valley, San Gabriel Valley, Santa Maria Valley, Venice Culver, Wilshire, Ben Lomond, Boise Valley, Idaho Falls, Mt. Olympus, Salt Lake City, Snake River, Omaha, Chicago, Chicago Liberation, Cincinnati, Cleveland; Dayton, Detroit, Milwaukee, St. Louis, Twin Cities, Philadelphia, Seabrook, Washington, D.C.

DISAPPROVAL (9) — Cortez, West Valley, Clovis, Reedley, East Los Angeles, Orange County, Pasadena, Selanoco, West Los Angeles.

NO REPLY (14)—French Camp, Livingston-Merced, Delano, Parlier, Sanger, Arizona, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Ventura County, Arkansas Valley, Fort Lupton, Mile Hi, San Luis Valley, New York.

JACL Endowment Fund assets at $402,000

FRESNO—The National JACL Endowment Fund Committee chairman Dr. George Miyake has reported a drop in the current assets of the fund since the previous report made to the 1970 convention.

As of June 30, 1971, the JACL fund net assets were valued at $402,395.75 as compared with $471,848.76 as of Mar. 31, 1970. The record high of $601,931.04 was registered Mar. 31, 1969.

Bank of Tokyo (Calif.) rank jumps 24 places

SAN FRANCISCO — The Bank of Tokyo of California, with deposits of $398 million on June 30, hiked its national standing by 24 places since mid-year 1970 and now ranks 173rd among the nation's 14,000 commercial banks.

Comparative standings are prepared semi-annually by American Banker, a national banking publication.

MANUEL K. INADOMI

Confirmed as Harbor Commissioner

LOS ANGELES—Mayor Sam Yorty congratulated Manuel K. Inadomi, well-known Japanese American businessman, who was confirmed last week (July 27) by the City Council as a member of the City Board of Harbor Commissioners.

Inadomi fills the vacancy created by the resignation of Fred I. Wada, for the term ending June 30, 1975. "The City is fortunate to have a man of Mr. Inadomi's caliber as his successor on the Board of Harbor Commissioners," said Yoorty.

Inadomi, born in Japan, is a naturalized American citizen and has been active in local Japanese American community for many years.

The Hollywood JACLer came to the United States in 1922 and began his retail grocery business in Santa Paula. After World War II, he moved to Los Angeles where he established markets in East Los Angeles. He is head of a chain of food markets in Alhambra and East Los Angeles.

He also is a member of:

Alhambra Chamber of Commerce, West San Gabriel Valley YMCA, Mexican Chamber of Commerce of Los Angeles, Japanese Chamber of Commerce, and Boys Clubs sponsor in East Los Angeles, Montebello, and Alhambra.

He is married, father of five children and lives with his family at 2990 Lakeridge Drive, Los Angeles.

Trojan Club kickoff luncheons scheduled

LOS ANGELES — Head USC football coach John McKay starts his annual week-long tour of Trojan Club kickoff luncheons on Aug. 6 before the San Gabriel Valley Trojan Club at Brookside Golf Course clubhouse next to the Rose Bowl.

Tables for 10 are available at $7.50 per person from Dr. James R. Pontello of San Gabriel (287-8511). Rest of the itinerary calls for engagements at:

San Diego, Aug. 9; South Bay, Aug. 10; North Orange County, Aug. 11; San Francisco, Aug. 12; and Long Beach, Aug. 13.

Oakland Museum exhibits massive panels depicting A-bomb horror

OAKLAND — The Maruki Hiroshima Panels, an artistic memorial to the victims of the first atomic holocaust, will be exhibited at the Oakland Museum, Aug. 7-8. This internationally acclaimed work is being shown for the first time in the San Francisco Bay Area.

The exhibit coincides with the 26th anniversary commemoration of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, and is being sponsored by the Bay Area Community JACL and the Ethnic and Cultural Guild of the Oakland Museum.

The artists, Iri and Toshi Maruki, were eyewitnesses to the destruction and suffering in Hiroshima. It was not until three years after the bombing that the two artists felt sufficiently removed from the horror to be able to depict it artistically, and it took six years to complete.

Iri Maruki, a native of Hiroshima, is a master of traditional Japanese brush painting. Toshi Maruki was trained in the European tradition of painting. Together, they have created a powerful statement, with great sensitivity, which combines the best features of Eastern and Western traditions.

"We are showing these panels not to accuse America, but to make everyone who sees them aware of the urgency of banning the atomic bomb so that the tragedy of Hiroshima should never be inflicted on any other country," stated the Marukis when they released the panels for an American tour.

The Hiroshima Panels have been shown in 20 countries, including Australia, Belgium, China, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Great Britain, Holland, Hungary, Union of South Africa, Soviet Union, Sweden, Switzerland and West Germany.

The tour in the United States is being sponsored by the New School Art Center of New York, American Friends Service Committee, and Asahi Shimbun of Tokyo. The panels were most recently shown in New York City.

The home for the panels is at the Maruki Gallery in Higashi-Matsuyama in the northern suburbs of Tokyo. In Japan itself, the paintings have been exhibited at 350 galleries and has been seen by over nine million visitors.

Arrangements for the San Francisco Bay Area showing were made by Shirley Osumi and Paul Takagi for the Bay Area Community JACL and Ben Hazard for the Oakland Museum.

Strictly Marginal — Roy Sano

A Look at the Ark

Oakland

It was the Sunday after President Nixon announced his plans to visit the People's Republic of China. The Nationalist Chinese on Taiwan felt left out and nervous. I went that Sunday to visit the First Presbyterian Church of Berkeley where many Asians are known to attend.

I arrived late and discovered the preacher announcing a group which regularly met to pray for the Nationalist Chinese. "They'll probably pray for Generalissimo Chiang's successful invasion of the mainland and eventual return to power," I thought, but quickly added a very proper bit of piety: "Lay off, you're being too cynical. Give this place a chance." My generosity lasted 10 seconds.

I noticed the choir robes: Red, White and Blue! It brought to mind those lines of their fellow Presbyterian, the Rev. Dr. Robert McAfee Brown, Professor of Religion at Stanford: "The Church is like Noah's Ark. If it wasn't for the storm outside, they couldn't have stood the stench inside."

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Luckily these stormy days days have changed the Ark, somewhat. Battles within have broken windows; the resulting ventilation has diminished the stale odor of sanctity. Salvos from without have struck her hull, only to drop the impending barnacles. The Ark smells better and looks the sleeker. Two incidences for evidence.

The East Bay Sansei staged a farewell party, July 16, at Oakland's King Jr. High. Two hundred people gathered to say thanks to Rev. and Mrs. Ken Miyake, who were packing for their new assignment at Seattle's Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church. The Oakland Lake Park Church can be proud of their former minister. Others of us outsiders can be thankful to this church because it made him available to do so much.

Mrs. Paul (Mary Ann) Takagi gave a full report of Rev. Miyake's involvement. He worked on the Vietnam Teach-in, the Hiroshima-Nagasaki Commemoration, the Berkeley Issei Center, ministered to newcomers in the farms of Napa, pushed for a social worker among Issei in the East Bay, with a picket thrown in to insure the funding—and all this, while caring for the flock at Lake Park! Mary Ann credited his wife, Joyce, with support on the homefront. Wait, that sounds like a battle ground. She provided family support.

Zoe Borkowski and Mrs. Murao Sawai, both of the Oakland International Institute, paid tribute to Rev. Miyake's leadership. Pat Nakanishi mentioned the resulting "sense of community" which came from Sansei work, Nisei support and Issei participation. She presented the Miyakes with a photo album recording those memorable trips, parties, projects and mutual discoveries across generations. The slide show with Japanese soul music for sound track deserves further use. The Oakland JACL, under the leadership of President Jim Ishimaru, honored the Miyakes early this month.

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Another development modifies that experience at the Berkeley church. About 150 Asian United Methodists, including Japanese, Chinese, Koreans and Filipinos, gathered to welcome to this area Rev. and Mrs. George Nishikawa and family July 25, at the Oakland Chinese Methodist church. Rev. Nishikawa is the new Research-Developer for the recently organized Asian United Methodist Caucus. Lake Park has provided office space. In his opening statement he talked about ACT — Asians Coming Together, exploring new strategies based on research. With no less than two Bishops of the church on hand, Rev. Nishikawa spoke in Japanese as well and set the tone for action.

Bishop Charles Golden, Methodism's Black Bishop residing in San Francisco, said the United church calls for segments within it to pursue specialized skills and interests. Tall challenge to a church which had counselled assimilation. Much work remains to change directions. Three generations of Chinese were present only the first two of any sizable amount among the Japanese. Even more work remains.

Budget—

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loguing pictures in the possession of the JACL-UCLA Japanese American Research Project and has prepared visual materials on Asian Americans for the Pasadena Unified Schools.

The National Council last year voted the $5,000 budget for visual communications with money to be taken from the reserve fund. The budget request was then described as "seed money".

The National Board this year was meticulous on appropriation of funds in view of the tight budget. Is the $5,000 immediately needed, some asked.

Mas Satow assured that all possibilities would be explored before cutting of other JACL-budgeted program or allowances to finance the 1971 visual communciations committee.

DYC Comment

In a subsequent comment by district youth chairmen present, NC-WNDYC chairman Gary Kitagawa of San Francisco felt the National Board was "shooting down the youth program by not supporting such programs as visual communication".

He saw visual communications as being able to relate to others in the community, hence entice youth support of JACL. He also felt audiences would respond if a hat were passed around after viewing such a film as "Manzanar" or the proposed Issei film story.

Nakamura did show his "Manzanar" film to the board as well as raw footage of the Issei wildflower trip and assorted slides of photographs from the JARP archives.

The final question discussed briefly by the board in wake of the visual communications grant was the matter of the need for a film review committee. None was needed, apparently, as discussion was closed without taking final action.

"Will we run into a 'Untold Story' type of situation," was the question posed before the Board. "Suppose some members don't like what comes?"

Film Review Issue

Some felt the question unfair since the fund is backing up a JACL committee. "Untold Story" was a product on a non-JACL group. Issue before JACL in the "Untold Story", it was further reasoned, was the question of endorsement but with the Issei film it was providing educational material.

Others recalled the questions raised with the Hosokawa book, which was JACL commissioned, but JACL cannot prevent critique, others contended.

Ron Hirano, education committee director, reminded that JACL was only putting up a part of the funds for the entire project. With that, the Board decided to close discussion to show in the minutes that the question had been raised.

CALENDAR

Aug. 6 (Friday)
San Jose—Bd & Gen Mtg, JACL Bldg., 8 p.m.

Aug. 7 (Saturday)
West Los Angeles—Asian Festival, WLA Mall.

Aug. 8 (Sunday)
West Valley—Obon Festival, Hakone Gardens, Saratoga.
Cincinnati—Family picnic, St. Edmond's Camp.
Milwaukee—Picnic, Brown Deer Park No. 3, 11 a.m.

Aug. 10 (Tuesday)
Pasadena—Bd Mtg, Tom Ito poolside.

Aug. 11 (Wednesday)
Orange County—Bd Mtg, Bank of Tokyo, Santa Ana, 8 p.m.

Aug. 13 (Fiday)
San Jose—Baseball night, Candlestick Park (Mets vs Giants).

Aug. 14 (Saturday)
Los Angeles—Nisei Week coronation ball, Beverly Wilshire Hotel.

Aug. 15 (Sunday)
Alameda—Golf tournament, Galbraith Golf Course.
Pasadena—Cultural Institute carnival booth.

Aug. 20 (Friday)
San Jose—Open Mtg, Bank of Tokyo, 8 p.m.; Film: "Subversion?".

Aug. 22 (Sunday)
Detroit—Comm Picnic.

Aug. 23 (Monday)
Berkeley—Bd Mtg, American S&L, 7:30 p.m.

Aug. 26—29
Tri-District Jr. JACL—TDC Conference, Bannockburn, Riverside.

Aug. 28 (Saturday)
IDC—3d Qtrly Session, Ponderosa Inn, Burley, Idaho, 1 p.m.

Aug. 29 (Sunday)
PSWDC—3rd Qtrly Session, Greater Pasadena Area JACL hosts: Pasadena Japanese Cultural Institute, 595 Lincoln Ave., 9 a.m.

Sept. 4 (Saturday)
Contra Costa—Barbecue, Alvarado Park.

Sept. 4—5
EDC-MDC—Joint biennial convention, Seabrook JACL hosts: Centerton Golf Course Clubhouse.

Sacramento JACL flight to Japan planned for '72

SACRAMENTO—Members of Sacramento JACL, their spouses, children and parents are eligible for the Sacramento JACL flight to Japan scheduled to depart via Japan Air Lines from San Francisco Oct. 4, 1972, and return Oct. 27.

Fare is estimated at $350 round trip per person with optional tours in Japan to be conducted by Japan Travel Bureau, according to Tom Okubo (422-8749) and Frank Oshita (421-1710).

PULSE ON THE CHAPTERS:

'Walking History' relating experience of Asians in U.S. has mixed raves

The "Walking Histories" presented by the **Bay Area Community JACL** was an unexpected and unique experience for the general public at the Oakland Museum Asian American Festival on July 17-18. Most found it educational, but some became upset. (Photo in PC, July 30.)

"I didn't know . . .", "I didn't realize . . .", were heard often as whites and blacks read the histories which were printed on poster boards being carried on the backs of JACLers. Many were surprised to see such a "demonstration" by Asian Americans.

Favorable comments came from school teachers who said they often wondered how the Asians came to California, and how they could include the contributions of all minorities into the school curriculum. Others felt the documentation on "Legal Racism" was very revealing and helped them understand the deep rooted prejudice that exists in California.

But some whites became upset at being confronted by historic facts. "You are just a bunch of hate mongers", "Why can't you people do this in a nice way?", and "Communist!", were some of the hostle comments heard.

Twenty-seven characterizations of Japanese American, Chinese American, and Filipino America historic persons or issues were carried by over 30 members of the Bay Area Community JACL, with support from 20 members of the East Bay Japanese for Action, plus numerous on-the-spot volunteers.

If there is sufficient demand, the Bay Area Community JACL will make available the "Walking Histories' to other JACL chapters and Asian organizations.

Civic Affairs

Seattle JACL backs charter revisions

The Central Seattle Community Council recommendations for city charter changes were endorsed by the **Seattle JACL** at its June 16 board meeting though the point for a civilian police review board drew the greatest objection.

Other recommendations covered (1) appointment of corporation counsel and city treasurer, now chosen by ballot, to save election costs; (2) adding two more members to the City Council; (3) decentralizing municipal courts throughout the city; (4) decentralizing city government into five areas, similar to that of the school board; (5) recognizing neighborhood and community groups as vehicles for expression of citizen opinion and to be relayed to all governmental agencies; (6) and relieving the city council from hearing appeals on license applications, zoning variances, etc.

The chapter also approved purchase of the Dr. Kitano filmstrip and record ($29) for its office library.

Omaha JACL co-sponsors 'Anytown Nebraska'

Four **Omaha JACL** sponsored teenagers participated in the first "Anytown, Nebraska" program June 6-12 at Mt. Michael High School near Elkhorn. They were Mark and Joan Tsuji, Sharon Ishii and Curtis Kawamoto. Serving on the steering committee was Mrs. G. L. Mardesen, JACL board member.

Some 75 youngsters and 25 adults comprised the experiment in living, which attracted persons from diverse economic, racial and religious backgrounds. There were workshops on drama, art, communications, ecology and leadership. Over 50 civic, church, ethnic and service groups co-sponsored Anytown, patterned after summertime youth programs directed by the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

Miss Ishii, 16, commented, "When you bring a lot of young people together from different backgrounds — it works. They get to understand each other."

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August Events

Full program planned by San Jose this month

Chapter president Richard Tanaka announced the August meeting of **San Jose JACL** has been rescheduled from its usual second Friday to this Friday, Aug. 6, 8 p.m.

Activities for the month include baseball night at Candlestick Park for the Giants-Mets game on Aug. 13. Tickets are available by calling 258-4400. On Aug. 20, the documentary film on Evacuation title "Subversion?" will be shown at the Bank of Tokyo with a coffee-klatch following.

The chapter golf tournament Sept. 18 will be held at Sunol Country Club with Dale Sasaki in charge.

West Valley JACL join in Obon Festival

The **West Valley JACL** and the Hakone Garden Society are jointly sponsoring Obon Festival on Sunday Aug. 8 at the Hakone Gardens, Saratoga.

Kiyoko Kikuta and the Minyo Dancers will entertain with traditional dancing.

Alameda golf tourney limited to 60 players

The annual **Alameda JACL** gld tournament will be held on Sunday, Aug. 15, on the Galbraith Golf Course. Co-chairmen Harry Ushijima and Yosh Sugiyama (834-5280) said the tourney will be limited to 60 golfers with preference to the Chapter members and then non-members on a first come first serve basis till the limit is reached. Men, women and novice flights are scheduled.

Chicago JACL flight to Japan in '72 planned

CHICAGO — Because this year's flight to Japan was sold out much earlier than expected, the Chicago JACL will schedule another charter flight for its chapter 1000 Clubbers for July, 1972, it was announced by Tak Tomiyama, president.

Dr. Frank Sakamoto has been named acting flight coordinator for '72 and Japan Air Lines is being considered as the carrier.

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and take affair and many times it is not a fifty-fifty ratio. I have put my chin out and had it literally torn off a number of times (in a figurative sense) to try to prove I was really sincere when I extended my offer to compromise and sometimes, that is what it takes to get negotiations started, regardless of good faith, bad faith or no faith.

Sometimes people mistake the offer to compromise as a sign of weakness. Stop to think: where would we all be if none of us were willing to compromise, regardless of the attitude and example of our opponents? Driving a hard bargain and driving no bargain are two different things. It was and is my feeling that our Organization is big enough and mature enough to accommodate differences of opinion, attitude and philosophy. If not, I can see nothing but polarization and hard times ahead. I haven't, as yet, met one member who was right or nearly right all of the time; but I won't hold that against him, even if he won't admit it. But I certainly am not about to let self-righteous people hang their opinions over me like the Sword of Damocles ready to drop at an adverse decision.

They won't find a stone wall facing them, but they will feel resistance. I am not about to play one-upsmanship with anyone. Our Organization cannot suffer the consequences of ego trips or dips. Therefore, my plea to members is to be willing to compromise, even at the expense of yourself. As I mentioned about Warren, compassion is the language of love, and we have got to love one another regardless of advantage or disadvantage. Otherwise we're all in trouble. Likewise, what are we all talking about?

To be continued, but I don't know about concluded.

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Gunman legislation

WASHINGTON — Senator Daniel K. Inouye introduced gunman legislation to make a five-year minimum sentence —without exception—mandatory for employing a firearm in a crime of violence.

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Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

Hawaii Today

Honolulu

The **50th State Fair** is scheduled from Aug. 26 to Sept. 6. It will be sponsored by the Honolulu Jaycees and the Hawaii Bureau Federation. Tentative arrangements with comedian **Jerry Lewis** have been made for his appearance at the fair.

Rep. Spark Matsunaga has announced that Hawaii has been awarded a $100,000 federal grant for the restoration of Iolani Palace. He said the funds were made available under the historic preservation grant program of the Dept. of Housing and Urban Development.

Protests have increased during recent weeks over the proposal to carve a third cross-the-island highway through Moanalua Valley. Conservationists have charged that the highway would destroy many of the valley's historic sites. Public opposition to the road has impressed the U.S. Government to go slow on the project.

Hawaiian flags will fly at the foot of Mount Fuji over the tents of seven Island boy scout troops who will attend the World Scout Jamboree Aug. 1 to 10. The flags are a gift from the retail board of the Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii. Hawaii's contingent of 230 scouts and 26 scout leaders were to leave July 27 for Tokyo.

Courtroom

Leslie G. Ajifu, a Honolulu public accountant, was sentenced July 2 in federal court to 10 days in jail for failing to file a timely income tax return for 1966. He was also fined $3,000. Ajifu pleaded no contest to the charges that he did not file a return on the $108,966.85 he earned in 1966. Two more counts against Ajifu for failing to file returns are expected to be dismissed.

Univ. of Hawaii

The Univ. of Hawaii has promoted the following to full professor or its equivalent: Sen-Dou Chang, Alice Dewey, Augustine Furumoto, Michael Haas, Edward Langhans, Charles Lamoureux, Amos Leib, Alfred Levy, Seiji Naya, Nobuo Nobusawa, Frederick R. Mayer, Frederick P. Haehnien, Agnes M. S. Inn, Ian E. Reid, Ralph Stuber, Don E. Avery, Theodore Lee, Paul F. Weaver, Jr., Edward J. Weldon, Jr., Martin J. Vitousek, Louis J. Casarett, Milton Diamond, Meryl H. Haber, Ming-Pi Mi, Ernest Bertellotti, Y. Scott Matsumoto, Richard Y. Suehiro, Ned B. Wiederholt, Herbert Hiroshige, Oliver Holtzmann, Albert LaPlante, Donald Meredith, Robert Ota, Warren Yee, Harold F. Little (Hilo) and Satya Pal Sood (Hilo).

Former State Rep. **Stuart Ho** is being considered by Gov. John A. Burns as a possible new member of the Univ. of Hawaii board of regents. Ho's name is one of three being circulated among state senators to fill three existing vacancies on the board. The two other names being considered are **Mrs. Patsy Young** and **Brian Sakamaki.**

Names in the News

Toma Tasaki, who spent more than 40 years in public education, was honored at a retirement dinner June 24 at Masa's Cafeteria in Moalalua. Tasaki wound up his carrer as principal of Lanakila School . . . **Dr. Calvin C. J. Sia** of Honolulu was named to the National Advisory Council on Child Health. He began a four-year term July 1. Sen. Hiram L. Fong supported Sia for the council post . . . **Omel L. Turk** is the 1971 winner of the Hawaii Pharmaceutical Assn.'s A. H. Robins "Bowl of Hygeia" award for outstanding community service. He is chief pharmacist for the Honolulu Medical Group Pharmacy. Turk, a member of the Hawaii Heart Assn., was a leader in establishing its rheumatic fever program to enable rheumatic heart patients to obtain penicillin at a discount from participating pharmacists.

Aurora Joan Kaawa, 19, named Miss Hawaii July 17 in a statewide contest held in Hilo. She will represent Hawaii in the annual Miss America Pageant. Miss Kaawa is a Leeward Oahu Community College student.

Hilo Hattie, 69, became the first entertainer named to the No Ka Oi Hall of Fame in a program at the Honolulu International Center.

Honolulu Scene

Mayor Frank Fasi's **Planning Advisory Committee** on Waikiki-Diamond Head has recommended a limit of 26,000 hotel rooms for Waikiki in the next 10 years. This would be only about 5,000 more rooms than now exist. The report represents more than a year's work by 43 government, civic and business leaders.

Governor's Office

Gov. Burns has signed into law a controversial bill giving his office strict control over the public defenders office. Burns says he believes the bill will provide a better method of providing legal aid for the poor. Public defender **Brook Hart** says he hopes he would be permitted to remain on his job. Opponents of the bill say the measure was designed to get rid of Hart. Opponents of the bill say the measure was designed to get rid of Hart. But Hart says his office has won 21 cases and has lost only three to prosecutors during April.

Gov. Burns has also signed a bill to give a **tax break** to the sugar, shipbuilding, leasing and movie industry in Hawaii. Some members of the governor's cabinet, however, have recommended a veto on the grounds that the measure will cause the state to lose about $2 million year in revenues. Burns has argued that the new law might bring new industries to Hawaii.

Gov. Burns has named **Lt. Gov. George R. Ariyoshi** to head a 12-member task force to save the Big Island's Kohala Sugar Co. from extinction. Burns has said the decision by Castle and Cooke to close down the plantation is "a matter of very grave concern to all of us in the state and Hawaii County governments." Others named by the governor to serve with Ariyoshi are **John D. Bellinger, Richard M. Frazier, Eddie Tangen, Mrs. Ah Quon McElrath, Robert L. Cushing, Robert Gordon, Mayor Shunichi Kimura, John Farias, Shelley Mark, Sunao Kido** and **Frederick Erskine.**

Political Scene

Lt. Gov. George R. Ariyoshi has proclaimed Sept. 11 as the special primary election date for the Fourth Senatorial District in Leeward Oahu. Leeward voters will then go to the polls on Oct. 2 in a special general election to elect a successor to the late **State Sen. Larry Kuriyama,** who was murdered at his home last fall.

Deaths

Tim Ho, a former state transportation department director, died July 17 at Queen's Medical Center. He was 56. He collapsed on a golf course, apparently the victim of a heart ailment. Ho was named transportation director in 1960 by former Gov. William F. Quinn . . . **James Y. T. Leong,** 62, an insurance executive died July 10. He was president of James Y. T. Leong Agency, Inc. During WW II Leong was price economist with the Office of Price Administration and was an instructor in business economics at the Univ. of Hawaii . . . **Kyle M. Tabe,** 17, son of the Kenneth Tabes of 95-190 Wailawa St., Wahiawa, drowned July 15 while spearfishing off Kawailoa Beach in Maleiwa. Searchers found the body trapped under a coral ledge about 3:30 p.m.

Arthur S. Blaisdell, 49, youngest brother of former Mayor Neal S. Blaisdell, died June 19 in California. Blaisdell worked as a captain of the Coronado-San Diego Ferry Co. for many years and was employed at the Coronado-San Diego Toll Bridge.

The Rev. Chikatada Sagawa, 87, who served Congregational churches in Honolulu and on the Big Island, died June 9. From 1914 to 1946 he served at Olaa, Papaiko and Hilo Congregational churches. He wrote 11 books and numerous essays and articles and was editor of "Tomo", a monthly paper for the Japanese Ministers Assn. of the Hawaiian Evangelical Assn. from 1946 to 1964..

Traffic Fatality

Kazuto Masuda, 58, of Haiku, Maui, died at Maui Memorial Hospital from injuries received in a traffic accident on the Lahaina side of Maalaea. He was Maui's fifth traffic fatality of the year.

Mrs. Emily Omori, 59, of 1324-A Lunalilo St., Honolulu, was killed June 25 when a car in which she was a passenger collided with a military vehicle on Kamehameha Highway in Wahiawa. She was the 4th traffic fatality of the year on Oahu, compared with 50 at the same date in 1970.

Police Force

Police Chief Dewey M. Allen of Kauai submitted his resignation July 19, climaxing a campaign by Mayor Vidinha and members of the police commission to fire him. Allen 44, said in his letter to the commission that he felt his "continued functioning as chief of police can only contribute to a deterioration of department morale and a loss of confidence by the public in the process of the law." Allen took the post on April 1, 1969.

Honolulu police have been keeping tabs on Hawaii's **transient (hippie) population** from the moment they step off the plane in Honolulu. **Dr. Robert Chung,** Honolulu commission chairman, says the police do not intend "to itimidate anybody, but we are keeping surveillance in the interest of the community." **Maj. Harold Falk,** Honolulu Police Dept. administrative officer, says of 103 transient arrests in a two-month period accounted for more than 43 per cent of drug offenses. The average age of the apprehended transient was 23. And about 43 per cent of reported crime against transients involved sexual assaults, according to Falk. He said none had been in Hawaii over nine months.

ANTI-TAKABUKI SUIT DISMISSED, KAM ADMISSION POLICY PROBED

By ALLAN BEEKMAN

(Special to The Pacific Citizen)

HONOLULU — Circuit Judge Yasutaka Fukushima ruled he is without authority to interfere in the appointment of Matsuo Tababuki to the Bishop Estate board of trustees. At the same time, Federal and State tax authorities acknowledged they are re-examining the admission policies of the Kamehameha Schools; major tax exemptions may be withdrawn.

Five attorneys had filed suit to block the appointment of Tababuki, acting on behalf of the Ad Hoc Committee for a Hawaiian trustee, The Friends of Kamehameha School and the Bernice Pauahi Bishop Estate, and The Hawaiians, a civil rights organizations. In addition, nine individual were listed as complainants; five minors and four adults.

The will of Princess Bernice Pauahi Bishop established the Bishop Estate in 1884; it is now worth $400 million. The Kamehameha Schools is the sole beneficiary.

Nisei Appointee

The State Supreme Court appointed Tababuki, 47, attorney, businessman, and former politician to the board of trustees to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Herbert K. Keppeler. The appointment became effective August 1.

In Hawaii, only persons of aboriginal descent are recognized as Hawaiians. The public has also accepted the view that the founder of the Estate restricted admission to the Kamehameha Schools to Hawaiians, which is the present policy.

The movement against Takabuki derived from his status as no-part Hawaiian. His being of Japanese ancestry rendered him additionally repugnant to the Hawaiians.

The movement burgeoned into a cause celebre as the local press fanned the flames, providing a forum for the politically ambitious. The attorneys for the complainants included two unsuccessful candidates for the governorship in the last election, Samuel P. King and Thomas P. Gill. King was the Republican nominee; Gill, a Democrat, lost the nomination to John A. Burns.

Though born and bred in Hawaii, Gill is no-part Hawaiian. Far from wallowing in self-pity over his despicable no-part Hawaiian status, he served as chief counsel in the suit.

Gill suggested there were conflicts of interest that should prevent the appointment of Takabuki. Ruling there was nothing to this effect in the legal papers filed as part of the suit, Fukushima ruled the points could not be argued. Fukushima said, "he plaintiffs have labored and have not even brought forth a mouse."

Representing the Supreme Court justices, Walter G. Chuck cited a 1917 ruling by the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals that a lower court cannot overturn a State Supreme Court appointment of a Bishop Estate trustee. He pointed out that though the policy is to admit only children of Hawaiian ancestry to the schools, the Princess made no such reference in her will.

Chuck said the will never mentions what race a trustee should be, only stipulating he must be Protestant. The Princess was married to a Caucasian; the five original trustees, chosen by her before her death, were all Caucasian. Chuck contended she wanted to serve all the people of the Islands, regardless of their ethnic backgrounds.

He said, "The people were brown, black, white and yellow."

School Policy

The announced re-examination of admission policies to the Kamehameha Schools appears to have sprung from a U.S. District Court decision handed down in the District of Columbia June 30, which cut off tax exemptions for private schools practicing racial discrimination in Mississippi.

Ralph W. Kondo, director of the State Department of Taxation, said he had asked the Attorney General's Office to study the District of Columbia decision. Under last year's evaluation and tax rates, the schools would have to pay $23,000 in real property taxes if the exemptions were withdrawn.

Officials of the Estate said loss of tax exemptions would have a major impact on the Estates financing of the Kamehameha Schools.

BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman

Chronicle of Chinese Immigrants

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THE HEATHEN CHINEE: A Study of American Attitudes toward China, 1890-1905, by Robert McClellan, Ohio State University Press, 272 pp., $10.

One day in 1870, the editor of the "Overland Monthly", Bret Harte, sat at his desk looking out at the streets of San Francisco in search of inspiration. He was under pressure of an approaching deadline.

Inspiration came in the form of an anecdote, which he cast into verse. Two card cheats attempt to fleece a Chinese immigrant in a game of euchre.

The immigrant's name is Ah Sin, a pun often applied to Chinese immigrants in allusion to their supposed immorality. Ah Sin appears guileless; he professes not to understand euchre; he seems ripe for the plucking.

The game goes contrary to calculations, with Ah Sin winning. Finally he plays the highest trump, a "right bower", which the first cheat had already dealt to his partner. Ah Sin is unmasked; he has outcheated the cheaters.

Then I looked up at Nye,
And he gazed upon me;
And he rose within a sigh,
And said, "Can this be?
We are ruined by Chinese cheap labor,"—
And he went for that heathen Chinee.

Ah Sin's nails are tipped with wax; he has 24 packs of cards concealed in his sleeves.

Which is why I remark,—
And my language is plain,—
That for ways that are dark,
And for tricks that are vain,
The heathen Chinee is peculiar,—
Which the same I am free to maintain.

Effect of Poem

At the time, the Chinese were seldom considered proper subjects for dramatic exploitation. In the few instances when they appear in American fiction of the period they are portrayed unfavorably. Harte had written of them previously, though never taking them seriously. He entitled his poem about Ah Sin, "Plain Language From Truthful James"; it was to become popularly known as "The Heathen Chinee."

The poem helped mold a malignant stereotype of the Chinese and put the stamp of approval on vicious conduct towards him: the two cheats had attempted to fleece Ah Sin and had assaulted him when outwitted.

Mark Twain wrote a satirical story entitled, "Disgraceful Persecution of a Boy," concerning a boy who had been arrested on his way to church because he had paused to throw a stone at a "Chinaman." ". . . heaving rocks at the Chinamen was a pastime of the street no self-respecting American boy could be expected to overlook. It might even be called the national pastime in San Francisco."

Representatives of the Union Pacific Railroad, and others, had encouraged the Chinese to come to America; their services were needed to build a railroad linking the Atlantic and Pacific coasts. The Chinese coolies who responded to the invitation had been warmly welcomed. But in 1869 the project was completed; the Central and Union Pacific lines joined tracks at Promontory Point, Utah. The Chinese were no longer needed, as they sought employment elsewhere their presence became resented.

Union leaders and politicians agitated against the Chinese. Hoodlums and vigilantes assaulted and, sometimes, murdered them. In 1882, Congress memorialized the disrepute in which the Chinese had fallen by prohibiting the immigration of Chinese laborers for a period of 10 years.

In 1892, the exclusion law was renewed for another 10 years; in 1902, it was extended indefinitely.

Exclusion Laws

The exclusion law eased the hysterical antagonism towards the Chinese in America. Consciousness of the "manifest destiny" of America in the Pacific modified American notions about China; though heathens sunk in ignorance and iniquity, the Chinese were within the sphere of Christian salvation.

The malignant stereotypes created for the Chinese set the mold for stereotypes and discrimination that would be directed towards the later Japanese immigrants. American attitudes toward the Japanese immigrants, however, were rendered more virulent through fear of Japan as a military power.

Assistant professor of history at Northern Michigan University, the author has made a significant addition to knowledge of the immigrants through this analysis of particular interest to the Nikkei.

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'THE BUDGET'S TIGHT'

It must have been nearly 20 years ago (when we first came on to edit the PC) that the word—"parsimonious"—was often used by National Director Mas during brief remarks at installation dinners and in correspondence to the chapters. It (the word) has stuck in our minds as well as the incident because of one chapter president who confessed having to look up the word in the dictionary in his installation acceptance speech.

Nowadays, it's the National Treasurer Al chorusing with National Director Mas a more strident cry—"the budget's tight". And noting the $16,000 deficit of last year and prospects for the same this coming year, plus the JACL Reserve Fund down to record low within the past decade, the era has come for JACL to assess its fiscal operations more closely.

National President Ray said it unmincingly at the last National Board meeting. "We must take a close look at what we are doing . . . We have to figure out how much we make; how much we've got, where that money's going and where can we get the most results from it." No one needed a dictionary to understand what he had to say.

National Vice President Mike for General Operations sized up the situation best. "The well is running dry . . . we've got to pump harder now."

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A politically-conscious organization, such as National JACL, perhaps has come to another major crossroad in its growth pattern. Those who pump harder in JACL deserve recognition—now that the incentive factor of previous years will fade away. We refer to the policy instituted several years ago to gradually eliminate "rebates" to chapters which oversubscribe their membership quotas. For a while, chapters surpassing their dollar quotas were returned 40% of the oversubscribed amount. That has been trimmed to 20% this year. And from 1973, there will be no rebates to distribute.

Rather than fingering at chapters which fail to carry their share of the National Budget to sustain programs of the organization, the chapters which are pumping harder at the well can righteously assert their prerogatives and claim the time has come to make the National Council more responsive to the will of its membership.

How that can be resolved is not the point of this column but we remember hearing in the past that the National Council should be more "representative" and that spells a hot series of debates over proportional representation. We envision such a debate to be more heated than the time when the National Council created district council jurisdictions. All that heat generated over the district council boundaries, perhaps, was necessary for a good weld has resulted.

An assessment of proportional representation may be one of the propositions that the National JACL Planning Commission meeting next weekend in San Francisco will be circulating this fall for possible consideration at the 1972 national council.

Midst the historic surroundings of the Nation's Capital, we can't picture a more worthy subject matter for delegates to consider—a more representative National JACL Council.

The 1971 interim JACL national board & staff meeting was historic because of its composition—seven district youth chairmen were voting members. It was also significant for its statement on farm labor, for its greater concern of where JACL can secure funds for programs and, for us, the pace was moderate. (At least we had a chance to recap the decisions of the day after each session and fully enjoy the repast with PSWDC executive board members at the Sonoda residence.)

Other sidelights of the board session included the presentation during a luncheon of California state resolutions from the Assembly and Senate commending Jerry Enomoto upon his long years of service with the corrections department. And onetime past national president George Inagaki joined the board at the same luncheon. He looks fine and has mended well from open heart surgery sustained earlier this year

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R.I.P.—THE CROSSROADS

This column cannot pass the week without mourning the announcement the all-English Nisei weekly, The Crossroads, is calling it "30" with their Aug. 27, 1971, issue. Through their 22-year history, it has raised issues and perhaps rubbed JACL wrong at times. But we can forget the weeks it came to our assistance physically to have the Pacific Citizen published when Internal Revenue shuttered the former plant where we had our type set.

Save for the typesetter and mailer, the Crossroads has been a one-man operation these many years in Wimp Hiroto. He not only handled the editorial chore, locked up the pages and other shop functions, but solicited the ads and sent out the bills. He augmented his publishing income with a small public relations agency. He found time to go back to post-graduate studies and assist Ken Ishizaki of Yamato Restaurant open a new eatery in Newport Beach. No wonder, it was hard to catch him on the phone at his office.

A man who has always promoted the Little Tokyo scene, we shall miss him.

Being Japanese

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bicycles, communes, sensitivity groups, confrontations and unemployment.

Among the young, there is a feeling of helplessness and unimportance and a rejection of the Protestant Ethic of work for work's sake, of the goals of a good income and material things, of the rugged individualist looking out for himself.

'What's So Great . . .'

They're asking "what's so great about having a steady job and a good income if I don't enjoy it?" They're asking "how can we believe in brotherly love and concern for fellow man when businessmen cheat people with long hair,

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when society becomes a dehumanizing environment?"

The Sansei are as caught up in this revolution as any other group. I suspect that the conflict between life styles of young Sansei and their parents is greater than it is between the more permissive middle class white parents and their children.

My advice to all parents, Japanese or white, is "Listen: your children are trying to tell you something very important. The world is caught up in an insane spiral of technological change which threatens our survival and must be stopped. Your beliefs and ideals are outmoded and irrevelant in an age of global TV, stereos, drugs, SST's, sex and interplanetary travel."

Racial Identity Crisis

But this is an identity problem all young people are encountering today. Sansei have an added factor, namely their race. Many, if not most, genuinely feel that there is no difference between Japanese and whites and that opportunities are equal for all.

Others have been brought up to be overly conscious of their difference and still others consciously avoid contact with Japanese.

By and large, however, unless one is totally insensitive or stupid, a Sansei has encountered "incidents" which sensitize him to his fundamental difference. The critical times of introspection generally come when dating or marriage are considered.

The tragedy is that at one time, Nisei stood in unique position of truly blending the culture and language of two great civilizations, east and west. But clearly that's gone now.

The language hangs on in bits and pieces, food and a few habits last but will be lost soon. In a white society, the retention of Japanese culture and values by a small minority is impossible and it will really be hakujin support and interest which will keep the traditional arts going.

Sound Off

The social hang-ups that result from our feeling of insecurity, reticence and inferiority boil down to personal ones which can be greatly relieved by talking—talking to other Japanese, to whites and to psychiatrists. I'm afraid the struggle for self-identity is ultimately a personal one—everyone has that fight and ours happens to be compounded by an added factor of racial difference.

But we're committed to a role in a white-Canadian-technological-society and that has to be the role we work out.

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Now the question is, from what I've said, do I mean that we should forget our Japanese-ness? In a utopian society, I suppose that's the ideal—that is, if society were to encourage difference without making one kind better than another, then being Japanese would be no different from having red hair or a big nose and we could each go out and do our own thing.

But we're not in a utopian society. If you've read the U.S. Commission reports on cities and on civil rights, you will see that the U.S. is clearly a racist country. There is nothing to lead me to think otherwise about Canada — whether it's attitudes towards blacks, native Indians or Asians.

Ethnic Groups Role

Here then lies our function in society—so long as this society classifies people as Indian, Japanese, Jew or Negro, *it perpetuates the reality and importance of that grouping!* To classify someone as a Jew in our society carries more implications than to call someone a Presbyterian. To call me a Jap carries more implications than to call me a geneticist.

This then places a responsibility on each of us. Even though I don't know many Japanese, I feel responsible to that group into which society has categorized me — every success I have then reflects on the Japanese, every evil I perpetrate will be borne by the Japanese community.

Then take the most depraved Japanese Canadian and I will say I share his guilt because this society makes him my brother.

As a group then, the major factor making the term Japanese-Canadian meaningful is a racial one that society perpetuates. The cultural and psychological ties between individual Japanese Canadians are rapidly disappearing among young people.

Similar Pressures

The strength of our racial group does not derive from our numbers or political power, but from a recognition that all groups categorized by race or religion are placed under the same pressures.

In order to work towards a society in which each individual is valued for his own worth, we must identify and ally ourselves with all other potentially oppressed groups.

Anti-semitism, segregation, squalid Indian reserves and ghettoes are conditions we must fight against with other groups.

In our selfishness and shortsightedness, many of us breathe a sigh of relief as "other" groups are discriminated against—in fact, many Nisei I've met are just as bigoted towards blacks and other racial groups as whites.

How stupid to think that bigotry aimed at blacks or Jews is any different from prejudice directed at us. The merest puff of a whisper can turn anti-semitism to a fear of the yellow peril..

Have any of you noticed how the media are talking about the *invasion* from Japan, an economic *war* with Japan, *armies* of Japanese salesmen? Just watch.

To Be Concluded

History of 'torii' explains its use as gate for birds

By DON ESTES

San Diego

In the non-Asian mind nothing typifies the essence of the Japanese architectural form like the Torii. It is seen in travel posters, photos, paintings, and woodblock prints. However, like so many things that are easily seen, the origins are at best only dimly known.

Normally to most westerners, the Torii is nothing more than a simple, but tasteful

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gateway usually found in conjunction with a Shinto Shrine. The usual standard form consists of two upright and two horizontal beams. The material used is usually wood or in some cases stone.

Some quick questions regarding the origins of the Torii will rapidly show that the history of these ubiquitous gates are lost in the mists of history. For the most common explanation of the origins of the gates, one must turn to the Kanji used to write the word itself.

Using the characters we find that the word literally means a "perch for fowls." Tori = Fowl, and I from Iru = dwelling. In other words the Torii were roosts for the sacred birds who warned of the break of day. It is one of those curious parallels that Japanese cock has, since time immemorial, been the herald of the new day.

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The Torii's connection with the cock may go back to the legend of the Sun Goddess Amaterasu's dispute with her brother Susanoo. As a result of the dispute, the goddess hid in a cave and thus caused the world to be plunged into darkness.

As part of the attempt to lure Amaterasu out of the cave, Tokoyo Naganaki-Dori (Perpetual Daylight Long Singing Bird or rooster) was to perch in front of the cave and signal the start of a new day. The perch was, of course, the first Torii.

Closer investigation however shows that these gates are not unique to Japan. Similar gates are found in Korea where they mark the approaches to royal palaces. In China like architectural forms are called P'ai Lou. They are erected to record the virtues of individual men and women who are to serve as models for the whole community.

In northern India gates of a similar type are called Turan, and in central India they are called Tori. Some etymologists believe that our word "door" has its roots in the Indian language. In contrast to the Japanese Torii, the Indian Turan (and Tori) have three cross beams, while the Japanese gate has only two cross beams.

Many people believe that any building with a Torii is automatically a Shinto Shrine. While in general this is true, some care should be taken since the Japanese Buddhists did adopt this basically Shinto form. The Buddhists used these gateways to support tablets with Buddhist inscriptions.

Additionally, the Buddhist Torii will in most cases be highly ornamented while the Shinto Torii will retain bascally plain simple lines. In the process of adoption the Buddhists changed the simple straight lines by turning up the corners of the transverse beams.

Today there are at least 13 major types of Torii. They range from the basic Kuroki Torii, which is the simplest, to the Sanno Torii which is one of the most elaborate.

Finally, W. G. Aston, an Englishman, had one last hypothesis on the origin of the Torii. He believed the architectural form was introduced from the Asian mainland about AD 770. Aston holds that the newly introduced gate fits with an already existing native word Torii which meant "a lintel", and later acquired its sacred association.

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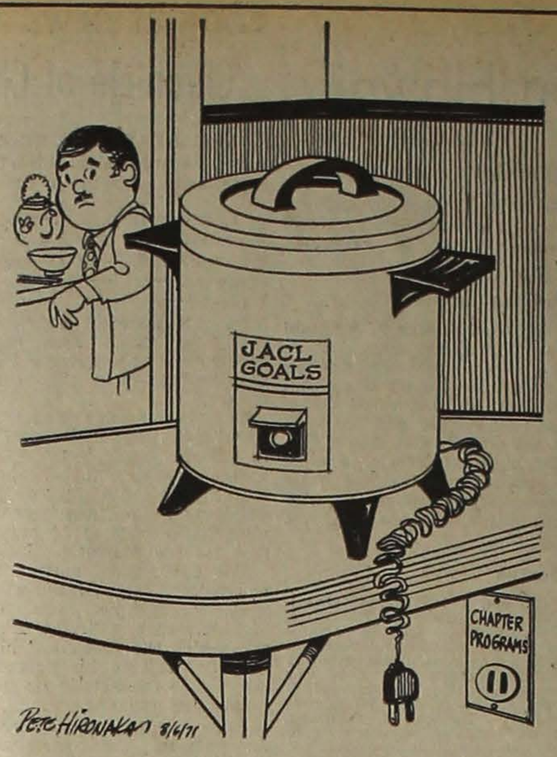

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LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

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Ambassador's Speeches

Editor:

I found the text of the addresses given by the Japanese ambassador to the United States (PC, July 9) of interest inasmuch as I had written to him to protest some of the unethical practices in Japanese industry, the effects of which are alienating a great many people here against Japanese products.

To make sure no one misunderstands, I'm not talking about trade war, product dumping, copying or stealing patents, high tariffs and that sort of thing. What I'm referring to is the damage to the ecology — something that is apparently ignored by big business in Japan. American bi business has been similarly accused but they are getting the word now—and fast.

I feel other Japanese Americans should protest — for whatever Japan does is cast up (however, right or wrong) as an image of the Nisei.

I protested the indiscriminate, wholesale slaughter of whales of Japanese companies. While the U.S. government has just forced the last whaling company in this country to shut down, Japan remains the only nation which refuses to sign an agreement to protect this endangered form of life. If the present rate of rape is kept up, these Japanese companies will be out of business and whales extinct within ten years. And for what: to provide cat food and fertilizer?

Another thing which has annoyed many people are the advertising by Japanese motorcycle companies showing their machines tearing up our environment. It has gotten so bad that one California Congressman has complained. And the Sierra Club and other friends of the earth are concerned over the fantastic proliferation of off-road vehicles in the past few years.

Japanese firms are doing everything possible to sell yet more snowmobiles, campers, jeeps, scramblers, minibikes, etc. Our rapidly vanishing wilderness and park areas are literally being torn apart and polluted by hordes of these contraptions.

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Word like 'Bannock'

Editor:

Please extend my gratitude to columnist Bill Hosokawa and reader Mary Henshall for catching my blunder in the use of the word "Bannock" in my column (PC, July 9).

When I wrote my column, trying to illustrate the problem we face in society with the use of hate words, I had no knowledge of the Bannocks, a tribe of Indians living in southeastern Idaho.

Whereas I could have been soundly criticized for my ignorance, Mr. Hosokawa and Mrs. Henshall corrected me with sympathy and sensitivity.

My error also points out the great need for all-encompassing ethnic awareness in this country. I wonder how many people, outside of the most northwestern states, know of the Bannock tribe? Or about American Indians in general? There must be many minorities Methnic, cultural, religious and political—which have been lost in the white shuffle. Americans would do well to "discover" and recognize them once again.

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EDITORIAL: Denver Post (July 25)

Elks Vote to Keep Racial Bias

For nearly 100 years, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks has excluded black people from membership, not for any deficiency in personal qualities, but solely because of the color of their skin.

At a convention in New Orleans last week, the Elks voted for the third consecutive year, not to revoke this ancient prejudice, but to reaffirm it. The Elk, with 1.5 million members, may now constitute the largest remaining bastian of racial discrimination in America.

The Elks may—or may not—have a legal or constitutional right to exclude people on the irrelevant basis of race alone. But people in and out of the organization who find such a policy distasteful have a right to react to it in appropriate ways.

Those who belong to the Elks can resign. Those who choose to remain can work more vigorously to change the policy, even though the prospects, after three consecutive defeats, are not very bright. To remain in the Elks without working for change is to condone the Elks policy.

Those who do not belong to the Elks have a right to look upon the organization as a force that is serving to preserve bigotry in American life. They can shun its facilities and its activities. They can object to the use by the Elks of public property and to the holding of government meetings at Elks facilities.

The Elks have done a tremendous amount of good work over the years; and it is tragic that they must continue to spoil their reputation with the unnecessary and unrealistic stain of bigotry.

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No one would question their right to choose members on the basis of relevant criteria, such as honesty, good sportsmanship and affability. But to imply that blacks are unworthy of membership, even if they meet such criterian, is to insult 20 million Americans who are not in much of a mood these days to accept insults.

The Elks policy can only mean trouble until it is changed. We count on the many men of good will who belong to the Elks to see to it that the change is not delayed very much longer.

25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, August 10, 1946

U.S. Immigration Service will accept Issei applications for "first papers" though barred from naturalization . . . Defense contention of statute of limitations applying to alien land escheat cases disputed by State of California . . . New test case (Yoshikazu Tsuchiyama) filed to prevent Calif. Fish and Game Commission from interfering with return of Issei to commercial fishing industry; Judge Willis, Los Angeles, issues temporary restraining order on state fish and game from discriminating against aliens of Japanese ancestry.

Truman signs private bill granting U.S. citizenship to Mrs. Edith de Becker Sebald, considered ineligible to citizenship because of her birth in Japan and Japanese mother . . . Nisei aeronautical designer James Nagamatsu heads Buffalo (N.Y.) aircraft plant . . . Statewide committee organized to combat Calif. Proposition 15, tightening alien land laws by referendum . . . U.S. delays hearings on Peru-Japanese deportation cases . 22,000 evacuees back in Los Angeles, JACL chapter reactivated . . U.S. marshals seek owners to return wartime contraband (radios, cameras, swords, binoculars, firearms, knives). . . San Francisco Council for Civic Unity show teamwork to aid evacuees . . . Seattle Nisei Veterans Committee compiling list of Nisei war casualties from state.

Los Angeles veterans group raps Rep. Engle's opposition to evacuee claim legislation . . Univ. of Hawaii swimmers, coached by Soichi Sakamoto, sweep men's AAU championships at San Diego . . . Sen. Robert Taft blocks Senate confirmation of Dillon Myer to U.S. Housing Authority chief.

Director's Report

BY MASAO W. SATOW

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COUNCIL FOR CIVIC UNITY—Japanese Americans returning to their homes in the Bay Area in early 1945 found a group of people awaiting to assist them in housing, employment and other basic adjustments. These welcomers had already done much during wartime in making our situation their special concern, especially in efforts to turn public sentiment in our favor.

In time, as returning evacuees achieved some semblance of normalcy, they reminded themselves that other minority Americans living in their midst have always been beset with discrimination in housing and employment. So our immediate situation sparked the formation of the San Francisco Council For Civic Unity, which continues in its efforts toward equal opportunities, especially in the housing area.

The annual meeting of this pioneer group in the field of human relations headlined State Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Wilson Riles, honoring him as CCU's Man of the Year. What bothered us was how few Nisei attended (Yori Wada, Ann Howden), how short our memories.

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NATIONAL STAFF CONFERENCE — On recommendation of the National Personnel Committee, the now nine full-time professional JACL staff had a full day get-together. This was the first staff meeting in recent years, now that we have an appreciable staff. We spent most of our time informally finding out more about each other's assignments, hangups and problems, sharing our concerns on various aspects of the National program in a free-wheeling manner, and to orient ourselves in relation to each other's responsibilities. We hope at future such meetings we can come up with specific recommendations to the National organization from the viewpoint of staff.

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NATIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION—We trust the National Planning Comhission meeting in San Francisco mid-August under the chairmanship of Tom Shimasaki, beside the primary consideration of program emphases, will take a hard look at the structure of the organization needed to fulfill such programs. This to include staffing, the kind of staff people, and their most effective deployment geographically in servicing the Chapters and members. Certainly, budgeting will come under consideration, hopefully with some guidelines as to priorities.

Pentagon Papers

By ROBERT M. TAKASUGI
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With release of the contents of the so-called "Pentagon Papers", we are presently witnessing the boldest counter-Establishment insurgency of recent history. The First Amendment guarantee of freedom of press defiantly risked a radical collision with that awesome opponent stoicly laboring under the title of

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"national security". Those who were victimized by War Relocation or those who had devoted their efforts to the attempted repeal of Title II of the Internal Security Act can at least sense that elusive, gigantic posture of National Security — clear, perhaps to some, as a concept; hazy in definition and sometimes tragic for the victims of its brawn. History has proven that a shouting plea for National Security has oftentimes resulted in an infringement of human freedom. It has been used as an argument of tyrants and a creed of slaves.

The issue of whether the "Papers" were within the realm of "top secret" became a justiciable issue which the United States Supreme Court dealt with in favor of Free Press. Former Justice and U.S. Representative to the United Nations, Arthur Goldberg, had stated that of the thousands of documents he had read or viewed, 75% should never had been classified, 15% should have been kept secret for a brief time. William G. Florence, a former security classification expert for the Defense Department, estimated that only one half of 1% should be classified. The decision by the Supreme Court at least establishes the almost maniacal penchant of officials for classifying government matters.

The course of the Southeast Asia conflict has caused a moral re-awakening on the part of many concerned individuals among whom Daniel Ellsberg presently stands most prominent. He has passed through the stages of "hawk", "dove" and now, according to many, a martyr.

With the public release of the Pentagon Report, the issues, most pointedly, become one of a right to know or a right to at least be told the truth of what the Government selects as the people's right to know versus National Security.

Even if a concession is made that certain matters should be classified, the labeling of such documentation must undergo a searching scrutiny by individuals of competence and a re-examination of same from time to time. As reported elsewhere, it is difficult to understand how some documents compiled during the Civil War should today merit classified status.

Finally, it is felt that elected officials owe an obligation to be truthful to the citizenry once the official elects to address himself on a particular issue. Silence or non-expression on the basis of "top secret" is one thing. Expressing the untruth of such issues is an entirely different proposition altogether.

So far, the "papers" reveal that politics appear to be the conduct of public affairs for private advantage. Our right to know cannot and must not be deftly parried by an empty utterance of National Security.

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A Victory for Basconcillo

Several editions ago, this writer reported on the tenuous status of Lindy Basconcillo in his quest for tenureship with the Temple City (Calif.) School District. It was then reported that because Basconcillo had inadvertently offended his senior teacher who was also his department head and had sustained an injury resulting in 41% physical disability, Dr. John Rand, the superintendent of the district, recommended termination, thereby denying tenureship for Basconcillo.

Pursuant to law, Basconcillo requested a hearing. Pending the decision, Dr. Rand indicated that regardless of the hearing officer's decision, Basconcillo would be hired "over his dead body". Procedurally, the hearing officer is required to submit his proposed decision to the Board of Education and the Superintendent is likewise required to submit his recommendation to the Board. Then the Board conducts a hearing to ultimately determine the issue of reemployment. According to a faculty member of some 15 years, no teacher had ever been rehired by the Board over the Superintendent's recomendation to the contrary regardless of the decision of the hearing officer.

Pending the decision of the hearing officer, a publicity campaign and a lawsuit were being readied. Constant pressure was imposed upon both Dr. Rand, the other school administrators as well as the Board. The hearing officer's decision was rendered in favor of Basconcillo to the extent that incompetence was not proven. Realizing Dr. Rand's prior comments about his regard for the hearing officer's decision, the practice of the Board to automatically follow the recommendations of the Superintendent, extensive preparations were undertaken for the Board of Education hearing scheduled two days after the release of the hearing officer's decision. The board hearing came on as regularly scheduled. By unanimous vote, the hearing officer's decision was adopted in favor of Basconcillo. To compensate for the indignation Basconcillo was subjected to, the Board offered him a special project for the summer with additional monetary remuneration.

A job was saved. However, as usual, the Board had to search and find a scapegoat who had the audacity of suggesting the Basconcillo dismissal. The Superintendent? . . . No, because he was too high on the totem pole. Eventually they settled and focused on the senior teacher and demoted her. As expected, the many who had severely criticized Basconcillo's competence were the first in line in the back-slapping parade once the Board's decision was announced.

From an unimpeachable source, it was reported to this writer that the Temple City School District has succumbed to the pressures of threatened litigation and public disclosure of what did transpire in their "back room". To preserve their image, a concession was made. In summary, the incident goes something like this . . . for Lindy, a job secured . . . for the School District, a not too gentle shove closer toward the truth.