



By RAYMOND S. UNO National JACL President

Recently Grayce Ueyehara was elected governor of EDC, I believe their first female governor. Now PSWDC has elected Helen Kawagoe as governor. These two women are the new vanguard of the aggressive, highly motivated, capable women who are coming to the forefront of JACL. We are indeed fortunate that we have women endowed with an abundance of ability which they are willing to share with our organization. I suspect we must expect the inevitable; that is, a female elected as a national officer and, finally, a female elected as president of JACL.

PC "Eyeballing"

It was thinking that Lily Okura, past MPDC governor, may try for an elected position to be the first husband and wife team to be in executive positions in JACL. Perhaps, somewhere along the line, we will have a woman as a V.P. in the very near future, and very possibly this coming convention in Washington, D.C.

With the establishment group, the liberal group, the youth and now women's lib, we should really have a free for all at our national council and national board meetings.

1000 CLUB TOUR

After reading Frank Sakamoto and Mas Satow's report about the 1000 Club Japan Tour, I now wished I could have joined in on some of the fun and frolic the Japanese escapade appeared to provide with gusto.

Reading about Tokyo, Hakone, Atami, Imperial Palace, Meiji Shrines, Kamakura and the great Buddha, Nagoya, Kyoto, Beppu and the Takarazuka Dancers brought back nostalgic memories of the Japan I remember when I went over as a green-behind-the-ear high school graduate fresh out of MIS.

I had heard about the CIC boys who had it made in the outlying districts and scoffed at what I thought were their exaggerated stories of living like a king.

After serving my time at ATIS (Allied Translator and Interpreter Service), I was transferred to Kudan (former Kempetai—Military Police—headquarters), the 41st Counter Intelligence Corps Headquarters, across the Imperial Palace, and served my apprenticeship as a CQ (charge of quarters), courier, etc. Finally I was shipped out to the district, Urawa, Saitama-ken from thence to Utsumiya, Tochigi-ken and Maebashi, Gunma-ken and found that the stories were true and there were houseboys, maids, cooks, chauffeurs, barboys, interpreters and so forth.

About twice a week, in the line of duty, it was necessary to entertain officials with geisha girls, entertainers from Tokyo and all the trimmings. Not being a heavy drinker, usually a half a glass of anything is my limit, the Geisha girls about killed me by continually filling my cup and saying "kompai" or bottoms up.

As I got to know all of the Geishas, and they found out I was just a "punk" kid, they became very protective of me and let me nurse one drink for most of the night. And as Frank Sakamoto was talking about the booze, I recall I used to volunteer for the courier run and I would take a weapons carrier to Tokyo and fill it up with booze and bring it back to be distributed to our outfit consisting of about 12 men.

I got to know Tokyo like the back of my hand. There used to say Tokyo had more bars than any other city in the world. I could very well believe that. It was like a cabaret city then; I can imagine what the 1000 Clubbers must have experienced now—over 20 years later!

In spite of all the Geisha girls, cabarets, entertainers, and so forth the thing I liked most about Japan was its common, ordinary people, its beautiful children, and its incomparable scenic places some of which Frank mentioned in his article. Words such as subarashi, suteki, utsukushi, Nippon ichi certainly made one weak and keenly sensitive to the real beauty of Japan and its people.

I don't know whether it is old age that causes one to reminisce about the bygone days, but the memories of Japan creep back when I read stories like the 1000 Club tour. Hopefully, all JACLers will be able to make the trip one day and enjoy what other JACLers were able to enjoy. Knowing Tad Hirota, the 1000 Club chairman, as I do, I know he was very instrumental in making the tour and Whing Ding a success.

PRIORITIES

President Elect Hank Tanaka's stimulating article on the President-Elect's Role surfaces the frustrations he must have been undergoing for the last 16 months. I think his points are well taken and will be discussed at the Executive Committee meeting. I agree

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Hirotaka of Berkeley, national 1000 Club chairman, accepts as National JACL Director Mas Satow looks on and Governor Ronald Reagan applauds. —Photo Courtesy: Japan Times

White House confab on aging includes Asian American group

(Special to The Pacific Citizen) WASHINGTON — A Special Concerns Session to explore the needs of Asian American elderly has been scheduled as part of the White House Conference on Aging to be held in Washington, D.C. the week of Nov. 28-Dec. 2, according to the Washington JACL Office.

More than 35 delegates are expected to attend the Asian American Special Concerns Session, to define the unique problems that Asian American elderly face and to make policy recommendations that would correct these special problems.

Included are delegates who are representing Filipino, Japanese, Chinese, Korean, and Samoan communities. The delegates were named by their respective governors or directly by the White House.

Four Areas Noted

Some issues that the Asian American group are expected to focus upon are: 1—Necessity of culturally sensitive programs designed for the Asian American elderly. 2—Need for bilingual information and service delivery systems. 3—Need for health services relevant to Asian American needs. 4—Need for Federal grants specifically allocated to meet the unique cultural needs of small enclaves of ethnic minority aged.

Coordinator

The Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League was designated as coordinator of the Special Concerns Session for Asian American elderly and David Ushio, JACL Assistant Washington Representative, has been named as Chairman of the Asian American Special Concerns Session.

Ushio noted that, "the original plan for the White House Conference on Aging did not include a Special Concerns Session for Asian American elderly even though most other ethnic groups had automatically been given a slot

Organ transplant study initiated

LOS ANGELES — An international effort is now being made to identify new white cell antigen groups, the ones which participate in acceptance or rejection of organ transplants, according to Paul I. Terasaki, Ph. D., of the UCLA Dept. of Surgery.

One part of the project requires the testing of a Japanese population of 200 against a panel of anti-sera which can detect these new antigen groups. The study is being limited to Japanese "for anthropological reasons," the recent Nisei of the Biennium explained.

JACL chapters in the area have been urged to assist in the project, Associate National Director Jeffrey Matsui added. Purpose of the tests and taking of samples from those wishing to participate (donors would be compensated \$2) could be arranged at chapter meetings.

Other community groups interested in assisting may call Joyce Yuge, at the UCLA School of Medicine (825-7651).

Foreign Study League

SALT LAKE CITY — Area counselors for the Foreign Study League summer study program abroad (including Japan) are now being appointed. Majority of the courses are accredited for high school work. Details may be obtained by writing the Foreign Study League, Box 1920, Salt Lake City, Utah 84110. (The Los Angeles area counselor is Sister Catherine Louise, St. Mary's Academy, Inglewood; tel. 878-6238.)

on the convention format for a special session to discern their needs. "When JACL learned of the situation, we contacted the Conference officials, explained the needs that Asian Americans faced, and requested that an Asian American session be included. The Conference officials event though many of the Conference schedules had been printed, decided that such a request was valid, and asked JACL to organize it."

General Conference The Asian American delegates will join more than 3,400 delegates from the entire nation in the various general sessions as well as in special meetings which will include an open forum where any delegate may address the assembled gathering, speeches by Senators and Congressmen who head the Congressional committees on aging, and possibly an address by President Nixon.

An informal dinner to which all the Asian American delegates will be invited as special guests has been tentatively planned and will be hosted by the Washington, D.C. JACL Chapter in connection with National JACL. Others invited will be prominent Asian American government officials including the Hawaiian delegation to the United States Senate and House of Representatives.

Delegates

The Asian American delegates scheduled to attend the White House Conference on Aging are: ARIZONA—Susan Taoka. CALIFORNIA—Yung-Ping Chen, John Y. Maeno, Robert H. Takeuchi, Tsutomu Uchida, Steven Doh Thomas, Heich, Dr. Megumi Y. Shinoda, Mike Suzuki, Sam Yuen, Jim Miyano, Rev. Howard N. Toriumi, Dr. Kazuo Togasaki, Joseph Y. Geaga, Rev. Peter Kwon, Loy F. Teo.

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MAYOR MINETA WON'T SPEAK IN ELKS CLUB

SAN JOSE — Mercury News writer Leigh Weimers tells in his Nov. 15 column that Mayor Norm Mineta gave the Inter-City Council a polite but firm "no" on a speaking engagement at the Gilroy Elks Club.

So the Council shifted its session to the Busy Bee, "where Hizzoner could speak with honor, and everybody was happy. Except, perhaps, an occasional antlered albino."

MIS REUNION 350 ATTEND SAN FRANCISCO EVENT, NAT'L NISEI VETS GROUP PROPOSED

SAN FRANCISCO — Formation of a veterans group embracing Nisei throughout the United States who served in the armed forces during World War II instead of a separate organization for military intelligence personnel was advocated last week (Nov. 13) by Mike Masaoka.

Some 350 delegates and guests were present at the 30th anniversary Military Intelligence Service (MIS) reunion banquet in the Imperial Room of the Miyako Hotel to hear the keynote speech by the JACL's revered Washington, D.C. representative.

It was pointed out at a reunion business meeting earlier in the day that formation of a nationwide MIS organization seemed premature at this time. Sharing this view were representatives of the Northern California, Southern California, Hawaii and Minnesota MIS groups.

In his speech that night, Masaoka indicated both the MIS and the 442nd had a common purpose 30 years ago as they volunteered and fought to gain "for ourselves, our children and for our children's children... the opportunities we enjoy today."

New Challenge Today

He went on to say, "We face a new challenge today" referring to the tension which now exists in trade matters between the U.S. and Japan.

As head of Masaoka and Associates, he has been involved for many years in international trade. He noted that Americans still know little about Japan—that, in fact, the average Japanese knows more about the U.S. than Americans know about Japan.

Masaoka said Americans hear much about textiles and the adverse balance of trade with the Far East, especially Japan, but seldom about Canada and West Germany, which also enjoy favorable trade balances.

Situation May Worsen

He warned that the current situation could worsen, now that Communist China is winning more and more recognition from the nations of the world. "We of Japanese ancestry have a special obligation to these United States. That obligation is to do our very utmost to demonstrate our understanding and to move forward so that the governments and people of both lands may work together in partnership.

"If we do not, the future

PRES. NIXON CITES JAPANESE IN U.S. AT WHING DING

U.S. Ambassador Presents Message to 1000 Club Chairman

BERKELEY — A Berkeley civic leader has received a Presidential citation honoring Japanese Americans.

Tad Hirota, co-chairman of the Berkeley-Sakai sister city affiliation group here and national chairman of the JACL Thousand Club, received the citation in Tokyo from U.S. Ambassador to Japan Armin M. Meyer.

The award, presented last month (Oct. 22) in Tokyo at a banquet attended by California Governor Ronald Reagan, was the high point in a JACL-sister city visit to Japan.

More than 700 JACL members attended the Tokyo whing ding.

Nixon's Tribute

The citation, signed Oct. 22 in the White House by President Richard Nixon, reads: "The immigrants from Japan who settled in this country raised civic-minded, law-abiding families, and became doers and leaders in our communities. They have enriched our way of life more than any of us can ever say.

"Their industry and integrity, their desire to further their education, and develop their talents; their celebrated bravery aptly reflected in the feats of the 442nd Infantry Regimental Combat Team which served so gloriously in the Second World War, their continuing contributions to science and the arts — for all these, and many more reasons, Americans of all races, creeds and walks of life join in saluting our fellow citizens of Japanese descent."

Earlier, Hirota and other JACL and Berkeley-Sakai sister city committee members paid an official visit to Berkeley's Japanese sister city, Sakai, a 600,000 population industrial city near Osaka.

The Berkeley-Sakai travelers returned Nov. 8 from their three-week visit to Japan.

Travelers from Berkeley included, besides Hirota: The Goro Endo, Ted Obatas, Richard Sekiguchi and Sanji Sekiguchi, Tokuyasu Kakos, Jack Hargers, Julian Adams, Robert Kinaires and Christy Emersons.

BERKELEY — The Berkeley Daily Gazette in its Nov. 12 edition saluted Tad Hirota and the JACL for their contributions to the greater Berkeley community.

Taking note of the Presidential citation received by Hirota and the JACL last month in Tokyo, the newspaper wrote:

"The Gazette is gratified at this time to take note of at least two of the positive forces here — Tad Hirota and the JACL."

"However tardily, this newspaper commends JACL efforts here and nationwide, and particularly congratulates Tad Hirota, who received the Presidential citation in the name of the JACL Thousand Club."

"As a long-time positive activist in Berkeley, Hirota is a credit to this city, his race and his country."

In Berkeley, Hirota is co-chairman of the Berkeley-Sakai Sister City program and a long-time member of the Lions Club and Concerned Berkeley Citizens.

NC-WND re-elects Gov. Sugiyama

SAN MATEO — Shigeki Sugiyama of Alameda JACL was re-elected district governor of the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council at its final quarterly session of the year Nov. 14 at the Burlingame Airport Marina Hotel.

The district approved a change of meeting format for the first quarterly next year, when the Bay Area Community JACL hosts the Feb. 6 session at Mills College, beginning with business at 10 a.m., optional box lunch, and a three-hour symposium on U.S.-Japan relations to be handled by the National JACL International affairs committee.

The symposium will cover economic, political and military factors and effects on Japanese Americans. Speakers will be announced.

Registration fee at the Feb. 6 session for delegates will be \$1, and none for boosters, students and youth. The optional bento luncheon will be about \$1.50.

Adjournment is scheduled for 4 p.m., whereas in the past it came after the dinner.

JACL submits drafts for cabinet committee for AA

(Special to The Pacific Citizen) WASHINGTON — A proposal outlining the problems and inequities faced by Americans of Asian ancestry and advocating the creation of a Cabinet Committee for Asian American Affairs was submitted this week to the White House and to Congress by the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League.

Both the members of Congress and the White House had expressed preliminary interest in the idea of the creation of a Cabinet Committee for Asian American Affairs and had requested that JACL prepare a proposal and recommendations. The proposal was presented to both branches of government.

Included in the proposal package were a legislative draft prepared by the Washington Office containing provisions JACL felt would be necessary for a Cabinet Committee for Asian American Affairs to be meaningful and effective, position papers prepared by other Asian American ethnic group leaders supporting the idea of an Asian American Cabinet Committee, and the justification from an issues standpoint supporting the need of a Cabinet Committee for Asian American Affairs.

100-Page Document

The document, containing more than 100 pages of material, centered around the inequities that face all segments of Asian Americans ranging from the problems of their elderly, youth and education, to employment discrimination at high-levels in the Federal service to the lack of research conducted on the needs of Asian American communities.

The JACL legislative draft included such far-reaching provisions as authority to issue cease and desist orders to those practicing discriminatory action against Asian Americans, subpoena powers, regional offices, authority to conduct intensive surveys to determine Asian American community needs, a high level staff, an adequate appropriation, and the authority to investigate and act on charges of discriminatory actions on the part of the various Federal departments and agencies.

Such provisions could be implemented through an act of Congress or by an Executive Order by the President. JACL felt that the effectiveness of a Cabinet Committee would be determined by the mandate given to the Committee and so the Washington Office provided this legislative draft which if implemented by the Congress or by the Executive branch would make the Cabinet Committee meaningful.

Message to White House

In a cover letter addressed to President Nixon, JACL Washington Representatives Mike Masaoka and David Ushio urged that the White House establish by Executive Order a Cabinet Committee for Asian American Affairs.

The letter to the President recalled that as a native Californian he had once been honored by JACL for his leadership in assuring the elimination of race, religion, and color discrimination in employment involving Federal contracts when he was the Vice President.

The letter noted that while the President as a Californian may understand that each of the Asian American ethnic groups (Japanese, Chinese, Filipino, Korean, Polynesian) differ from each other in language, culture, etc., most people view them as simply "Orientals" and believe they have no problems.

The letter continued, "It is a sad commentary

that so few Americans know Asian Americans. And too many who do think of them as unlike the more publicized minorities that are so much more obviously do not suffer the kinds of discrimination, disabilities, and disadvantages usually associated with the Blacks, the Chicanos, and the American Indians.

Many Unaware

"The truth of the matter is that Asian Americans are subject to the same racism, repression, and social injustices that are so much more obvious with most other minorities. Because they have—in the main—refrained from public complaint, or resort to violence or protest demonstrations, most Americans do not know that their fellow citizens of Asian origin are also victims of economic, educational, social, cultural, and political inequities.

"And because we fear for the consequences if these troublesome problems are left unresolved, we are respectfully petitioning you as President of all the people to take the necessary action to assure that these Asian Americans will be accorded all of the benefits and opportunities available to other minority Americans."

A similar document was sent Rep. Glenn Anderson (D-Calif.) who earlier this year had introduced legislation creating a Cabinet Committee for Asian Americans similar to the one created for the Spanish-speaking people. Subsequently, Anderson's office requested that JACL review and modify the initial legislation to meet the specific needs and objectives of Asian Americans.

Need Recognized

The JACL letter to Anderson recognized his efforts to initiate legislation. "As a member of Congress who represents a large constituency of Asian Americans, you also have seen the necessity of such a committee and have acted positively through your legislative proposal that you submitted some time ago providing for such a Cabinet Committee."

After outlining the difficulties that are plaguing Asian American communities, the letter continued, "Because JACL recognizes that the problems are accelerating at a pace far greater than Asian American communities can cope with, we have attempted to bring together the major Asian American groups to join in a common effort to seek the establishment of such a committee."

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New York law barring resident aliens in public jobs ruled unconstitutional

NEW YORK — A state law which bars aliens from Civil Service jobs was called unconstitutional Nov. 9 by a three-judge panel here, who cited a recent Supreme Court decision which invalidated restrictive state laws regarding welfare grants.

The court declared that the New York state law making U.S. citizenship a requirement for competitive Civil Service positions violated the rights of resident aliens to "the equal protection of the laws" under the 14th amendment, and added that it also conflicted with the constitutional rights of aliens to live in any state "on an equality of legal privileges with all citizens."

The case challenging Section 53 of the New York Civil Service Law was brought by Mobilization for Youth Legal Services on behalf of Patrick Dougal, Esperanza Jorge, Teresa Vargas and Sylvia Castro, permanent resident aliens who lost their jobs when private organizations for which they worked merged with the city's Human Resources Administration last year.

Permanent Injunction

Circuit Judge J. Edward Lumbard and District Judge Edward C. McLean concurred with District Judge Charles H. Tenney who wrote the 11-page decision which granted a permanent injunction against the enforcement of the law as unconstitutional.

Judge Tenney's decision rejected the argument of lawyers for the city and state that a government was entitled to conduct its affairs through individuals "with undivided loyalty," pointing out that "an alien's constitutional right to equal protection could not be made to depend upon the concept that government benefits were a privilege not a right."

Also noted was the U.S. Supreme Court ruling against state laws that limited welfare aid to U.S. citizens or aliens living in this country for a certain number of years. He also noted that "resident aliens are subject to the same obligations as citizens, such as taxes and military service."

L.A. area Mexicans protest illegal alien law

LOS ANGELES — The new state law making it a misdemeanor for an employer to knowingly hire an illegal alien is unconstitutional and has cost hundreds their jobs in the Los Angeles area since Gov. Reagan signed it Nov. 8, representatives of the Mexican-American community told a press conference last week (Nov. 16).

Bert Corona, organizer for La Raza Unida, said the state law is unconstitutional because the federal government has preempted control of immigration.

Mrs. Rose Chernin, director of the Los Angeles Committee for the Defense of the Bill of Rights, said her organization planned to file suit for an injunction to prohibit operation of the statute.

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JACL sponsors SLIC Issei Center

SALT LAKE CITY — Since the last meeting in September, the Salt Lake Issei Center has seen many organizational changes. It is now under joint sponsorship of the Mt. Olympus and Salt Lake JACL chapters.

Its Saneji director Douglas Matsumori has resigned because of heavy commitment at school. George and Harriet Kimura of Kimura Studios accepted the joint directorship with the understanding that they will accept no monetary compensation. The directorship was a paid position.

The Salt Lake JACL Auxiliary prepared and served last Saturday a turkey dinner, with Betty Namura as program chairman.

1971 HOLIDAY ISSUE BOXSCORE

(This Boxscore serves as acknowledgment of advertising or reserved space in the 1971 Holiday Issue. One-liners of name and address greeting to be placed under bulk-rate are not tallied separately in the Boxscore.)

Display Ads 1970 Total: 4,756 Nov. 19 Total: 3,218

Table with 2 columns: City and Ad Count. Includes Alameda, Chicago, Cleveland, Detroit, etc.

One Liners 1970 Total: 559 names Nov. 19 Total: 75

(There were 24 chapters last year which preferred to make their own chapter on the basis of manhours spent. Details have been submitted to the chapters. Let us know your wishes as soon as possible.)



CHRISTMAS CHEER—Pictures are not supposed to lie! Christmas Cheer chairman Mas Uyesugi of Orange County (left) is twisting Mas Hironaka's arm while past cheer chairman Mrs. Jane Shimizu of Los Angeles pleads to give—no till it hurts but until it really feels great—to the 1972 Cheer. Recipients are needy Japanese families and Issei in homes for the aged in the Los Angeles area. Because many were not remembered last year due to limited funds, wider support from all JACLers is being encouraged.



Capital Scene David Ushio

### Cabinet Committee for Asian American Affairs

In the United States today, though unknown to most, a significant number of Americans who are of Asian ancestry are suffering unprecedented crises in their various communities. Problems of crippling severity, which have been hidden from view within Asian American groups for many years, are now flaring up with devastating results. Without exception, all American minorities of Far East origin are victims of injustices, inequities, and inequalities in one form or another. Indeed, it would not be an exaggeration to report that the problems of other ethnic and racial minorities in this country are reflected in a greater or lesser degree in Asian American population centers.

Ever since Asian Americans were first brought to our shores more than a century ago to help conquer the then wilderness West, most Americans have tended to ignore them, considering them—if at all—as "mostly a Pacific Coast problem."

Accordingly, even though, first the Chinese, then the Japanese, and more recently the Filipinos, Koreans, and other immigrants from East Asia, they experienced probably more travail than most European immigrants because of their Asian origin and identification. Relatively little attention has been paid to these recent newcomers on a national scale. As a matter of fact, even on the West Coast of late they have been more ignored than noticed, particularly insofar as their economic, educational, social, and political needs are concerned.

Altogether, all those of Asian ancestry in the United States number less than a million and a half, less than one percent of the population at this time. And perhaps some 80 percent of these reside in just two states, Hawaii and California. Moreover, since those of Asian origin are a small minority even in California's population while those in Hawaii constitute a substantial portion of that state's people, the problems of these two key areas are quite different in several respects.

Nevertheless, the very minuteness of the Asian American population has prevented the segregation of official and other data to demonstrate their plight and their problems as has been done for most other ethnic and racial minorities in the United States.

As it is, due to their cultural background and their desire to be accepted into the mainstream of American life in spite of the prejudices and discriminations that have been directed against them since their arrival, the immigrant Asian and their citizen children have deliberately refrained in the past from complaining of their troubles and from actively demanding all of the benefits and grants provided by their government, from the local to the state and the federal levels.

Thus it is that today, when the Japanese, the Chinese, the Filipinos, the Koreans, the Polynesians, the Samoans, and others with East Asian antecedents are struggling against accelerating problems that they, as individuals and as groups, are unable to cope with, city, state, and national officials charged with the responsibility for aiding the disadvantaged, the denied, and the disillusioned among our American minorities tend to overlook the tragedies that are overtaking these Asian American peoples.

Added to their fewness in numbers in this country and their historical treatment as a "West Coast problem", in the past two decades a myth has been created or developed that Asian Americans in general "have it made", that they do not experience the problems that plague other minorities, that they have "pulled themselves up by their own bootstraps", that other minorities, if they only would, could likewise succeed in this country in spite of the odds against them, etc.

Federal help is needed for Asian Americans more than for any other similar groupings of minorities because of the traditional view of too many westerners that Asian Americans can, and do, take care of their own and have no social, economic, educational, political, and other problems that are the accepted lot of other ethnic and racial communities. Nationally too, the myth of the "ideal minority" is so acclaimed that what amounts to almost deliberate overlooking of Asian American problems is compounded.

The relatively pervasive mood that currently marks the inquiry and disillusionment of many disadvantaged minorities reveals that the actual and tragic realities are that those of East Asian ancestry in this nation now suffer, as groups in their respective population centers and as individuals elsewhere, the problems that trouble other ethnic and nationality societies today, such as drug abuse, juvenile delinquency, inadequate and inappropriate education, cultural deprivation, unemployment and underemployment, substandard marginal housing, adequate welfare benefits, constructive social guidance, meaningful aid and facilities for the aged and for the poverty-stricken, etc.

In a real sense, it is now clear that Asian Americans experience about the same ills and troubles that afflict the more numerous and better publicized minorities in this country.

Because for too long they have been the stereotype of the uncomplaining and undemanding American of Asian extraction who has managed somehow to "stay out of trouble and to take care of their own", there is an urgency and an explosiveness about these common problems that is simply not known, or acknowledged, by most of their fellow citizens, whether in the West, the Midwest, East, or South. Accordingly, as other minorities progress toward the betterment of their situations, the benign neglect assigned Asian Americans by the public at large causes them to fall farther and farther back.

Now, as more and more facts are learned to demonstrate that Japanese Americans, along with other Asian American nationalities, are suffering the tragedies that have plagued and continue to plague the Blacks, the Chicanos, and other disadvantaged American groups, JAACL has come to the realization that only a Cabinet Committee for Asian American Affairs, appointed and directed by the President himself, can begin to resolve the many and great problems that beset those of Far East origin in this country in these tension-filled times.

Only a Cabinet Committee can supply the requisite leadership and implementation to focus on and to resolve the need to equalize the opportunities for Asian Americans that are now provided other troubled ethnic and racial minorities, as well as for the so-called majority peoples.

### Asian social work task force holds 1st nat'l meeting

SAN DIEGO — Social work educators, workers and students comprising the Asian American Task Force held its first national meeting Nov. 18-19 here to concentrate on identifying critical Asian issues and concerns in the area of social work education and direct practice.

Some of the needs involved more intensive recruitment of Asian faculty and students for social work schools and initiating changes in curriculum and field work training with the Asian community.

The task force was initially developed earlier this year during the Community Social Work Education (CSWE) conference in Seattle after the Asian American Social Workers, headed by Ford H. Kuramoto of Los Angeles, cited its need.

Jim Miyano, of Special Service for Groups, Inc., Los Angeles, is chairman of the 21-man task force. The weekend session here was funded by the social work training branch of NWEH and administered by CSWE. The CSWE is the national organization which accredits graduate schools of social work and sets up national guidelines in the field of social work education.

### Citizenship rule favors Filipino

SAN FRANCISCO — An order that could make a quarter of a million Filipinos eligible for naturalization as U.S. citizens was signed last week (Nov. 16) in San Francisco by U.S. Dist. Judge Lloyd H. Burke.

The order was signed in the case of Marciano Haw Hibbi, 54, who became eligible for citizenship by serving in the armed forces under Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

Hibbi's court proceeding was begun when the government tried to deport him because his visa had expired. He was denied citizenship because he had not been naturalized while still in the service.

A special section during the war permitted aliens in the armed forces to become American citizens without coming to the United States. It is estimated that 250,000 Filipinos could gain citizenship on similar grounds.

### Cabinet

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ment of a meaningful Cabinet Committee for Asian American Affairs.

"Sensitive community leaders from each Asian American group have agreed to prepare a memorandum outlining the basic problems and crucial needs that threaten to destroy segments of their communities. In addition, the Washington JAACL Office agreed to draft a bill which, if enacted by Congress, would create what we believe to be an effective and meaningful Cabinet Committee for Asian American Affairs. This draft legislation represents your suggestion that Asian Americans review and modify the bill which you introduced earlier this year to meet more specific needs and objectives."

### White House

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HAWAII—Norman Akita, Mrs. Elen Y. H. Fong, Benji Goto, William Naganuma, Christian S. Nakama, David Lee Pong, George Sugi, Philip C. G. Fong, Dianne Yasui, Robert Yokoyama.  
MASSACHUSETTS—Brad Yonokuni  
NEW YORK—Lucille Nakamura, OHIO—Henry Tanaka, WASHINGTON—Robert Santos, WASHINGTON, D.C.—Mike M. Saoka, David E. Ushio, Dr. William Chin-Lee.

### School bus driver

BERKELEY — School bus drivers (\$577-701) are being sought by the Berkeley Unified School District, 1414 Walnut St., to establish an eligibility list on a continuous examination basis. At least one year experience is required, plus high school diploma and Class II driver's license, first aid card and a school bus certificate.

### Big game hunter

LOS ANGELES — Watson Y. Yoshimoto of Honolulu was one of eight internationally known sportsmen nominated for the 1971 Weatherby Big Game Trophy to be presented Dec. 2 at the Century Plaza Hotel. The award is named for Roy Weatherby, big game hunter and producer of the Weatherby rifle. (Yoshimoto, president of the Oahu Construction Co., has been hunting game for the past 25 years.)

### NEWS CAPSULES

#### Education

Univ. of Washington's Japanese Student Club, Inc., conferred \$450 scholarships to Robert Izuhi (Franklin High), Eileen Takeuchi (Ingram High), Peter Tsai (Franklin High), Gary Takahashi (Rainier Beach High), Kenneth Shibata, Murray Uomoto; Janice Ikeda (Stadium High, Tacoma); Marjorie Nozaki (Rogers High, Spokane); Gordon Asai (Puysallup High); and Steve Ozawa (from Alamosa, Colo.). The awards are made annually to Japanese American students based on need, scholarship and potential. Funds come from proceeds of the sale of the former Japanese Student residence to the University.

The Asian American Students Assn. at Yale, in conjunction with the Yale Admissions Office, conducted recruitment drives in Seattle, Los Angeles, San Francisco, New York, Boston, Chicago and Honolulu during the Thanksgiving break this week. AASA members called on high schools where a significant number of Asian American enrollment exists.

#### Redevelopment

A team of three San Francisco architects, Dave Asano, Wayne Osaki and Yoshi Tajima, were appointed to design the proposed Japanese Community and Cultural Center of Northern California to be located on Sutter St. between Webster and Buchanan Sts. The board hopes to have preliminary sketches available by the end of November, showing at the next JCCC board meeting. Should it be necessary, additional architects may be appointed.

#### Travel

Pan Am Japanese sales development manager Albert S. Kosakura of Berkeley has retired from his western regional post but continues his 20-year association with the firm as adviser-consultant. He reached the company's mandatory retirement age of 65 last spring, but stayed on until Pan Am's Japanese department was reorganized. An Army civilian employee in Osaka after WW2 and with Japan Travel Bureau there for 2½ years, he joined Pan Am in 1951.

#### Radio-TV

Mrs. Miyo Koyamatsu, Gardena Community Adult School teacher, hosts a 20-part series on "Citizenship" airing on KNBC from Nov. 22, 6:25 a.m., being produced in co-

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#### Flower-Garden

One time Berkeley gardener, Wes Sakamoto is the landscape architect for the Hayward Area Recreation District. Most recently, he completed designing the new Woodmead Park on Santa Clara St. in Hayward. The Hayward parks have earned a gold medal for design excellence.

#### Courtroom

The prosecution concluded its case last week (Nov. 16) against John Linley Frazier, accused suspect in the Oct. 19, 1970, slaying of Santa Cruz eye surgeon Dr. Victor Ohta, his wife, two sons and his office secretary. Santa Cruz District Attorney Peter Chang summoned 66 witnesses. Public defender James Jackson was expected to call about a dozen witnesses. Monterey municipal court denied bail sought by Sgt.

#### Girl page, appointed by Sen. Inouye, chins with reporter after 10 weeks

WASHINGTON — What lurks in the clubby confines of the Senate Democratic cloakroom that a 15-year-old girl should not hear or see? Cute little Mari Iwashita, who is 15, of Cheverly, Md., would like to find out. She can't. The rules forbid girl pages from entering the cloakroom where Democratic senators gather off the floor. "Well, I think it's ridiculous," Mari said, taking a stand as one of the few girl pages in the Senate.

#### Her Assumptions

She confided, "I think it's so I wouldn't hear their language or maybe because they take off their jackets."

"The pages use the same language as the senators. It's just the way men talk, you know."

#### Charges Denied

Mari said she thought Sen. Warren G. Magnuson, (D-Wash.) was responsible for the ban.

Word quickly filtered to Magnuson, who called an impromptu news conference to vehemently deny he was the culprit. "I'm not for a rule to bar women anywhere in the Senate except one cubby hole (the senator's private rest room)," Magnuson said.

"Why, I led the movement in the policy committee to hire them," he said in recalling the long agonizing debate the Senate had before it finally broke tradition and allowed girls (as long as they wore pants and not skirts) as pages.

Magnuson assured reporters he would see the rule was changed—quickly.

#### Ten Weeks on Job

What of Mari's future after 10 weeks on the job? "The sergeant-at-arms told me not to say anything or he'd go to my senator and I might get fired."

A boy colleague was equally miffed but more cautious. "Don't use my name please but I don't think it's very fair and if I were a girl, I wouldn't like it."

As for the Republicans, Mari said she can get into their cloakroom and feels they use the same language as the Democrats.

Emanuel Bradford, 43, of Fort Ord, charged with murder of his Japanese wife, Midori, 38, during a family argument Nov. 11. He turned himself into military police.

#### Music

Onetime music director of the Long Beach (Calif.) Symphony and conductor of the Westside Symphony in Los Angeles, Akira Endo, 32, of Japan was named principal conductor of the American Ballet Theater of New York. The accomplished violinist also won the Dmitri Mitropoulos Competition for Young Conductors in 1969.

#### Crime

In two separate incidents, two San Francisco Chinese youth were felled earlier this month gangland style. Kenneth Chan, 15, was shot in the head as he left a party at Eighth Ave. and Geary Blvd. on Nov. 7. He died about 12 hours later that afternoon at the Mission Emergency Hospital. George Yun, 21, from Hong Kong was found hogtied and murdered at the Presidio Nov. 5 by a man walking his dog that morning. Police believed his body was dumped there. At a Nov. 1 press conference, the Golden Gate Neighborhood Grocers Assn. demanded (and got) more police protection with the recent increase of robberies on Chinese victims in San Francisco. The police noted that of the 900 armed robberies reported between Sept. 1 and Oct. 15, only 23 victims were Chinese and three of them being Chinese grocers.

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# From the Frying Pan

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**ON GOING TO A MOVIE**—Someone told Alice that we ought to go see a movie titled "Kotch". Now what kind of a title is that? Is it something like M\*A\*S\*H, whatever that was? Or did it have something to do with crotch, the way so many movies today seem to do; at least one gets that impression.

No, said Alice, nothing like that. It had to do with an old man, and because I'm getting closer and closer to that state of life, her friend suggested it was a good movie for me to see. So we went. The last time we'd been to a movie was about a year ago when we saw "Tora! Tora! Tora!" so you can see we aren't being much help to the motion picture industry.

The first thing that astonished me was the price. Admission, to this neighborhood cinema, was \$2.50! Per person. They were right about me getting older. Why, I can remember back on Jackson street in Seattle when a fellow could see two cowboy movies, a newsreel and comedy for a dime if you didn't mind the rats scampering down the aisle. And in a somewhat later period a fellow could treat a girl to a first run movie and take her out afterward for a bowl of Chinese noodles, all for a buck and a half. The second surprise was the refreshment stand. It was closer to a cafeteria than a snackbar, with a popcorn popper lit up like a jukebox, all manner of beverages, and a battery of coin-operated vending machines large enough to meet the needs of the labor force at a General Motors assembly plant. Motion pictures these days must do something to whet the appetite.

But to get back to the movie. It started an old gaffer named Walter Matthau, much older than I am likely to become for a good many years. Matthau is Mr. Kotch, or Kotcher—I was never quite sure—who is a good-hearted, garrulous retired salesman and widower. He has moved in with his son, daughter-in-law and young grandson and even though he tries to be helpful and unobtrusive, things have reached the point where everything he does grates on the daughter-in-law's nerves. When she finally persuades her husband to send the old man off to a retirement village, he gets the point and strikes out on his own.

All this may sound melodramatic, but it's done in good taste and with considerable dramatic skill. Mr. Kotch or Kotcher, as the case may be, is portrayed as a harmless old duffer, still fully in control of his senses but inclined to be terribly long-winded as many older folks are. He also has a great capacity for love and compassion, which has been rebuffed by his own family, and so he befriends a teenage babysitter who has been abandoned by society after becoming pregnant. In the course of helping the girl find herself, old Mr. Kotch also learns that he, too, must make his independent way.

What makes this story particularly poignant from the Nisei point of view is that many of us are at that point in life in which we are, or soon will be, facing situations not very different from Mr. Kotch's. The Nisei are in a somewhat peculiar position. They knew that their parents, the Issei, expected their Nisei offspring to look after them in old age. In fact, in the Oriental tradition old age is a time to look forward to, when one can enjoy leisure while being supported by one's children and enjoy the grandchildren. And the Nisei expected to assume this responsibility.

But now as the Nisei in turn reach retirement age, they realize that times have changed. While some may cling to the old traditions, others find themselves anxious to maintain their independence as long as possible. And even those who don't hold this point of view may change their minds after viewing this film. The infrequent times I go to a movie I expect to be entertained rather than to be exposed to a moral commentary, but Kotch was both.

# Arigato, Mr. Victor Carter



**MAZELTOV!**—A handsome plaque containing 15 rubles for each year he has been active in the Japan America Society of Southern California was presented to Victor M. Carter (left) at a community-wide testimonial. Admiring the gift, one of many presented the silver haired philanthropist are (from left) Mrs. Robert Watanabe, Mrs. Katsuma Mukaeada, Mrs. Carter, Mukaeada and Kenji Ito.—Kashu Mainichi Photo.

**LOS ANGELES**—No institution for human welfare and human dignity in the Southland has not known the special concern of Victor M. Carter—and it was the Japanese community's turn to express and underscore his leadership and continuing efforts for the betterment of all that Little Tokyo symbolizes. An estimated 450 were present to honor him at the Biltmore Bowl last week (Nov. 18) at a dinner co-sponsored by six major Nikkei organizations.

The Japan America Society of Southern California, Japanese Chamber of Commerce, Japan Traders Club, Japanese Philharmonic Society, Japanese American Cultural and Community Center and the Los Angeles-Nagoya Sister City Affiliation. Expressions came in concrete form from the civic leaders and community organizations. A plaque with 15 rubles marking each year Carter has been active in the Japan America Society; Satsuma ware from the Chamber; a painting by Nagoya Mayor Sugito from the Sister City Affiliation; and other gifts galore.

### From the President

There were tributes from President Nixon, Governor Reagan, former Consul General Kanji Takasugi, Mayor Yorty, the City Council, County Board of Supervisors; and a gift from Japanese Foreign Office presented by acting consul general Masanao Nishikata.

Kenji Ito, who emceed the gift presentation, noted that Carter was among the first to support Dr. Thomas Noguchi, who had just presented a personal gift to Carter, an Arita ware, contributing \$1,000 to the JUST Committee formed to defend the chief medical examiner-corer against unfair dismissal.

Dr. Franklin D. Murphy, board chairman of the Los Angeles Times and former UCLA chancellor who chaired the recognitions award portion of the dinner, commented that an Irishman serving as honorary chairman of a Japanese banquet honoring a Jew illustrated the many different ethnic threads which make up the community fabric of Los Angeles were a colorful asset that far outweighed the city's liabilities and that, in his opinion, Carter was a master weaver of those threads.

### Lavish Entertainment

The lavish entertainment portion was also a tribute to Carter's keen interest in Japanese culture. Akira Kikugawa conducted the Japanese Philharmonic Orchestra and the Little Angels, the children's

Steel and Sash Co. During the war, he signed bonds for a number of Japanese Americans, enabling them to be released from relocation camps.

After the war, he sent food packages to Japan and subsequently made numerous substantial donations to Japanese orphanages and hospitals. In 1946, tragedy struck his family. His 16-year-old son, Bobby died as a result of the ravages of muscular dystrophy. Later he became extremely active in the City of Hope and served for eight years as its president.

### Medical Fellowship

He was responsible for bringing from Japan the world famous cancer research specialist Dr. Ryojun Kinoshita to the City of Hope and provided fellowships for other Japanese doctors who came to the U.S.

He took over the Builders' Emporium in the San Fernando Valley in the early 1950s and built it into a hardware supermarket. He engaged in business ventures with Fuji Import Co. and became a substantial stockholder in Hitachi, Tokyo Electric Power and Sankai Sangyo.

With his business background, imagination and foresight, he revitalized Republic Pictures, diversifying its interests and changing the name to Republic Corp. He became its president and chairman of the board. He retired from Republic Corp. in 1967 in order to devote his full time to his philanthropic and civic interests.

He joined the Japan America Society in 1958 and four years later was elected its senior vice president. He served with John D. Rockefeller, III, a member of the U.S.-Japan Centennial Celebration and was chairman of the luncheon-reception at Will Rogers Park for the Crown Prince and Princess of Japan.

### JAS President

When he assumed the Society presidency in 1961, he established the Victor M. Carter Perpetual Trophy and Diamond Award to be presented to the Southern Californian who made the most significant contribution to the development of mutual understanding between the peoples of the U.S. and Japan.

He became the first president of the three-year old Japanese Philharmonic Society of Los Angeles, underwrote the Nagoya-L.A. student exchange programs and encouraged additional Japanese American youth activities, such as the Sakura Debutante Balls and the New Japanese Student Reception.

He is a director of the United California Bank and of other similar institutions. He was elected president of the Jewish Federation Council and, in 1967, was chairman of the United Crusade.

He raised a great deal of money for Israel and, in recognition of his efforts, was the second person in 16 years to be awarded the nation's highest honor—the Shield of David.

Carter was co-chairman of the Interracial Council for Business Opportunities, chairman of the Los Angeles City Fire Commission and a member of the City of Harbor Commission.

In 1968, he was invited by Prime Minister Sato to attend the Meiji Centennial Celebration in Tokyo, where he awarded the Order of the Sacred Treasure, 3rd Class. Since that time he has redoubled his efforts in behalf of the goals of the Japan America Society.

More recently, he agreed to co-chair the committee to raise \$4 million to build the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center.

# JAPAN EMPEROR RULES OUT ABDICATION

**TOKYO**—At an unprecedented audience with 25 foreign newsmen last week (Nov. 16), Emperor Hirohito ruled out the possibility of abdication in favor of his eldest son. "I think that the Japanese Constitution and the imperial household law prevent the occurrence of such a thing," the 70-year-old monarch said.

He said he was not upset by the demonstrations against his trip in certain European cities. "These things happen even in Japan," he said. Rather, he enjoyed the trip and hopes to make other trips.

# White ethnicity seen as force for good in America

**SAN FRANCISCO**—The national director of a pioneering social science and action project on the problems of white ethnic Americans last week (Nov. 17) told a group gathered for a two-day San Francisco Consultation on Ethnicity that by 1972 the U.S. will move from black-white polarization to a more complex pattern of fragmentation.

"Legitimate interests of students, women and working class youth will be vigorously asserted, along with the agencies of ethnic groups such as Jews, Italians, Poles and Chinese," said Irving M. Levine. "This new and welcome expression of group life and ethnic identity may negatively compete with other needy minorities and therefore must be positively directed to put new pressures on the society to finally meet both the priority needs of Blacks, Chicanos, Puerto Ricans, American Indians and lower middle class whites."

Levine, Director of the American Jewish Committee's National Project on Ethnic America, supported by the Ford Foundation, appealed to a mixed audience of San Francisco's civic, ethnic, and government leadership who met at the Univ. of San Francisco "to gear their institutions to deal with particular group needs as well and universal American needs."

### Splintered America

"While the splintering of America presents a definite threat to our society, it may also mean that the lessening of the intensity of the black-white hanger will make it necessary for self-interest groups to reunite to accomplish mutual goals," Levine added.

He defined the historic and current American scene as a "cacaphonic concert hall" where the assertion of special economic interest, ethnic, racial and religious group interests and common interests were seemingly in disharmony, but lent themselves through effective leadership to orchestration.

The ethnic specialist asserted: "Many observers have had their predictions deeply shaken by the unexpected rise in ethnic group identity, even among the supposedly assimilated white ethnic groups." He said, however, that "this phenomenon, which was largely touched off by black self-assertiveness can turn out to be one of the most exciting forces working toward the remaking of 'community' in America."

### New Pluralism

Levine called for "a new pluralism" that accepts uniqueness and balances identification with a small group against commitment to the society as a whole.

He concluded his remarks by saying that, "America has too often failed to deal honestly with the ethnic group factor, and this has weakened our nation's legitimate claim on its citizens to join in the common good."

"Fragmentation," he said, results not from recognizing difference, but from ignoring it."

The San Francisco Consultation on Ethnicity was initiated by the American Jewish Committee's San Francisco Chapter supported by a grant from the San Francisco Foundation. Affiliate organizations include:

The Archdiocese of San Francisco, Bay Area Urban League, Council for Civic Unity, Human Rights Commission of San Francisco, International Institute, Italian Welfare Agency, Jewish Community Relations Council, Multi-Culture Institute, San Francisco Mannerchor, San Francisco Model Cities Agency, and Univ. of San Francisco.

### Kikkoman shoyu

**TOKYO**—Kikkoman Shoyu Co. will establish a soy sauce manufacturing plant in Wisconsin, according to Jiji Press. The Japanese company will provide 100 pct. financing, capitalized at \$9 million, with a capacity to produce 2.4 million gallons per year. Construction is expected to be completed by the end of 1972.

### Anti-Hirohito youths

**COPENHAGEN**—Two young Japanese, Toshihiko Hidaka, 26, and Hisayoshi Tahara, 23, were sentenced to 50 days in prison for disturbing the public peace in a demonstration against Emperor Hirohito after his arrival in Denmark last Sept. 27.

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# MANDATORY VOTING PROPOSED, AND ASSURE AN 'INFORMED VOTE'

**HONOLULU**—Big Island Circuit Judge Nelson K. Doi said government should pass laws requiring all citizens to report to the polls and vote. Speaking before the Hawaii Bar Association on Nov. 10, Doi also said government should be required to release whatever information necessary for citizens "to cast an intelligent vote."

Doi spoke of the small voter turnouts and minority groups operating government. He said the voter has lost much of his "assertiveness in managing and controlling government."

### Duty to Vote

"I believe the citizen has a duty to vote . . . a higher responsibility than paying taxes," he said.

He asked the meeting of lawyers if the Legislature can mandate citizens to vote, and approve the necessary penalties for not voting, similar to penalties for not paying tax-

es. Doi said much of the non-assertiveness of voters stems from "forces generated by big groups."

"I think it is legitimate of big business and big labor to advance the economic position of their members. But to require a member to campaign or keep away from unendorsed candidates amounts to a lessening of the member's right to function as a citizen."

"Of course, a citizen may voluntarily campaign for whom he wants. What exists in Hawaii and throughout the nation could be improved, could be made better."

### Information Needed

Doi said when people go to the polls, they need sufficient information to make judgments.

"I believe citizens have that right (to know) and I believe government has a duty to give that information," he said.

Doi called for easier "right of access to the courts" to challenge the government to supply the information. He used the example of the controversial Defender Bill. "Why shouldn't the citizen have the right to go to court to find out information surrounding the bill, regardless of his position?" Doi asked.

As a citizen, why shouldn't he be accommodated?"

### Right to Know

Citizens as individuals have a right to know about government contracts, and other information, he said. Through the courts he should be able to obtain this information.

However, the citizen is generally permitted court action only when he suffers a wrong or is damaged, he said.

Doi said bringing everything "under the bright lights and hot sun" will guarantee to a large degree that practices not in the best interest of the people will not occur.

# New Venice center to be dedicated

**LOS ANGELES**—The new \$300,000-plus Venice Japanese Community Center at 12448 Braddock Dr. will be dedicated on Sunday, Dec. 12, 2 p.m. The multi-purpose building will serve as a focal point and meeting place for several Japanese organizations in the Venice-Culver City area, including the JACL chapter, Venice Gakuten, Marina Gardeners, Fishing Club Boy Scouts, Venice Youth and Judo Club.

# 4-H exchange program

**WEISER, Idaho**—The states of Idaho and Washington will host 140 4-H youths and 20 chaperones from Japan during August, 1972, according to county agent Darrell Bolz here. The following year, 4-H members from both states will spend about two weeks in Japan. Selection of host families are being made so that correspondence between the exchange and host family may commence.



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New Youth District

"Amerasian Youth Concerned Together" is a group of Asian youths in Denver trying to start a Jr. JACL chapter and district. I met with the group last September on my return trip from the East Coast and Midwest. Ruth Ariki, one of the leaders of the group, has been corresponding with us. She has sent her chapter roster and requested for information dealing with the formation of a new district and chapters.

Greeley and Ft. Collins, Colo., are also interested in starting Jr. JACL chapters. I will be meeting with AYC next month to finalize their formation of a new Jr. JACL district.

The primary purpose of AYC is community oriented. They have been cleaning up the Issei center, which is also their meeting place. Dr. Tak Mayeda has been very instrumental in trying to get support for AYC. He realizes that the youth need to be supported and that they are the future leaders.

YELLOW BROTHERHOOD

The Yellow Brotherhood, as you have probably been informed through Willie Fujinami, is reorganizing since the recent tragedy.

Asian Sisters, Youth and Drugs, Drug Offense and the Yellow Brotherhood will be working "Together" out of the House.

At this time we are struggling with developing a house policy because we feel that without it would be impossible to coordinate all the group programs under one roof.

The groups will have to understand that the house and its function have priority over the individual groups so that the groups won't go off doing their own thing, thus weakening the unit.

We are painting and doing repair work on the house. No programs will be disclosed until our house policy is developed.

OTHER FRONTS

On Halloween, we canvassed our community with the "Storefront" paper. That even-

ing we passed out candy which we had wrapped earlier that day and had a cartoon showing the for the trick or treating kids in our community.

Unfortunately Oct. 30 was announced as the official night for the kids to go trick or treat, therefore, on the 31st we didn't get the response we had anticipated. But the film showing was a success and everyone enjoyed themselves.

Northern California-Western Nevada district youth council had their fall quarterly in Stockton, Oct. 23 and 24. I had a chance to meet some of the newly elected chapter officers and rap with them on Jr. JACL.

The 1972 National Jr. JACL Convention will be held in Salt Lake City, Utah. Susan Yoshimura and David Hirai, co-chairmen of IDYC, are in charge. After the November quarterly at Salt Lake City they will officially begin working on the convention programs. This is their first convention. Therefore, they will need suggestions and help from interested individuals, chapters and districts.

The Riverside Jr. JACL recently had a joint session with their Sr. Chapter. Lori Ogata, chapter chairwoman, said they have received compliments about the meeting from David Takashima, District Youth Commissioner. I was very impressed with their direction and desire to put on the program. I hope that a clearer definition of Sr.-Jr. relationships is formulated and that more inter-action takes place.

1000 CLUB NOTES: Murray Sprung

In Tokyo, 25 Years Later

Hard to believe, such a crowded airport at San Francisco at 4 a.m. on a Sunday—but there we were, 173 strong on October 16, with our friends and family to see us off on the 1000 Club Charter—Pan Am flight to Tokyo.

Tad Hirota and Jio Travel did a fine job in arranging the trip.

Haneda Airport, a busy crossroads of the world, efficient, though overcrowded and outgrown, and making ready for the new airport soon to be opened. Yet, a metropolis compared to Haneda of 1946, then a mere patch of ground, with runways

The ever-growing subway system that continues to connect outlying districts, should be a model for some of our cities, for efficiency and cleanliness and reasonable fares.

Ginza Street, pride of the Edo, with its fine shops and department stores, bring back unbelievable memories of the sidewalks, crowded with spread tatami mats, displaying wares of every description being offered by their owners not so much for yen, as for soap, cigarettes and a canned food.

The Matsuya Department Store was then the main P.X. Where Wako now displays its luxurious and expensive goods, in the Hattori building, was a donut stand run by the P.X.

The young girls and boys, are taller and heavier, and a delight to behold, I am talking about the girls. And, demonstrators to the contrary notwithstanding, the young people are polite and friendly as ever. Little change. Good!!

Hotels and Trains Gone are the ryokan and the smaller type Western-Japanese hotels (except in the gay sections of Shibuya and Shinjuku, where they are called Rest Hotels), and in their place are some of the finest hotels in the world, where service and food is tops. The Keio Plaza Hotel, where we had our Whing Ding, is the tallest and newest hotel in the world. Its accommodations continue the tribute due to Japanese hotels.

Trains in Japan remain a legend. From the Bullet, to its many other fine trains, the service and schedules and dependability are a source of pride to the people.

What a contrast to the trains (that ran on time) of 25 years ago, where 1 or 2 cars that had windows, and were reserved for occupation personnel, were part of the train that made you wonder how the other cars could remain on the tracks, no windows, or doors, and parts of the roof gone but by golly they ran.

CALENDAR

- Nov. 26-27 IDC-Dist Convention, Ramada Inn, Salt Lake City; Sat.-Raymond Uno, lunch spkr.; Bill Hosokawa, dnr spkr. (Mt. Olympus JACL hosts); Nat'l JACL-Exec Comm Mtg, Salt Lake City; Nov. 27 (Saturday) Milwaukee-Geo Mtg, International Institute, 7:30 p.m.; San Diego-Inst Dnr-Dance, Westgate Plaza Hotel, 7 p.m.; Bob Nakamura, spkr., "Role of Ethno-Communications"; Nov. 28 (Saturday) Puvalup Valley-Inst dnr, Foodle Dog Restaurant, 6:30 p.m.; Dec. 5 (Sunday) PNWDC-Dist convention, (Seattle JACL hosts); Oakland-Inst dnr; Dec. 7 (Tuesday) Gardena Valley-Mtg, North Gdn Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m.; Dec. 8 (Wednesday) Orange County-Ed Mtg, Bank of Tokyo, Santa Ana, 8 p.m.; Dec. 11 (Saturday) Gardena Valley-Inst Dnr, Mishima's Restaurant, 7:30 p.m.; "Mo' Marumoto, spkr.; East Los Angeles-Ed dnr mtg, Watsonville-Inst Dnr-dance, Riverside (Santa Cruz) 6 p.m.; Jerry Enomoto, spkr.; Cincinnati-Dist Any Inst Dnr, Avis Inn, West Chester; Raymond Uno, spkr.; Dec. 12 (Sunday) Berkeley-Issei Appreciation and Inst dnr, Berkeley United Methodist Social Hall, 1710 Carleton, 8:30-9:30 p.m.; Venice-Culver-Comm Ctr dedication, 12448 Braddock Dr., 2 p.m.; D.C.-Christmas party; Dec. 11 (Friday) San Fernando Valley-Inst Dnr, Seattle-Mtg, Christmas Social; JACL Office, 8 p.m.; Dec. 18 (Saturday) Santa Maria-Inst dnr, Mas Satow, spkr.; Dec. 19 (Sunday) Detroit-Christmas party, Brighton Comm Ctr; Dayton-Christmas party; Milwaukee-Christmas party, International Institute; Dec. 21 (Monday) Berkeley-Bd Mtg, American Savings & Loan, 7:30 p.m.

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Local Scene

Los Angeles

Chinese Community Council of Greater Los Angeles, organized since the summer, elected the Rev. Richard Wong as its chairman. Delegates to represent the council on the Council or Oriental Organizations and other Asian coalition groups include Alice Tsou, Peter Hong, Bill Hong and Ginn Nai Ming. Additional information may be secured from Paul Louie, L.A. County Commission of Human Relations (628-9211, ext. 63579).

San Francisco

Asian students at Hastings College last Saturday sponsored "Lay Days" to inform programs and opportunities at local schools in the state. (A similar program was hosted at UCLA the same day). Interested students may still write to the Hastings Legal Education Opportunity Program, care of Asian Law Students, 482 - 17th Ave., San Francisco for information.

Eleven Issei couples who have celebrated their golden wedding anniversaries this year were honored Nov. 14 by the Meiji-Taisho Kai of the Bay Area at Suehiro Restaurant. Thomas Toshiro Doi, of 1521 Larkin St., who attained his 88th (Beiju) birthday recently, was also honored. In addition to the Dois, other couples honored were: The Rev. Reizen Saitos, San Francisco; Nisaburo Sasaki, Kaji Yokomizo, of Oakland; Motojoo Kitano, Chiu Obata, of Berkeley; Torataro Nabetas of Richmond; Iwasuke Rikimarus of San Mateo; Eichi Yamamoto of Petaluma; Shinji Saitos of Palo Alto.

A three-ring Oshogatsu Festival will welcome the new year in San Francisco Jan. 3 at the local Buddhist Church gym, Morning Star School hall and playground with emphasis on active participation by community people, according to Kaz Maniwa, Community Oshogatsu Festival Committee member. In the ring at the Buddhist gym, there will be a sumo tournament, entertainment, rock music and taiko drummers. In the second ring at the Morning Star hall will be an art festival, origami, hand puppets, kite making, etc.; while the third ring in the playground will be mochitsuki. As festival plans are still in the preparatory stages, interested persons may join in the planning by calling Maniwa at 563-8052.

Sacramento

Asian Community Services reopened negotiations with the local United Crusade earlier this month in hope of securing funded to assure its interpreter and referral services.

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with him that the PE should be responsible for the internal management of the organization and hopefully this aspect can be strengthened and responsibilities enlarged and specifically defined.

Past President Roy Nishikawa once mentioned that the way to go is to have the President quit his job or take a leave of absence from his present job and serve full time for two years as JACL president. Having experienced the enormous workload of the President and understanding the impossibility of managing the demanding role of the president on a part-time basis I am inclined to agree with Roy, or, in the alternative, have the PE assume a more prominent role in managing the administration during his tenure, particularly the internal aspect.

As publicly announced before each national meeting, all members are encouraged to feed into the agenda, this includes national officers. Our weakest link in JACL, as in most voluntary organizations, is rapid, efficient and effective communication. Everyone means well, but communication seems to be slipshod and sporadic, starting from yours truly. However, we do one hell of a lot of work that goes unrecognized, unappreciated, unrewarded, but sometimes misdirected.

CAPITAL SCENE

David Ushio's recent meeting at the Office of Education to review a reading program for target groups seemed typical of the many meetings across the United States dealing with racial minorities and subcultures. The insensitivity of those in control or who influence those in control is appalling, frustrating, and incomprehensible.

Having had the opportunity to sit in on meetings such as Dave's for the last decade, I have found the pain must be endured by those attending to sensitize each other to the prejudices, biases and psychological hang-ups of each other. Although a critic of most proposals suggested by well meaning people, I have always supported these proposals for lack of anything better to support. It is discouraging to think that most do-good projects are almost

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## At State Capitol

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U.S. Attorney Robert Fukuda has charged that state legislators "have their heads in the sand." They are, he added, indifferent to crime. "When a state senator (Larry Kuriyama) is murdered and nobody will talk," Fukuda said in a speech to the Hawaii Joint Police Assn. repeated his call for a state wiretap law and two other tools to help prosecutors—the right to stop and search without a warrant in certain cases and a provision for the state registration of felons.

## At City Hall

Kauai Mayor Antone K. Vidinha, Jr. announced Oct. 29 that Tadashi Miura, his administrative assistant, had been suspended without pay for one week for violation of an ethics code. Miura has been a member of a hui which bought 12 house lots in the Molokoa Village subdivision and later sold them. Miura disclosed to the county ethics board his 7.14 per cent interest in the hui, but did not mention that he was a 50 per cent title holder of five of the lots. "Mr. Miura did not disclose all of his interests. Although his intentions were good, he overlooked this," Vidinha said.

## Names in the News

Henry Morisada, former Honolulu Liquor Commission member, says that he never used his position to extort anything from anyone. Morisada and two other men had been charged with conspiring to extort money from two restaurant operators in return for granting a cabaret license. Morisada said he was prepared to testify to his innocence but the charges were dismissed recently when two key prosecution witnesses in releasing his statement Oct. 30 said the charges had made a difficult time for himself, his family and friends.

The Rev. Abraham Akaka is heading a new group dedicated to advancing the cause of the Hawaiian people. Akaka, pastor of the Kawaiahao Church, presided over a meeting Oct. 30 of 40 delegates representing all islands. They voted to form the Congress of the Hawaiian Peoples, representing several Hawaiian

organizations throughout the state.  
Ella Chun, executive editor of the Waikiki Beach Press, and Mrs. Arch Brown, chairman of volunteers at the Queen's Medical Center, have been named 1971 Women of Achievement by The Sigma Phi. The awards were presented at the annual Ladies of the Press Brunch at the Kahala Hilton Hotel.  
Thirteen local Japanese have been decorated by the Japanese government. Recipients of awards were as follows: Fifth Class, Order of Sacred Treasure—Shujiro Takakuwa, Hisaji Onore, Usuke Okada, Kyuzo Terada and Ichitaro Tomita; Sixth Class, Order of Sacred Treasure—Sotaro Kono, Rikan Konishi, Tsunematsu Suwarawa, Chichi Fujita, Tokushichi Hatai, Tomokichi Yamada and Hajime Takanishi.  
Federal Judge C. Nils Tavarez has revoked protection for Carl F. Fasi, 20, and ordered him taken by U.S. Marshals to the federal Springfield Medical Center in Missouri. He is the son of Mayor Frank Fasi and his first wife.

## Medical Notes

Honolulu's tuberculosis rate is the third highest in large cities throughout the nation, according to statistics of the U.S. Public Health Service's Center for Disease Control. The state has been first for the past two years in the number of reported TB cases reported and one of the highest in cases reported for several years before that. The survey indicates that Honolulu's rate of 52.9 cases per 100,000 population is surpassed only by El Paso, Tex. (63.9 per 100,000), and Baltimore (54.4 per 100,000). The statistics were gathered in 47 cities of 250,000 or more population.

## Business Ticker

Dr. Y. Baron Goto has been named a member of the board of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin, which now is one of the Gannett chain newspaper with the national newspaper chain is now final. Chinn Ho has been elected chairman of the Star-Bulletin board, and Alexander S. Atherton remains president. The other island member of the nine-member board is John T. Waterhouse.

## Political Scene

Paul Elkins of Pukalani, Maui, has been elected as the new Republican Party candidate for U.S. House. He succeeds Edward J. Hitchcock.

## Hawaii Today

Many Honolulu families will get an 11 to 15 per cent boost in their electric bills if Hawaiian Electric Co.'s request for a revenue increase is granted by the state Public Utilities Commission. The company has said the average rate increase would be 10 per cent. Those who would get more than the average rate increase are the families which use the least electricity.

## Police Force

The ILWU on Kauai is backing Raymond Duvauchele as that island's new chief of police. The chief's position opened up Sept. 1, the date former chief Dewey Allen's resignation became effective. Allen resigned after considerable heated debate over his "Kauai corruption report." Since

# L.A. insurance group celebrates 20th anniversary

LOS ANGELES—The Japanese Casualty Insurance Assn. commemorated its 20th anniversary last week (Nov. 19) at Man Jen Low Restaurant, presenting plaques to the six charter agencies, operated by:

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Funakoshi responded on behalf of the recipients. Mrs. Irene Sato was presented an honorary gift in memory of her husband, Ken, who founded the Sato Insurance Agency.

The association, now comprised of 10 agencies, was joined by officers of other insurance companies, office personnel and friends in the festive occasion emceed by Steve Nakaji. Hawaiian music and entertainment concluded the evening.

# BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman Race Defined and Analyzed

RACE AND RACES: a black biologist writes about actual racial differences and their significance, by Richard A. Goldsby, The Macmillan Co., 127 pp., \$5.95.

Origin of the term "race" is obscure. Perhaps it derived from the Latin "generatio," a begetting; through Italian "razza," race, family; through French "race," Shakespeare spoke of the "race of doctors," and for him the term was innocent of the emotional connotations it holds for many moderns, to whom race may mean nationality, people, class, or whatnot.

From misconceptions of race has sprung the cult of racism. Racism causes mischief, seen in virulent form in the work of the Nazis in Germany, who mistakenly identified the Jews as a race. Because racism causes so much evil, well-meaning persons have sometimes tried to counter it by preaching there is no race.

The author repudiates this argument. He acknowledges the existence of race and racism. According to him, the races of mankind evolved in pre-cultural times as physical adaptations to environment. In the tropics, a dark skin protected its bearer from the pernicious effect of too much sunlight; a lean body "with long heat-exchanging extremities" served as a moderator of warmth.

Conversely, in area of extreme cold natural selection favored a heavy body with short arms and legs that expose "far less surface and consequently loses less heat to the surroundings." Greater survival value, too, accompanies a flat face with epicanthic eyelid and low "nasal silhouette."

## No Pure Races

He cautions that there are no pure races. There is so much overlapping and divergence in races that "race" is only an approximate term. "A race is not an individual marked by certain internal and external characteristics. A race is a breeding population of individuals identifiable by the frequency with which these inherited traits appear in that population," these inherited traits, "gene frequencies," being different from those of other populations of the same species.

The colossal blunder of the Nazis in trying to identify the Jews as a race is particularly evident to a visitor to Israel. There the resident Jews are a "racial spectrum" ranging from whites of northern Europe to browns from Africa and the Near East... blood-group frequencies and the distribution of a gene that causes a deficiency of a particular enzyme shows the multifacial composition of the Jewish people.

Hybridization of these Israelites is taking place, expedited by the small geographical area of the nation and its isolation from the surrounding Arab area. A similar trend is readily apparent in Hawaii where Mongoloid, Caucasoid, and Polynesian freely intermarry, and thus appear to be evolving towards a new racial type.

The author, an associate professor of biology at Yale University, says that the most rational definition of race comes from genetics, with the

## UC Davis law school recruiting Asian students

DAVIS—UC Davis School of Law is accepting applications for its 1972-73 sessions with Asians being encouraged by the Asian American Law Students Assn. here to apply. Applications may be obtained from:

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The school recognizes the cultural biases in the Law School admission test administered by the Educational Testing Service, Princeton, N.J., and discounts in value for determining minority competency, it is still required. This test should be taken not later than Feb. 12, 1972. Law school applications are due Mar. 1, 1972.

## Ship on maiden voyage unloads 2,000 Mazdas

TERMINAL ISLAND — The NYK Hakujo Maru, first of Mazda's fleet of drive-on, drive-off car freighters to the U.S., arrived here on her maiden voyage from Hiroshima on Nov. 16 with 1,949 new Mazda automobiles on board. Of these, 1,870 are powered by the revolutionary rotary engine.

The diesel engine powered ship cruises at 17.5 knots and can make the round trip to the U.S. in 30 days, including on and off loading time. "The addition of the Hakujo Maru to the Toyo Kogyo fleet symbolizes the commitment of our company to keep pace with the growing consumer demand," Mazda Motors of America president Jiro Morikawa said.

Meanwhile, both Nissan Motor Co. and Toyota Motor Co. in Japan announced they will halt expansion of their dealer networks in the U.S.

Starting in 1960 with only 47 dealers, Nissan is marketing the Datsun cars through 90 dealers today. Toyota also began the same year with 881 outlets this year.

## Japanese work 10 times longer for 1-lb. steak

WASHINGTON — While the American consumer works 24 minutes to purchase one pound of sirloin steak, consumers must work 27 minutes in Canada; 110 minutes in France; 132 minutes in the USSR; and 269 minutes in Japan for the same item.

## Supreme Court

The state supreme court's six-month residency requirement for lawyers taking the Hawaii bar examination was declared unconstitutional Oct. 20. The ruling came from a special panel of three federal judges and is expected to have impact beyond Hawaii because many states have similar requirements.

## Traffic Fatality

George Okamoto, 38, of 2609 Klebain Place, Nuuanu, was killed in a motorcycle accident Oct. 31 when his bike collided head-on with that of Thomas Katayama, 39, of 99-060-A Lanuani Loop, Aiea. The accident took place on a trail near Sacred Falls in Punahoa. Katayama was in Queen's Medical Center with head and facial injuries. Both victims were taken to Kahuiki Community Hospital, where Okamoto was pronounced dead. Katayama was transferred to Queen's Okamoto's death was Oahu's 100th traffic fatality of the year.

## MIS—

Continued from Front Page  
the formation of what became the 442nd and was the first Nisei to volunteer for the new unit, revealed for the first time the role of the MIS in the JACL's request for a special Nisei outfit.

## MIS Paved Way

"One of the principal reasons that ultimately resulted in the formation of the 442nd was that the few Nisei already then in G2 (intelligence) had done such a good job that the army no longer denied the rest of us a chance to prove ourselves in combat."  
A special presentation of a silver platter was made at the banquet to Dr. Paul Tekawa, one of the original teachers at the San Francisco Presidio's Crissy Field where the first MIS classes were held.  
Dr. Tekawa, who is now assistant dean for academic support at the Defense Language Institute, West Coast branch at the Presidio of Monterey, is retiring at the end of the year after 30 years of service.—Nichi Bei Times

## HOLIDAY ISSUE CALLS FOR CHAPTER REPORTS

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## Ye Editor's Desk

### HENRY TANAKA'S 'FEDERATED PLAN'

A ripple which President-elect Henry Tanaka started with his Federated Plan (see Aug. 27 PC) might be one of the big waves emanating from the National JACL executive committee session next week at Salt Lake City. Each district council would be allocated a portion of the membership dues to develop its own unique program and activities, thus allowing the National office to focus its major attentions on activities which have National significance.

National staff would provide administrative or technical assistance, but at the same time the Federation Plan would place greater responsibility on local chapters through representation on policy-setting district boards to identify needs, determine priorities and sustain district-sponsored programs.

Last month, in a memorandum circulated to his executive committee colleagues he went into greater detail and proposed districts be allowed to retain one-fourth of what it raises and how that should be expended. Henry believes the minimum guidelines for approving programs can be twofold: (1) dealing with problems or issues relevant within the district and related to the overall JACL objectives; (2) and programmed for the biennium to allow adequate time for implementation, evaluation and whatever changes which may arise. He rules out programs of a purely social nature.

He sees no need for additional funding or staff but a realignment of staff responsibilities and priorities. This is how he envisions the current \$250,000 budget: District programs—\$62,000 (Quota retained, \$30,000; estimate cost of staff time, \$23,000; estimate cost of staff travel, \$9,000). National programs—\$95,000. Membership services—\$50,000. Administration—\$43,000.

He also anticipated the questions. How would current staff be realigned? How much time of National Staff would be required to supervise district programs? Would each district be required to participate in the Federated Plan? (Henry answers, "No. Participation would be voluntary.") Could each district choose the staff person desired? When would requests for National Subsidy be made? (By the quarter preceding Jan. 1.) What assurance is there that National Subsidy would continue? (It would depend on districts fulfilling their respective quotas and satisfactorily achieving the goals of the programs.) If two districts establish joint programs, would there be less staff time allotted?

Henry's comments on a personnel were not noted above as they are too involved for purposes of this column—but generally, it would be the responsibility of the National Director in consultation with the Executive Committee to determine staff alignment and priorities.

As a foundation for the Federated Plan, he views the total JACL program along four functions at five levels:

Functions—(1) Planning and development: administration, service to special groups, program expansion, demonstration projects, etc. (2) Membership services: credit union, health insurance, job bank, tours, scholarships, student aid, 1000 Club, Pacific Citizen, etc. (3) Funding and allocation: membership drives, foundation grants, government funds, priorities in allocation, contracts, etc. (4) Research and evaluation: prepare proposals for funding, guidelines of systematic program evaluation, develop data collection system, publication of project results, etc.

Levels—(1) Education and training, (2) Legislation, (3) Social action, (4) Special groups, and (5) Consultation.

What was not detailed in Henry's recent memorandum was his view of the priorities of the levels, though as numbered above it may indicate his thinking. With more funds reserved for purely district programs, national programs would be subject to closer scrutiny for the fewer available dollars. If this is the way national priorities can be determined, we're for it all the way.

### DRUG ABUSE

Government figures indicate the dramatic increase in use of hard drugs over the past few years is beginning to subside. Officials cite anti-drug propaganda and seizure of large amounts of heroin as two reasons for the slowdown as well as the growing fear of drugs and a new awareness of their dangers.

Certainly, those who have taken hard and dangerous drugs have not and will not cease taking them at the announcement of a new trend but it is important to recognize that myths surrounding the drug experience are beginning to be replaced by the knowledge of what really happens. There have been several documentaries and full-length films shown on the tragic scene from overdose. But more telling, perhaps, is the fact that many young people now know, personally or through a friend, those who have tripped once too often or whose lives revolve around the small world of a needlepoint. These ruined lives speak louder than the overblown rhetoric of uptight adults or the dull hum of lifeless statistics.

This decrease in hard drugs will not lessen the anguish of families or individuals where drugs have brought heartbreak, nor will it have much effect in the ghetto where hard drugs thrived before the recent epidemic but likely to continue more virulently once the epidemic in the wider community has been arrested—as the government figures seem to indicate. So for our JACL staff working on drug abuse programs in the community, the fight is far from over.

## Nisei gardener falsely accused, now fightin' mad

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Los Angeles  
The Southwest Los Angeles Gardener's Association is getting ready to sue a woman who caused the false arrest of one of its members by accusing him of stealing a ring and some cash from her purse earlier this month.

The gardener was arrested, photographed and fingerprinted, and the police even searched his home (we presume they had a search warrant) in spite of his strong protestations of innocence.

It turned out that the theft had occurred the day before the gardeners' regular day at this woman's home, and the gardener was released forthwith. His innocence was proven, but he is fighting mad about the incident.

You can't blame him for his feeling deeply resentful about the cavalier way in which his employer reported her suspicions to the police without apparently thinking too much about the circumstances.

Gardeners who work on trust around private homes are easily liable to this type of suspicion, and we imagine this is not the first time a false accusation has been made. But given the Silent American Syndrome, they probably ended in good old Japanese "naki-neiri" up to now.

We're glad to see that Gardener A. is quiet enough to do something constructive about his scarring experience, and that his association is backing him up all the way.

By her actions, Mrs. R. the hakujin employer, was demonstrating the Mere Gook Rule that Congresswoman Patsy T. Mink talked about at the 30th anniversary banquet of the West L.A. JACL recently—that the Oriental is considered less than a full human being, not entitled to the full dignity and courtesies that are due to any human being.

We imagine there were a number of other persons who had as much if not more access to her purse—a neighbor, friends, children, delivery boys, etc.?

### GUEST COLUMN

Mrs. R. also illustrates a trait that all of us have exhibited, albeit unwittingly, at one time or another—that is, considering ourselves automatically better than another person because of the nature of that person's job.

We mouth the platitude that all honest labor is honorable, but by our scale of values, we show that we consider some kind of labor, particularly one in which the worker wears a white collar, more honorable than others.

The Southern California Gardeners' Federation publishes a monthly house organ called, "Gardener-no-Tomo," and I have kept the August, 1971, issue on my desk since it came out, meaning to comment on an essay by Hokuto Nagumo, a pioneer Southern California gardener.

The essay is entitled, "Work and the Man," with the subtitle, "Fortunate are the gardeners..."

Mr. Nagumo looks back on a long lifetime as an independent gardener and observes that for him, his bodily energy is money in the bank. The harder the gardener works, the more he earns.

Working hard does not necessarily mean pure physical labor alone. Thinking is involved in figuring out the most efficient use of tools, order of work, etc., until after several years, the gardener works out a routine in which most waste motions are eliminated and he is engaged in a work in which each minute of his working day is yielding its full measure of income.

Of course he races the clock. "I look at my watch thinking it must be about 10. It's always past 11," Mr. Nagumo observes. A day is never too long, he is never bored, and contentment comes not only in the income but in the confidence he feels that he is accomplishing all that he is accomplishing, and doing it well.

There are aggravations and hardships in the work, but Mr. Nagumo looks on them as a pinch of salt that enhances the sweetness of "oshiruko." Happiness, he says, comes when you can pitch your whole self at your work.

In Buddhism, Mr. Nagumo notes, simply memorizing and repeating the Sutra without appropriate action is called, "Karanembutsu." For a gardener, Mr. Nagumo says, it is all action and no nembutsu. "Salvation" is in the very nature of his work for the gardener. Because he must work harder than most people, each physical motion cannot be wasted in his sweat and toil.

Fortunate indeed is the gardener who is this involved in his work, Mr. Nagumo maintains.

I for one was deeply moved by this view of a man's life work and thought it infinitely preferable to some businesses and businessmen of whom it is often said, "He'd sell his mother down the river for a profit."

### LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

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#### Wider concern

Editor:  
I was encouraged to see the article by Assistant Attorney General Kashiwa (PC, Nov. 5, 1971) on environmental pollution. I thought, initially, that the Japanese American Citizens League had expanded and matured in its concern beyond the narrow confines of the Japanese community. However, in reflection, it is obvious that the only reason for the article is to inform readers of the participation by a Japanese person.

I have become increasingly concerned over the provincial attitude of the JACL. It seems the organization is only concerned with issues directly related to the Japanese. I am of the opinion that the JACL must be concerned with the larger issues that are the concern of all people. There are two bills currently under consideration in the U.S. Senate which should be supported by JACL and all people.

The first has to do with our natural heritage. Currently under consideration by a senate subcommittee is the Environmental Protection Act (S 1032). This legislation would make it possible for citizens or citizen organizations to bring suits against polluters or government organizations.

The second bill (S 2515), sponsored by Senator Williams of New Jersey, offers the possibility of protection for working women and members of racial or ethnic minorities. However, the legislation must give the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission power to issue cease and desist orders against employers who discriminate in their hiring practices. The coverage should also include individuals who are handicapped because of physical, emotional or mental disabilities.

It is time that JACL concern itself with the welfare of all people by supporting these bills through contact with senators.

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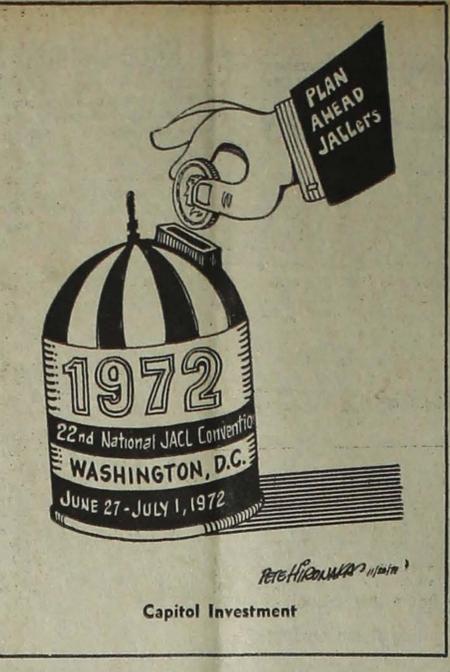
#### Vietnam atrocities

Editor:  
Having just finished the Oct. 15 PC (I am a little behind) and would like to express my admiration for the Kawabe Memorial House for Issei Senior Citizens. From the artist's rendering it will be a beautiful building—and it would be hard to find one dedicated to a more worthwhile cause. I wonder what the qualifications for residency therein will be. Will it be confined to elderly Issei, or perhaps Nisei—or will it be unlike the Elks?

Turning to "Atrocities in Vietnam," the article in emotional rhetoric makes it sound as if all, or practically all, of OUR soldiers there are engaged in committing some of the most foul war crimes imaginable. I don't believe it—surely the army has not changed so much from their fathers and older brothers—the greatest change visible to my eyes is the larger percentages of Blacks and soldiers of Mexican descent. I can't believe that Mr. Herch means to imply they are more prone to bayoneting babies than Wasps, or that Clifford Uyeida would acquiesce in such an idea.

If OUR (and I mean OUR, for your sons, brothers, and friends are there as well as mine) soldiers are engaging wholesale in such atrocities what can the y say to men like Lt. Col. Glen Matsumoto, the second Japanese American to graduate from West Point and his medals (Pacific Citizen, Oct. 22)?

Of course the Pacific Citizen has a right to print such a column—perhaps even a duty if any substantial number of the JACL membership feel that way. Nonetheless it appears to me as an emotional appeal to gain support for a withdrawal by wholesale condemnation of young men as indiscriminate baby killers and women rapers—young men who for the most part had very little choice in being sent off to a war that had a minimum amount of



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#### Incident Incredible

So what had happened overnight? Did the countries of Asia buy up the Seattle School District, thus providing them proprietary rights and jurisdiction? If so, who granted the franchise and where's the check?

The incredibility deepened as the story went on. "Asian students were not Bottomly (Seattle school superintendent), that they will take strong measures to solve their own problems if the district doesn't add one or two Asian administrators at Franklin and 44 Asian counselors, community liaison workers and bilingual faculty..."

I became more confused. There already were five Asian staff members in that school! All along I had thought America was the great melting pot, a place where human scrap metals from around the world were tossed together,

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#### 1000-Club charter

Editor:  
I am taking this means of informing you of the unusually courteous and honest service provided by the Cosmopolitan Travel Service, who were responsible for arranging the JACL 1000 Club Charter Flight to Japan, at least for the Chicago group.

Because of illness in the family it became necessary for us to cancel our long-planned trip at the last moment. We notified the Travel Service at the late hour and experienced one of the heartening things of recent days. Their agent, by the name of Sandy, worked competently, swiftly and courteously—we were provided full refund with the exception of a very modest service charge.

I wanted to mention this to the national office because my local experience has not been always this pleasant on trips that were of far less complication and dollars. I wish to endorse the selection of this service by the JACL group for any future flights, because of their professional competency and honesty.

I am not personally acquainted with Richard H. Yamada, president of the Travel Service, or with "Sandy," so that this letter is being sent to you without any personal bias.

Yours for credit when credit is due.

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Univ. of Illinois  
Urbana Ill.

#### QUESTION BOX

'Evacuation' Poster  
Q—I have an Evacuation poster on my wall. Two requests for the same have pressed me to Xerox it but it was a flop. Where can we get copies?—M.S., Burlington, Calif.

A—The JACL Visual Communications Committee, 2708 S. Rimpau Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. 90016, has copies available at \$1 each, postage & handling extra.

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## 25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, Nov. 30, 1946

Salt Lake City VFW asks repeal of 1943 Utah alien land law... Mas Satow appointed acting National JACL executive secretary; Mike Masaoka to head Anti-Discrimination Committee office in Washington... Calif. Attorney General Kenny denies issuing order to investigate titles of land owned by all Nisei... Release of 390 Japanese renunciants at Crystal City, Tex., internment camp and 108 under "relaxed internment" at Seabrook (N.J.) Farms sought... Canada Nisei plan survey of evacuation losses... Calif. Supreme Court rejects Oyama case petition... Chicago Mayor receives AVC report of violence against family of Nisei war veteran (John Yoshino)... New York Nisei Weekender resumes publication under new ownership... Second Nisei teacher signs for work in Salt Lake school... Issei aliens obtained for three people were from various backgrounds. Young students from the different colleges and universities, community workers and people from the streets made up the audience. 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