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POLITICAL INVOLVEMENT

Article II, Section 2 of the Constitution of the Japanese American Citizens League provides: "This organization shall be non-partisan and non-sectarian and shall not be used for the purposes of endorsing candidates for public offices."

In addition, in order to protect our tax-exempt status as

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a nonprofit organization under the Internal Revenue Code, we are not allowed to engage in political activity comparable to the Hatch Act provisions, in so far as our organization is concerned.

Actually, we do have leeway in educating our membership relating to the nuts and bolts of politics. We can invite speakers, host panel discussions, request commitments, make inquiries regarding platform and so forth.

In fact, we should invite political leaders from all spectrums of the political arena to find out everything there is to know about their political philosophy, their campaign methods and techniques, use of funds, campaign expenditures, key people in their party, the background of these people, the commitment of the political party to such things as civil rights, civil liberties, equal employment opportunities, equal housing opportunities, and pin each candidate down to specific positions.

In addition, inquire how the candidate or political party, in fact, practices what it preaches by giving case examples of specifically how integrated the party is and how the candidate has incorporated into his campaign team members of minorities and the poor.

I encourage JACLers to run for political office. We should use our organizational know-how to support JACLers by each person personally committing himself or herself to working actively on the campaign committee. Norman Mineta, Mayor of San Jose, Ken Nakagawa, Mayor of Gardena, Bob Matsui, City Councilman of Sacramento, Paul Bannai, City Councilman of Gardena and many, many others have succeeded in the recent past.

By now, we should have had a Congressman from the mainland. We haven't as yet, but we will have shortly. We have many qualified people, both men and women. Let us get good potential candidates to take the big step. JACL should do everything within its power and limitations to push for good candidates, JACLer or non-JACLer.

This is another area where we can have workshops to accomplish many things. We must become politically sophisticated so our strength will be of geometric proportions rather than merely fragmental numerical fragments. In some instances you may wish to disperse the help you give evenly among several candidates. In other instances, you may wish to and it may be more profitable to concentrate on one or two candidates. Since we are non-partisan, we should look for good candidates of all political parties and persuasions.

RURAL VS. URBAN

Article V, Sections 2 and 3 state, essentially, that chapters are free to sponsor and promote programs of their own and participate on national projects; otherwise, they are autonomous as far as consistent with this Constitution and By-Laws with the National Program.

Actually, there are very few restraints imposed by the National Organization on chapters or district councils. Each chapter and district council has, in the past, done pretty well what it has pleased. Although this has created disension among the ranks and among chapters, it has also strengthened chapters and programs.

An example is the issue of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC). The rural areas are opposed, as they put it, to the tactics and methods of the UFWOC, although they claim they are not generally, against unions as such, but would like to have free elections as to UFWOC, any other union or no union. Furthermore, they oppose any violence.

They should, by now, understand the constitutionally-protected rights of freedom of speech, petition and assembly, guaranteed by the 1st Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. They do, however, object to the language resorted to by pickets and demonstrators, particularly in the presence of their wives and children, and having Nisei farmers isolated for discriminatory action.

Although Central California District Council (CCDC) has carried the brunt of the attack from both UFWOC and



TITLE II REPEAL—The American Civil Liberties Union of Northern California recognizes JACL for its successful repeal of the emergency detention act in presenting their first annual Alexander Mielejohn Civil Liberties Award. Pictured (from left) are Howard Jewel, No. Calif. ACLU chairman; Masao W. Satow, Nat'l JACL director;

Edison Uno, Title II repeal co-chairman; and Jay Miller, ACLU exec. director. Raymond Okamura, other Title II repeal co-chairman who eschews recognitions, was not present to receive his award. Presentations were made June 4 at the Kabuki Restaurant, San Francisco.

—George Okada Photo.

JACL-PLANNING

Asian American Focus

(This is the fifth and final segment of extracts from the 1972 National Planning Commission meeting. The Planning Commission has issued its recommendations with a minority report to chapter delegates bound for the National JACL Convention.—Ed.)

Part Five

OSHIKI — About the Pan-Asian Project, it has to do with establishing liaison with other Asian groups. I think Bill Marutani referred to it as "Oracle" (Oriental American Citizens League) and that didn't go over too well. But thrust of his idea is that we go on we won't be able to function as JACL alone. Who are we to say that the Chinese Americans, the Filipino Americans, etc., ought to be a part of JACL? Let's start setting up contacts with other Asian American groups.

In the eyes of non-Oriental Americans, all Orientals are lumped together and thus a peculiar virus of Oriental prejudice readily hosts upon all other Oriental Americans as easily as it does upon the then current victim... moreover by joining together on a common contribution to our nation, each Asian American group may thereby gain a greater assurance of their justified pride as Asian Americans.

Recommendation — liaison study group be established for a feasibility of promoting initially a federation of Asian American organizations; program be developed by which each group, particularly JA-

CL, is provided with the opportunity to be exposed to and learn about other Asian Americans, their problems, aspirations, etc., by visitations and educational materials. He goes on to say, "who are we to say everyone should join under JACL; that it's not realistic, let's first try to establish some liaison."

SUGIYAMA — All that comes under "Work with Other Groups." There is also a resolution in our district from the Bay Area Community chapter to establish a commission to study and work on this. The district has not acted on it yet. While we here agree with this proposal in principle, what other national organization of Asians are there? It boils down to local groups, thus it becomes a matter for districts and chapters.

SATOW — The resolution is really innocuous, asking that we set up, study and work with them. At the staff meeting we had the last time I was in L.A., it was felt that we follow up the kinds of contacts we have already made with other Asian American groups. For instance, when Dave Ushio worked on the Conference for the Aging and through Mike Suzuki and Asian American Social Workers, we felt we should maintain and solidify what we have, which I think is going beyond setting up a commission to make a study. This is a more realistic approach. Let's face it, if JACL were to tie into such a thing that Bill Marutani first talked about, most of the JACLers would drop out. So, let's encourage a loose federation where we continue to maintain the contacts thus far. Another thing, Dave had a helluva time trying to determine who were the actual spokesmen for these various Asian groups. I think he has a better idea now who their "persona grata" are.

National Groups

MATSUI — One thing to add to that is that the staff felt we, under the direction of the National Director, make aggressive efforts to initiate and maintain communication with all segments of the Asian communities to encourage the development of a national organization within each community. The ultimate goal would be that before the decade is out, a National Conference of Asian American organizations could be convened to establish a loosely federated Asian American organization which could more effectively deal with mutual problems common to all of the Asian communities.

SATOW—The Cabinet Level Committee on Asian American Affairs is another thrust along this direction.

HONDA — The conference on Aging provided in essence the first National conference of Asian Americans.

TANAKA — All this boils down to common problems, like aging which really tipped this off. We had some 47 people together and some three hours of dialoguing, which was great.

NBC anxious to interview persons pictured in 'Executive Order 9066'

SAN FRANCISCO — As a by-product of the photographic documentary, "Executive Order 9066," assembled by Maisie and Richard Contrat for the California Historical Society book and traveling exhibit, NBC News is preparing a 60-minute TV essay on the Japanese American experience during World War II.

NBC-TV news producers Robert Northshield and Fred Flamenhaft have been assigned to tape scenes and record interviews in California during the week of June 18 and in Washington, D.C., at the JACL Convention during the week of June 25.

MATSUI — Only real complaint we got was that the people who were at the conference were not, with few exceptions, grassroots people who dealt directly with the problems of the aged. They happened to be Asian and that's all... We had to explain that the selection was through the political process and that David Ushio had nothing to do with it.

FURUTA — I understand the Chinese are organizing a national group... there's a guy circulating from D.C. around the big cities talking up the idea.

SATOW — Yes, a number of Chinese representatives have approached our office and wanted to know how JACL operates. They said they have difficulty generating a kind of following... in fact they've been in the past two years. I haven't seen them lately.

SHIMASAKI — It would appear that the younger members in JACL, the Saneis, will have to carry this out... it will be harder to get the older Nisei interested in something like this because of old prejudices.

SATOW — Another area for getting together would be in education... especially in ethnic studies.

TANAKA—And if our pitch in education is on Asian Americans, we'll have to start working with other Asian Americans—not only for their input, but also their support... like it or not.

SATOW — And if Asian American cabinet-level ever gets off the ground...

OSHIKI — But don't hold your breath on that... If Nixon wanted it, he could do it by order. Legislatively it could be done, the President would have to — though this is a harder way as there are many legislative roadblocks. Now, the cares that much to push this, like Spark pushed Title II... It's pretty hard to justify.

We have had several meetings in Washington on this idea, which was organized I guess by Mo who was interested in something for

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Satow testimonial fund still open

SAN FRANCISCO — While contributions to the Masao Satow Testimonial Fund will continue to be accepted until Convention time, deadline for listing on the Fund Committee rolls was June 15, it was announced by Yone Satoda, fund treasurer.

In the meantime, the album committee chaired by Tats

Kushida of Los Angeles, acknowledges the many letters and some pictures which are now being bound for presentation at the testimonial luncheon for the honoree in Washington, D.C.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday—June 26
Special arranged meetings with government agency and Congressional committee officials and staff.

Tuesday—June 27
9:00 a.m.—National JACL Board and Staff Meeting
8:30 a.m.—Freer Art Gallery (Japanese Art)
7:30 p.m.—Corcoran Art Gallery ("Exec. Order 9066" display)
9:30 p.m.—Opening Mixer (Philadelphia JACL Host)

Wednesday—June 28
8:00 a.m.—White House Tour (Grp I)
8:30 a.m.—Capitol Hill Tour and Visitation
9:30-11:30 a.m.—Nat'l Council (To be announced)
(Lunch on your own)
1:30-4:30 p.m.—Nat'l Council (II-Budget)
6:30 p.m.—No-Host Cocktails
7:30 p.m.—Congressional Dinner

Thursday—June 29
8:00 a.m.—White House Tour (Grp II Delegates)
10:00 a.m.—Capitol Hill Tour and Visitation
3:15 p.m.—Congressional Tribute (House of Representatives)
6:30-8:00 p.m.—Japanese Embassy Reception
(Supper on your own)
7:30-10:30 p.m.—Nat'l Council (III)

Friday—June 30
7:00-10:00 a.m.—District Council Caucus (As desired)
8:00 a.m.—White House Tour (Grp III)
10 a.m.—12 n.—Nat'l Council (IV)
12:00 noon—Testimonial Luncheon
3:00-5:00 p.m.—Nat'l Council (If necessary)
5:30 p.m.—State Department Briefing (U.S.-Japan Relations)
6:00-8:00 p.m.—Japanese Embassy Reception
9:00 p.m.—National Council Meeting (If necessary)

Saturday—July 1
9:45 a.m.—Arlington National Cemetery Memorial Services
Gen. Mark Clark, ret., spkr.
(Lunch on your own)
10:45-1:30 p.m.—Nat'l Council (Final Session)
6:00-8:30 p.m.—No-Host Cocktails
6:30 p.m.—Convention Banquet
10:00 p.m.—Sayonara Mixer: "Go West 74"

Sunday—July 2
8:45 a.m.—Breakfast Meeting for old and new Nat'l JACL Board members and Staff

DR. GEORGE K. HASHIBA

Pioneer Issei physician honored by colleagues, ex-patients and JACL

By MIKE IWATSUBO

FRESNO, Calif.—The community of Fresno turned out en masse Sunday night, June 4, to honor Dr. George K. Hashiba, a long-time practicing physician and surgeon, as some 600 friends and well-wishers packed the dining hall of the Del Webb Townhouse to pay him tribute.

In the gathering were many of his former patients from the Tule Lake WRA Center, some coming from San Francisco, San Jose, and Los Angeles to honor the 88-year-old Issei doctor. The presence of those ex-Tule Lake patients brought to the fore the little publicized personality of this self-made and self-educated doctor whose professional skill and devotion to duty won the acclaim of his colleagues as one of the outstanding surgeons in the country.

As a prominent physician, even in the World War II era, he was given permission to leave the relocation center shortly after his arrival at Tule Lake. But seeing the plight of the internees, and the lack of medical facilities including professional personnel, he refused to leave and spent all available time at his disposal in caring for the sick. He and Mrs. Hashiba were among the last to leave the relocation center.

Testimonials

Testimonial addresses were extended the guest of honor by Mayor Ted Wills, representing the city of Fresno; Supervisor John Ventura, representing the county of Fresno; Dr. John E. Quinn, president of the Fresno County Medical Society; Masao A. Araki who spoke in behalf of the Japanese American community of Central California; Shekigi Sugiyama and Fred Hirasuna, JACL governors of Northern California and Central California respectively; and Dr. Hy M. Ginsburg, whose emotion-filled keynote testimonial echoed the sentiments of some 100 doctors present.

"What can I say," Dr. Ginsburg concluded, "to a fellow doctor who has never refused a request for information by another doctor, who has never been too busy to assist a fellow colleague, and whose doors have always been open

day or night for a fellow man in medical need."

It was Dr. Ginsburg, former head of the Fresno County General Hospital, who, in the discrimination-filled days of the early 1930's persuaded Dr. Hashiba to become a part of the general hospital staff, and who encouraged him to specialize in the field of neurosurgery. As further evidence of the esteem by which his colleagues think of Dr. Hashiba, two years ago he was elected honorary president of the General Hospital medical group.

A graduate of Stanford University's medical college in 1917, Dr. Hashiba first opened practice in Watsonville, and then moved in 1922 to Fresno, which would be his final and permanent stop, as it turned out, since this year has marked the fiftieth year of his residence in this city.

No Vacations

In the more than a half century of work, Dr. Hashiba had never taken a vacation. His Sundays when the office was closed were devoted to either driving or flying to the Stanford Medical Center for further study and research, a habit he had continued until past his 80 year

Of his vast storehouse of knowledge accumulated through study and research, he freely and willingly shared with all of his medical colleagues, young and old alike. The testimonial addresses of the night brought out the fact

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National Council open to registered delegates

SAN FRANCISCO — All those attending the National Council sessions during the forthcoming National JACL Convention in Washington, D.C., must be Convention registrants, National JACL Headquarters here reminded. Seating for booster delegates will be provided.

However, if the National Council votes to be in closed session, attendance will be limited to official and alternate delegates, their proxies, members of the National Board and Staff and national committee chairmen.

SAN FRANCISCO—The proposed agenda for the 22nd biennial National Council sessions of the Japanese American Citizens League was released this week by National Director Masao W. Satow.

National JACL officers and delegates representing the 94 chapters comprising the National Council will convene June 27-July 1 at the Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C.

The proposed agenda early this week was being revised to accommodate additional items such as the appointment of the JACL executive director and is subject to National Board scheduling.

Three hours have been reserved Friday morning for district governors to convene their own caucus from 7 to 10 a.m.

While the agenda allocates 12 hours, starting on Wednesday morning, June 28, additional time will be available for national committee meetings after the brief opening session. However, the National Council will meet as a committee of the whole that afternoon in passing on the 1973-74 budget.

Budget-Finance

The basic budget of \$270,000 will be presented for adoption initially and then the question of changing the Endowment Fund portfolio from capital growth to high-yield and raising dues from \$8.50 to \$10 a year will be proposed.

If the two latter changes are adopted, additional income of nearly \$90,000 will be provided to fund other major JACL programs, such as Asian legal aid, education-visual communications, youth program, additional regional offices, community involvement, student aid and international affairs.

In the basic budget are allocations for the Pacific Citizen, Washington Office and several national standing committees as well as staff, overhead, administration and executive expenses.

This change in presenting the budget eliminates a time-killer of previous conventions when the committee thrashed out the details and then had to verbally repeat the committee session before the entire National Council to insure complete understanding and adoption.

Another procedural change is having the question of setting the amount of income that might be raised before all programs are adopted. Still to be determined is the method by which the National Council will authorize which of the major programs are to be adopted as all requests are to be presented in full before any decision can be rendered.

Previously, major programs were packaged in such a way so that greater the dues increase, the more funding of programs. This time, one variable would be eliminated by predetermining the overall amount to be allocated and then tailoring major programs to fit anticipated income, National Treasurer Al Hatate explained.

Thursday Night Session

The third session convening Thursday night will delve into the recommendations of the National Planning Commission with Tom Shimasaki delivering the report and the constitutional changes.

Some of the recommendations by the Planning Commission may have been disposed during the budget-finance session. The commission has urged an "accelerated" use of the Endowment Fund, adequately funding visual communications, continued support of youth program, and additional regional offices.

Other proposals deal with convention costs and purposes, working with other groups (notably Asian American groups), limiting proxy votes, JACL scholarship program, youth and Jr. JACL, membership services, new name for JACL and staff reorganization.

A major constitutional change being proposed asks the initiative-referendum procedure be enacted.

Friday Session

The two hours reserved Friday morning for the fourth session cover resolutions including one for establishing a

commission on Pan-Asianism to study and recommend ways and means by which all persons of Asian ancestry in the U.S. can achieve unification. Political influence is derived from the number of people represented, it was pointed out, and since Asian national groups are too weak to stand alone, those of Chinese, Filipino, Japanese, Korean and other Asian ancestries by whomever together will have sufficient strength to control their own destinies and well-being.

Another resolution involves construction of a new National Headquarters in San Francisco, estimated at \$175,000. It would be a manifestation of retaining Headquarters here. The National Board at its 1970 convention session had recommended Headquarters be relocated to Los Angeles, where a new cultural community center is being planned in Little Tokyo. The matter was never presented to the National Council and this year's resolution would.

The NC-WNDC study committee, which authored the resolution, described the present space for Headquarters as "inadequate, inefficient and unrepresentative" as the head office for JACL.

In view of the need for new facilities, the study committee suggested either leasing space in the Japan Center or building a JACL headquarters in Nihonmachi near the present site. It's either expending a total of nearly \$200,000 during a 10-year lease or acquiring property and constructing a JACL building.

Space not in excess of 3,000 square feet has been proposed by study committee to provide rooms for professional and clerical staff, conference room, library, pantry and work rooms.

The fifth and final session Saturday afternoon will be climaxed by the election of national officers. The slate will have been presented by the nominations committee at the opening session.

Convention Bid

Portland JACL, which hosts the 1974 convention, will extend its official invitation beyond National President Raymond Uno adjourns the 22nd biennial. It was a bid that was accepted by the convention when it had convened at San Diego in 1966—the same year Washington, D.C., had bid for the 1972 convention.

At the 1968 convention in San Jose, the 1976 convention bid from Sacramento JACL was unanimously accepted.

At the 1970 convention, no bids were entertained in view of the 1968 JACL Board policy to restrict lead time to three bienniums, which means invitations for the 1978 convention may be in order this year.

Chapter proxies

SAN FRANCISCO — JACL chapters being represented by proxy at the National Council session were to have submitted to the National Director in writing the designation of such proxy with the \$10 by June 15. No members of the National staff may act as proxy.

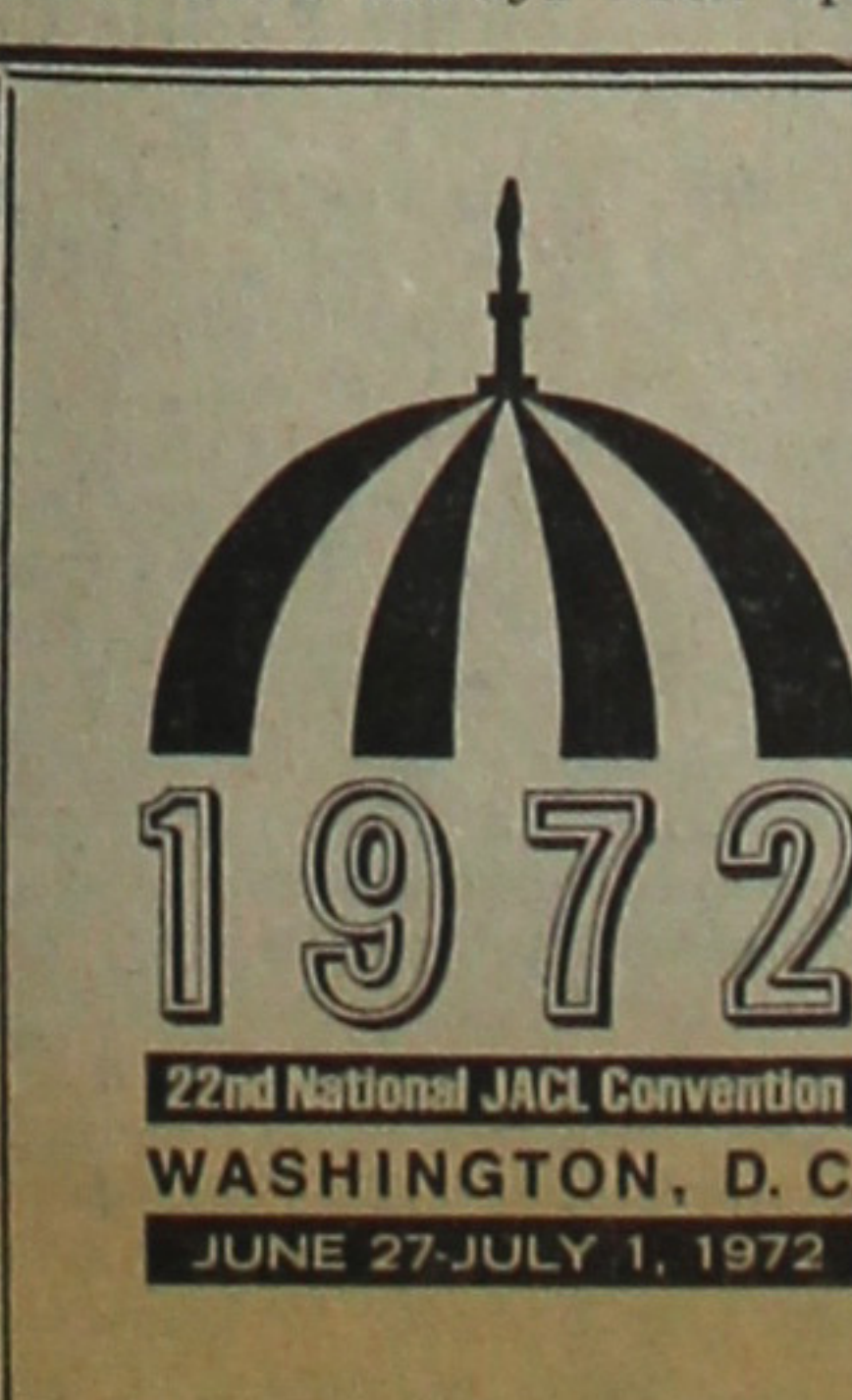
Delegate Papers

(Following reports have been distributed or are in the process of delivery to all Resolution officials, delegates, chapter presidents, National JACL officers, committee chairmen and JACL Headquarters. These papers are resource material for the 1972 National JACL Council sessions in Washington, D.C., June 28-July 1.)

- 0-Proposed Agenda (June 1)
- 1-Proposed Budget (Hatate, Apr. 28)—see May 5 P.C.
- a) CIP Budget
- b) Program and Activities (Sugiyama)
- c) Staff recommendations (Matsui-Tanaka, May 31)
- d) CIP Budget, revised as Package Deal (May 31)
- e) Youth: budget proposed by NYCC and staff
- f) Washington Office budget
- 2-1971 JACL Financial Report
- 3-1972 Apr. 30 Report
- 4-Education Committee (Hirasuna, Mar. 24)
- 5-Visual Communications (Nakamura, Mar. 24)
- 6-Hagiwara Fund Drive (Kado-waki)
- a) Student Aid Program (Nishikawa)
- b) Program and Activities (Sugiyama)
- 7-Endowment Fund (Miyake)
- 8-Package Deal (Enomoto)
- 9-Regional Office Proposal (Kanda)
- 10-Pacific Citizen (Honda)
- 11-Planning Commission (Shimazaki); Minority Report (Kado-waki)
- 12-Legal (Takasugi, May 31)
- 13-Legislative (Harano)
- 14-Pan-Asianism and Resolution
- 15-Nat'l Headquarters
- 16-JACL Charter Flights
- 17-Constitutional Credentials
- 18-Membership Bulletin (June 1)
- 19-Constitutional Changes

DEADLINES

July 16—Chapter nominations to JACL HQ for two \$500 Sumitomo Bank collegiate scholarships in banking or finance fields; and one \$500 Dr. Mitsumi Nobe Memorial scholarship for graduate study in field of physical, biological sciences or engineering. Chapters may nominate as many candidates as they wish; JACL membership on part of students or parents is not requisite.)



2 Weeks Remain

Until Nat'l JACL Convention

June 27 (Tues.)-July 1 (Sat.)

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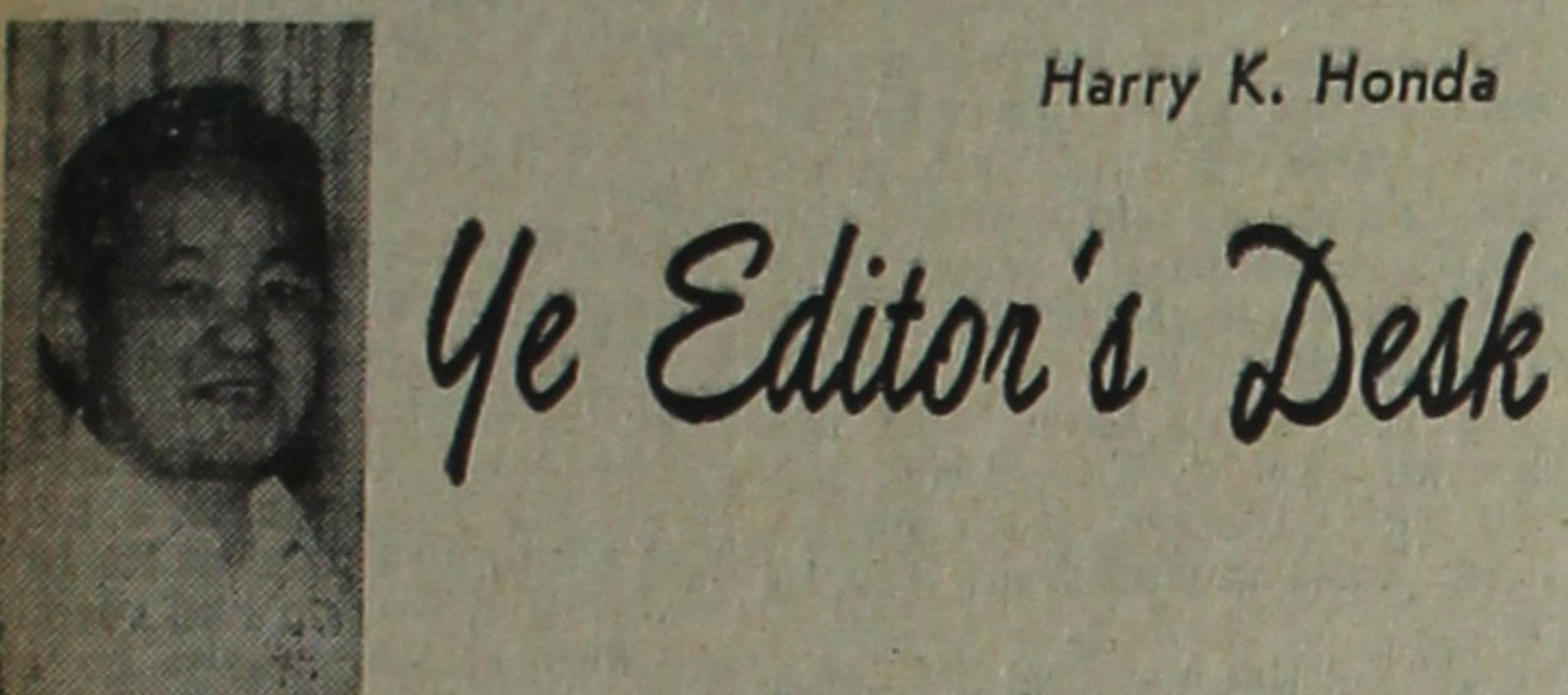
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- WHAT JACL IS DOING TODAY
- 1-Working on definitive history of Japanese in America.
 - 2-Developing educational material on Japanese Americans.
 - 3-Supporting projects which identify and demonstrate special
need and problems of Japanese Americans.
 - 4-Maintaining continuous contact with legislation and taking
appropriate action on issues relevant to JACL.
 - 5-Administering scholarship and student aid programs.
 - 6-Developing services of interest to total membership.
 - 7-Cooperating with Asian American groups on problems of com-
mon concern.
 - 8-Seeking a federal level Cabinet Committee on Asian American
Affairs.
 - 9-Participating to further U.S.-Japan relations harmoniously.
 - 10-Encouraging knowledge and understanding of Japanese cul-
ture.
 - 11-Sponsoring community projects and membership services,
such as Issei appreciation and youth programs, picnics, civil rights,
credit unions, bowling leagues and tournaments, and health plans.

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Harry K. Honda

Ye Editor's Desk

AN ISSEI COUNTRY DOCTOR

Perhaps practicing medicine in the salubrious
climes of Fresno, California with never a vacation to
speak of, as was pointed out at the recent testimonial
tendered Dr. George Kanomatsu Hashiba, is a key to
live to age 88 and then some. Whereas the western
traditions celebrate an occasion every 25 years—the
silver at 25, golden at 50 and diamond at 75; the Japa-
nese love double numbers like age 77 and 88, or cele-
brate on Jan. 1, Mar. 3, May 5, July 7 and Sept. 9.

Mock Joya's "Things Japanese", a compendium
of customs, manners and folklore every Nisei should
have, explains why ages 77 and 88 are popularly cele-
brated. In the script characters for "ki" or Joy, the
forms of "seven, ten, seven" can be detected—hence
a 77 is the "age of joy" or Kinjo-no-Iwai. The char-
acters of "eight, ten, eight" compress to form the
Kanji "yone" or rice—principal food of the Japanese
and always regarded as sacred—hence age 88 is the
"age of rice" or Yone-no-Iwai.

At a time when virtues such as "ardor, dedication
and zeal" over the long haul are rarely in the news,
reading over the sketch of Dr. Hashiba crossing our
desk this past week would emancipate a resolute cynic.
It was commonplace for the pioneer Fresno Issei
"country doctor" to spend the whole week in general
medical practice—in itself a very tiring routine—and
then drive on to San Francisco to research in surgery
to better serve his patients. He developed neuro-
surgery in Fresno when no one else was in this field.
He performed corrective orthopedic surgery to re-
habilitate cripples. He was in the field of chest sur-
gery when that specialty was in its infancy. In later
years, vascular surgery was included in his research.

Hashiba was 19 when he came to the U.S. in 1903
from Ishikawa-ken, and graduated from San Fran-
cisco's Lowell High in 1910. Seven years later, he gra-
duated from Stanford Medical School—working his way
through all his school years. His doctoral thesis, "Lym-
phatic System of the Guinea Pig", merited life mem-
bership from Sigma Xi. After completing internship
at Stanford Hospital and postgraduate studies at
Columbia University Medical School in 1920, he com-
menced his private practice in Watsonville and moved
to Fresno in 1922, where he has remained to this day
except for four years at Tule Lake WRA Center, where
he was chief of surgery and among the last to leave
in March, 1946, because of the needs of those interned.

As impressive as his personal medical achievements
may be—and we're quoting from the sketch here—
there is one quality which marks this humble man as
a tremendous person and that is his "dedication and
service to the people". Welfare of his patients was
his prime concern. Time of day or night meant nothing.
His stamina was a source of amazement to every
one of his colleagues.

He was never too busy to do anything to help in-
struct and aid his fellow doctors, from interns to doc-
tors in private practice. He was especially solicitous
and encouraging when it came to helping any new
young doctor struggling to establish himself. He was
always polite and considerate to the medical and
nursing staff. Such goodwill and admiration for his
character and personality, coupled with obvious medi-
cal skills, culminated in his being honored as presi-
dent of the Fresno County General Hospital staff and
more recently as honorary president, a recognition
seldom accorded. Yet, he keeps saying, "I'm only a
country doctor."

His dedication to patients is literally boundless.
Questioned why he has never taken a vacation that
he richly deserves, he replies, "Why should I? I'm
happy in my work. I need no vacation." His time-off
from practice consisted of going to advance research
seminars for a few days.

Hundreds of patients have testified to his work and
dedication during the dark days of Evacuation and
life at Tule Lake. He chose to stay to help despite the
early opportunity to leave.

Throughout his life he never forgot he was a Japa-
nese immigrant, an Issei who was given the wonderful
opportunity to study and advance himself despite
prejudice and adversity. He was always grateful for
this. Coupled with this was an underlying sense of
responsibility to the entire Japanese American com-
munity as was typified when he commented upon what
a Nisei doctor said in praise of him for the respect
he had in the medical profession, "Well, I didn't want
to do anything to discredit or to bring a sense of
shame or embarrassment to the rest of you Nisei doc-
tors." The writer of the sketch then adds: "We wonder
how many Nisei doctors, not necessarily doctors but
ones in any field of work, would give this much con-
sideration and thought to those who are to follow..."

Dr. Hashiba made good in every sense of the word.
He had set his goals and achieved them and in so do-
ing followed the respect and admiration of his col-
leagues and workers. Most important, he was a man
in complete dedication to alleviate the sufferings of
man... Thus endeth the sketch in tribute.

As the JACL scroll of recognition aptly puts it:
"His lifetime of selfless dedication... and his concern
for fellow men is written indelibly in the hearts and
minds of those he served". What else is there to say
but "amen".

On Father's Day simplicity, honor of Issei recalled

By JOE HAMANAKA

Seattle
My father was an Issei.
He qualifies as one, for
having come to this country
in 1907. For having come on a
boat. His belongings in a
"koro" bamboo wicker lug-
gage. For having given a Ni-
sei his first in life.
His name was Yoshimatsu,
a name from the Meiji era
(1868-1912). And his coming
alone was cushioned by the

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presence earlier of older
brothers, Takematsu and Hida-
matsu in Seattle. Two others,
Toramatsu and Shigematsu,
preferred to stay in Japan.

For as far as I can re-
member, Yoshimatsu worked
hard, like an Issei is suppo-
sed to. He put-in 12-13 hours
a day, half a day on Sun-
days. Like nearly 20 years
as a merchant in Old Nihonma-
chi.

Returning from Minidoka
after the Great War, at 65
years, he worked another 17
years. Finally, on a technical-
ity they stopped him—seems
the Union has rules against
82-year-olds working while
youngsters are waiting for
jobs. He retired with a cute
\$26 a month pension.

He was a healthy man.
Never hospitalized, until his
death. Never missed a day
of work, as a merchant,
in camp, or a janitor af-
ter the war. His wealth was
his health.

A simple man. A quiet man.
A man with not too many
needs. He appeared satisfied
with a simple life. An un-
complicated man.

And when retirement came,
involuntarily, he had time to
sleep and eat a lot. Naps were
an anytime—hesitant-down
thing. And he found time for
gardening, fixing things
around the house, running er-
rands, etc. And of course,
there was television, but the
English from the tube came
too fast for him and he usu-
ally dozed off in short time.

Retirement meant a trip to
Japan, after 46 years. But he
had become a stranger in Ja-
pan. Relatives were few and
what was familiar had changed.
And he had changed.

After four years of soft
living, as so often happens to
retired Issei, he was dead at 86.

Writers will not dig-up the
early Issei doings, such as
their use of guns and knives,
the killings. Their gambling,
bootlegging, smuggling, even
prostitution—yes, in Seattle.
Some got rich from such ac-
tivities.

But not Yoshimatsu. He
was too honest, law-abiding—
like most Issei. Poor, but hon-
orable. Don't bring shame to
the Japanese, he'd say. Never
had much money or property
here. Never owned a car. Did
not smoke, drink or gamble.

He was "majime" and "oto-
nashi" as most Issei were,
and are.

He kept his dishwasher,
farm laborer and business
earnings in the Furuya Bank,
but it went belly-up. Then he
started to save with Sumitomo
Bank and Yokohama Spe-
cie Bank in Seattle, but the
Great War froze, then reduced
his savings to practically
nothing. And finally he put
his trust in the "hakuji" Se-
attle 1st National Bank and
Washington Mutual Savings
Bank. But, by then, his earn-
ings days were numbered.

He was neither a leader nor
a go-getter in the commu-
nity, but he paid his dues in
support of the old Nihonjin
Kai, and Nikkeijin Kai since
the War. He got little in re-
turn, but he had to keep-up
his payments, for he was an
Issei.

And he had to belong. To
the Nihonjin Kai, the Kishu-
yama Kenjin Kai (Kishu
Club) and the Buddhist
Church. "Moshimo no koto ga
attara, sewa ni naru," is what
he said.

At 86, he had all his own
teeth. Though sparse and
white, enough hair he had on
his head to comb it every
morning.

He never was one for dress-
ing up, but he owned good
suits. Never bought at "haku-
ji" stores. About every 10
years he would be measured
by Kashiwagi's. Patronize the
Japanese, he'd say. All tailor-
made to fit and last for years.

The last time we saw him,
he was wearing a black-tail-
or-made suit, my good white
shirt and a necktie with two
embroidered lions. And in his
pocket, a bag of "osembe"
Japanese rice crackers for his
long journey. A clean hand-
kerchief for that hayfever
picked-up in Minidoka.

As we paid our visit to
Yoshimatsu's grave on Mem-
orial Day, we wondered about
the hundreds of other Issei
resting there at Resthaven
Cemetery—their stories, their
lives in this United States.

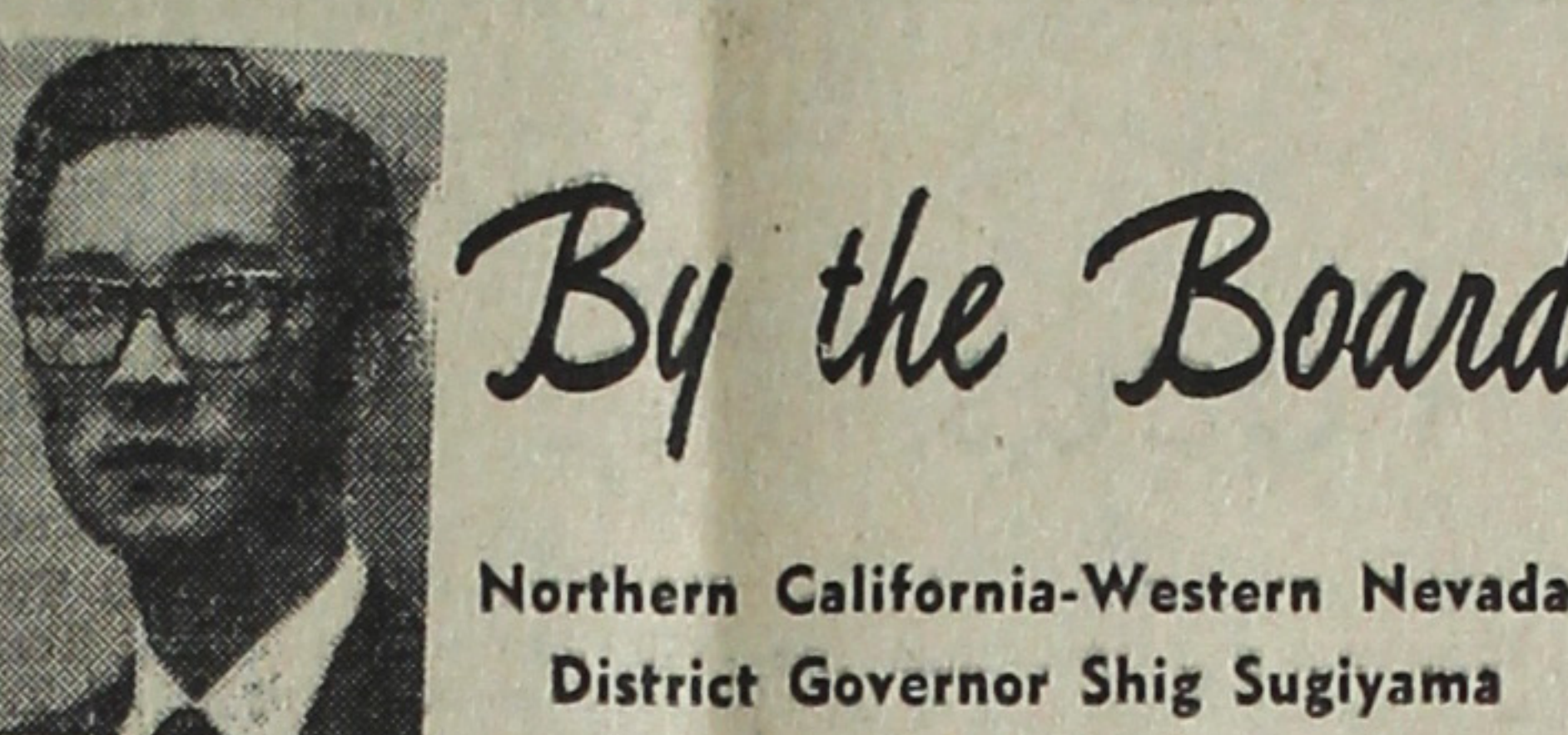
It was "nigiyaka" at Rest-
haven, like a "matsuri" fes-
tival, with Americans flags
flying, pretty flowers, and
most of all, the hundreds of
kin folks and friends there.

And our presence there, our
respects, were that those Is-
sei mattered. That they count-
ed, that it made some differ-
ence that they had lived.

And, surely, as Father's
Day approaches, we will be
reminded again, that father
was one of many plain, ordi-
nary, honorable Issei.



Our Anchor Man



By the Board

Northern California-Western Nevada
District Governor Shig Sugiyama

The time for the 1972 Na-
tional Convention is now up-
on us. The time for decisions
which will set JACL's direc-
tion, indirection, or misdirec-
tion for the coming biennium,
and possibly succeeding bienn-
iums, has come. It is to be
hoped then that the delegates
who will deliberate and vote
on the floor of the National
Council will have done their
homework so that statements
made and votes cast will truly
reflect their knowledge and
understanding of the facts and
issues involved within the
context of the interests and
needs of the delegates' res-
pective constituencies. It is
also to be hoped that suffi-
cient consideration will be
given to the interests and
needs of JACL as a whole.

It would be well if the va-
rious reports, which have been
emanating in a flood from Na-
tional Headquarters, will have
been studied and that some
feedback will have been ob-
tained beforehand regarding
position or actions preferred
by the chapter membership.

It is hoped that all JACL-
ers, and particularly conven-
tion delegates, will have read

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

Farm Labor

Editor:

I am writing in response to
Fred Hirasuna's statement
(PC, April 17) about Chicago
JACL's stand on the United
Farm Workers. The letter to
him is as follows:

As a member of the Chicago
JACL and as a former Japan-
ese, I was very disappointed in
your attitude toward the United
Farm Workers.

You should be re-
minded that the plight of agri-
cultural workers should be a con-
cern of all JACLers. The United
Farm Workers, who are the
West Coast but for all citizens
across the nation. The Chicago
chapter's resolution was, I feel,
a very human response to the
terrible conditions of workers not
only in California but in other
parts of the country. The United
Farm Workers began their cru-
sade in California but they have
expanded their efforts to places
as far as the Midwest. The
workers there are also attempting
to organize in Illinois where we
have a grant of \$40,000 to form
independent cooperatives. Well as
anyone knows, who has ever
worked with OEO, much of that
grant will go to administrative
work such as determining eligi-
bility, etc. Also, if you have done
research at all, you will find
that over 75% of the farmland
in California is owned by less
than 1% of the people who own
farms. This is a very small num-
ber of farmers really make it
in the agri-business world. How
much of a chance do you think
these uneducated farmworkers
have in becoming independent growers?

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tor in the letter to Mr. Hira-
suna and that is that it seems
the so-called "small farmer"
is being driven out not by
unionization but by com-
petition from the agri-bus-
ness men. Maybe we should
investigate this possibility.

MARGARET SHIGIO
Chicago

during the depression as "TEM-
PORARY" housing units and were
stalled in 1961.

While working in the labor
camp there were many cases of
child abuse—not by parents as
much as by the community. One
little girl, not having shoes, cut
her foot on some glass simply
because the grounds of the labor
camp were not kept up except
for the area by the administra-
tion building which could be seen
from the highway. The cut of
the girl's foot almost went to the
bone and when we took her to
the community hospital, the hos-
pital would not admit her but put
a bandage on her foot and told us
to take her to the county hospi-
tal (only 20 miles away) since
she was from the labor camp.

Although the cabins in this la-
bor camp were terrible, the con-
dition, there were others which
were still worse. There were peo-
ple (children and adults) sleep-
ing on the ground and as if this
were not bad enough, the
growers would dump rotting
fruit from the river, which was
next to the camp and the gnats,
mosquitoes and flies were un-
bearable during the night as well
as during the day. We had set up a
day care center for the children of
the camp and during lunch, we
could not keep the insects off the
food. Thus, the children were
sharing their food with insects. Needless
to say there was no consideration
for housing, sanitation or medical
care.

You also mentioned that there
was a grant of \$40,000 to form
independent cooperatives. Well as
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Tomoya Kawakita indicted
June 11 by federal grand jury
for treason, outgrowth of al-
legations by American POWs
of being tortured in Japan.

Gen. MacArthur approves
ACLU-JACL measures to aid
Nisei stranded in Japan to
return to U.S. Nisei vet-
erans urge stricter screening
of Japanese in Nisei stranded
seeking repatriation. In wake
of Kawakita indictment, U.S.
reveals Kawakita wanted to
see parents for return to U.S.

Aug. 15 date announced for
reopening private U.S.-Japan
trade negotiations. JACL
urges passage of national fair
employment legislation at sen-

Crises, dilemma, dichotomy—such are life's ways

By MIYO MORIKAWA

Chicago
Not only will man Rock the
Boat... Shig Wakamatsu
Take on issues that hurt
other Chapters!
Bite the Hand that supports
and pays his wages!
But even give his very life

For humanitarian convic-
tions!
The GNP (gross national
product)!

Chicago Hot Air

The Priority!
In the End...
Is but... MAN!

Or there will be only total
destruction
(wars, ecology, population ex-
plosion... you name it);
elberg, nader, berrigans, ken-
nedy, king...

All dedicated men point this
out!
In a World System that per-
petuates this "Power of One"
concept... there will always
be war.

A system that turns Man of
Cause to thirst for power and
corruption... the cancer.
Hiring halls... daily employ-
ment halls... whatever...
only serves the man who
holds the power to say who
shall be hired for that day...
not the man who so desires
to work. This kind of man-
ipulation kills all incentive
on both sides and breeds con-
tempt. The unfortunate and
least able work for they use
the gained earnings for more
liquid consumption and their
own destruction.

A System whereby Man is
the Loser by the power that
corrupts.

Our American is a dichot-
omy!

Hyde Park, Illinois is a di-
chotomy!

Democrats and Republicans
is a dichotomy!

God and I relationship is
a dichotomy!

The Issues are clearly...
Black and White!
Rich and Poor!
Good and Bad... etc.

The diarrhea...
Welfare at one end!
Subsidy at the other!

The Middle...
Cries in Pain
From the ever rising tax-

es:
To be cured by the Schizo-
phrenia is to become a Total
Whole.

A Whole Man!
A Whole Community!
A Whole Country!
A Whole World!

Meaningful Change is not
Communism...
Is Not Democracy...

NIU professor Martin J.
Sklar advocates the institu-
tion of socialism as "the only
chance for having an advanc-
ed industrial society and dem-
ocracy at the same time."

To Label the CHANGE...
Is only to limit the
CHANGE!

Viable is to participate in
the CHANGE non-violently!
For that Quality...

That is LIFE!

Don't put me in the JACL
bag!

The Buddhist bag!
Nor any kind of bag!
Not even as a "yellow bird"

in a gilded cage!
Only let me soar as a "free-
bird"... with the wind!

Be a free bird with me
and wear the Peace Bird to
the National Convention in
support of Spark Matsunaga's
Peace Dept. proposal...

"Women for Peace" can di-
rect you to suppliers.

GOING HOME

As I write... hot tears
trickle down the valley of my
face. Now realizing how
homesick and happy I was to
see my familiar faces, the
tamarack trees, the oleanders
(pink and white) nodding
weary greetings under a dry
desert sun. So many fond
memories... in joy and in
sadness. Time anchored for a
moment to recall the years
before the summer of '42.

In the wrinkled faces of
Issei a glimpse of mother and
father... (mo ippen ata
katta... oka-san, oto-
san). The lines of hardship
and struggle in their weather-
ed faces... yet the light-
ness and happiness in their
hearts... the warmth... the
richness of human relation-
ship never to be replaced.
Thoughts of your hospitality
and kindness... the tears of
happiness to see you once
more... trickling, trickling.

Our stucco house still
standing... in decay...
and loneliness for the once
lively family that first made
their nest in her comfortable
bosom. The many familiar
surroundings... the schools,
the library, the Dunlap and
Plaster Hotels, the Bravley
Union High School, dear
teacher (Mrs. Morrow), the
churches no longer standing.
Wishing and hoping to turn
back the clock and once again
to see all the friendly faces
and to be a child once more
... those carefree days!

Toi, yasashii minasama,
genki de kurashite irasshai
masu no mo omoi dashite ure-
shii namida ga ukamimashita.
Miyo wa minasama no goshin-
setsu wo wasuremasen. (Japa-
nese language: the most
beautiful and expressive of all
languages... wish I knew
it well).

Two Japan-born
Kaelin sisters in mid-20s re-
fused entry to U.S. by immi-
gration; mother American-
born but father Japan-born
and separated when girls were
very young.

A Nisei View Mike Masooka

The J.A. Creed



Washington

It was thoughtful of president Tomio Moriguchi, Seattle
JACL chapter to send me a copy of the resolution drafted
by some members of his Chapter calling for the "retirement"
of the so-called JACL Creed "as an official expression of the
beliefs and principles of JACL".

To begin with, and to cor-
rect the record, the Creed re-
ferred to is not the JACL
Creed but rather the Japa-
nese American Creed, which
was adopted by the JACL as
an expression of "the beliefs
and principles of JACL".

For some time now, I have
known that there are certain
individuals within the JACL
who for one reason or an-
other believe that the Japa-
nese American Creed is out-
moded and no longer rep-
resents the thinking and the ob-
jectives of JACL. Most con-
cede that perhaps when it was
written and during World
War II it served a useful
purpose but that today it fails
to take into account the real-
ities of society and the prob-
lems of the Japanese Ameri-
can community.

Quite frankly, I personally
recognize that the times have
changed since the Creed was
written in 1940 and that in
certain respects I probably
would not have written the
identical words and thoughts
now if I attempted to draft
another such personal credo.

Individual Credo

Nevertheless, since the
Creed is an individual expres-
sion and since I continue to
believe in its statements as a
whole, I am not only proud
to have been its author but
hopeful that it can still serve
a most useful, meaningful,
and constructive purpose.

And, many have told me
that the Creed is now a part
of Americana, and that it has
been repeated and reprinted
perhaps more than any other
statement by and about Japa-
nese Americans. It has been
reprinted in the Congress-
ional Record probably more than
any other single expression of
its kind and it has been
praised as most exemplary
not only by moderates and
conservatives but also by lib-
erals and by members of
many minority and disadvan-
taged and deprived groups.

As many may know, I am
a firm believer that, in spite
of its racism and prejudices
against those of Japanese an-
cestry, the United States of
America is my native land
and continues to represent the
last, best hope of mankind. I

in the vital issues en masse.
Unfortunately, the involve-
ment has been of a limited
number, who, however, have
been intense and dedicated.
They are not leading of the
youth; they are, more or less,
pulling them, and it is a struggle,
if you ask the involved ones.

Cutting through red tape or
trying to make progress in
JACL is difficult because the
action-reaction syndrome has
certain paralyzing effects, and
like a bureaucracy, changes,
sometimes, are wretchedly
slow. Moreover, with our sys-
tem of chapters and districts
representing rural, city, young,
old, etc., there is no wonder
many activists are totally frus-
trated by the snail's pace at
which things happen.

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Raymond Uno, PC article...
some urban JACL chapters,
there is great sympathy for
their plight from members
and chapters throughout JACL,
particularly many rural
chapters in Southern California,
Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Utah,
Colorado, Arizona, New Jer-
sey and Nebraska. In addition,
members who are now city
dwellers who not long ago ex-
perienced the laborious task
of sun up to sun down and
then 7 days a week, have
not forgotten how much
their lives and the lives of
their loved ones depended on
the soil.

Finally, the roots of almost
all of the people of Japanese
ancestry have, either through
their own family or through
marriage, stemmed from the
farm, just a passing few years
back, and still have family
ties somewhere in the agri-
cultural community.

At one time there was an
implicit threat from the CC
DC they would pull out as a
district council from JACL
if there was even any en-
dorsement from JACL of UF-
WOC. I am not certain
whether the veiled threat will
materialize at this time. In
addition, many chapters and
members have indicated simi-
lar action, and, in fact, some
staunch members, even
Thousand Clubbers, have failed
to renew their membership
as a result of the liberal di-
rections of JACL along with
the UFUOC issue.

If such mass withdrawals
should occur, the Education
Program, the Community In-
volvement Program and the
Youth Program, for all prac-
tical purposes, will be dead as
far as funding is concerned,
and probably some of the
other programs will be seri-
ously jeopardized, if not elimi-
nated, including the com-
munitarian reduction of staff.

Many JACLers may not
agree with my observations,
but in viewing the scene of
collective and sustained ac-
tivity by many other groups,
particularly minority, it is
difficult to get membership for
their own causes, let alone
trying to help others. There-
fore, the argument that if we
become more relevant as an
organization, we will attract
more members, has a grain of
truth in it, but the number
it will attract will be limited
because, as Henry Thoreau
said, "All men lead lives of
quiet desperation."

There is a great deal of
truth in that; they don't, for
the most part, want to become
involved, and if they do, they
don't want the involvement to
be threatening or too intense.

The total American youth,
including Asian American and
Japanese American, have, as
a general rule, been a big dis-
appointment to the many peo-
ple who felt that this genera-
tion would become involved

We must, as a National Or-
ganization, understand that
the many problems of the city
and the rural people are dif-
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Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

Tacoma, Wash.

RETURN TO PUYALLUP—Joe Kosai's wife, Bev, whopped up a magnificent seafood dinner featuring a whole baked salmon in honor for the visitor from the Rockies, and on hand to enjoy it were Dr. John Kanda and his wife Grace, and Art Somekawa and his wife Emi. Dr. Kanda's contribution to the dinner was an octopus which he had caught in the waters of Puget Sound, and cleaned and boiled. Dr. Kanda claims to be one of the few practitioners anywhere of the art of bringing fresh octopus to the dinner table. This is a skill he learned from his father who settled in the White River Valley of western Washington many years ago.

The secret, he says, is to wait until the tide is low. Then you go out to your favorite octopus-hunting grounds and wade around looking for a large rock around which is scattered empty crab shells. Octopuses live in burrows under rocks, like to eat crabs, and are rather messy about the way they dispose of the shells. So it is their private garbage dumps that give them away. If the rock isn't too big, Dr. Kanda, who himself is not on the large side, simply lifts it and hopes to find himself face-to-face with 15 or 20 pounds of surprised octopus. More often, he persuades the octopus to come out and be caught by using a secret potion, wrapped in a cloth, which he pokes into the burrow at the end of a long stick. When the creature emerges, John grabs it, paying scant attention to the suction cups on its eight legs. Dr. Kanda is a general practitioner and, it would seem, a likely candidate for one of those TV programs where a panel tries to guess the guest's hobby.

On the second day of our visit to Tacoma, Tom Takemura and Joe Kosai escorted us to the State Fair Grounds at Puyallup, just a short drive up the valley. There was almost nothing there but memories to remind us that for some three months in the summer of 1942 it had been the detention camp for some 6,000 Issei, Nisei and Sansei forced by the federal government's evacuation order to leave their homes in Seattle.

Today, the fairgrounds are just fairgrounds, looked after by a skeleton staff until fair time in the fall. Thirty years ago, however, even the parking lots were ringed by high barbed wire fences as a concentration camp was hurriedly constructed in the middle of a quiet, peaceful farm town. Here was frustration and heartbreak, helpless anger and stoic acceptance of something that couldn't be resisted. And now there is only peace.

Sam Mukai, who was evacuated into the camp from nearby Firwood, came back after the war and is now a member of the permanent fairgrounds maintenance force. He took time from his job to show where the old grandstand had been before it burned and was replaced. We walked over the cold concrete under the stands and remembered the "apartments" that had been partitioned off there, without light or ventilation. My father and mother had lived in one. We walked through the display barn and remembered that it was the isolation hospital to which my son Mike, an 18-month-old evacuee with the mumps, had been banished.

Later, Takemura and Kosai drove us around the Fife area where the bottom land that the Issei developed into productive truck gardens are now being farmed by their Nisei sons. But the Nisei have cultivated 10 or 20 times as much acreage as their parents had, and the homes most of them live in are handsome structures which wouldn't be out of place in upper middle class sections of Tacoma.

That night, at the Fife Heights home of Dr. Sam Uchiyama and his wife Miyo, we stood on the veranda and looked out over the valley. Miyo's parents farmed that soil. She grew up in the valley. And somehow it seemed only proper that her home was now up on the hill among the trees, serenely commanding a view, symbolizing the progress that has been made since the Issei farmed at a place called Fife, and Puyallup was the name of a concentration camp.

'Save Little Tokyo' echos in City Hall

LOS ANGELES — Prompted by an emergency situation created by the possible closing down of the Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project, prominent leaders of the Japanese American community have organized to form the Citizens Committee to Save Little Tokyo Project.

Chairman of the Citizens Committee is Kazuo Sei, newly-elected chairman of the Little Tokyo Community Development Advisory Committee (LTCADAC). Sei stated that the purpose of the Committee is to petition the City Council, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) to ensure that the NDP (Neighborhood Development Program) projects, including Little Tokyo, Pico-Union, Normandie and Beacon Street, are not forced to shut down.

The CRA was ordered by area director, Raymond Carasco on May 31 to initiate the closing down of all NDP projects in Los Angeles in 60 days. HUD's order was prompted by the Los Angeles City Council's refusal to comply with HUD's request to either change the City Building and Safety Code to permit the use of Romex, a non-metallic sheathed cable, or face the cutoff of urban renewal funds.

7-6 Decision

The City Council on May 24 voted 7 to 6 to reject HUD's request. Casting their votes for the adoption of Romex were Councilmen Bernardi, Braude, Gibson, Russell, Stevenson and Wachs. Voting against Romex were Councilmen Bradley, Edelman, Ferraro, Lindsay, Lorenzen, Mills and Wilkinson. Councilman Nowell and Snyder were absent.

The City Council was scheduled this week (June 14) to consider for a fourth time the amendment of the city building and safety code to permit use of the plastic-sheathed cable. A big turnout of Little Tokyo redevelopment project supporters was expected.

A spokesman for the Committee stated that the Citizens Committee is trying to arrange a meeting with Councilman Lindsay this week. "Because of Lindsay's 'no vote on the Romex issue, we may have to take away his unofficial title of 'Mayor of Little Tokyo'." We're not sure whether he deserves the title after what he did."

Sei listed the following reasons for the formation of the Citizens Committee to Save Little Tokyo Project:

- 1—Property owners sold their properties to the CRA in consideration of the fact that the area would be redeveloped for the benefit of all the people of the community.
- 2—Business tenants were relocated by the CRA for the same reason.
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The real Appreciation of Dr. Hashiba's Devotion and his Concern for his fellow Men is written indelibly in the Hearts and Minds of those he served.

JACL—CONSTITUTION

INITIATIVE-REFERENDUM PROPOSED, REDUCTION OF NAT'L BOARD ASKED

SAN FRANCISCO — Among the major constitutional changes proposed for the National JACL concerns the incorporation of the initiative-referendum principle.

Proposed by the Central California District Council, it was contended "many important policies and matters concerning the general welfare and interest of JACL members as well as the general welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry are being decided by small representative groups possessing proxy powers and voting on behalf of the general membership at the biennial National JACL Convention and obviously without benefit of full discussion and participation of the general membership."

Calling for closer relationship between the general membership and the National JACL officers and declaring the initiative-referendum procedure would be in the best interest of the organization, the CDC resolution proposed that implementation of:

1—The initiative be recommended by two district councils and supported by signatures of at least 10% of the JACL membership as recorded in the previous year's roll.

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EXECOM Modifications

The CDC resolution, while not studied by the National Planning Commission as requested, was endorsed by the National JACL executive committee (EXECOM) at its last meeting April 2-23 at Los Angeles with the following changes:

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2—As a practical matter, a reduction of the number of District Youth Chairmen (now seven) on the National Board.

Another proposal calls for the president-elect to become president without further election upon the expiration of

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PACIFIC CITIZEN—3

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BEGINNINGS '72: Susan Yoshimura

This Is the Place to Be

Salt Lake City

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Aside from the mountains, its five canyons, well-known ski resorts, historical background, the Mormons, and typical tourist places, the Intermountain District Youth Council is hosting the National Jr. JACL convention on Aug. 15-19.

Various programs and workshops have been scheduled for those attending, covering different aspects of Jr. JACL. However, the convention itself is geared toward providing you, as an individual, with a very enjoyable and unique experience to be shared with other interested young Asians across the United States.

Registration for the convention is \$42. This includes: \$12 for housing in Austin Hall at the University of Utah, \$14 for meals, \$3.25 for general registration costs, and \$8.75 for the last night of the convention at Park City (\$2 for bus transportation, \$5 for dinner, \$1.75 for the dance). The pre-registration deadline is July 15. After this date, registration will be raised to \$44. All registration materials with further information can be acquired from local Jr. JACL chapter presidents and DYU chairmen within one week.

You may still think that Salt Lake City has very little to offer, but can you pass up an experience that will only happen once with the same group of people? There's quite a bit to be learned and gained during those four days in August and you can be a part of "Beginnings". The opportunity is there and the theme has many possibilities for you, Jr. JACL, and JACL as a whole.

Where is the place to be in '72? S.L.C.

PSWDC NISEI RELAYS

Powerful Orange County team victors; 4 new records set, 3 new events added

(Special To The Pacific Citizen)

VENICE, Calif.—The well-balanced Orange County JACL team, which retired the PSWDC Nisei Relays trophy last year, has its first leg on a new perpetual cup with a 1972 victory garnered at the Venice High oval on a coolish June 4 day.

Gardena Valley was second best again while Wilshire JACL came on strong to place third in the team standings.

Four records were broken, the most impressive being the 6 ft.-5 1/2 inch. high jump by Don Watson of Gardena, topping a 14-year-old mark of 6 ft.-1 1/2 by San Jose's John Kanaya. Weldon Nomura of West L.A. tied a 1941 record in the 120 lows at 13.3, an event which had been replaced by the lengthier 180 lows in recent years.

Three new events were added this year, the football throw in the midget and cub divisions and the junior 180 dash, which displaced the popular junior 50-yd. dash.

West L.A. and Venice-Culver chapters co-hosted the 1972 relays. San Fernando and Pasadena will co-host the 1973

Hatate withdraws as candidate for treasurer

LOS ANGELES—Al Hatate, national JACL treasurer, Sunday (June 11) said he is withdrawing his candidacy to run a second term, leaving the '72-'74 slate for treasurer vacant as he was the lone nominee.

When it became evident at the PSWDC pre-convention caucus that some in the district did not "buy" his basic philosophy that national officers should have concern for the national organization first instead of the district which had nominated him, Hatate decided to withdraw.

CALENDAR

June 17 (Saturday)
Bay Area Community-Newcomers Mtg. International Institute, San Francisco, 1 p.m.; Frank Kasama, spkr.; Riverside-Graduates dnr, First Christian Church, 6 p.m.; Gardena Valley-Nisei Week queen candidate coronation, VFW Hall, 7:30 p.m.; Cortez-Graduates outing, Sunset Beach, Watsonville, 7:30 p.m.; Contra Costa-Day at the Races, Golden Gate Field.
June 18 (Sunday)
Pocatello-Chapter picnic, Blackfoot Fairgrounds.
June 19 (Monday)
West Los Angeles-Auxiliary Mtg., Margaret Sakaniwa res.
June 20 (Tuesday)
West Valley-Gen Mtg., Grace United Meth Church, 7:30 p.m.
June 22 (Thursday)
Sacramento-Reg Mtg., Nisei Memorial Hall, 7:30 p.m.
June 23 (Friday)
San Diego-Bd Mtg., Ocean View Church, 7:30 p.m.
June 24 (Saturday)
Cleveland-Scholarship Dnr, Southeast YMCA, Bedford.
June 25 (Sunday)
Riverside-Comm Picnic, Sylvan Park, Redlands.
June 26 (Monday)
West Los Angeles-Earth Sci dnr mtg.
June 27-July 1
Convention Week, Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C.
June 27 (Tue): Nat'l Bd & Staff Mtg., 9 a.m.; Freer Art Gallery, 5:30 p.m.; Executive Order 9066 preview, National Archives, 7:30 p.m.; Cabaret Ginza mixer, 9 p.m.; June 28 (Wed): Opening Ceremonies, 8:30 a.m.; National Committee and Council mtgs, 1 p.m.; Congressional Dinner, 7:30 p.m.; June 29 (Thu): White House Tour, 8 a.m.; Capitol Hill Tour, 10 a.m.; Congressional Tributes, 3 p.m.; National Council mtg, 7-10 p.m.; June 30 (Fri): National Council mtg, 9 a.m.; Testimonial luncheon, 12 p.m.; National Council mtg, 1-4:30 p.m.; Convention banquet, 6:30 p.m.; Mayor Norman Mineta, spkr.; Sanyo Mixer, 10 a.m.; July 1 (Sat): Old and new Nat'l JACL Bd & Staff mtg.
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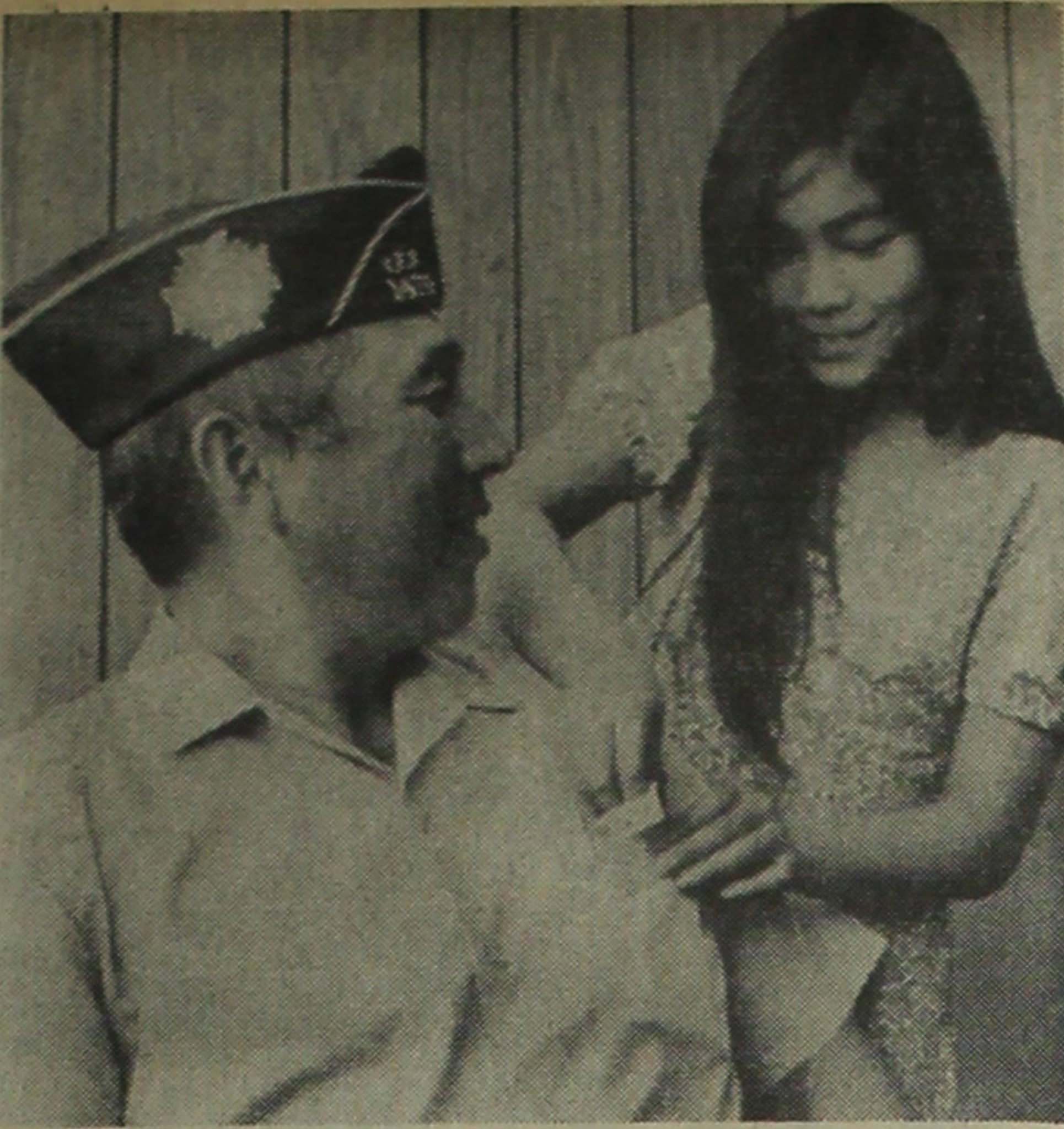
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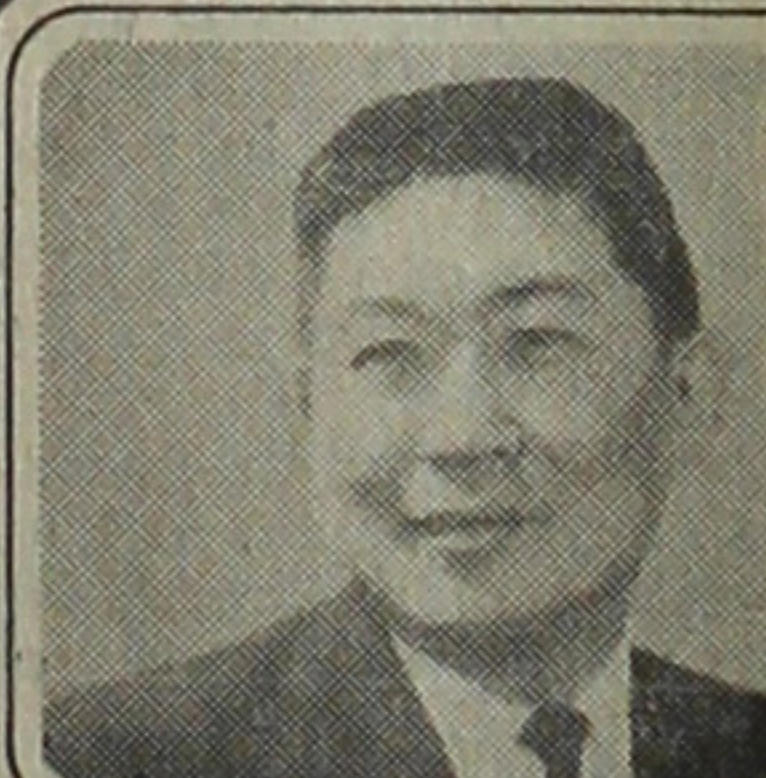
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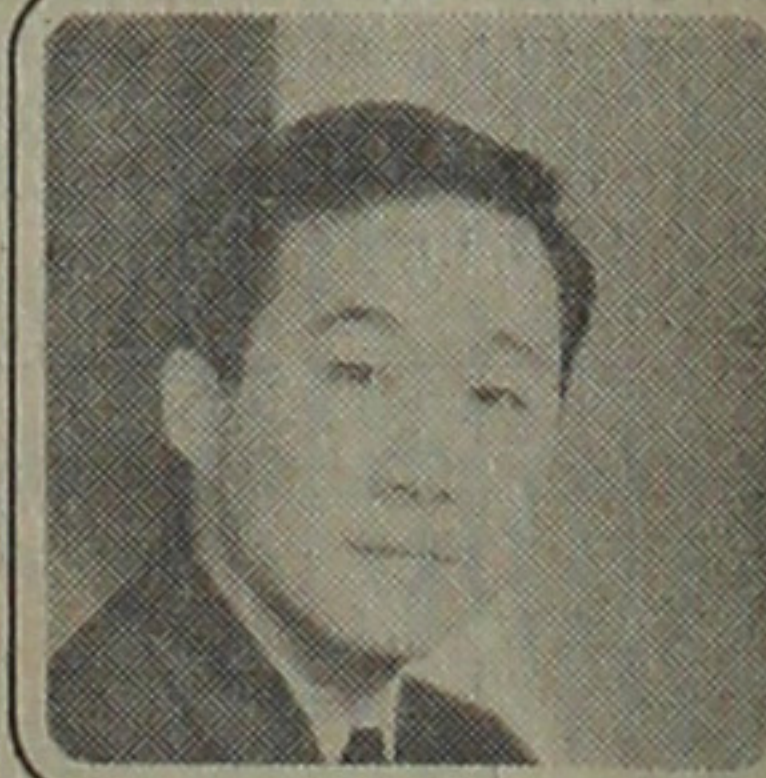
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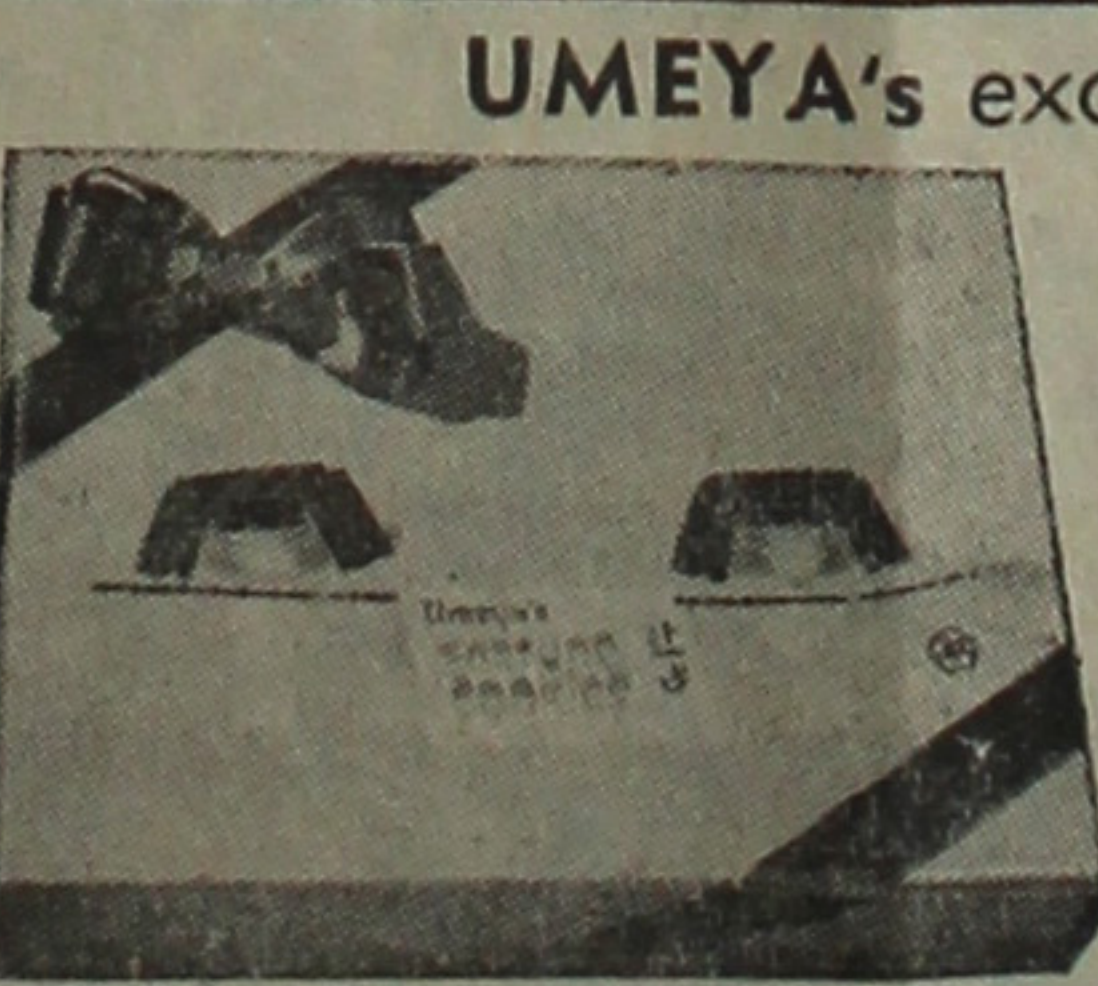
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Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

Hawaii Today

Honolulu
The State of Hawaii has decided to drop its three-year residency requirements for legislative candidates. The state is throwing in the towel in its bout over residency requirements with John Rapp, 25, who wants to run for the legislature. Rapp tried to file nomination papers on May 15 for a state house race. Lt. Gov. George Ariyoshi's office wouldn't accept them, citing residency requirements for legislative candidates.

State Capitol

A panel of planning experts at Georgia Institute of Technology has judged state government planning in Hawaii as the best in the U.S. The report of participants in the Graduate Planning Program was written by Anthony Catanes, a professor of planning. Hawaii was the only state to receive a perfect score. Hawaii was followed by New York and Wisconsin in that order.

Congressional Score

From Rep. Spark Matsunaga's office: Rep. Matsunaga, a co-sponsor of the Small Business Tax Relief Act of 1972, has been commended by the National Small Business Assn. and the National Committee for Small Business Tax Reform for his efforts in behalf of the nation's small businesses.

JACL-JWRO Fund

LOS ANGELES—First report (June 9) issued for the JACL-JWRO Fund-raising Drive indicated a sum of \$2,032 acknowledged from 155 individuals or organizations as follows:
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businessmen . . . Matsunaga on May 25 appealed for prompt enactment of emergency legislation which would free \$8.5 million in federal funds for the Sand Island sewage treatment plant in Honolulu . . . Rep. Matsunaga cast the deciding vote May 23 during the House Rules Committee's consideration of legislation which authorizes nearly \$30 billion in high priority federal aid for state and local governments . . .

Rep. Matsunaga has joined in introducing legislation aimed at reducing motor vehicle smog emissions by providing financial incentives for motorists who switch to low pollution fuels. The measure would reduce the current 4-cent per gallon tax on liquid natural gas and liquid petroleum gas . . . In an effort to head off any delays in the construction of Honolulu's new Federal Courthouse and Office Bldg., Matsunaga has urged a House subcommittee to let the project proceed despite a judiciary conference recommendation that the size of federal courtrooms be reduced . . . Matsunaga has introduced legislation designed to promote the development of geothermal power as a source of energy. Development of such energy in Hawaii is greatly possible in Hawaii, the congressman said.

Univ. of Hawaii

The Univ. of Hawaii master of business administration program has been accredited for the first time by the American Assn. of Collegiate Schools of Business. The accreditation was announced recently at the AACSB annual meeting in New Orleans. AACSB has accredited 101 schools.

Names in the News

Leo M. Kwiatkowski, 60, Honolulu fire chief for the last 3 1/2 years, has resigned, effective July 1. He has been in poor health. Kwiatkowski said his decision came "after months of deliberation on my part, as well as consulting with my doctor." . . . Kentaro Tsutsumi, a member of the 1932 graduating class of Roosevelt High School, has returned to the Islands for the 40th annual class reunion. Tsutsumi is a professor of civil engineering at Tufts Univ. in Massachusetts. The class of 1932 was Roosevelt's first graduating class.
Gail Ueyemura, daughter of the George Ueyemura of 49-243 Kamehameha Highway, Kahala, won third place in the 23rd International Science and Engineering Fair in New Orleans. She submitted a mariculture study on raising oysters in her father's fishpond in Kaneohe Bay. She

Issei couple grieves death of Duke of Windsor

BARNWELL, Alberta—A retired Issei couple living here, Mr. and Mrs. Zenkichi Shinbashi, deeply mourned the loss of their friend and employer, the Duke of Windsor. They were cook and housekeeper for the Prince on his EP Ranch near High River for over five years (1919-1924). It was during a 1919 visit of Canada that the Duke, then Prince of Wales, purchased 4,000 acres of prairie south of Calgary for his home away from home. That was the time the Shinbashi joined the Prince—as they affectionately called him.
Shinbashi, now in his 80s, fought in the Canadian Army with some 180 Canadian Issei in the first World War in France. Of this total, over 50 gave their lives and are buried there.

Bilingual elections

SACRAMENTO—The State Senate last week (June 7) defeated an Assembly-passed bill permitting election officials that speak foreign languages in precincts where there is a substantial number of non-English speaking voters. (See May 5 PC).

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John T. Ferreira, of Kaneohe, former principal of Kaimuki Intermediate School, has been named "Hawaii's Retired Teacher of the Year" by the National Retired Teachers Assn. He will compete for the national retired teacher annual award to be made in Oct. Ferreira is a past president of the Hawaii Education Assn. and the Hawaii Retired Teachers Assn.

Political Scene

Sen. Daniel K. Inouye said that he would not be surprised if Gov. John A. Burns runs again in 1974 for a fourth term as governor of Hawaii. Burns will be 65 that year, and many assume that he will step down. If he does, Lt. Gov. George Ariyoshi and Senate Pres. David C. McClung are seen as prospective candidates for the top island office.

SEN. FONG ASKS LITTLE FOR OUTSIDE SPEECHES

WASHINGTON—Sen. Hiram L. Fong reported no contributions of \$50 or more and no payments for speeches of \$300 or more in his statement to the Senate Ethics Committee filed May 12.

In a report filed earlier, Sen. Daniel K. Inouye said he earned at least \$10,550 beyond his Senate salary in 1971 by speaking to business, educational and fraternal groups.

CHAPTER PULSE

June Events

Riverside JACL set for two events in June

Riverside JACL will award Debra Nagasaka the chapter scholarship and honor area high school graduates at a potluck dinner June 17, 6 p.m., at the First Christian Church, 4055 Jurupa St.
The community picnic will be held at Sylvan Park, Redlands, on Sunday, June 25. Since a potluck lunch worked out well last year, it will be staged again. The Jr. JACLers are in charge of games. The month-end will still be busy for JACLers as they plan for the annual Sendai Festival July 7-8 at the Riverside Plaza.

Chapter president Jim Ura has joined the group of Riverside JACLers giving talks on Japanese in America with use of slides and records which the chapter had purchased earlier this year. He lectured at Colton High. Fudge Komura has been active giving this slide talk at schools in Redlands, while Junji Kumamoto and Pat Morishita have given many talks at schools in Riverside.

Gardena Valley queen candidates introduced

Gardena Valley JACL's tea June 4 to introduce their four Miss Nisei Week candidates was an elegant affair with a tremendous response. Mimes, Bob Taniguchi, and Ross Yamahata, co-chairmen, noted. The candidates are Carol Akamatsu, Diane Ebata, Sharon Kubota and Fern Sato with the winner to be announced at the coronation ball June 17 at the Gardena VFW Hall.

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Introduction to Major Classic

LAND OF THE REED PLAINS: Ancient Japanese Lyrics From The Manyoshu, translation and commentary by Kenneth Yasuda, Charles E. Tuttle Co., paperback, 124 pp., \$2.50.

Among the most revered literary works of Japan, a nation of poets, is the "Manyoshu," an anthology of poetry compiled during the Nara Period (710-784). The anthology was completed about AD 759, though improvements were added later, and includes poems written in the preceding 100 years.

Of the 450 poets represented, 70 are women. Contributions come from all classes; there are poems by beggars, workmen, soldiers, courtesans, courtiers, emperors and empresses.

About 4,500 poems are included, one in a six line form known as *busshoseki*, 62 known as *sedoka*, 265 epics known as *choka*, and 4,000 *tanka*. Though the other poetic forms have declined in favor, *tanka* maintains its popularity today. A form of 31 syllables, arranged in lines of 5-7-5-7-7, *tanka* is still the prescribed form for poems submitted in the annual Imperial Poetry Contest.

The title of the 20 volume work, *Manyoshu*, literally means "collection of ten thousand leaves," and implies that the anthology is to be passed on to countless generations. This prediction has been realized.

New Year's Day in modern Japan, people play a traditional game called "Poems of 100 Poets," (*Hyaku-nin Isshu*). Players gather around 100 cards placed on the floor, each card bearing a single *tanka* from the *Manyoshu*, and each *tanka* by a different author. From a duplicate set in hand, one begins to read one of the poems. The players vie to be first in identifying the poem by picking the card bearing it.

When the *Manyoshu* was compiled, Japan had only recently achieved literacy, and it had done so at the expense of its own language; the literate wrote in Chinese. Some must have looked back nostalgically to the braver, purer time when native thought had been uncorrupted by foreign cultural intrusions.

The poems of the *Manyoshu* were composed in the native Japanese language. To record the sounds of the Japanese language, the compilers ascribed phonetic values to certain Chinese characters, which ordinarily represented meanings.

ings rather than sounds. In this way they recorded the poems in a script known as *Manyogana*.

Among the most venerated of the poets in the *Manyoshu* is Hitomaro, surnamed Kakinomoto because he is said to have been discovered, as a child, at the foot of a persimmon tree. Sixty-one *tanka* and 16 *choka* in the *Manyoshu* were composed by him; others, though of doubtful authorship, are also attributed to him.

The translator of the present volume introduces the reader to the *Manyoshu* through an eight page preface, in which he supplies information such as the *Manyoshu* probably having derived from earlier collections such as the *Kokin Wakashu* (Collection of Ancient Poems), now lost. "The subject matter is . . . varied, though with a few recurring themes . . . love in all its aspects, from the most spiritual to the frankly sensual; the sorrows of parting and separation; reality to one's sovereign or lord; longings for home and loved ones; and, always, the beauties of nature."

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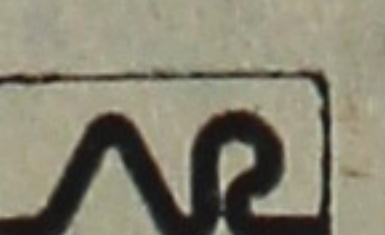
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Students demand UC Santa Cruz teach Japanese

SANTA CRUZ, Calif. — A group of students at UC Santa Cruz, eager to study Japanese which is not being offered by the University, organized their own class earlier this year and hired Tetsuo Imagawa, head of the Japanese department at the Monterey Defense Language Institute, as instructor.

The class of 16 students meeting twice a week, successfully passed the Japanese 1 examinations this past year. One examination this past year, the second quarter but are unable to fully pay the instructor.

Sharon Noguchi, student coordinator of the Japanese Language Group, at Merrill College, Box 71, UC Santa Cruz 95060, accused University officials as being "uncooperative" in not offering an academic recognition, financial aid or administrative assistance this year while noting all major UC campuses, junior colleges and many high schools offer Japanese.

The group was informed budget limitations will prevail next fall to keep Japanese off the Third World Studies curriculum. Hopeful that community pressure may improve the situation, the group asks letters supporting the Japanese class be sent to UC Santa Cruz, attention of: Chancellor Dean McHenry, Vice Chancellor Cesar Barber (Humanities) or to Dr. John Halverson, chmn., Board of Studies in Literature, Stevenson College.

Student's parents plan to protest Stanford ruling

HONOLULU — Alice Furumoto, 1969 Kalani High School valedictorian, was suspended indefinitely from Stanford University May 30 for disrupting a class of controversial physicist William Shockley.

Shockley, who received a Nobel Prize for his part in helping invent the transistor, has advanced theories claiming that certain races are innately less intelligent than others.

Miss Furumoto was one of three Stanford students suspended as a result of the alleged disruption, although others reportedly were involved.

Her parents were to visit their daughter in California this past week to discuss the issue. They said they also plan to consult a West Coast attorney and discuss legal action against the university.

Miss Furumoto was a senior at Stanford, with only two weeks of school remaining before she was to graduate with a degree in pre-medicine.

The three students' suspensions were upheld when Stanford President Richard W. Lyman upheld a decision made by the campus judicial panel which imposed the suspensions.

Bank of Tokyo appoints three Nisei managers

SAN FRANCISCO — The Bank of Tokyo of Calif., which plans soon to open three new branches, have appointed Nisei to be their managers: Thomas M. Umekubo at San Diego; Kojiro Iwasaki at San Jose-Westgate; and Kenneth Yonemura at Montebello.

Masao Tsuyama, president of the state-chartered bank, said the bank currently operates 13 branches throughout the state and ranks 12th in Japan in terms of deposits. Assets as of Mar. 31 was \$546 million.

Umekubo is currently the economist at the head office; Iwasaki, asst. manager at the Japan Center branch here, while Yonemura is asst. manager at the Santa Ana office.

Redevelopment —

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Kyō Redevelopment Plan was an ordinance. The City Council, HUD, and the CRA can be assured that the Citizens Committee to Save Little Tokyo Project will do everything in its power to see that they keep their end of the commitment to the people.

County accepts national building code requirements

LOS ANGELES — Faced with the loss of more than \$49 million in Federal grants by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, County Supervisors unanimously agreed June 7 to amend the County's building code to permit installation of non-metallic sheathed electrical cable in commercial, industrial and multi-family structures.

Supervisor Ernest E. Debs declared that the action was inevitable in order to comply with the Federal deadline for action which had been set for June 7. It was also noted that the County building ordinance has permitted use of non-metallic sheathed electrical cable in single dwellings for the past 39 years.

NEWS CAPSULES

Military

At the annual all-Denver High School ROTC review, Douglas Tamura, son of the Frank Tamuras, was cited as the "superior cadet" of the year. He is a junior at Manual High, a sharpshooter on the all-city rifle team and an honor student.

Gerald Kobayashi was re-elected president of the MIS Club of Southern California, which has allocated \$500 for the MIS Bloomingdale Garden project in Minnesota. American Airlines crew chief George Masumura was installed commander of the Los Angeles Nisei Memorial VFW Post 9938, which has the distinction of being the first Nisei post to surpass the 300 mark in membership. Masumura was the second Nisei mechanic hired by AA nearly 17 years ago. He served in WW2 in Italy.

Education

The Univ. of Lethbridge granted David Iwassa, 23, a scholarship to compile a history of the Japanese in Southern Alberta. The cultural and economic aspects of the Japanese in the Canadian prairie province will be emphasized.

Agriculture

Longtime Snake River Valley JACLer George Sadamori of Nyssa, Ore., was named by the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture to serve on the National Potato Promotion Board, an 86-member group which will hold its organizational meeting in Denver June 6-8. Sadamori was also the sole board member representing Nevada and one of three from Oregon.

Entertainment

Dale Harimoto, daughter of the Dan Harimotos of Kahala, Hawaii, who appears with the Alvin Alley Dance Group in New York, will dance in the Guy Lombardo musical production of "The King and I" starring James Shigeta, another Islander active in film and stage work, opening June 28 at the Jones Beach Theater. She is a graduate of Punahou, Vassar and New York University and dances professionally as Dale Townsend.

Government

Amy Kawafuchi daughter of the John Y. Kawafuchis of Kaneohe, Oahu, has been named to a Federal internship for the summer in the office of Rep. Patsy T. Mink. She is a student at the College of Emporia in Kansas. Dr. John Y. Ing, a Honolulu dentist, has been named by the Senate

Post Office Committee to the U.S. Postal Service board of governors. Ing, introduced to the committee by Sen. Hiram L. Fong, will complete the unexpired term of Elmer T. Klassen.

Planning —

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Nixon. There were also Nisei in federal civil service who felt discriminated in terms of promotions in the super-

grades. In Washington, it isn't only technical knowledge but partisan politics as well to be like an assistant secretary. And if it's a non-partisan matter, it then involves internal politics within the agency. And Nisei in the federal service through the years have not been active politically—either partisan or internal office politics. Of course, some Nisei have since moved in because Mo was in a key spot to help them.

Choice Jobs

MATSUOKA — I see this in the schools... thing we have to worry about is that we don't want to see jealousies develop and have minorities fighting each other for choice jobs... Same thing occurs at the corporate level.

I wonder if there's a JACL policy about job referrals where politics are involved?

SATOW—When we're asked, we try to help irrespective of race. Often times, it's a rush job.

MATSUI — So the communities can't get together to deal with it.

SUGIYAMA — This is all a part of the conscious effort to secure minorities in government. There is also a lot of flexibility to get them appointed too.

SATOW — Upshot of all this is that we continue our cooperation and contacts with other Asian Americans.

MATSUOKA — Here are my reasons for going into that... because the nature of our problem is generated by the singular source — those rooted in racism, discriminatory attitude on the part of the majority population. The problem is not peculiarly Japanese but affects all Asians, like senior citizens who have all the problems other aging have plus the language barrier. The United Way issue is another example where Asian Americans are getting nothing back. Even in job opportunities, hardly any Asian reaches the top levels in corporate organizations.

I think the young people also have problems relating to something purely Japanese American. They're looking to us to deal with all Asians. We have to, if we're going to build up our membership. I don't mean we have to change our name, but we do have to become relevant and work with problems which affect all Asians.

SATOW — This somewhat parallels the situation in Ha-

wai where the Japanese there have been saying they have no problems; they're not that much of a minority, we're accepted, etc. But so long as the Japanese stayed in his place, they were accepted. And if they were out of line when they spoke, they were doing it as individuals they said, but this is what the young people have been saying that when we speak we shouldn't give a damn what other people think, that we want to be ourselves, fulfill our own destiny.

MATSUOKA — Eventually it'll be really hard to pick out the real Japanese with inter-Asian and interracial marriages booming across the country.

OSHIKI—I think if JACL continues to operate, it will be of necessity slowly more toward an Asian American-type group and the Planning Commission can recognize this without talking about merger or formal federation. We ought to recognize this direction as inevitable.

MATSUOKA — As for the commission, we should accept this mechanism as the direction we are heading for it will make it a lot easier for everyone else to accept.

SUGIYAMA — Looking at the Japanese population in America, we still have a big road to go within our own group, if we want to be more representative. Doesn't JACL have a responsibility here?

Work with Others

OSHIKI—So let's work with other Asian American groups and see what comes.

SUGIYAMA — It may accelerate the solidifying of other Asian groups into national bodies.

IWAMA—If we look at the younger groups, they are saying Asian American. They don't make distinctions — so let's not fight that trend.

OSHIKI—If we're interested in bringing in the younger Japanese groups, who don't have the hangups the older Nisei have, we'll have to recognize that. That's the way the game is going to be played.

SUGIYAMA — So we work with other groups. About these younger Asian groups, how permanent are they? We're more or less permanent.

OSHIKI—Yes, so JACL is a permanent organization but it's an organization which isn't growing. This is the reality we have to face—overall, there's a great inertia at the chapter level to participate and that in the long run will kill JACL.

Action-Oriented

SHIMASAKI—All this leads me to say three things: (1) We've got to address ourselves to be an action-oriented organization. We can't be talking about the things that should be done; we've got to be doing them. (2) We've got to get the involvement of a lot of people. The (Issei Health Project in Sacramento) involved a lot of people which helped to make it successful.

(3) And about the projects we carry on is because they are the right things to do; not because it is politically good for us or because we want to please someone, etc. I think the participants in the health project felt that way so they were able to bring it to a successful conclusion.

IWAMA—Yes, and a lot of new people joined JACL because of that. All these years, they said, I didn't know JACL was for this kind of activity. So we got about 25 or 30 more members, especially those who brought their Issei parents down.

One thing that should be noted is that the Nisei were raised up in the community to be afraid of failure. So some young guy comes in with a hot idea and the older Nisei say it's too much work and are cautious and feel it won't succeed—so the idea is dropped. Even I had some doubts as the older guys kept on doubting but when one of them said "OK, because if it fails it'll teach them a lesson". But as it turned out, it enabled us to raise \$1,500 instead. We need the guidance of the older Nisei, but so many of them are pessimistic and think it might fail.

SUGIYAMA — Sacramento has integrated the younger people into the chapter, like Frank here who epitomizes the change. Frank was chapter president last year. It's also happening in San Mateo.

SATOW — Along this same line, I've met with many chapter board and raising of quotas and the old timers are always saying how hard it is, what with other competing groups...

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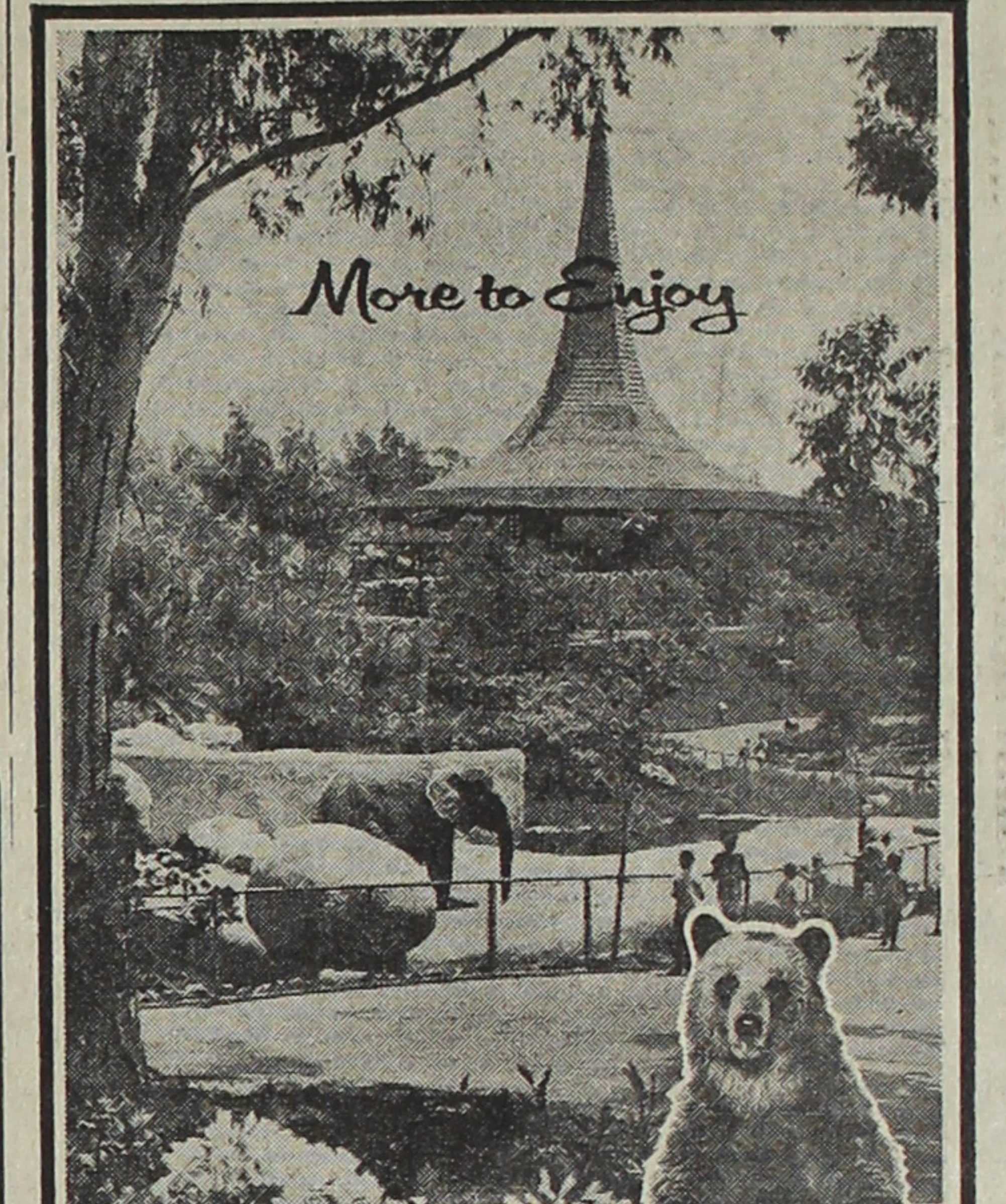
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