

Quiet, Action George Takei



Unforgettable Week-1

The impossible dream of a bare six months back when pollsters gave him only three percentage points is now an impressive reality. George McGovern is the Democratic nominee for the President of the United States. And in the process, the Democratic Party itself was reinvigorated. There is now new blood, fresh ideas and a vibrant and visible actuality to the concept of participatory democracy.

All this emerged from four galvanic, seemingly interminable and absolutely unforgettable days known as the 1972 Democratic National Convention at Miami Beach, Florida. It began on Sunday, July 9 on the charter flight carrying the California delegation to Miami. It was a flight like no other.

Caucus Aloft Delegates Preselected We touched down in Miami at about 11 p.m. Florida time to discover that what was thought at first to be irresponsible rumor mongering had some substance. It was all very unclear but it seemed that the reduced California delegation of 120 had been selected without our input by co-chairpersons already in Miami.

Local Scene Los Angeles Conversation around the Rafu Kiin Club Goh boards on Tuesday nights on the third floor of the Sun Bldg., 125 Weller St., is in English—not Japanese—as all the players are non-Japanese taking instruction from Dr. Richard Dohlen, 36, a plasma physicist who holds a 4-dan rank from Japan.

Sacramento About 175 golfers are expected for the San Joaquin Nisei golf tournament being hosted by Sacramento Nisei Golf Club Oct. 1 at Rancho Murietta. RaRph Nishimi was appointed tournament chairman.

San Francisco Simulcast of KGO-TV news at 11 p.m. with a Cantonese translation over KALW-FM (91.7) is being tested during the month of July-August. It began July 17. Audience response will determine whether the experimentation is to continue. The project was initiated by the Chinese Media Committee of the Chinese for Affirmative Action (CAA).

Gardena Sansei goes berserk, stabs himself 80 times after auto mishap

SAN PEDRO, Calif. — A 21-year-old Gardena man stabbed himself to death minutes after being involved in a San Pedro traffic accident, sheriff's deputies said. Kenneth Akashi, 1535 W. 187th St., stabbed himself about 80 times in the chest and once in the neck, deputies said. He was pronounced dead at the scene. Investigators gave this account: Akashi was northbound on S. Western Ave. in San Pedro at about 7:15 p.m. July 17 when his car jumped the curb at Park Western Drive and sheared off a fire hydrant, creating a 40-foot water spout.

Imperial Hotel replica proposed LONNG BEACH, Calif.—No definite agreement has been reached yet but the local port authority is considering a proposal to build a \$10 million replica of the famed Imperial Hotel, designed by Frank Lloyd Wright, near the birthed Queen Mary.

Beautyies Marian Inouye, 20-year-old daughter of the Kazuo Inouyes of Kingsburg, reigns as Central California YBA queen. She was picked over four candidates July 15.

Japanese prints on exhibit at L.A. museum LOS ANGELES — Masterpieces by Japanese artists of the 19th century are now on display through Aug. 13 at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art. This exhibition is the second in a three-part series showing the history of printmaking in Japan from the first woodblock prints of the 17th century to the graphic arts of Japan was the development of the landscape print, according to George Kuwayama, senior curator of Far Eastern art at the Museum.

Science Five UCLA engineering students including Bob Takahashi, 22, of Long Beach have designed a car fueled with compressed hydrogen gas for the national Urban Vehicle Design Competition scheduled Aug. 6-11 at General Motors Proving Grounds near Detroit.

Bank of Tokyo files for 17th branch at Torrance SAN FRANCISCO — The Bank of Tokyo of California has filed application for establishment of a branch in Torrance, according to bank president Masao Tsuyama. The bank's 17th in the state and its ninth in Southern California will be a free-standing building, with a drive-up banking windows and a spacious parking, near the northeast corner of the intersection of Hawthorne Blvd. and Pacific Coast Highway.

Church hit by fire LOS ANGELES — Evergreen Baptist Church, built by the Japanese here in 1926, was hit by fire late Sunday, July 2, inflicting much smoke damage. Seven fire units required 15 minutes to check the blaze which started in back of the kitchen. The two-story educational building built after WW2 was not affected.

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but will actually emit slightly cleaner air than it takes in. Hydroxide contains no carbon and nitric oxide (a smog ingredient) has been reduced to less than 1 gram per mile or about 1/100th put out by current gasoline-fueled engines, one student designer explained. At least 75 colleges have entered in what was once the Boston-L.A. clean air car race.

Health Dr. Hiroshi Maki, director of the Atomic Bomb Commission at Hiroshima, will attend a medical convention in Rio de Janeiro and make a brief visit in early August at Los Angeles on his way home. He is scheduled to meet with the Friends of the Atom Bomb Victims group at Los Angeles to estimate the extent of medical assistance which Hiroshima will send to treat local area victims of radiation sickness.

Business Bank of Tokyo of California promoted Venice-Culver JACler Sam Shimoguchi, manager of the Western L.A. branch as vice-president. He joined the bank in 1964, was named assistant manager in 1967 and manager in 1970. Others promoted vice-president were: Iwao Inouye, Los Angeles; Hiroshi Miyake, Gardena; and Takenobu Nakata, Crenshaw.

Churches With the retirement of the Rev. Dr. Alfred S. Akamatsu as pastor of the Japanese American United Church in New York City, the Rev. Justin Haruyama of North Carolina was appointed as successor from Sept. 1.

Sports Jesse Kuhlana, the Hawaiian sumoist who has been wrestling since 1964 in Japan as Takamiyama, finished with a 13-2 record to win the Nagoya summer grand tournament. His victory July 16 included a congratulatory message from President Nixon.

Crime Tony Fung, 20, performer with the Blue Skies Entertainers from New York City, was fatally wounded by a single shot early July 17 in what Los Angeles police described as a possible youth gang extortion racket. Incident occurred in a Chinatown restaurant. A complaint and warrant for the arrest of Tommy Hui Lo, 17, was issued while four others were arraigned. Police said Lo fired the shot.

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Continued from Page 5 Mussolini, still indelibly in the minds of many Americans as "the enemy"? Did Emperor Hirohito plan and direct World War II, as some say? Was he "used" by General MacArthur to ease and help the Occupation, then completely exonerated? Unpunished? Though he visited MacArthur to take the entire responsibility for the war, was the Emperor a "victim" of the Japanese military? Or, its commander-in-chief?

How will the American unemployed, the bankrupt, the starving react to the "symbol" of the State of Japan — the economic competitor? Might the Puerto Ricans and the Jews react? "In revenge" for the Lud Massacre? Far-fetched? How will the Japanese in America react? Go out and wave the Japanese flag? Will a "bad press" affect Americans of Japanese ancestry? Will old wartime feelings and stereotypes be aroused? Will the press reach-back into history and re-fight World War II? Undo the good PR by the

Will President Nixon, if he is re-elected, visit Japan? Can Nixon, the "shokku", safely, and with honor, ever visit Japan? Will Nixon's visit be cancelled like President Eisenhower's in 1960 by anti-American demonstrations? Will Japan's "fresh, new direction" in foreign policy be better served from a visit to the U.S. by the Crown Prince Akihito and his Princess Michiko? Is the Crown Prince and Princess a "better" symbol of New Japan? A "better" representative of the future Japan? How much more appealing for Americans to see the Crown Prince and his beautiful commoner Princess? Won't their re-visit do more good?

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