

**'COURAGE BY THE INCH'  
STRENUOUS EFFORTS OF DETROIT  
NISEI TO BECOME POLICEMAN CITED**

SANTA ANA, Calif. — The Santa Ana Register surmised editorially that Sanshiro Miyamoto of Detroit is "fortunate he isn't seeking a job with the Orange County sheriff's department. Here he has to be at least five feet eight inches tall."

ed: "How do fire fighters in Japan, for example, manage to do their job when they are by Western standards too short?"

**Detroit poll favors lowering height standard**

DETROIT — Sanshiro Miyamoto, who has tried virtually everything possible to meet the height and weight requirements to become a Detroit policeman, is having his problems.

"I've been getting calls from all over country," the 30-year old bantamweight said this past week. "There's been so much publicity about me and I've gotten so excited and so nervous I've lost five pounds. I haven't been able to eat or anything."

"I need to gain weight, but here I've lost five pounds. And I'm afraid I've stopped growing for about a month now."

Miyamoto became known Aug. 9 for his unusual program of stretching to fulfill a lifelong dream to become a policeman.

**Crash Program**

He began a crash program of exercises and sleeping with a neck brace and ankle weights in April when he applied for the force and was rejected because his 5-foot 5 frame didn't fit Detroit's 5-foot 7 requirements. He was also 15 pounds under the 140 pounds required.

The stretching program and a weight-gaining diet helped him grow 1 1/2 inches and put on five pounds, but that only led to a second rejection last week.

As a last resort, Miyamoto had his wife bang him over the head with a board to see if it could raise a half-inch goose egg. He said it hurt a lot, but he may use the ploy before his next physical sometime next month.

**Suggestion Made**

"Some people suggest crazy things. One guy suggested I try silicone treatments for my head. I don't think that's right."

A man called me from Portland, Ore., and suggested I take my physical lying down. There's nothing saying

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**Priorities**

By HENRY T. TANAKA  
National JAACL President

In a previous column, it was erroneously reported that Lillian Kimura is the first woman to chair a National committee. That is not true; however, she is the first woman to chair the National Planning Commission. The impact of this commission on JAACL in past years cannot be overstated. It was through the commission's foresight that we developed a youth program,

**Planning Committee**

Instituted PC with membership, established the Japanese American History Project, and promoted activities in the area of civil liberties, human rights, and community services, to mention a few.

On Sunday, Aug. 13, there was held in Chicago what is hoped to be the first of many dialogue groups throughout the country to talk about the future direction of JAACL. Called together by Lillian Kimura, newly appointed chairperson of the National Planning Commission, it was a beginning attempt to have a greater number of people involved in the discussions related to long range plans of JAACL. Hopefully, by duplicating these groups in every chapter, when the members of the Planning Commission do meet, they will bring a true assessment of the needs of the Asian community and what can JAACL do to address itself to meeting these needs.

**Diversified Nucleus**

The Chicago group representing the diversity in the Japanese community (age, sex, political ideology, economic background, place of residence, membership in JAACL) met with Henry Tanaka, National President, Dave Ushio, Executive Director designate, and Ross Harano, MDC Governor. The group found that to discuss the future, it had to talk about the past and present.

Under discussion were Asian American vs. Japanese American, Japanese Americans are the "Uncle Toms" of this society, oppressed Asians now are the elderly and new immigrants, existence of "sweet shops". Some expressed no feeling of racism or prejudice against them, and questioned the need for the continued existence of JAACL. Also touched were the limitations of volunteer efforts, need for staff, membership apathy and lack of involvement, the need to redefine our goals and clarify our purpose, JAACL in the advocacy role, Asian Affirmative Action, multi-issue organizing, act rather than react, change agency, coalition efforts, education.

**Consensus**

There was general consensus on the need to overhaul the communications system to help develop Asian awareness and consciousness, and to change the JAACL image from an assimilationist organization to one subscribing to pluralism and egalitarianism. There was much discussion and interest of the notion of identification with the Third World movement.

The group has just begun to dialogue. The National Planning Commission needs the input of all JAACLers who are committed to a viable organization working with Asian Americans and others toward a more equitable society.

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**Quo Vadis: Whither JAACL**

By ED M. KITAZUMI  
NC-WNDC Reporter

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif.—Sunday, Aug. 13, was just another day except for the NC-WNDC meeting that was scheduled at Sakura Garden. I made it a point to show on time since I wasn't able to attend our 22nd Biennial National JAACL Convention in Washington, D.C. Registration was comfortably scheduled at 11 a.m.

My arrival time was 11:15 which coincided with that of our retiring National Director, Mas Satow, and our dedicated San Jose delegate, Eiichi Sakayue, just right to enjoy slides of the National Convention expertly taken and shown with narration by Jerry Irei of Contra Costa JAACL. The slide show lasted until a little before 12 letting delegates enjoy attractively prepared box lunches before the business session. At 1 o'clock sharp, District Governor Shig Sugiyama took charge.

Roll call found four chapters absent, 23 present.

**Luncheon Companion**  
I had the good fortune to sit opposite a very poised, well-mannered, charming young lady who turned out to be a daughter of my old hometown pharmacist, Harold Ouye. Sandy Ouye, who is a dietitian in San Francisco, was there as a booster delegate.

From this, my deduction was that she is an especially dedicated serious-minded Sanel. It is a special pleasure to meet members of the younger

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set who find it worthwhile to attend a meeting of the kind that a JAACL District Council signifies.

We were later joined by Seiichi Otow, a well traveled NC-WNDC 1000 Club Chairman who was renominated for the position. Something about him gave me the impression that he is most suitable for this office. He is a deciduous fruit orchardist from Roseville, an amateur radio station operator and a member of the Loomis United Methodist Church. Delegates appreciated the delicious farm fresh plums brought to the gathering by the Placer County Chapter. "Sage", as he is known to his friends, turned out to be Sandy's uncle.

**Silent Tribute**

Last May, our Monterey Chapter President passed away. The delegates paid one minute of silent tribute to him. Thereafter, our Governor expertly guided the group through myriads of old and new business expeditiously but fairly with adequate airing where matters were controversial.

One can't help but feel that two years hence we will have a very capable and well qualified man at our National helm who will add strength and breadth to our new National President, Henry T. Tanaka, in the meanwhile. Sugiyama, a retired Colonel, has impressive credentials.

Matters taken up were

headed by announcement of Kenzo's trademark resolution, JAACL dues issue which was settled with a minimal 50c boost at the National convention, and proposed increase in 1000 Club dues was presented.

National headquarters question is presently wide open nationally. The NC-WNDC position is 100% for retention in San Francisco under a new motion.

Sequoia Chapter's push for Issei Retirement, Health Care and Cultural Complex as a national project backed by Federal Funds was ably presented by Chuck Kubokawa.

**DC Nominees**

Notify the name of any nominee to Haruo Ishimaru, NC-WNDC Nominating Committee Chairman, at least 45 days before election at the last quarterly session. For our next NC-WNDC Chairman, Dr. Harry Hatazaka, an orthodontist, of Sequoia Chapter, and Richard Tanaka, AIA architect and re-elected Sanel president of the San Jose Chapter, are nominees to our DC governorship for the coming biennium. Floor nomination will be recognized if backed by at least 3 chapters. Incidentally, Dr. Hatazaka introduced the Jr. JAACLers of the Sequoia Chapter.

San Mateo President, attorney Eugene Moriguchi, suggested "Jpn" as a botanical term. Job file and talent bank idea pushed by Irei deserves whole hearted backing especially to assist Sanel in their search for employment. It was announced that San Jose Chapter has such a file for City and County job openings.

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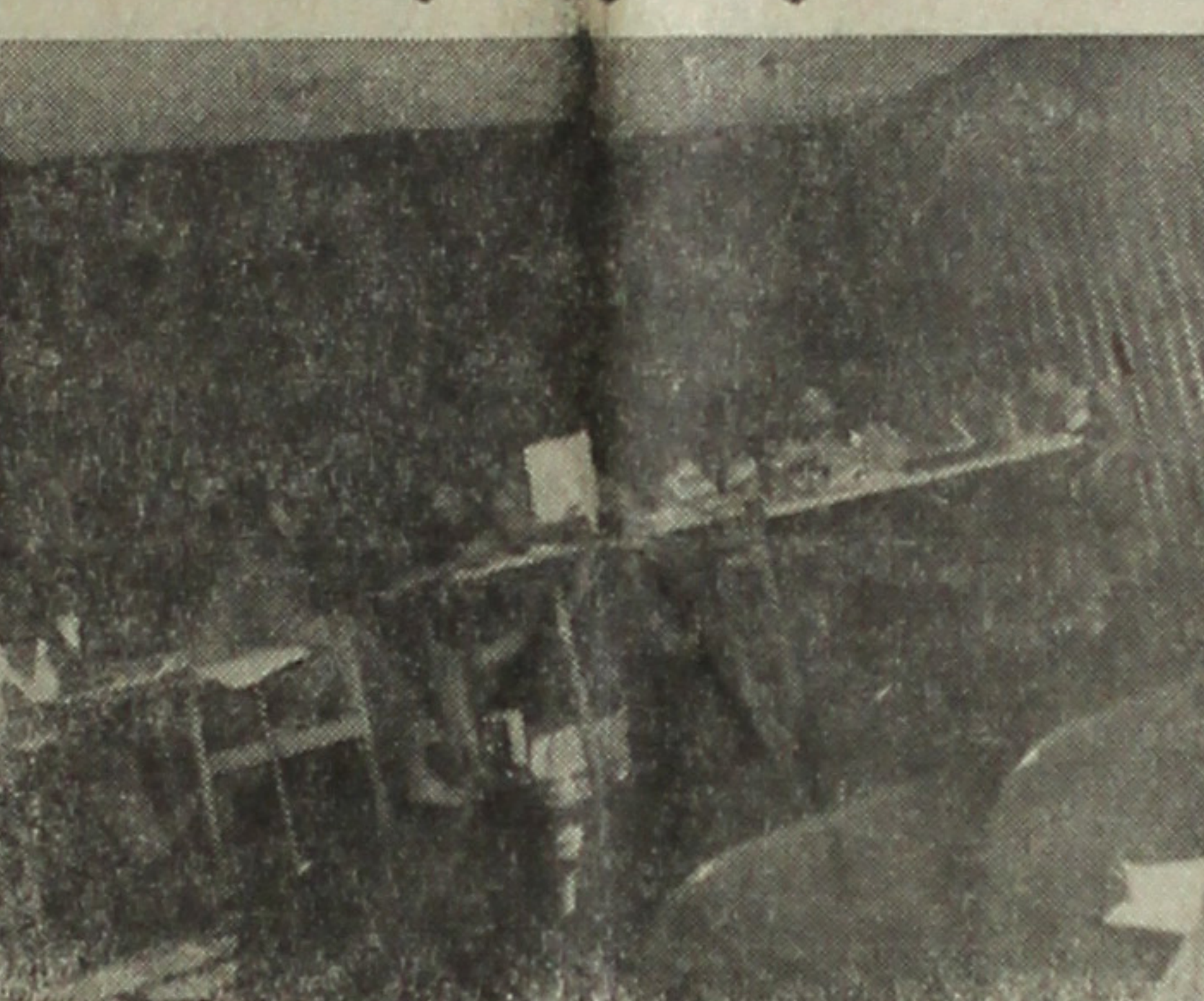
**Glimpses of 'Beginnings 72' Confab**



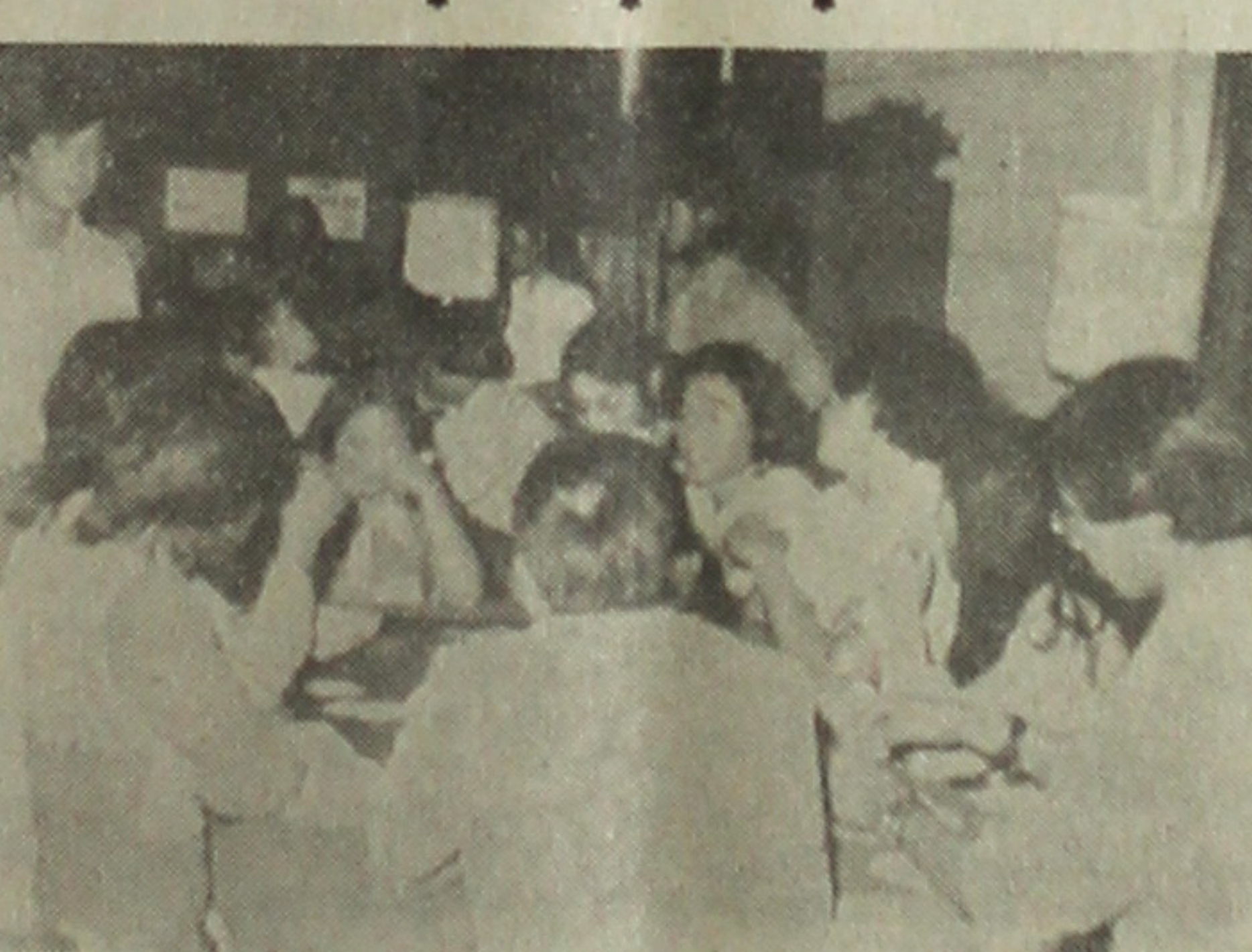
Youth delegates Clara Mori (left) and Jane Takeuchi from Sacramento Jr. JAACL report to JAY Convention quarters on the Univ. of Utah campus.



Prepared for nearly 150 youth delegates registering at the fifth national JAACL youth convention are (from left) Tyrus Ogawa of Boise Valley, Susan Yoshimura, IDYC co-chairman, and Mike Nishiki of Sequoia manning the housing-registration desk.



District Youth Council officers, comprising the National Youth Coordinating Council, preside at the youth convention business sessions.



Sitting around or kibitzing at a Monte Carlo Night table are youth delegates from around the nation for the first night of relaxation of the five-day JAY national convention. —Photos by Frank Yoshimura.

**NC-WNDC wants HQ site in S.F.**

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. — The NC-WNDC wants to keep JAACL's national headquarters in San Francisco. This stand was emphatically stated at the Aug. 13 third quarterly session held here and hosted by Sequoia JAACL.

San Francisco JAACL president George Yamasaki Jr. requested the vote after he reported Henry Tanaka, national JAACL president, asked all eight district councils to indicate their choice of a city for headquarters.

Yamasaki led the move at the recent National JAACL convention to gain approval for a new headquarters building on property offered in San Francisco by the city redevelopment agency and Nihonmachi Development Corp.

**Ushio Appointment**  
Shigeki Sugiyama, district governor, presented the report leading to selection of David Ushio to be executive director starting in 1973.

With reference to the reported "secession" of the district youth council from JAACL, James Murakami from Santa Rosa said the Sonoma Jr. JAACL is not seceding and is understood that a recent session of youth, five of the six Jr. JAACL units represented

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**Jr. JAACL convention changes name: JAY**

By HARRY K. HONDA

Salt Lake City — Nearly 150 JAACL youth members asserted themselves here this past week (Aug. 15-18) in a convivial but stately style, streaming to a new plateau of accomplishment by doing justice to their first national and separate convention.

Heretofore, national youth conventions were held in conjunction with the parent organization that began with the biennial assembly at Detroit in 1964.

With Intermountain District Youth Council hosting the first convention of Jr. JAACLers on their own at the majestic campus of Univ. of Utah, it was truly a theme-come-true of "Beginnings '72'."

**New Name Picked**

Not only were the purposes of Jr. JAACL clarified, but a new name was adopted — shedding the "Junior" tag for a more comprehensive title, "Japanese American Youth" (JAY). By a close vote of 15-12, JAY prevailed over Jr. JAACL in the final session of the business meetings held in the new Graduate School of Social Work auditorium.

Delegates from each DYC had caucused in the wee hours of the day to submit a new name for adoption. Victor Shibata, Jr. JAACL administrator, also urged the JAACL affiliation not be eliminated. Other proposed names were Japanese American Youth League and Young Japanese American Citizens League, which were rejected in the preliminary tally.

Retitling of youth chapters remains within the province of each club, according to Donna Omata of Washington, D.C., who was chosen to represent the JAY at forthcoming National JAACL executive committee meetings.

A number of youth groups already sport the JAY title, the most notable being Orange County JAYs founded in 1954 by William "Mo" Marumoto, now staff assistant to the President in the White House.

Designation of the National

Youth Coordinating Council, comprised of District Youth Council representatives, is expected to remain.

**Purposes Restated**

To be incorporated in the new JAY constitution, the purposes as restated direct the organization, basically comprised of members between the ages of 16 and 25, to "meet the needs of individual Asian American youth survive in contemporary society" by promoting cultural heritage awareness programs, helping to resolve questions of Asian American identity and providing the tools of leadership to aid them in changing their environment.

At the same time, NYCC was instructed to seek Na-

tional JAACL board support and funding for their upcoming biennium project, "Japanese American History", to implement JAY purposes.

Time prevented adoption of a budget for the biennium project, but generally it called for establishment of resource centers at JAACL offices, national and regional, Miss Omata explained. Also envisioned were workshops, research projects and papers.

**External Concerns**

Two other planks in the clarified purposes dealt with addressing the needs of Asian American youth as a whole and reminding them of their obligation to sustain the society now threatened by destructive forces.

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**HAWAII SUMMIT WITH PRES. NIXON LATEST OF CHALLENGES FOR TANAKA**

By ALLAN BEEKMAN

(Special to The Pacific Citizen)

HONOLULU — The meeting between Pres. Richard M. Nixon and Premier Kakuei Tanaka, scheduled for Aug. 31 - Sept. 1, will be the first such in Hawaii between an American president and a Japanese head of government. The two will have knotty problems of trade and international diplomacy to solve, and will bring to them points of personal similarity and difference.

Nixon was born in a small farming community in southwestern United States; Tanaka was born to a dealer in cattle and horses in a farm village in northeastern Japan. Like Nixon, Tanaka was a good student in the elementary schools he attended, leading his classes; unlike Nixon, he suffered the handicap of a stutter.

Nixon is largely a self-made man, but with the advantage of advanced formal education; in a nation where upward mobility is harder to

achieve, Tanaka is also self-made, without the advantage of formal education.

**'10 in Hand**

After graduating from higher elementary school, Tanaka went to work as a construction laborer. At 15, he arrived in Tokyo to seek his fortune with only ten yen in his belt to finance him. In one of the few instances in which Tanaka was outwitted, a dishonest tax driver relieved rustic of half his hoard by taking the long way to the designated destination.

Despite this inauspicious beginning, Tanaka put his foot on a low rung of the ladder and began a steady climb upwards. Working at such jobs as shopboy and cub reporter, he attended night school, founded a building company, was conscripted and sent to China.

He contracted pneumonia in Dairen, his condition becoming critical. Sent back to Japan, he recovered. He was in business in Korea when the war ended.

Elected to the lower house of the Diet in 1947, he began his political rise. In 1957, Premier Nobusuke Kishi appointed him Minister of Post-Service.

**Handicap Overcome**

To overcome his stutter, from childhood he had practiced naniwabushi, a rustic art in which ancient tales are rendered in a falsetto wail to the rhythmic pulsing of a samisen. As a Cabinet member, he now performed over station NHK, arousing criticism.

His career, in any event, is untraditional. The dominant party to which he belongs, and from which the premier is chosen, is the Liberal Democrat, which is neither liberal nor democratic, but conservative. Leaders of the party tend to be graduates of the University of Tokyo.

Far from being a graduate of Japan's most prestigious university, Tanaka has never attended college. In a country where age is revered, his selection is also a departure from tradition; at 54, he is the youngest man to become premier in postwar Japan.

Because he is not only a mathematician but a man of action, he has been nicknamed "the computerized bulldozer." He has need of these attributes in the coming summit conference.

**Major Problems**

Chief among the problems to which the conference must address itself is correction of the trade imbalance that has given Japan a \$3.8 billion surplus. America wants this surplus reduced by \$1 billion a year.

America also wants a liberalization of Japan's internal distribution system, which now requires exclusive Japanese distributors with big markups given to imported goods.

Presumably Tanaka will also choose to brief Nixon on Japan's proposed rapprochement with China.

**JAVITS CALLS FOR MASSIVE ASIAN AID**

WASHINGTON — When President Nixon and Prime Minister Tanaka meet in Honolulu next week, they should agree on a massive post-Vietnam war economic aid for Asia including Indochina, Sen. Jacob Javits (R-N.Y.) declared.

**'Black Dragon of Manzanar' added to list of anti-Nisei films by KTTV**

LOS ANGELES — Local Metro Media television station KTTV has added "Black Dragon of Manzanar" to its list of anti-Nisei films not to be shown, it was announced by Robert E. O'Conner, program director.

After a Ratu Shimo reader complained the film, which was shown in the late-late show, was "one of the most blatantly anti-Japanese American films ever made", George Takei, chairman of the National JAACL cultural affairs committee, was notified by Mrs. Ellen Endo Kayano, Ratu Shimo English section editor.

Takei, who added his objections to airing of the film, was assured by O'Conner that the movie has been withdrawn and would not be aired by KTTV. O'Conner also expressed his regrets for the airing.

**Other Anti-Nisei Films**

Other anti-Nisei films, which JAACL has protested in a nation-wide campaign in 1957 and again in 1970 as being discriminatory, derogatory and impugning the loyalty of Japanese in America, are:

1—Betrayal from the East (RKO), 2—Air Force (Warner Bros.), 3—Across the Pacific (Warner Bros.), 4—Little Tokyo, USA (20th Century-Fox), 5—Black Dragon (Sam Katzman Production), 6—Behind the Rising Sun, and 7—Purple Heart.

These seven films were produced during the WW2 years.

"Jungle Heat" (United Artist release) made in 1956 and a Canadian production, "The Sweet and the Bitter", made in 1952 have since been added to the JAACL list. "Black Dragon of Manzanar" was produced in 1966.

**Recent Additions**

"Jungle Heat" is a story of alleged Japanese fifth column activities on the Island of Kauai on the eve of the bombing of Pearl Harbor. The Canadian film has a sequence calling for a Canadian Nisei to admit committing treason against Canada at the outbreak of WW2, though Prime Minister Mackenzie King is on record stating not a single act of treason has been recorded by those of Japanese ancestry in Canada.

**Pasadena to host PSWDC Sept. 10**

PASADENA, Calif. — The third quarterly session of the Pacific Southwest District Council will be hosted by Pasadena JAACL. It was announced by District Gov. Helen Kawagoe. It will be held on Sunday, Sept. 10, 9 a.m., at the Pasadena Buddhist Temple, 1933 Glen Ave.

National Director Mas Satow is expected to be present for this first post-convention session.

**Translation project hit by rising printing cost**

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**By the Board**  
 Midwest District Governor  
 Ross Harano

Chicago

**'CONGRESSIONAL RECORD'**—During my two years as National Legislative Chairman, one of the "fun" duties that I had was the daily reading of the Congressional Record. Over the years, one learns how to speed read the massive volumes of the daily speeches made in our nation's capital. A good reader can, from what I understand, read the Record in 15 minutes.

Not all of the Record is speeches. In fact, recently many interesting items have appeared such as the Pentagon Papers. In April, the Record contained a list of every military involvement that the United States has engaged in since 1798. It is interesting to note that the United States has been involved in 192 military hostilities abroad without a formal declaration of war. Included in the 192 figure are Korea and Vietnam.

Between 1863 and 1868 there were 4 recorded incidents of U.S. military intervention in Japan. In efforts to keep foreign influence and trade out of Japan in 1863, Japanese shore batteries at Shimonoseki fired on a U.S. merchant ship. The U.S.S. Wyoming retaliated by firing on 3 Japanese vessels lying at anchor. The shots were returned, and, by the time the action was over there were casualties on both sides.

During the summer of 1864, U.S. forces, designed to impress the Japanese with American power landed in Japan to protect the U.S. minister to Japan when he visited Edo concerning some American claims against Japan. In September of the same year, naval forces of the U.S. forced open the Straits of Shimonoseki, which had been closed in violation of commercial agreements. Later the shore batteries were destroyed and 70 cannon were seized.

Finally, in 1868, 3 landings were made by U.S. Marines on Japanese soil to "protect American lives and properties" during local hostilities. It appears that most of the landings by the U.S. military on foreign soil was in the interest of protecting American lives and properties. I guess the secret of American military intervention was to first

put American lives in jeopardy on foreign soil and then land the Marines to protect them. Isn't this the same logic that is being used today to rationalize our forces remaining in Southeast Asia?


The Agricultural Act of 1970 provides for Federal subsidies on certain crops up to a maximum of \$55,000 each. On July 27, 1972, the U.S. Senate debated a motion by Senator Birch Bayh of Indiana which would reduce the maximum subsidy from \$55,000 to \$20,000 per crop. According to Sen. Bayh a \$20,000 limit would affect only 10,142 out of the 2.4 million recipients. In terms of percentages, only one-half of 1 percent — who are now receiving some 14 percent of the total subsidy — would be affected by a decrease in subsidies.

Included in the Record was some 68 pages containing the names of farmers or corporations that received over \$20,000 in 1971. An interesting fact is that there were 1708 farmers in California receiving some \$73,305,073 in Federal subsidies. Of this number, there were only 9 subsidies given to farms listed under Nisei names. The highest subsidy received by Nisei on the list was \$34,956 and the lowest was \$21,822.

In contrast to these figures, Vista Del Llano Farms in Fresno County received \$273,518 and Robert's Farm in Tulare County received \$109,408. I guess what these figures show is that most Nisei own small farms.

Senator Bayh's amendment to the Agricultural Act of 1970 to reduce the maximum subsidy to \$20,000 per crop was defeated. Would be interested to learn if Nisei farmers have any opinions — pro or con — in regard to Senator Bayh's amendment.

**To the Point**  
 Shig Sugiyama  
 Nat'l JACL President-Elect



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**Youth convention—**

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Specifically, JAY seeks to secure the lines of communications with other Asian American groups and individuals and to offer its organization as a constructive means to channel the concerns of all Asian Americans. JAY has pledged to work with other progressive organizations in areas of common social and political concern as well as take public stands on issues of national and international importance.

Text of new JAY constitution will be distributed to current youth chapters and a two-third concurrence is needed, convention parliamentary Alan Oyama of Boise Valley explained. Oyama, incidentally, will be the new IDYC co-chairman with Diane Aramaki of Mt. Olympus who was co-chairman of the convention with Allen Oshita of Salt Lake.

**Youth Director**

Acknowledging the predicament of current JACL youth staff resigning at the end of August, special pains were taken with reference to establishing guidelines for the next youth director.

As the well-being of the national youth program becomes a prime responsibility of the new youth director to administer, it was agreed the NYCC have a vital role in the hiring of personnel and provide input. Dave Hirai of Boise Valley, who chaired the convention business sessions as IDYC co-chairman, was selected as JAY representative to the National JACL personnel committee.

During the open forum climaxing the youth convention, National JACL President Henry T. Tanaka assured he was personally in favor of their request. "It is very possible now since the personnel committee is being expanded to include district governors where regional offices are being contemplated," he said.

The national JACL executive committee, when it meets next month, will consider the personnel question and all other JAY convention actions, he added.

**Other Resolutions**

Related to the resignation of current youth staff, the JAY convention urged unexpended funds for youth staff this year be reserved for youth programs and resources at the chapter and district levels scheduled this year.

The convention reaffirmed its "sister chapter" program, whereby youth chapters east and west or north and south develop affiliation and joint efforts akin to the Sister Cities or People-to-People compacts.

Also reaffirmed was the "foster child" program as a total national JAY commitment. This past biennium each youth district was to engage in research to support a foster child or an organiza-

tion working with foster children.

To help defray travel expenses of delegates to future JAY conventions, a national travel pool was established with support from both JACL and JAY chapters. Annual assessments are being planned.

The youth director will be expected to publicize an annual NYCC financial statement, indicating income from the youth chapters and an itemized account of expenditures.

John Tokeshi of San Gabriel Valley and Jim Shimura of Detroit were designated JAY members of the National JACL Planning Commission now chaired by Lillian Kimura of Chicago.

**1974 Convention**

The bid from Northern California - Western Nevada DYC to host the 1974 national JAY convention was accepted. A suggestion that it be held prior to the 1974 national JACL convention at Portland was also voiced.

Another suggestion that the youth meet annually in convention after 1974 was unaccepted. It had been made in the belief that because of the high turnover of youth representatives biennial conventions were inadequate. Delegates appearing for the first time become deeply involved in procedural matters as was witnessed at this session, eroding valuable time to consider substantive issues in depth. Seasoning of one convention would enable the delegate the following year to heighten the tempo of convention business, it was reasoned.

Opponents pointed out that it would spell the death of joint district youth conventions in the odd years, such as the successful meetings of Eastern and Midwest districts in the past, the Tri-District Youth Council convention initiated this past year among the California chapters and the proposed Intermountain and Pacific Northwest district get-together.

**Acknowledgments**

A standing ovation was given by the youth in appreciation of the services of both Ron Wakabayashi, field director for youth services, and Victor Shibata, who were present.

Warren Furutani, CIP coordinator, was unable to attend but was represented by Ron Kobata, CIP director at San Francisco.

Delegates also acknowledged the planning of the host youth chapters, Salt Lake and Mt. Olympus, with applause. And another round of applause was tendered the advisers for their attention and parents of host delegates who served a midnight snack of Japanese goodies that broke a spell of campus cafeteria fare (which this reporter found appetizingly prepared).

**WASHINGTON, D.C.**  
**"WHERE THE ACTION WAS"**

By FRANK IWAMA  
 Sacramento JACL

After extensive interview sessions with the two candidates for the position, the committee selected Mr. Ushio by a 5 to 3 vote.

Next the National Board, composed of district governors, district youth chairmen and members of the executive committee, voted to adopt the recommendation of the Personnel Committee. The 13 to 5 vote was reached after many hours of study and debate by the members of the board.

**Equal Time**

Finally at the convention, both the proponents and opponents of the Personnel Committee recommendation to hire Mr. Ushio were given equal time to present their positions. The delegates were also given an opportunity to ask questions and express their views on this controversial issue.

After hours of lively debate, the matter was submitted for vote to the National Council, composed of one official delegate from each chapter. The council voted to confirm Mr. Ushio as the JACL Executive Director Designate by a vote of 56 1/2 to 26 1/2.

My personal feeling is that Mr. Ushio was selected according to a democratic procedure which afforded all parties an equal opportunity to state their views. Although I voted against him at the convention, I think that Mr. Ushio should now be given the same equal opportunity to take on the difficult challenges that will face the executive director.

**Pan-Asianism**

The most encouraging official action taken at the convention was the passage of the resolution to establish a commission on Pan-Asianism. I believe that this is a clear mandate from the membership that JACL does care about the common problems which confront all Asians. This is part of the "direction" which was mentioned earlier.

Hopefully, this is only the first step in what is definitely in the right direction.

In closing, I want to thank the Sacramento Chapter for giving me the opportunity to attend the convention. It was a learning experience that I will not forget.

**DELEGATE AT D.C.**

"What single experience impressed you most at the convention?" This seemingly difficult question is rather easy to answer.

Without a doubt, the single experience which left an indelible imprint on me was the realization that JACL is composed of some of the most brilliant and dedicated individuals that can be found anywhere. Rarely will you find as many individuals with such a wide array of knowledge and experience in so many varied fields and disciplines in a single gathering of people.

What an awesome and comforting feeling to know that such people can be called upon to help solve the problems which face all of us. With such a nucleus of human resources, there is no doubt in my mind that JACL can accomplish any goal it wishes to pursue.

**'Direction'**

Now a word about "direction." This word has been used frequently after the convention, usually in the negative context insofar as JACL is concerned. It is my personal opinion that the "direction" JACL, like any other organization, takes is solely attributable to the dictates of its membership.

In this respect, it behooves every member to express his or her view and to make every effort to mold JACL into the type of organization which is responsible to the needs of the people.

In the final analysis JACL is only a reflection of the desires of the people who make up our organization. I am confident that the people will give JACL the proper guidance so that its "direction" will be responsible to the needs of the community.

**Hottest Issue**

The most controversial issue discussed at the convention was the confirmation of David Ushio as the Executive Director-Designate. In my opinion, the procedure followed in this matter can only be characterized by one word—democratic.

As background information, it should be noted that Mr. Ushio was first selected as the best qualified candidate by the Personnel Committee.

**QUESTION BOX**  
**Issei Population**

Q—Is there a list of the number of Issei in each state? —E.G., New York.

A—The Pacific Citizen has not seen a complete report published, but the Japanese Embassy in Washington, D.C., and the Japanese consulates throughout the U.S. undertook its own census of Japanese nationals (which includes Issei) last year.



**LETTERS FROM OUR READERS**

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I have thus set forth the record as it should read so that in the future it will be known that the person who spent his time and money for the good of all Japanese Americans will be credited with his achievement. Others who rendered incidental services should also be recognized.

MOONRAY KOJIMA  
 New York

Apparently, reader Kojima had not received his Aug. 4 PC where we do credit Shosuke Sasaki's campaign. JACL has always credited him in this regard.—Ed.

**Thought on Food**

Editor,

When I was at Military Language School years ago, I used to hear the Nisei lads from Hawaii speak glowingly of a dish called "Saimin". James Michener shares this fondness in a recent magazine article, in which he describes saimin as being an ideal after-theatre snack.

During my first visit to the Sandwich Islands a few years ago, I made it a point to eat saimin. It was disappointing. It reminded me of "somen", a thin-strand noodle mama used to put on the table occasionally.

The best snack of them all, in my opinion, is "cop dai juk", a Chinese hot-rice-and-meat porridge. There are several juk; cop dai is the best. Cop dai juk (sometimes spelled "jook") is not obtainable at most Chinese restaurants. Sam Wo of Grant Ave. in San Francisco serves it.

NAOMI KASHIWABARA  
 San Diego, Calif.

**Kitazumi—**  
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The question is not really who won the fight. Anything that will create any amount of fairly deep emotional cleavage should be ameliorated. How about Ushio for Washington as originally intended and Nishio for San Francisco? Won't that make everyone happy? Nishio, too, can gain valuable tutelage under Mas Satow's watchful guidance.

Who really knows the many compartmentalized workings of the JACL inside out? Nishio won't be alone, either. He will have his staff and the backing of the chapters. The communication channels will be open, I'm sure. If so, what's important is the man, and there seems to be no complaints there.

**Quo Vadis**

Quo Vadis, or whither JACL? Continued service to the nation and the broader community, membership service or service to our ethnic community? I believe the answer is not found in choice but in successful blending and shifting emphasis.

Isn't it possible that the time has come to stress community involvement along with other aspects of JACL activities? Isn't it fortunate that we now have a group of young people who are enthusiastically seeking involvement? Do we have any valid reason to squelch such a movement? This decision may very well set the direction and the future of the JACL.

I believe the mission of the older JACLers is that of guidance and support. We are not engaged in a contest with them. Should we win completely, we've really lost. Just a thought for whatever it's worth, and the same argument applies to the Samsel as well.

In our frustration let us not fight each other. Security Through Unity, I believe, has today than heretofore, a special and deeper meaning. Let us not engage in a course that will make us all a loser. The basic responsibility is with the Nisei simply because we're older.

To quote from a message in a Japanese fortune cookie some 40 years ago, "Be to our virtues a little kind. Be to our faults a little blind." As mortals and humans, don't you think we could use a bit of this wisdom? Have we thought about the meaning of "makete katsu"? Commonplace though the sayings may be, they may very well be particularly valid in our transitional period.

**'TSURUSHIAGE'**—I frequently have difficulty remembering the names of expert authorities who make those profound statements which are expected to be accepted as the gospel on a particular matter. But bits and pieces of those pearls of wisdom often stick to my mind like the corn hull caught between the teeth and which you worry with your tongue until you can swallow it or spit it out. One such truism which keeps coming to mind as I read and hear of the comments and polemics concerning the happenings at our recent National convention is "The truth (reality) is in the eye of the beholder". Reality is what one wants to or chooses to believe.

Another expression which one of my profs at UC Berkeley related as having originated in early China states, "It is the nail which sticks out which is struck." When I first heard that one, I recalled a conversation with a high school classmate back in those days at Manzanar. My friend was concerned because his father had been elected Block Manager by fellow "evacuees" in his block, but no matter what he tried to do or actually did, he was always criticized by the same people who elected him. My friend said, "You know, one of the problems with Nisei is that when someone tries to get up to do something, they (other Nisei) try to pull him down", or words to that effect. That was back in 1942 and it seems that times haven't changed much, except that it's more the accepted thing, the thing to do to demonstrate your concern, these days.

I guess it was also in Manzanar that I first learned, in the same context, the Japanese term "tsurushiage". If you don't know what the term means, consider what was done to Dave Ushio at the Convention. The next time that I heard the term "tsurushiage" used most frequently was at Maizuru, Japan, (1948-50) when Japanese PWs being returned from Soviet prison camps related how their fellow prisoners were subjected to "tsurushiage" by other "akuchibu" prisoners because they resisted the ideological indoctrination imposed by their Russian captors and they persistently refused to go along with the party line. Some of the "tsurushiage" sessions were even continued on board the ships which brought the Japanese troops back to Japan and as the ships steamed into Maizuru harbor with red banners waving on deck.

In a conversation with an elderly Issei a few years ago in which I happened to comment on the "strike nail" syndrome, he added the consoling thought that the "Tatakareta kugi ga hikaru". (It is the nail which has been struck which shines.) If the recent as well as past happenings within JACL are any indication, there will be many bald and/or gray heads around. But so be it.

**NO. 1 PRIORITY**—In the meanwhile, let's go on with the work which needs to be done. Among the "Number 1" priority items of course is the selection of staff for our Washington Office and the new Regional Offices. Although we'll have until January 1973 to establish the new offices, and the District Governors concerned are participating in establishing the duties and responsibilities of the new Regional Directors, we'll need a qualified and competent person to carry on JACL's operations in Washington, D.C. as soon as possible. Applications are being accepted now for that job. Chapter Presidents and District Governors have been provided more detailed information concerning the job and qualification requirements. But we're looking to all JACLers to help in encouraging qualified persons to apply.

**MEMBERSHIP**—Another area which will require maximum support at the chapter level is our membership drive, which we'll be kicking off in October. We're going to have to close the gap between the approved budget and our presently projected dues income by increasing overall membership and our various categories of 1000 Club membership. Tad Hirota, our National 1000 Club Chairman, will be getting information out soon on our 1000 Club membership drive as well as in regard to other 1000 Club programs now planned. In the interim, we welcome any suggestions or ideas on how we might go about putting vigor into our general membership campaign.

The Juniors are meeting in Salt Lake City as this is written and President Tanaka and Director Designate Ushio will be attending part of the convention doings. I'm sure that they will be getting input directly for our Youth and Young Adult program at that meeting so we can expect new emphasis and possibly new directions in that program very soon.

**AREA CODE 206: Joe Hamanaka**  
**Is There a Difference?**

Seattle those kids will continue to use "bad" offensive words—without really knowing why, or how damaging.

This "Kenzo for Jap" thing in New York and Paris and Los Angeles and elsewhere makes us wonder why we "permit" our own Nisei and "Japs" to call ourselves "Japs" though not used in the derogatory wartime sense. It doesn't "hurt" when we "pinch" ourselves?

So long as we're publicly sensitive about the usage of "Jap," we ought not give the public the idea that we don't mind on some occasions—by taking "permissive liberties" with ourselves, and among ourselves.

Come, now—surely, you've heard say in Nisei and Samsel gatherings. Loud mouths addressing each other as "Japs." But we'll all be long gone then, and nobody will be around to re-light WW II or remember it. It will be as ancient as the name-calling during the Spanish-American War is to us today.

For now—we're saying that 5 per cent, perhaps 1 per cent, of the Nisei and Samsel are not pulling together. Takes but one to rock our boat. And that we ought, first, get our own house (boat) in order. Seems we've put pressure on the public and made our objections known. But we need to put a continuing "cease and desist" order on our own bad-mouthing, attention-seeking, small minority.

We need more watch-dogs, more concerned individuals and groups, minding our security in our own backyard. More fierce, more growl, more teeth.

Like they say: Good FR be can be had from his crowd, and at home.

**25 Years Ago**  
 In the Pacific Citizen, Aug. 23, 1947

WRA Final Report declares public acceptance of Nisei group better than prewar, note 60 per cent of evacuees have returned to West Coast. . . . Two-thirds of 7,000 evacuees return to Pacific Northwest, percentage higher than general west coast average. . . . JACL assists Intermountain Japanese Assn. retrieve records confiscated by FBI Lake City. . . . JACL staff teaches value of organization, says newspaper woman on west coast. Estimate 550 girls in Japan wed to U.S. GIs before expiration of amendment to Soldier Brides Act on Aug. 21. . . . Townsend Harris Post, American Legion, reactivated in San Francisco. . . . IDC calls for retention of National JACL Headquarters in Salt Lake City. . . . JACL staff recommends membership for Issei.

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Bill Hosokawa

# From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

**VISITORS AT OUR HOME**—For the past few days Ashlyn and Mike, our two oldest grandchildren, and their folks have been visiting us. It is difficult to believe that Ashlyn is going on 8 years of age and her brother is 6. Ashlyn was a tiny bundle of humanity when we first saw her. Now she is a proper young lady most of the time and like her, Mike is full of curiosity and wonder about the world. They find it exciting to convey their enthusiasm to the adults about them, and that results in lively conversations, mostly one-sided, for adults often cannot share that enthusiasm without appearing phoney and condescending.

Yet, the youngsters still have not reached the age of reason. They can be spoken to, but they forget admonitions quickly. This is the reason that they leave a trail of smeared glass and smudged walls behind them. All children seem to have sticky hands, even in the driest weather, and Ashlyn and Mike are no exceptions. But if we, having become slightly crochety with the years, experience moments of despair that the well-ordered peace of our home is made to shambles within moments by the energy of the young ones, it is necessary only to ponder the alternative. What if they had not come? It is much more delightful that they chose to visit us instead of spending their vacation doing something else.

Little Mike is at the stage where he is fascinated by anything Western, particularly cowboys and Indians. So, of course, he had to go ride a horse. One morning we drove out to a riding stable in the foothills. Perhaps 50 or maybe even 75 horses lazed in a corral, twitching off the flies and waiting patiently for their call to duty. Mike and Ashlyn were properly awed by this wealth of horseflesh. Dozens of other parents and grandparents also were on hand, in the tow of eager young cowboys and cowgirls.

In time our turn came, and a hardbitten wrangler appeared with some huge but placid horses in tow. Ashlyn drew a gentle nag named Midnight. Mike's was named Nellie, but he was so thrilled by the prospect of mounting her that he didn't mind the absence of romance in her name. The wrangler, accustomed to his chores, deftly lifted the youngsters and deposited them in their saddles. Then he adjusted the stirrups to fit the length of their legs, which wasn't much. A girl type wrangler showed them how to hold the reins, how to give the horses slack and nudge their ribs to get them moving, and how to pull back gently to apply the brakes.

Aunt Susan, who used to be a pretty fair rider in her younger days, led the way up the trail. Uncle Warren, who was as much a stranger to a horse's back as the youngsters, brought up the rear. And thus the caravan embarked at a gentle, plodding pace. I waited until the horsemen were lost from sight beyond the grove of cottonwoods, then went back to the car to catch up on some reading.

Within an hour they were back, the youngsters confident now that they were skilled horsemen. Their mounts had never been permitted to exceed a gentle walk, but who is to say what exciting visions raced through the children's minds during this first outing on horseback. Had they galloped across the open prairie in pursuit of stampeding longhorns or a herd of buffalo? Had they lathered their faithful horses in a desperate effort to rescue the frontier fort from marauding savages?

Ashlyn and Mike didn't say, and it would have been impudent to question them about their most private daydreams. But I can imagine that in school this fall, when asked to write a composition or get up before class and tell about summer experiences, the story of that first horseback ride will be told and retold. For the moment, it was enough that they asked when they could return to the stable for another ride up the trail under the cottonwoods. Soon, I assured them.



By Jim Henry

# Sakura Script

Protecting Girls from Aliens

Yokohama Police have launched an operation in Kanagawa Prefecture to protect teen-age girls from foreign girl-hunters.

Police recently arrested a ring of procurers of foreign girls calling at Yokohama. Among the women supplied by the ring were five-teenage girls who had turned professional.

Several years ago, a high school girl who went to the house of an American civilian in Yokosuka to study English conversation was raped and made to model in the nude.

Police said that the wrong use of "yes" and "no" often caused misunderstandings — refusal taken as consent.

They said that promotion of international friendship was all to the good. But they added: "Don't forget that you may be deceived."

Oh, those heathen Americans! Kanagawa Prefectural police are worried by a recent increase of teen-age girls led astray by a foreigners, only to

# Yen claim bill gains editorial, popular support

WASHINGTON—The Washington, D.C. Evening Star and Daily News has editorially endorsed legislation introduced by Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) which would enable some 2,000 elderly Japanese Americans to recover their pre-World War II deposits in the American branches of the Yokohama Specie Bank of Japan.

In its editorial, the Evening Star and Daily News said:

"Representative Spark Matsunaga, has now won committee approval of a bill to return \$4.5 million to one or two thousand Japanese Americans whose savings were seized in branches of the Yokohama Specie Bank. They're not asking for the 30 years of interest this money would have earned or to get it back at today's conversion rate. Just the money that was . . . unconscionably taken from them."

"Anything less than speedy action (on the Matsunaga bill) would be sleazy indeed," the editorial concluded.

"I am amazed and gratified at the outpouring of public sympathy and support generated by my bill," Matsunaga said. "I have received letters and calls from concerned citizens all over the country who want to see justice done in this matter."

# Sewage services

OAKLAND, Calif.—The newly-created Bay Area Sewage Services Agency, serving a nine-county area to dispose \$500 million in federal, state and local funds during the next few years, has elected Mayor Norman Mineta of San Jose as its president. He ruled executive committee meetings be open to the press and public as their functions are similar to the full 21-member board.

# MANHATTAN ECHOES: Joe Oyama

# To Manhattan with Love

His friends kiddingly call 442nd veteran Dick Itanaga, "Mr. Madison Avenue" because he comes from Fresno, Calif., but knows Madison Avenue like a veteran.

Dick works in a highly specialized area within advertising agencies called Media promotion. His job is selling advertising people and agency people who use newspapers, magazines, radio, and outdoor advertising. A highly specialized field, he is writing service manager for Foster, Kleiser, a division of Metro Media Corp.

In New York Metro Media owns Channel 5 TV (WNEW) and radio stations throughout the country—in Washington, D.C.; Minneapolis, Los Angeles and Kansas City. It also publishes the famed theatergoers magazine, "Playbill," and "Bravo" for concertgoers.

Dick said, "We have a language of our own. Trade language. No one knows what we're talking about except ourselves."

**Stereotype Snapped**  
"When I first broke in a lot of people had difficulty believing that an Oriental would make a living writing. This is the feeling I got. If you were an artist, they would have taken it for granted that you were artistic. There's nothing like that today. There is no question on the basis of race. It's a highly competitive field—not as bad as actors or actresses."

He continued, "There's a real challenge here. In a small town you think you're a 'hot shot' but here brains and ability count. New York has the greatest concentration of talent and also the greatest concentration of mediocrity, too. 'I was a 'hot shot' too. It's very humbling here. There is great talent here. Lot of them brighter than I am."

Here Itanaga's wife, the former Chiyo Suzuki from Pasadena, Calif., interjected, "Dick was a Magna Cum Laude graduate" of Woodbury College, Los Angeles with a BBA in advertising, and later when his family moved to Cleveland, Ohio, he took a graduate course at Western Reserve on a scholarship.

**Lost in Plethora**  
"New York is a unique place," he continued, "New York is so big. If a Nisei or Samsel does something in California we hear about it, but in New York if a Nisei or Samsel does something we don't because it's such a large place. It's buried in the newspapers."

"I'm here by choice. In my type of work—this is where it is. There are two things I like about New York: Privacy. A small town has the least privacy. In New York you can choose friends on the basis of interest, not proximity."

I asked Dick if there were any other Nisei in his field. He replied, "Bill Yamaguchi used to be with Life. He went to Japan. There were others. There was a Nisei with Business Week in advertising who died in the early years. You only accidentally hear about things going on in New York."

**A Blank Piece of Paper**  
Dick picked up a copy of "New York" magazine, flipped over the pages and pointed to one of its full page advertisements, and said, "Very interesting field—take for in-

# J-A FRIENDSHIP ACT BILL IN HOUSE ALSO

WASHINGTON—A bill promoting closer cultural ties between U.S. and Japan was introduced Aug. 10 in the House of Representatives. The measure, similar to one introduced a week earlier (see Aug. 18 PC) in the Senate by Sen. Jacob Javits (R-N.Y.), was co-sponsored by Rep. William S. Mailliard (R-Calif.) and Rep. George E. Danielson (D-Calif.) of Los Angeles.

# Okamoto sorry for role in Israeli airport massacre

TEL AVIV—Convicted Lod Airport assassin Kojo Okamoto told his Japanese family lawyer this past week he was sorry for the massacre and that he wanted to learn Hebrew.

In a statement read to newsmen, Tokyo lawyer Takuo Matsuo said Okamoto expressed "profound sorrow to the Israeli and Puerto Rican people and to the deceased, wounded and innocent victims" of the Lod airport massacre.

Until now, Okamoto has refused to express remorse for his actions.

# Praying for Recovery

Matsuo said Okamoto hoped the wounded would recover as soon as possible. "Indeed, he prays for it," the lawyer said.

"He also has abandoned his obsession with suicide and promised the warden he would not try to kill himself," Matsuo said.

Okamoto requested a death sentence at his trial.

"However, I did not succeed in convincing him to ask for appeal," Matsuo said. Last Aug. 8 was the deadline for Okamoto's appeal.

Matsuo was sent to visit Okamoto on behalf of the assassin's parents. But Mat-



**MISS NISEI WEEK**—Carol Lynn Matsunaga, representing Hollywood JACL, was crowned 1972 Nisei Week queen before some 500 persons attending the Coronation Ball Aug. 12 at Biltmore Bowl. The 19-year-old lass who was a Nisei Relays queen stands with her parents, Hide and Yuriko Matsunaga. An honor graduate of Marshall High, Carol Lynn is attending Pitzer College in Claremont.

—Kashu Mainichi Photo.

# ED MATSUDA

# Reunion with Old Scoutmaster

LOS ANGELES—"Once a Boy Scout, always a Boy Scout" was attested to this past week (Aug. 9) when a contingent of 61 Boy Scouts from Aichi Renmei, Nagoya, arrived here on a goodwill tour of the United States.

Eddie Masao Matsuda, general chairman of the 1972 Nisei Week Festival, met with Kenzo Masuda, 81-year-old scout among the visitors.

Matsuda, 70, and a former Downtown L.A. JACL president, was the first to join the Osaka Boy Scout troop which Masuda started in 1915 after he returned from the United States where he studied the Boy Scout organization for three years.

**Starts Troops in L.A.**  
Although Matsuda spent only two years with the Osaka troop before he had to

suo said Okamoto didn't want to see his family.

During World War II when he was interned at Heart Mountain Wyo., he was among the group of leaders who organized several troops there, including a drum and bugle corps. Matsuda served as chairman of the board of directors of the scouts there.

**Visiting Contingent**  
The 61 scouts from Aichi visited New York, New Jersey, Buffalo, Chicago and Detroit to renew friendship with American Boy Scouts who participated in the world jamboree in Japan last year.

Akiyoshi Goto leader of the current tour, was director of the sub-camp to which Koyasan Troop 379 was attached.

The visiting scouts were

**Sansel Do Better**  
After the resume, I surmised, "The Nisei should do good in this field, because of their general competence in English," but he corrected me, "Nisei have a poor grasp of the language due to their environment. I'm speaking of the California Nisei before the war. The Samsel do better. Although the Nisei did well academically . . ."

Although Dick works on Madison Avenue, he had not isolated himself from the JA community of New York. For four years he was publicity chairman for the local Nisei 442nd Veterans Association and editor of their publication.

He said, "I stay away from National Veterans Reunions. Nice talk once in a while—refresh the whole thing."

He grew candid, "War is a miserable thing. When Vets get together they talk like it was a football game. They forget how miserable it was . . . just like we forget how it was in Camp. How cold, the dust. It's a good thing that it's that way. The mind filters out the unpleasant."

Incidentally, I first met Dick in the Jerome Relocation Center where we worked on the Denison Tribune, the Camp publication. From

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# Resthaven community mental health council criticizes county director

LOS ANGELES—Ethnic community leaders have criticized Los Angeles County Mental Health Department chief Dr. Harry Brickman for what they say are "divisive statements and an apparent attempt to set L.A. ethnic groups against one another."

Dr. Brickman has repeatedly drawn fire for his interpretations of California mental health laws and an alleged lack of response to the mental health needs of the ethnic communities.

In the second of a series of meetings with Resthaven Community Mental Health Center council members, Dr. Brickman stated that additional county funds could be siphoned off one ethnic group and given to another.

**More Funding Sought**  
Mori Nishida of the Japanese American community said Dr. Brickman's statement is apparently based "on which ethnic group shouts the loudest and the loudest."

Resthaven council chairman Dr. Jenny Batongmalaque, who arranged the Brickman meetings to discuss the possibility of increasing county mental health service contracts to the mental health center, said the following:

"Tactics such as this to set the various ethnic communities fighting among themselves will not be tolerated. The whites, blacks, Chicanos, and Asians of the downtown area are united and deeply concerned about the inadequacy of the present mental health funds being made available to Resthaven, the only community mental health center in the area."

**Service Contract**  
Resthaven has attempted to have its mental health service contract increased under the Short-Doyle Act, which provides free services to poverty-level residents, for the last three years to help meet the growing ethnic community needs.

Last spring, Resthaven was

recognized by the County Mental Health Dept. for its programs of treating ethnic mental health problems, but no additional funds were allocated.

The department recognition statement commended Resthaven for developing a multilingual program capable of serving Spanish, Japanese and Chinese speaking patients. The commendation further stated that the department intends to refer patients from other areas to the Resthaven facility, yet made no mention of additional funds to meet this larger caseload.

However, the Resthaven community council rejected Dr. Brickman's offer to utilize existing funds exclusively for Asians and Chicanos, excluding whites and blacks from Resthaven's treatment contract.

Further meetings with the County Board of Supervisors and Dr. Brickman were scheduled this month.

# Detroit—

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I have to take it standing up. I've found that in the first minute after standing up, I do shrink a little. About 1/8 inch."

A pool in a Detroit newspaper asked the question: "Should the Detroit police department stretch their height requirements to let 5' 6 1/2" Sanshiro Miyamoto join the force?"

Yes answers came from 64.4 per cent of the people who telephoned in response.

# Nisei heads bomb disposal unit

HONOLULU—Capt. Melvin Taira, head of the 6th Ordnance Unit in Hawaii, M/Sgt. Robert Kleira and a handful of experts at the Aliamanu Military Reservation are the only men on the Islands with technical training to render a bomb harmless.

In some American cities, police have a special bomb demolition squad but in Honolulu, the police clear the building or area and call on Capt. Taira, a 1965 Univ. of Hawaii ROTC graduate.

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CHAPTER PULSE

August Events

Seattle JACL sponsors bus tour for Issei

A chartered bus trip to Deception Pass for Issei was sponsored Aug. 23 by Seattle JACL. The \$3.75 fee included a light lunch at the state park. Connie Asaka, Issei Concerns chairman, was in charge.

September Events

San Jose sponsors candidates' night

A Candidates' Night will be sponsored by San Jose JACL on Friday, Sept. 1, 7:30 p.m. at the Buddhist Church auditorium, it was announced by President Richard Tanaka.

1000 Club Report

Aug. 15 Report

First half of August saw 62 new and renewing memberships in the 1000 Club as follows:

- 1st Year: Philadelphia—Dr. Kazuo K. Kimura; Chicago—William T. Miyake, Eddie Sasaki; Sacramento—Dr. Ernest K. Takahashi.

Anti-Nisei film—

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mittee to coordinate Japanese American contributions to the war effort. In the picture, the anti-axis group is pictured as a front for treachery by Japanese American businessmen.

Christian wedding rites, white gown, chapel, etc., 'in' thing in Japan now

TOKYO—

"Insure yourself a lifetime of future happiness," read the sign. "Have a Christian wedding!" This hard sell for matrimony on advertising placards appear in Tokyo subway trains.

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CALENDAR

Aug. 25 (Friday)  
West Los Angeles—Issei Trip to Laguna Art Festival, Iv Rick's Restaurant, 4:30 p.m.

Aug. 29 (Tuesday)  
Orange County—Japanese movies, Brookhurst Theater, Anaheim, 7 p.m.

Sept. 1 (Friday)  
San Jose—Candidates' Night, Buddhist Church Annex, 7:30 p.m.

Sept. 2 (Saturday)  
Contra Costa—Annual steak bake, Alvarado Park, Richmond, 6:30 p.m.

Sept. 3 (Sunday)  
Delano—Fifth Delano Reunion, Stardust Restaurant, 9 a.m.

Sept. 5 (Tuesday)  
Alameda—Golf tournament, Galbraith Muni Course, 9 a.m.

Sept. 10 (Sunday)  
PSWDC—3d City Pasadena Buddhist Church, 9 a.m.

Sept. 11 (Monday)  
Alameda—Bd Mtg, Vista United Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m.

Sept. 12 (Tuesday)  
San Mateo—Bd Mtg, Sturge Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m.

Sept. 13 (Wednesday)  
Orange County—Bd Mtg, 7:30 p.m.

Sept. 16 (Saturday)  
Sequoia—Issei Night, Cabana Hyatt House, Palo Alto, 7 p.m.

Sept. 17 (Sunday)  
San Mateo—Community picnic, Beresford Park, 11 a.m.

Sept. 22 (Friday)  
Selanoco—Gen Mtg, 7:30 p.m.

Sept. 22-24  
NATJ JACL-EXECOM Mtg, San Francisco.

Sept. 24 (Sunday)  
St. Louis—Fall Festival, West Los Angeles—Issei Appreciation Day.

Sept. 25 (Thursday)  
Sacramento—Gen Mtg, Nisei War Memorial Hall, 7:30 p.m.

# An artist's search for personality, identity

By JO MURRAY  
Oakland Tribune

OAKLAND, Calif.—One normally doesn't interview a famous artist about her childhood pets.

But it's a little easier to understand Mine Okubo after she talks about cats, a frequent subject in her show at the Oakland museum which closed Aug. 20.

"They're the only animals that know how to live," she maintained. "They size up their owners and then do as they please. They keep their own personalities."

Unlike cats, however, humans sometimes have to search for their personalities and Mine's study of herself is the theme of the first major showing of her works on the West Coast.

### Love of Cats

It goes from the dark, depressing portrayals of Japanese Americans sent to relocation camps during World War II, through abstractionism and impressionism, to the bold, happy animals she paints today.

Her love of cats is a source of amusement for Mine, since the polite form of her name, Mineko, contains the Japanese word for cat.

Born to Japanese parents

who had immigrated to Riverside, she received all of her formal art training in a West and barely speaks Japanese. There is virtually no Oriental influence in her early works, including the portrait of her mother with a cat that was chosen for the cover of the show's catalog.

### Various Styles

She said her progression through the various styles of painting is an outgrowth of the fact that "my work is all self-research. Whatever is in

### NC-WNDC -

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intended to stay in the present NYC organization.

The announcement made by Wendy Sakai of Sacramento, NC-WNDYC chairman, that her group was cutting JACL ties over the Ushio appointment was apparently unauthorized by the member units.

### Visual Communications

The district approved the \$500 allocation to the visual communication program being undertaken by Bob Nakamura of Los Angeles. A commitment for this amount had been made in mid-June when the project was initiated under JACL.

The visual communications committee, no longer associated with JACL, is still going through with the project to collect 10,000 photographs and documents on the Asian experience in America. The request for matching funds was approved by the federal government through National JACL.

The district also voted \$100 to assist the UC Santa Cruz Japanese class this fall. The request was made through the Sequoia chapter.

Nominations for district council officers will be accepted until Sept. 20 with the final election scheduled Nov. 5 at Sunol Country Club. Fremont JACL will host the final quarterly session.

me is coming out. Now I'm going more and more into the flat use of color which is an Eastern tradition. "I see life from the happy side now rather than from the gruesome side," explained the artist, who herself spent two years in relocation camps. "I have seen so much horror from birth that I decided to contribute something else."

She has devoted her life almost exclusively to art and writing, and combined these talents in "Citizen 13660," a book published in 1946 about her experiences in the camps.

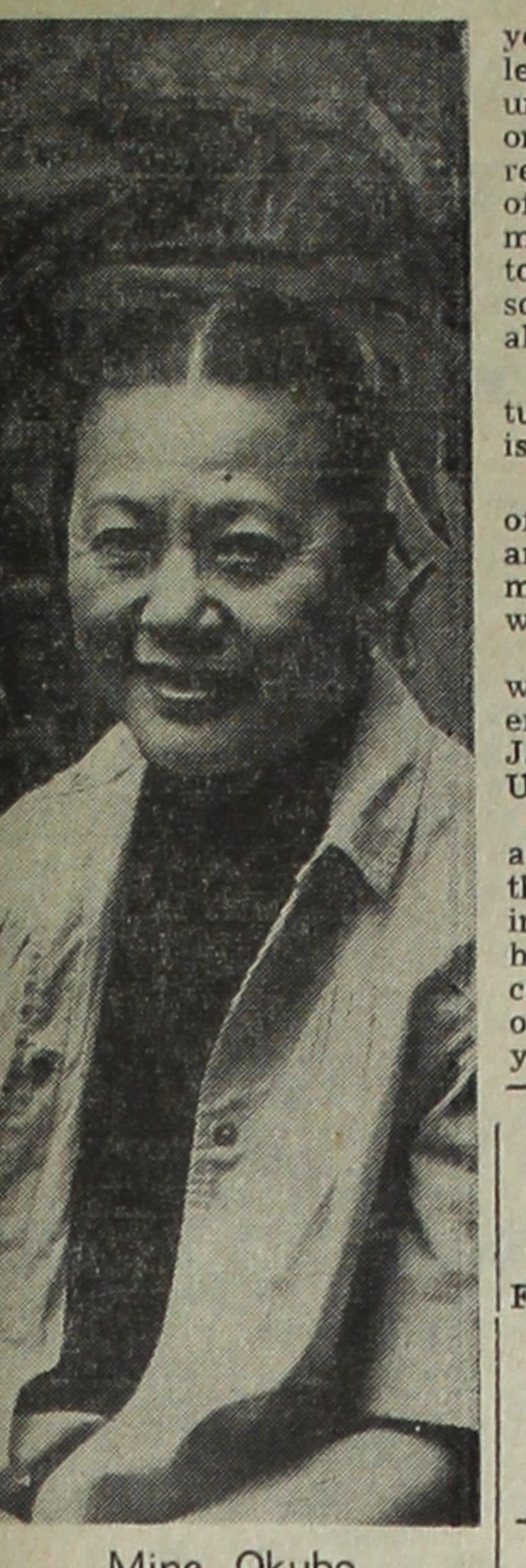
### Views of Matrimony

She found time to paint there by putting a quarantine sign on her door. This eliminated searches by police as well as nosy neighbors.

Mine never married because "it is a man's world. When you marry, you become second class. If you make a decision to contribute and you marry, you're splitting yourself."

The woman whose name means "top of the highest mountain" speaks with serenity of her decision to "follow the universe rather than the crowd."

The theme of the universal comes up in almost every other sentence in a conversation with her.



Mine Okubo

### \$1,830 raised for 'Months of Waiting'

LOS ANGELES — The Japanese Chamber of Commerce of Southern California presented \$1,830 less \$67 for expenses to the California Historical Society for its "Months of Waiting" art exhibit, which concluded June 23 at the Music Center and which was viewed by a total well over 10,000 persons.

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### Self-Research

A graduate of and former lecturer at the Univ. of California at Berkeley, Mine now lives in Greenwich Village where she continues her self-research. She recently wrote about her present feelings.

"I don't care where I am. I'm still the same. I adjust and adapt. I guess most Orientals are trained that way. Most of American life consists of people caught up in entertaining themselves.

"In a way, I wish I were like that, because if you choose my course, then it's all work, work. But in painting, if everything goes right, it's like conducting. You never hit it right in the same way again."

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# Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

## Political Scene

Walter Kupau, president of the AFL-CIO State Federation of Labor, says Sen. Thomas F. Eagleton's withdrawal as the Democratic vice presidential nominee is "the biggest blunder in the whole campaign." He added: "From what I can learn of psychiatric care such as Sen. Eagleton underwent, you come out a stronger person. I think Eagleton's withdrawal will prove to be the biggest mistake the Democrats could make."

Congressional candidate John W. Goemans said in Hilo recently incumbent Patsy T. Mink is part of the forces "pulling us apart." He said Mrs. Mink has given Hawaii eight years of contention and divisiveness and shown she thinks she "has access to special knowledge." Goemans who is seeking to replace Mrs. Mink also is a Democrat.

State Rep. Diana Hansen, a Republican, has charged the state administration with keeping more than 50,000 eligible military personnel off the local voting lists to maintain Hawaii's "Democratic status quo." Ms. Hansen, who is campaigning to unseat Patsy Mink, said a Supreme Court ruling in March removed all residency requirements and allows military personnel to vote in Hawaii.

Workmen once again are making repairs to Tadashi Sato's giant mosaic on the floor of the capitol courtyard. Several of the 600,000 pieces of tile in the mosaic are missing, some taken by vandals and some dislodged by janitors. It's the second time in two years that repairs have been needed on the \$40,000 work.

William G. Ouchi, an instructor at the Univ. of Chicago business school, has received his doctorate from the university's graduate school of business. He will join the Stanford Univ. school of business faculty in Sept.

Masato Kamisato, a former executive vice president of the Honolulu Japanese Chamber of Commerce, has been appointed assistant vice president in charge of marketing at City Bank of Honolulu.

Robert S. Kakinuchi, formerly a loan assistant at Bank of Hawaii's Keeaumoku branch, has been named loan assistant at the bank's Kaneohe branch.

The state Public Utilities Commission on Aug. 1 granted the Hawaiian Electric Co. \$4.9 million in annual rate increases, which means a 5.7 per cent increase in electricity rates. The figure was \$3 million less than HECO said it needed, but \$2.3 million more than the amount recommended by the commission staff.

Alexander & Baldwin has reported a better than doubling in its first half earnings from operations, continuing a trend of recovery among Hawaii corporations.

Yonamine is now in his first year as manager, heading the Chunichi Dragons. The Dragons were in contention during the early part of the pennant race but now have fallen back and should not be a contender. However, the press has lauded the work of the former San Francisco 49er halfback who picked baseball over a promising football career.

The Olympic Games will be the next major sporting event to take over the center stage. As far as Japanese American participation is concerned, it appears that Kenny Okada, a judoist from Orange County, California, will be the lone JA on the U.S. roster. This was when the Japanese American community could count on several JA athletes participating in the Games.

Paul Fujii, the only Nisei ever to hold a world's professional boxing crown, when he won the junior welterweight title from Sandro Lopopollo of Italy five years ago, will make a comeback try in his native Honolulu when he faces Young Kennedy, a promising black fighter who also is a native of Hawaii. It will be a stern test for Fujii, who has been out of action for two years as result of a back injury suffered in a Tokyo auto accident.

Kennedy is riding the crest of a 14 fight win streak and a win over him will put Fujii right back into contention. A loss will send him to the sidelines permanently.

Keith Oda, a promising football player from Honolulu, who is recovering from knee surgery, doesn't appear to fit into USC's scheme of things for the Trojans 1972 football season. The tough linebacker is not listed among potential varsity candidates as the SC team begins preparation for their opener against Arkansas.

MEMO: Anyone wishing to contribute sports items to this column may do so by sending them to PC in care of this writer. It will be a regular feature which will be expanded as time goes and (hopefully) interest rises.

Fred Kuhlau, 19-year-old southpaw from Wainane, has left for the Mainland after signing a contract with the San Francisco Giants. He is a cousin of Jesse Kuhlau of Japanese sumo fame. Fred will report to the Giants' Great Falls farm club of the Pioneer League in Ogden, Utah.

Kuhlau is the third pitcher from Oahu to sign with the pros this summer. Mike Gipaya (Pittsburgh) and Len Castillo (Cincinnati) currently are playing for the Bradenton Pirates and Reds, respectively, in the Gulf League.

John Notch, 23, of Ewa Beach, ran around Oahu, 140 miles, in 28 hours over a recent week end. He left Honolulu Zoo at 6 p.m. on a Friday and went around the island by way of Koko Head, Waimanalo, the Windward Coast, the North Shore and Kaena Point, arriving back at the zoo at 10 p.m. the following night.

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While the thriller menu may vary from year to year, no summer goes by in Japan without several versions of the ghosting shown of the best story fixture, the famous *Yotsuya Kaidan*.

*Yotsuya Kaidan*, as every Japanese knows, is an eerie tale of jealousy, murder and revenge. It features the undisputed queen of all ghosts in Japan, OIWA.

First presented on the stage in 1825, it is the work of Tsuruya Namboku (1755-1829), a playwright-novelist. He is considered the father

of the Japanese ghost play. The setting is the Yotsuya section of Edo, or Tokyo. OIWA, always presented as a good-looker, is a woman whose impoverished samurai husband does her wrong. Her no good husband, Iyemon, is talked into shedding OIWA and taking the granddaughter of a wealthy retainer of an enemy house as his bride.

Horrible Stuff  
The high point of the story comes when OIWA, who is ill, is slipped a special potion which she thinks is medicine but is really stuff that causes her to become horribly disfigured.

OIWA gets revenge, however, by haunting Iyemon crazy after she dies.

Top-rate actresses, it is said, shun the role of ghosts in Japanese pictures. However, veteran Mariko Okada has appeared as OIWA in one of the many *Yotsuya Kaidan* shows put on in recent years.

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## BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman

### Maiden Effort of Famed Novelist

I AM A CAT, by Soseki Natsume, tr. by Aiko Ito and Graeme Wilson. Tuttle Co., 218 pp., \$5.

When Kinnosuke Natsume returned to Japan in January 1903, after two years of study in England, a rumor had preceded him that he had gone mad. In going abroad, he had left wife and child behind. The scholarship the government had awarded him had been insufficient to maintain him decently abroad. He had spent most of his time in his poor lodgings, alone, and reading furiously.

Irritable and prone to sudden bursts of temper he picked up the threads of his life in Japan. He disliked teaching, but he had accepted the scholarship with the understanding he would teach for four years upon his return. He accepted a post at the First National College in Tokyo; at the Imperial University, he accepted a lectureship in English, succeeding Lafcadio Hearn.

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While the thriller menu may vary from year to year, no summer goes by in Japan without several versions of the ghosting shown of the best story fixture, the famous *Yotsuya Kaidan*.

*Yotsuya Kaidan*, as every Japanese knows, is an eerie tale of jealousy, murder and revenge. It features the undisputed queen of all ghosts in Japan, OIWA.

First presented on the stage in 1825, it is the work of Tsuruya Namboku (1755-1829), a playwright-novelist. He is considered the father

of the Japanese ghost play. The setting is the Yotsuya section of Edo, or Tokyo. OIWA, always presented as a good-looker, is a woman whose impoverished samurai husband does her wrong. Her no good husband, Iyemon, is talked into shedding OIWA and taking the granddaughter of a wealthy retainer of an enemy house as his bride.

Horrible Stuff  
The high point of the story comes when OIWA, who is ill, is slipped a special potion which she thinks is medicine but is really stuff that causes her to become horribly disfigured.

OIWA gets revenge, however, by haunting Iyemon crazy after she dies.

Top-rate actresses, it is said, shun the role of ghosts in Japanese pictures. However, veteran Mariko Okada has appeared as OIWA in one of the many *Yotsuya Kaidan* shows put on in recent years.

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## BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman

### Maiden Effort of Famed Novelist

I AM A CAT, by Soseki Natsume, tr. by Aiko Ito and Graeme Wilson. Tuttle Co., 218 pp., \$5.

When Kinnosuke Natsume returned to Japan in January 1903, after two years of study in England, a rumor had preceded him that he had gone mad. In going abroad, he had left wife and child behind. The scholarship the government had awarded him had been insufficient to maintain him decently abroad. He had spent most of his time in his poor lodgings, alone, and reading furiously.

Irritable and prone to sudden bursts of temper he picked up the threads of his life in Japan. He disliked teaching, but he had accepted the scholarship with the understanding he would teach for four years upon his return. He accepted a post at the First National College in Tokyo; at the Imperial University, he accepted a lectureship in English, succeeding Lafcadio Hearn.

His unhappy life abroad had turned him away from the uncritical acceptance of all things Western that characterized many of his Japanese contemporaries. He had returned with the conviction that he must find the raison d'etre for his career in his own country.

Here a situation had developed favorable to the promotion of Japanese letters. The high regard in which the West held novels and novelists formed a beacon leading into which Japanese fiction had fallen. The literary language had been changing from the Chinese style of the preceding century. Though the translators say he "always preferred the hard plangency of *bungo*, the traditional literary language derived from Chinese models, to the smoother, almost feminine characteristics of ordinary Japanese," he would be able to write in language close to everyday speech.

Possibly because an editor of the influential literary magazine *Hotoogisu* (Cuckoo) invited a submission, the returned scholar began to write, under the pen name Soseki.

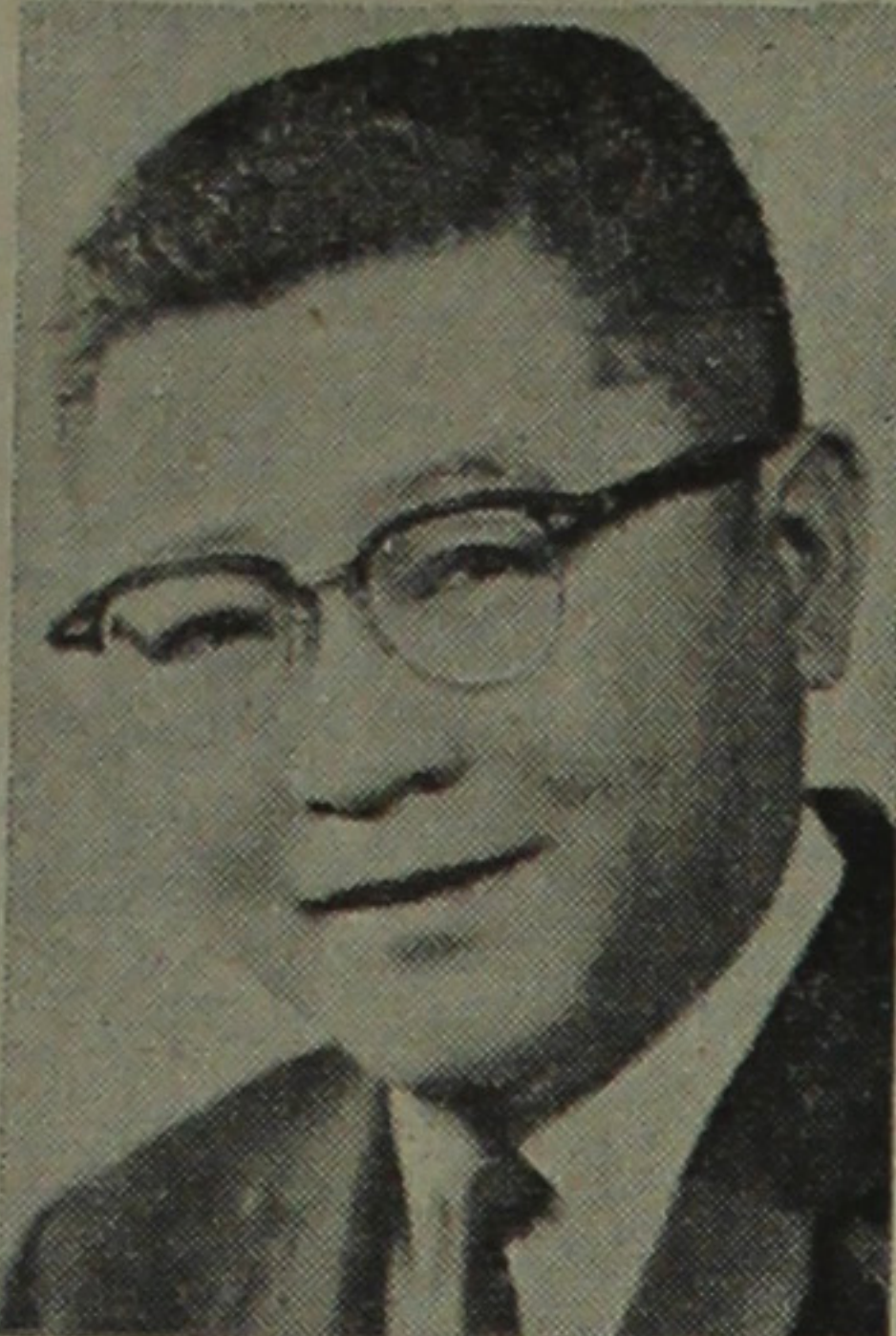
Soseki wrote his first short story, "I Am a Cat" (Wagahai wa Neko de aru). The editor offered criticism. Soseki rewrote the story; it appeared in the January 1905 issue.



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Fourteen-year-old Bill didn't know Japanese when he first got to Japan, and had to enroll in a special school before continuing on in high school. By 1941 he matriculated at Waseda and in 1944 drafted into the Japanese army...

In charge of physical discipline of enlisted personnel he moved out with his company early the morning of Aug. 6, 1945, to engage in a field exercise. By 8 a.m., when Enola Gay came over, the unit was six miles outside the city...

Yamashiro was separated from the Japanese army in September, returning home to find himself the head of the family. The \$300 he earned as an interpreter with the U.S. occupation forces was sent to his mother.

Return to U.S.

By 1951, his two brothers and two sisters had returned to the U.S., but Bill because of his military service couldn't. Time and again he applied for permission to re-enter. Meantime, he married his wife, Kay, and when they came home from their honeymoon, there waiting for him...

So leaving his bride with her parents (she joined him two years later), Bill landed in San Francisco in December, 1951, with \$150 in his pocket. The first job was picking grapes, then washing dishes for dollar an hour in a Los Angeles restaurant.

Reunited with his wife in 1953, Bill found steady employment with a wholesale hardware firm as a warehouseman. One day Bud Fujimoto of Cal-Western's agency in Pasadena called to sell him some life insurance.

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San Francisco

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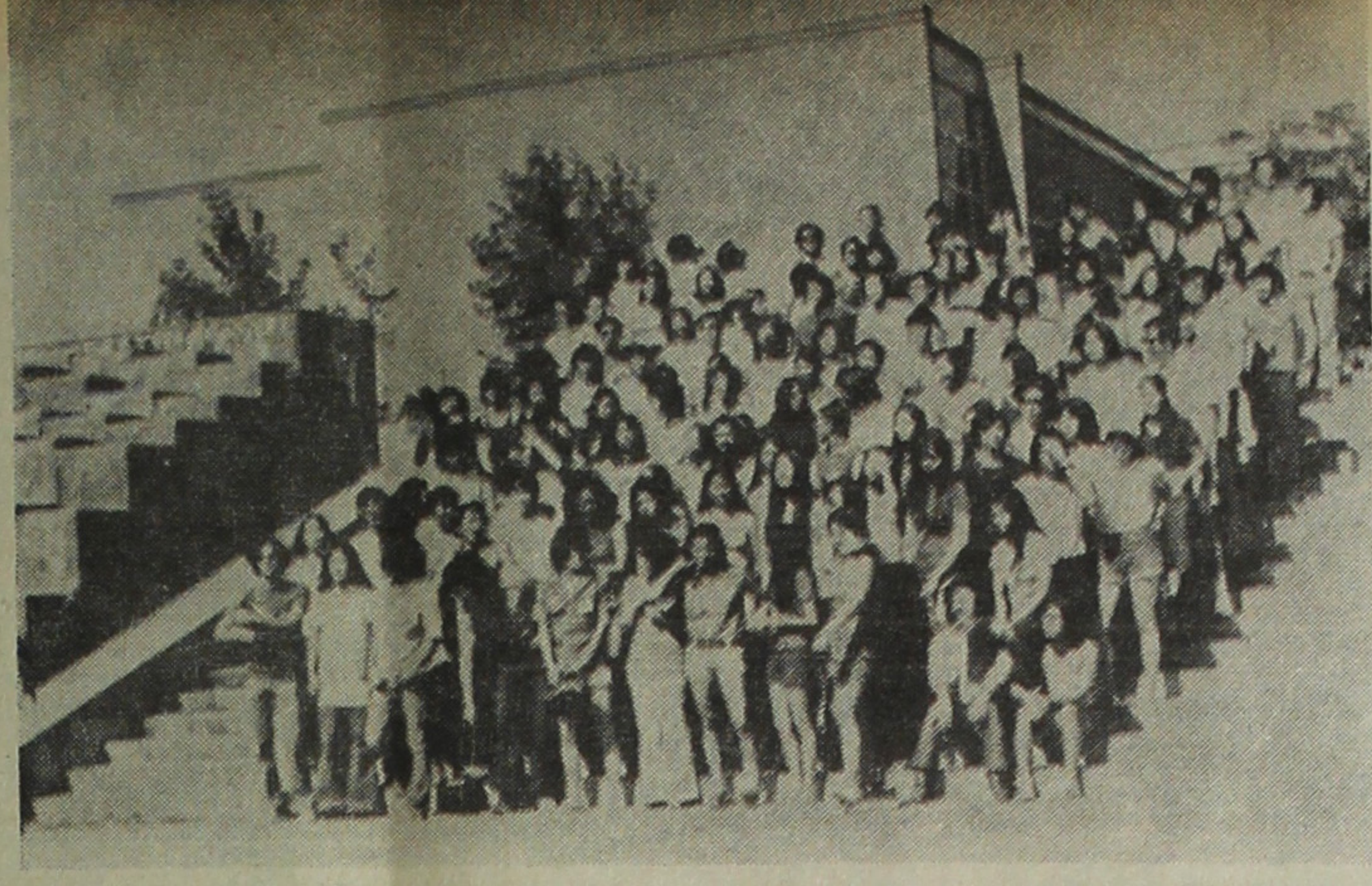
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president of Ishiyama Corp., San Francisco, which ships basic raw materials to Japanese industries.

Akira Kawasaki succeeds Jutaro Yamashita as manager of the Bank of Tokyo of California main office at Los Angeles while Yasuo Yoshizawa was named agent of the parent bank's Los Angeles office.

Theater

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War Experience

"The war experience changed my sense of values. Before I was a nervous cat, I couldn't sleep, but now nothing bothers me, I sleep. If you see someone you know well get killed before your eyes, small things don't bother you. You're glad to be alive!"

"It's true that those who geared got killed or badly wounded. I felt I would come through without being killed. When the squad of 12 went down to 3... men, I thought, 'I wasn't going to get hit' just before I got hit.

"I got hit in the leg. I have thirty percent disability in my leg. If I got hit, I got hit at as good a place as you can get hit..."

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