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Priorities

By HENRY T. TANAKA
National JACL President

Four days of rapping with youth, adults and JACL leaders in Salt Lake City and Ogden last weekend was a real tonic. The vitality and renewed enthusiasm demonstrated by these people were most encouraging and stimulating. I enjoyed the exchange of ideas and criticism, the freedom everyone felt to be honest with their feelings, and the desire of all of us to get

Thanks. I needed that!

to the real, gut issues. It was refreshing not to get overly involved in organizational details or the nitty gritty problems of running JACL. I needed that!

In retrospect, I was impressed with the common concerns the people felt about serving persons in need, being more responsive to the needs and problems of all Asian Americans, and maintaining an aggressive role in Washington, D.C. to deal with corrective and remedial legislation.

My trip to Salt Lake City was on the occasion of the first Japanese American Youth conference of JACL. I was not disappointed in what I observed and heard. The youth expressed deep concern about "helping individual Asian American youth to survive in contemporary society". They directed their newly named group to "open lines of communication with other Asian Americans" and to play a responsive and responsible role with "other progressive organizations in areas of common social and political concerns."

Rightfully so, the youth strongly urged to be an active participant in the selection of the to-be-hired youth director, as well as to participate in the review of his activities.

Ogden Meeting

The following morning, I accompanied Shake and David Ushio to nearby Ogden, Utah, to meet with several Japanese American community leaders to discuss the reactivation of the Ogden chapter. Diversity of opinions livened the meeting. Changing needs of Japanese Americans in the community and the need to become more actively involved in the community-at-large, and racial discrimination, both overt and subtle, seem to be the prevailing thoughts of those present.

Later in the afternoon, a five hour Intermountain District Council business session, chaired by governor Shake Ushio, was capped by an impressive tribute to Mas and Chiz Satow that evening. Much later that evening, a delegation from the Pacific Northwest District Council met with Intermountain District Council leaders to hammer out the projected functions of the planned Regional Office which will serve both districts. The relationships between the Regional Office and the National Office was discussed. There was unanimous agreement that the regional office should primarily serve the regional needs. The regional director would provide technical assistance, mobilize the volunteer resources, and assure continuity of programs and follow up services.

Hot Seat

After consulting with two Spokane representatives about their application to the Department of Housing and Urban Development to build an apartment for the elderly, I met with a flock of Salt Lake City Japanese Americans at the Ushios for what started out as a Sunday garden party and ended up by placing me on a hot seat well into the night. Like the Chicago dialogue, we talked about how we need to be more vocal in expressing our opinions, more assertive in our personal commitments; about working with other like organizations, and taking a more aggressive advocacy role.

The four day trek to Salt Lake City was concluded with a much needed relaxation and fishing trip to the mountains.

Thanks. I needed that!

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HOUSE APPROVES BUTTERICK SAYS YEN CLAIMS BILL CATALOGS ISSUED WITHOUT DISSENT EVERY MONTH

$4.5 Million Vested Since 1942 to Be Restored to Internees

Impossible to Recall Old Copies With Offensive Label

WASHINGTON — The House of Representatives on Aug. 18 passed wihtout a single dissenting vote legislation introduced by Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) which would enable claimants to recover their pre-World War II deposits in the American branches of the Yokohama Specie Bank of Japan.

The Matsunaga bill was passed under an extraordinary House procedure which permits the consideration of bills by "unanimous consent."

Only a few days earlier another Matsunaga bill, providing for construction of shoreside visitor facilities for the USS Arizona Memorial, was passed in the same manner.

2,000 Internees

Under the Matsunaga claim bill, some 2,000 Japanese Americans, most of them elderly would be able to recover funds deposited in the American branches of the Yokohama Specie Bank prior to World War II (see Aug. 18 PC).

"A great many immigrants to the United States from Japan held yen certificates of deposit with Japanese banks which had branches in the United States," Matsunaga explained. "These immigrants were denied the privilege of American citizenship by federal law.

"At the outbreak of war, the assets of the Yokohama Specie Bank and other Japanese firms in the United States were 'vested' by the federal government under the Trading With the Enemy Act. Many of the Japanese immigrants and their children, who were American citizens, were imprisoned during the war in American detention camps.

Couldn't File Before

"After the war, Congress passed legislation to enable creditors of the enemy firms to recover their interests. However, Japanese immigrants who had been imprisoned during the war were specifically prohibited from filing claims under the law because they were considered to be 'enemy aliens,'" the Hawaii lawmaker said.

"It was not until 1953 that Japanese immigrants were permitted to become naturalized American citizens," Matsunaga continued. "Once Congress permitted it, almost every one of the so-called 'enemy aliens' became naturalized American citizens.

"If enacted, my bill would help to erase one of the last remaining vestiges of what has been called 'the blackest page in American history,'" Matsunaga said.

About $4.5 million of the vested assets of the Yokohama Specie Bank's American branches would be restored to those who lost their savings during the war, Matsunaga said, pointing out that enactment of his bill would not cost the federal government and the American taxpayers a single penny.

NEW YORK — In response to a demand of Aug. 3 that Butterick recall the first two months supply of catalogs which feature Kenzo of J.A.P. patterns, David W. Dickenson, vice-president in marketing for Butterick Fashion Marketing Co., explained "it was impossible for us" as the catalogs are issued monthly — not annually — and then discarded.

The Butterick catalogs are only used for the month of issue, he added. At the time the situation was brought to their attention, Butterick had one catalog on the sales counters and another month's catalog in shipment.

Dickenson said each catalog contains over 1,000 pages and over 750 designs, of which six were Kenzo's. "It was impossible for us to recall these catalogs but we have deleted the (offensive) name from all future catalogs and this has involved considerable expense, including the destruction of hundreds of thousands of preprinted pages," he continued.

New Issue

The new, revised catalogs were expected to be on the counters from Sept. 1. The offensive label was also withdrawn earlier from the pattern envelopes.

Dickenson was also puzzled and shocked by the innuendos and untruths he found in a press release issued Aug. 3 by the East Coast Committee Against Kenzo Takada and hoped the Asian American groups which have been pressing the case against Butterick could assist in stating their position accurately.

Bilingual recreation program approved

By LEE MORIWAKI
Sacramento Bee Writer

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Seventy-one year old knitting teacher Kiyono Ito, bowing politely to members of the City Council requested their help June 28 in funding a senior citizens program for Sacramento's Japanese and Chinese residents.

"Most of us are leading a very lonely, alienated life," Mrs. Ito said in Japanese. Emiko Kaya was the translator.

"We sincerely hope that with your warm understanding of our situation, you will help . . . by providing funds for the senior citizens program at Asian Community Services (ACS)."

The program for $6,771.83 in city (parks and recreation) funds are for classes in knitting, flower arranging, ceramics and other social activities, according to Solon Wisham Jr., director of the Dept. of Recreation and Parks.

ACS Plan

ACS, Inc., 1118 V St., a non-profit organization formed to aid elderly and immigrant Asians, helped draw up the plan.

(The City Council on Aug. 7 approved the ACS proposal for a bilingual recreation program).

Noting how the local Japanese community had been split up by World War II and after the war by redevelopment programs, Mrs. Ito told the councilmen:

"Now, we are all scattered around and we cannot see or talk to our friends very often . . . However, last January, several of us got together and starting a knitting class. The number of participants in this class became much larger than we expected at the beginning.

Elderly Delighted

"Some members were so delighted to have a place where they could communicate with others in their own language that they have expressed their feeling of happiness . . . I feel as if I were back in my home town."

She said the actions of the knitting class participants "show very clearly that many elderly people were having a very lonely and desperate life."

Wisham noted that existing senior citizens centers are inaccessible for the elderly who do not have cars. The proposed program would provide a social climate geared specifically for elderly Japanese and Chinese speaking residents, he added.

Mayor's Support

The William Land Elementary School at 1116 U St., in a neighborhood where many Asian families live, is a possible site for the program, according to Wisham.

"We are hopeful some aid can be given to this group," Mayor Richard H. Marriott told the large council audience composed mainly of persons of Asian ancestry. Among the groups represented were Chinese Self-Help, JACL, Japanese United Methodist and Parkview Presbyterian churches.

ISSEI LADY MEETS MAYOR—Mrs. Kiyono Ito, who addressed the Sacramento City Council in Nihongo in support of a program for Asian elderly, shakes hand with Mayor Richard Marriott.

BEFORE CITY COUNCIL—Facing members of the Sacramento City Council (the Nisei councilman Robert Matsui at right with hand stroking his head) is Mrs. Kiyono Ito, who started a knitting class for Asian Community Services, with Emiko Kaya translating her plea for city support of an Asian elderly program.

UNION POSTER AGAINST IMPORTS CALLED 'RACIST'

New York Asians Urge Garment Workers to Remove Signs

NEW YORK — Asian Americans for Action protested a union poster focusing on a "Made in Japan" label now a display in subway trains.

In a statement to the City Commission on Human Rights, the group called the poster sponsored by the International Ladies Garment Workers Union (ILGWU) as contributing to "racial and racist bigotry".

The poster would have readers believe that "unless you buy the products of American workers", garment worker jobs would soon be "exported to Japan".

But textiles and garments are also imported from Italy, France, Israel, Czechoslovakia, West Germany and other nations yet the poster chooses to focus on "Made in Japan" labels, the activist Asian group pointed out. The tactic recalls all the "repugnant racist stereotypes that existed during World War II", it was charged.

Fearful '70s

Japanese Americans who lived through that period feared being made scapegoats again in the 1970s of the economic competition now brewing between the industries in Japan and U.S., the commission was told.

The Asian Coalition, in its protest to the ILWGU Aug. 10, found their poster a "repulsive display of race-mongering" and held the union's target was perhaps misplaced.

As pointed out in the Asian Americans for Action leaflet, the manufacturers who import goods from overseas, "capitalizing because of lower labor costs, should be cited."

"If American flags were made in Japan how were they made there in the first place? . . . When foreign goods flood the market, who made the transaction? What did these American businessmen have in mind?", the Asian Coalition asked.

Apology Sought

ILGWU was asked to take down the posters, apologize or explain its racial display and deal with the U.S. businessmen instead.

ILGWU was charged for diverting attention from the real culprits with its current racist poster. "Pitting the frustrations and anger of workers toward an ethnic minority group is not the way to deal with these problems," the leaflet concluded.

Asian Americans meet with ILGWU official

NEW YORK — Representatives of various Asian American organizations met Aug. 22, with John Denaro, head of the union label Department of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, to discuss the racial implications of the current "Made in Japan" car cards prominently displayed in New York City subways.

Denaro was told this ad would revive the "yellow peril" hysteria which, in the past, resulted in persecution of Asian American citizens. Further, it was felt by the Asian American representatives present that the ad only served to inflame racial antagonisms between working minorities, thereby contradicting ILGWU's stated position on human rights.

The Asian American representatives urged that the ads be removed from all subways.

Denaro indicated that racism was not intentional or implied, and that an executive meeting of high officials of ILGWU would be held in the immediate future to discuss a possible change in policy with regard to the poster ad.

HEW acts on L.A. Pioneer Center funding proposals

LOS ANGELES — The Japanese Community Pioneer Center, 125 Weller St., was informed one of its proposals for funds was denied and the other tentatively approved by the U.S. Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare. Requests were submitted in early June.

Denied was the funding for a Japanese Community multi-service center, which had been publicly endorsed by 3,000 signers and 100 organizations. It was ranked favorably No. 7 by the regional HEW evaluators at San Francisco. No reason was given the Pioneer Center.

Pioneer Center said alternative funding sources are now being investigated. The program is primarily geared for the Issei aged.

Tentatively approved was the Japanese American Sightless Institute project, although without provisions for student stipends. It also was favorably ranked regionally at No. 7.

The So. Calif. Society of the Japanese Blind is checking into other sources for student stipends. Meanwhile, a call for a program director has been made by Harold Honda and Roy Yamadera, both sightless counselors, at the Little Tokyo joint counseling center, 125 Weller St. Rm. 305 (689-4413 between 1-6 p.m., Mon-Fri).

Councilman Matsui reports on ACS bid

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — The Sacramento City Council on Aug. 7 approved the Recreation and Parks preliminary budget of $1,208,925 with $6,771.83 allocated to the senior citizens arts and craft program for elderly Chinese and Japanese residents in the Southside Park area, Councilman Robert T. Matsui reported in the Sacramento JACL newsletter.

Approximately 37 hours per week will be devoted to activities such as ring-making, knitting, ceramics, learning about the city, flower arranging and doll-making. Instructors will be selected from the area and, in most cases, they will be bilingual, Matsui explained.

Matsui commended the Asian Community Services for bringing the program to the attention of the City Council.

The original Recreation and Parks budget proposal was $6.2 million for fiscal year 1973 which began July 1.

Recreation centers in East L.A. little used

LOS ANGELES—While recreation programs in the city of Los Angeles are booming, it's not so in East Los Angeles, where most of the Mexican Americans reside, according to supervisor Rachel Martinez.

She blamed Anglo bureaucracy has built Anglo facilities and installed Anglo programs for Mexican American families who neither understand nor appreciate what is being made available.

Even the senior citizens programs have been unsuccessful as the concept is new to the elderly, the East L.A.-born recreational worker explained.

"What we need," she said, "is a social engineer to work with the Mexican Americans and the growing number of Mexican nationals who perpetuate the Old Mexico way of life." They should be asked what they want, what they had in Mexico — a tennis court or a plaza or a place to sit in the shade and drink beer. (And you can't drink beer in a city park here, though in Hawaii you can).

While there is resentment, there is also apathy, Miss Martinez added, the lack of community sticking together, figuring out what it wants and asking the city to help.

Chuman on TV

LOS ANGELES — Three Asian American attorneys will probe the issue, "Are Asians still Second-Class Citizens" on the KCOP (13) Minority Community program Sept. 2, 9:30 p.m., being moderated by Beulah Quo. Speaking will be George Lee, Monty Manibog, and Frank Chuman, former national JACL president.

San Luis Obispo housewife slain, husband detained

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif. — The body of a Manzanar-born Sansei housewife was recovered Aug. 15 from atop Cuesta summit and her husband, Arthur D. Farmer, 31, was charged with her murder.

Bail was set for $100,000 as arraignment was continued until Sept. 15 as he appeared before justice court Judge Paul K. Jackson.

Farmer, an electronic data computer engineer, led police to the scene where the body was found about a mile west of US 101 on Cuesta Summit Rd. in a ravine near the summit.

Authorities said evidence pointed to the possibility of Farmer may have slain his wife at their home on the morning of her birthday, Aug. 8 and disposed of the body that afternoon. He reported her missing the same day. No immediate motive was established by investigators who found neighbors shocked by the incident. The couple was described as appearing "lovey-dovey", with few financial problems and leading a quiet social life.

The victim was the former Dorothy Ritsue Nakagawa. The Farmers were married four years and had no children.

NBC-TV essay on Evacuation slated

LOS ANGELES — "Guilty by Reason of Race", an assessment of the Japanese American Evacuation during WW2, will be presented as the second "NBC Reports" on Tuesday, Sept. 19 (10-11 p.m. PDT).

Produced in wake of the "Executive Order 9066" photo exhibit, with assistance of the California Historical Society, JACL and many Japanese Americans, including Edison Uno, 43, who had accompanied a TV crew to southeastern Colorado where his family was detained at Granada WRA Center.

"People have asked me could it happen again?" said producer Robert (Shad) Northshield, who is also the reporter on the program. "I don't know, I certainly think it's possible. 1942 was a hysterical time, what with Pearl Harbor being bombed and the fear that the Japanese might invade the West Coast of the United States.

"World War II (unlike today's wars) was a conventional war and the internment of 110,000 Japanese-Americans was purely a racial act.

"I think the most significant thing about those times in terms of today — is that we are willing to examine our past mistakes — are willing to talk about them — and to listen — and I think that's important."

S.F. Japan Center Aki Matsuri set

SAN FRANCISCO — A colorful, three-day folk festival heralding the arrival of autumn will be presented at San Francisco Japan Center Sept. 29-Oct. 1.

Northern California Japanese communities have been invited to gather in the third annual Aki Matsuri, which will culminate with street dancing. Cultural exhibits, martial art demonstrations, children's programs, bazaar, movies and other traditional Japanese activities are being planned. Admission will be free.

Drunk drivers

The drunk driver killed 27,000 men, women and children in 1971 — almost double the number killed as a result of violent criminal acts — and maimed 2.35 million others.

S.M. teahouse vandalism trial set

SAN MATEO, Calif. — John J. Elward, 19, of San Mateo turned himself in Aug. 16 after police notified him they had a warrant for his arrest on suspicion of malicious mischief. He refused to talk, posted $1,000 bail and was released from custody.

Elward was scheduled to appear Aug. 23 in the district municipal court.

Police believe the suspect was involved in the wrecking of the Japanese teahouse in Central Park, twice ravaged in July. Police found a bizarre note after the second attack expressing hatred for police and the Japanese people.

Jim's Narrative on Issei

SPECIAL REPORT

Jim Yamasaki, who is a chief engineer for Beckman Instruments, recently addressed his fellow Rotarians on why he was proud of his heritage. With audio-visual material, it deserves to be repeated in the schools.—Ed.

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By JIM YAMASAKI

Fullerton, Calif.

The last time I gave a talk on the Japanese Americans was thirteen years ago in New York to fellow members of the Rotary Club of Amityville on Long Island. After I was finished, one of the the Rotarians came up to me and said: "That was interesting. I really didn't know too much about you Japs before." With typical Japanese reserve, I just ignored his remark knowing that he meant no harm.

Today I would answer: Don't use the word "Jap". "Jap" is a convenient term. It fits into headlines. It's easy to say. But it is offensive to many Americans. Right thinking, fair-minded Americans do not use such expressions.

Why is "Jap" not a nice word? Because it has a long, bitter history of derogatory connotations. Some may feel it is a logical contraction of Japanese unaware that for years "Jap" was used as an insult. As used by bigots and racists intent on ridding the West Coast of the fictitious Yellow Peril, "Jap" became a symbol of hate and contempt. Hopefully those days are gone, but the expression—no matter how innocently used it still stings like a whiplash. If you need a short accurate descriptive term, call us Nisei. Its literal meaning is second generation but common usage has made the word applicable to all Americans of Japanese origin.

Who Am I?

When asked: "What are you?" My answer in the past was: I am an American of Japanese descent. And it was usually stated quite defensively . . . It has taken a long time for me to say simply: I am Japanese, knowing that the questioner is asking what my background is rather than implying my lack of Americanism.

There is much truth in the fact that Japanese culture is a determinative force in shaping Japanese Americans; there is also some truth in the concept of a self-fulfilling prophecy: Treat a person a certain way and he seems to become like that person.

We "Japs" were once looked upon and denounced as inferior, dishonest, and conniving and part of an international menace. Today, we Japanese are considered to be thoroughly Americanized, well-educated, quiet, industrious, and courteous. Treat a person a certain way and he seems to become like that person. In reality, however, we are like any other group of Americans—we have the good and the bad, the honest and the dishonest, the hard-working and the lazy.

Racial Difference

The problem of how different peoples live together, peaceably and creatively, is the most crucial issue facing mankind. In the United States where people of diverse racial, religious, and national backgrounds are thrown together, this problem is accentuated as each strives for his share of the wealth that this nation affords. The battle for the better life need not be a battle at all if all can benefit and if all can take pride in their contribution to the American way of life.

How then are we to bring together people of these different backgrounds united in love for this country, the United States of America? I submit to you that *it is necessary that history record the positive contribution of all of the many national backgrounds in order that each of us can point pridefully to our heritage and feel comfortable as an equal*—an American without having to continually assert our rights overtly. Once racial differences are respected, people can proceed to ignore them or to enjoy the benefits of these differences.

In the main, the American minority ethnic groups have been overlooked in the history books and deprived of their rightful pride and share in the nature of their role in the making and the shaping of the American nation. And I feel the Nisei are one of these deprived groups. For this reason a number of Nisei decided that before our parents generation totally disappeared we should record their historical account of how, why, who, what and when and where of their lives in America.

In 1962, I was the President of the Orange County Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League or JACL, a nationwide organization of 25,000 members. The JACL launched in that year what was then called the Japanese History Project. Funds of over $100,000 were contributed by members and interested parties and presented to the University of California at Los Angeles.

History Project

UCLA in turn undertook to seek out and preserve documentary materials and gather and analyze information relative to the Japanese Americans. Despite its modest scale this research project proved to be of sufficient academic and sociological interest that the Carnegie Corporation and the National Institute of Mental Health, a federal agency, provided grants to supplement the original contributions to the tune of over $400,000 that I am personally aware of. A detailed study was and is being made into specific contributions by the Japanese to the American way of life.

The first result of this research is this book, a popular account of our history, "Nisei: the Quiet Americans", written by Bill Hosokawa, presently employed by The Denver Post as its associate editor.

Of the Issei

Today, I will not be talking about the second generation of Japanese, the Nisei, that suffered with their parents—evacuation and concentration camps—victims of war hysteria, that in spite of this went to the wars against Germany and Japan and achieved for themselves unprecedented honors in the battle fields, and that in recent years have made contributions to American society in politics, education, medicine, architecture, engineering, law, and many, many other fields esteemed and accepted in their professions and trades.

Today I would like as much as time will allow to tell you some of the history of the Japanese in America, of the early pioneers, my parent's generation.

First of all, who are the Nisei's parents? The Nisei's parents or Issei (meaning first generation) were Japanese who came to this country starting in about 1860. In 1870 there were 55 Japanese in this country. Today there are al-

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Delano anticipates 200 at reunion

DELANO, Calif.—Marking 30 years since Japanese Americans were evacuated from Delano, the fifth quintennial Delano JACL reunion here this Sunday, Sept. 3, at the Stardust Restaurant is expected to attract 200 residents, ex-residents from near and far and friends.

As in the past, Issei pioneers will be special guests. There will be spontaneous talent from those present, each area group being expected to be represented.

The event has attracted ex-Delano residents from the East Coast and Midwest. Many from Northern and Southern California also trekked to reunions in the past.

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TALK ABOUT A REAL SECESSION

As an American political movement, "secession" first surfaced when an implacable, conservative Timothy Pickering of Massachusetts led a group of die-hard, disgruntled Federalists in New England to break away from the Union in 1804 and establish a "northern confederacy". The scheme was hatched in opposition to the Louisiana Purchase but it collapsed. Pickering had contended the addition of western states would reduce New England to a cipher in national affairs.

Ten years later with the War of 1812 nearing its end, Pickering revived secession talk in New England among the Federalist-dominated state legislatures at the Hartford Convention, which would not have been held had the news arrived that U.S. and Britain agreed to end hostilities. The sentiment in New England was against that war, since it meant providing a militia, the state banks and individuals were unwilling to lend money to a near-bankrupt national government and the Federalists needed local discontent to boost its own sagging fortunes. The Hartford Convention met to have the Constitution revised or else secede. But the news of honorable peace came to only discredit the Federalists to ridicule, scorn and its political demise.

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Talk of secession arose briefly during the famous Senate debate between Clay and Webster over the slave question in 1850. An aging Calhoun of South Carolina warned the northern senators, "Let the states (in favor of slavery) agree to separate and part in peace . . ."

Only a decade later, after Lincoln was elected, did secession become fact when South Carolina raised its Palmetto flag in defiance of Lincoln's election. Lincoln had run on the platform that also denied slavery in the territories. The outgoing administration of Buchanan, facing a nation split over slavery, preferred a compromise over use of force. But other southern States seceded, a confederacy was formed with Jefferson Davis as provisional president, and federal property seized. In Illinois Lincoln now started growing a beard, organized his Cabinet in preparation for his inauguration as people waited tensely to see whether he would oppose secession by force.

The Confederate attack on federally-held Fort Sumter on an island in the Charleston harbor, a month after Lincoln had been in office, precipitated the hostilities known in the north as the Civil War but in the south as the "War Between the States". It was to end four years later, almost to the day, at Appomattox.

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After years of compromise and debate, the nation finally chose to settle the conflict by force. The southern states which had seceded believed it was exercising what the later generations would call the "right of self-determination". How, they asked, could the North square its professed belief in democratic free choice with its refusal to permit the southern states to leave the Union peaceably when a majority of its citizens wished it. But Lincoln saw "secession" as a rejection of democracy, for if the South could renege on an election it had freely participated, then everything the monarchists had said about the instability of republican government would be proved true. "The central idea of secession is the essence of anarchy," Lincoln went on to say. The United States must "demonstrate to the world" that "when ballots have been fairly and constitutionally decided, there can be no successful appeal except to ballots themselves, at succeeding elections."

For Lincoln, it was not war against slavery but, as he said a year after the outbreak of hostilities, "to save the Union". Slavery may have been the obvious, emotional issue, but the war was fought for nationalistic purposes rather than to destroy slavery.

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This itch with history, of course, was pricked by the recent statement of Northern California district youth chairman Wendy Sakai who calmly told the National JACL Council in Washington her district youth council would secede if the appointment of David Ushio as executive director were approved. As it developed, her statement was unauthorized so far as the district was concerned but her home Jr. JACL in Sacramento said it would. In a subsequent explanatory note, however, their position paper, "Sacramento Jr. JACL Secedes from National JACL", had to be recalled, admitting it was a misleading title. The situation apparently has healed though some individuals may have decided to drop.

The Bay Area Community JACL, in a special session several weeks ago, failed to resolve that day the question whether it should quit as a JACL chapter and the membership is to be polled. This may be the first time the membership in a chapter is asked that question. Chapters in the past have been quietly deactivated or stuck in limbo for lack of any action. It's never been a dramatic episode when chapters folded. Injection of the word, "secede", however, has attracted headlines and makes one wonder if it's really a secession.

25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, Aug. 30, 1947

JACL asks Canada embassy to investigate exclusion of Nisei seaman from Vancouver, B.C. . . . JACL-ADC official Mike Masaoka addresses Japanese Canadian Citizens Assn. at its Toronto meeting to establish national organization . . . U.S. Consulate at Yokohama reports 823 Americans (including 597 Nisei) marry Japanese girls during 30-day period as provided in Soldier Brides Act amendment permitting Japanese wives to enter U.S.

JACL regional directors shifted to ADC as educational staff . . . Restrictive covenant bars disabled Nisei from housing in San Fernando Valley . . . Japanese aliens may lease commercial, residential property, says State Attorney General Howser . . . Fifty-nine Canadian evacuees in sitdown strike against eviction from Moose Jawhostel.

NATIONAL JACL CONVENTION

Hottest Convention Ever

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By OTTO FURUTA
St. Louis JACL

Washington, D.C. was the scene of one of the hottest JACL conventions in many years. The threats by the Southern California staff to resign if David Ushio was hired preferentially over Alan Nishio seemed to set the mood for the entire convention.

In fact Dave's appointment was approved by the National Council by greater than 2 to 1. Accusations and emotion prevailed over reason. Even Wendy Sakai, the Northern Calif.-Western Nevada Youth Council Chairman, stated that her district would secede if Mr. Ushio were selected. Such outbursts were unfortunate and ill advised. It was most regrettable that Mr. Nishio was not in attendance to allow the Council the opportunity to confront both candidates.

Now, in the aftermath, Jeff Matsui has already submitted his resignation. Indications are that others will follow, and the possibility of losing the entire Southern Calif. staff is almost a certainty. What effect these developments will have on our education and youth programs, community involvement, and Southern California operation remains questionable. The challenge of the biennium must be to reunite the dissident factions.

In line with my strong desire for better communications within JACL, I will be maintaining this column in every issue of the View (St. Louis JACL newsletter) for the next biennium. In the months to come, I will try to give you insight into National Board decisions and national developments which are of vital concern to all JACLers. As always your comments will be most welcome.

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Because JACL is actively seeking federal, state, local, and private funds to finance projects, it becomes extremely critical to create an awareness of Japanese Americans and JACL in communities throughout the nation.

My plan for the biennium is to establish an External Public Relations Committee. This "Super PR" committee would be responsible for formulating and implementing ways to promote the Japanese American image throughout the United States. Although a tentative selection has been made for chairman, I will withhold announcement until the entire committee has been selected.

I want to express my sincere appreciation to the St. Louis Chapter and members for financial assistance and moral support in my campaign for Vice President-Public Affairs. The convention week was hectic but it was highly educational. I look forward to the next two years with high hopes for our organization and for our capability to revitalize and redirect our efforts.

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Delegate Reports . . .

By GEORGE HASEGAWA
St. Louis JACL

As the official delegate of the St. Louis Chapter, my votes were cast as follows in behalf of the Chapter at the National JACL Council Sessions held June 28 to July 1 in Washington, D.C.

1—Voted to confirm David Ushio as the next executive director. This vote was taken without knowing or hearing Allen Nishio who was being supported primarily by JACL staff members in L.A. My vote was made after hearing the reasons set forth by the members of the Executive Board as to why they recommended that David Ushio be named executive director.

2—Voted to adopt the $359,687 budget proposed by newly elected president Henry Tanaka. It presented a compromise of two other budgets which contained highly controversial items: amounts to be spent for youth programs and community involvement.

3—Voted against increasing individual membership dues to National by $1.50. I felt the increase was too large to ask the general membership in St. Louis to pay. Since much of the revenues derived from the dues increase was to support community activity in the L.A. area, I felt it would be difficult to explain why we should ask members to support the raise. Although I voted in favor of the budget, I felt the money to fund the budget should be raised in another way.

4—Voted to table the proposal by the No. Calif. - W. Nev. District Council to establish a permanent National Headquarters in a new building to be built in San Francisco. Upon hearing arguments pro and con I felt that further studies should be made of alternate sides before expending the money necessary for a building, although the proposal set forth by NC-WNDC seemed a very good bargain.

—St. Louis JACL Views

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By EIRA NAGAOKA
Seattle JACL

The U.S. State Department Briefing June 30 at the official State Department International Conference Room presented Yukio Kawamoto, educational and cultural exchange office of the Dept. of State and introduced as program chairman. This was followed by greeting by U. Alexis Johnson, Under Secretary for Political Affairs of Dept. of State and third ranking officer in the department. Richard Ericson, director of the office of Japanese Affairs for the State Department, gave his brief on U.S.-Japan relations.

The first three months and in spite of the upgrading of the yen, the Japanese export has gone up 28% as compared to 1971, Ericson said. Japan has grown so fast economically but thinks in term of protectionism from the outside.

"We're going to find a better way to make economic adjustments if we are going to maintain good diplomatic relations with Japan," Ericson said. "What bothers me is that we are not naturally culturally allied. How do we react to one another? There is much that you can contribute," Ericson told the JACL delegates. "Think about ways how you can develop people on both sides to understand each other."

Ericson went on to say that Japan is treating us like an underprivileged country by selling us finished goods and buying back raw materials. There is a marked shift in American labor to a protectionist stance in the United States, he noted.

"After WW2, we were the surplus country and we reduced our surplus by helping other countries in need including Japan. Now we need help from others," Ericson said.

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Like an added frosting on on the cake I was one of the three taking advantage of the private tour of the Library of Congress annex built in 1939 for a peek at the 450,000 volumes of the Orientalia Division. Philip Nagao, formerly of Los Angeles, was our guide. More about him later. The Japanese collection is a rare one. The Japanese agricultural material dates back to 1877. There is the rare source material of Daizokyo Buddhist. The stack of documents of the So. Manchurian Railway (when Japan controlled Manchukuo) came into U.S. hands during WW2 when a U.S. cruiser offered some of its storage space after the Japanese surrender. We saw the collection of Japanese literature from Taiwan.

Nagao told us that Japanese collections are strong in economics especially during the pre-Meiji industrial development era. We saw shelves separated into Japanese left wing and right wing literature. On one hand was the rare Japanese proletariat literature banned in Japan during the 1920s and 1930s balanced by the right wing section of pro-militarist literture leading up to WW2. What amazed me was the collection of Japanese comic books of the 20s and 30s. Would this tie in with the current comic book craze of the adult variety now a rage in Japan?

For the lovers of old newspapers one can find Tokyo Mainichi from Taisho 14 years, Tokyo Asahi Shinbun, Yomiuri Shinbun from year Showa 4 and so on. Scholars from Japan are frequent visitors here at the Library looking for research material. All in all this was a nostalgic trip.

Our guide Philip Nagao formerly worked under Ambassador Edwin O. Reischauer at the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo. Nagao also studied under him. Nagao has also worked in the U.S. Embassy in Bangkok and speaks fluent Thai. He has given up his position with the State Department but I'm sure he has found a home more to his liking in the Library of Congress.

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Convention time is a chance to meet some of the people we're used to reading or hearing about. Past two-time Seattle Chapter president (1950-51) Harry I. Takagi was the National Convention chairman. Also had a nice chat with General Mark Clark (U.S. Army, retired) during the Embassy of Japan reception. Due to the seating mixup for the Convention Banquet, I was given a seat next to Henry "Horizontal Hank" Gosho. Formerly from Seattle, he works for the State Department. This particular banquet was chaired by Toshio Hoshide who was a co-president of the Seattle JACL along with Kenji Ito and the late Muts Hashiguchi of Bellevue during the hectic 1941 term.

Hoshide has blossomed into a professional smooth toastmaster with a continuous flow of quip and humor. He took advantage of his Seattle background to talk on the old days of Tak Nogaki, the late Clarence T. Arai and the late Jimmy Sakamoto. One incident which Hoshide recalled occurred in the late thirities when a young man at the convention by the name of Mike M. Masaoka raised his hand and hollered, "A point of order!" Jimmy Sakamoto turned to Hoshide and said, "Boy, that guy's a rebel!" How time flies.

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Has JACL committed a major decision at the fork in the road? What may have started to be a routine vote to accept or reject the recommendation of the National Personnel Committee to hire David Ushio as the next National Director, the convention meeting turned into near pandemonium by JACL stadards. The meeting became electrified with emotionalism and accusation of "sellout" and JACL has a "godfather" to dictate who goes where in the personnel structure.

David Ushio wanted to move up from the assistant Washington representative post to the position of the National Director with the bless-

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DELEGATE AT D.C.

'Speaking of labels, I'm staying with my favorite brand . . .'

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

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JACL Convention

Washington, D.C.
SACHI SEKO

Editor:

I enjoyed the July 7 PC very much because it was full of interesting words of wisdom by our JACL leaders. Having missed the exciting Washington DC "fork in the road" thing, I read the whole paper twice.

It was a sad day to see five of our leaders calling it quits, because now is the time we need their services the most. Somehow, I like to think, that this may be a stepping stone for them to go on to greater success in this world, but after all is said and done, majority must rule, and if the majority wanted David Ushio it should be David Ushio.

They tell me that the JACL will try to serve the members and the Japanese community first, which in turn, will create and sustain a greater America. No argument there, as I recall Frank Chuman, years ago, state that JACL has won much of its goals but the Japanese American community still needed the JACL "fire department" for emergency, always.

To those who want to create a larger Asian American Citizens League, I too agree, as Mike Masaoka put it, the competition would be good for all and the need is there.

You may be sure the JACL will also be working hard for the Asian American, and in fact, welfare of all Americans, as they have been all these years. But priority should be our own, first, such as the Central California problems, of which Fred Hirasuna puts out so much. If a Nisei Relays is on, all the JACL staff and members should be there, as well as to other events.

To the wonderful guy, Jerry Enomoto, who mentioned that because of this whole hassle, "I see little hope of keeping community programs in Southern California community, going with JACL input," I know that dynamic Helen Kawagoe will join me and say, that our input and output will be more!

Now is the time to serve the JACL, and also, to work for the local city service organizations which beg for Japanese American cooperation in its various projects. The church, Asian arts and culture, community center, city Human Relations Committee, Sister City all need your help. Our pastor once looked over the small congregation and observed, that the Scouts were up in the High Sierras, and thank the Lord, our members go out from this House of Worship, serving the church well, and also to serve the many worthy projects too, be it the Scouts, Optimists or the many other worthy organizations, and the JACL.

In closing, thanks to Edison Uno's report on Granada Relocation Camp today. Remember the Granada Pioneer, Edison?

MACK YAMAGUCHI
Pasadena, Calif.

Editor:

In reference to Karen Kaizuka's article (PC, Aug. 18), although I did write "One Late Call for CIP" I was not a delegate nor did I attend the JACL convention in Salt Lake City

Editor:

It was truly with the hope that at last, a new wind was ablowing in the JACL that we became members of the Bay Area Community Chapter. Alas, however, instead of a strong gust bringing much-needed fresh insights and a new direction for the organization, it was simply a passing breeze. And the JACL at its recent convention in Washington, D.C. reverted again to its pre-World War II, tired, elitist static status — catering to professional and business interests primarily subordinating the needs of the whole Japanese (let alone Asian) community.

In addition, columnists representing the senior voices of the JACL have been stressing and reiterating these angles — that the JACL must be "business-like"; must be "moderate" in its stands (what IS the "moderate' po-s'ition, pray tell, regarding an issue such as the genocidal war in Southeast Asia?); must take care of "internal' needs (indigestion, perhaps?), etc.— a rehash of all the rationalizations that have prevented the organization from moving ahead. Perhaps it might be more honest for the JACL to call itself the Japanese American Business & Professional League since it still seems to be largely concerned, as it was before World War II, with meeting the needs and interests of its business and professional personnel. Naturally, under such circumstances, it dare not tolerate any threats to those interests.

We hardly expect the JACL to be a radical, or heavens forbid!, a revolutionary organization — but simply one that reflects the concerns of the full gamut of the Japanese community if it dares to speak as its voice. But when, in these times of drastically changing concepts, of mind-blowing ideas and goals which are sweeping across not only this country but around the world — and which call for the voices and dedication of young people who reflect and are actively involved in those very concerns, the JACL deems fit to drive this very irreplaceable segment out of the organization — for lack of support and confidence — then it is time to reflect.

Indeed, when individuals with the proven abilities, dedication and commitment to the Japanese, Asian, and even Third World communities, as are those comprising the Southern California regional staff are cast aside in favor of those who advocate a return to the dismal past, then the JACL is reverting not even to conservatism but to reaction — dictionary definition of reactionary: movement towards a former political or social policy — and at its worst, to the infamous McCarthyism of the 30's (sic).

We naturally cannot continue affiliation with such an organization. It was a short-lived association, but believe us, we had high hopes it would be a long one when it initially began.

TAK & KAZU IIJIMA
New York, N.Y.

Jerry Enomoto

Perspectives

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Tehachapi, Calif.

OPEN LETTER TO MRS. KAIZUKA — Being a member with no official responsibility, and only the ego investments of the past, (and there's nothing more stale than yesterday's newspaper or warm beer) frees me up to say and write things that those in the official family might not do. In doing this, I note Editor Harry's comment on Mrs. Kaizuka's article. I am personally glad that she has no intention of quitting or resigning from JACL, "despite the tone of her observations". Many have made criticisms, but few have gone beyond rhetoric.

The observations referred to turns me on and off at the same time. I have long shared the concept that a viable organization, with a majority of members with gut level commitments, should have delegates at conventions with the freedom to listen, evaluate and vote on issues. The "instructions" of their chapters should be **guidelines** only. Any other approach implied a lack of trust in delegates and underlines the whole system. Indeed, if we believe that JACL policy can be decided entirely by referendums, and "meetings of the whole", then we don't, as Mrs. Kaizuka puts it, need conventions.

As one who put it a little time challenging "sacred cows" in JACL (maybe my "decade of dedicated service" ought to be examined?), I'd like to remind Mrs. Kaizuka that her observations are neither original or necessarily fair. If this be read as defensiveness, so be it. I was in the National Council when the Washington Office budget item was questioned. It's not the **right** of a delegate to question that's at issue here (to me) but the tone, attitude and misinformation behind the question that is. If Mike's answer was a "put down", let's consider that the tone of the question was a "put down".

In a similar vein, and I'm reneging on my intent not to mention the "Ushio affair" again, bad manners or cruel innuendo turns me off, whether it comes from young or old, sacred cows, or JACL reformers. Borrowing from Mrs. Kaizuka's own term, it "sickens" me to see excerpts from "confidential" resumes used to make a dubious point of distinction between Alan and David. As the person responsible for opening up those resumes to the examination of involved delegates, this kind of irresponsible kickback is disillusioning to say the least. (I never made Eagle Scout myself).

Further on this belabored point about the right of delegates to question: On at least two occasions on the Council floor, I tried to make it clear that the **delegates** were the decision makers. De of the Personnel Committee or not so delicate or thin-skinned that we needed our image protected. At the same time let's tell it like it was. In the emotionalism prevalent at the time, there **was** questioning of "motives". If Mr. Sprung felt that the integrity or judgment of the Committee needed a defense, he was entitled to so comment. I, for one, as a human being appreciated it, even if I don't need it. Even "sacred cows" have feelings.

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Lastly, on the running of the sessions being "degrading and insulting" to delegates. My **constructive** reaction to this bit is to hope that the PSW, as the second largest District Council in JACL, will come up with more nominees for national office who can contribute to needed administrative improvements. Also that our new national staff, in partnership with volunteer officers, will give us the continuity and service we need in these areas. As one who's been there, the view from the delegate's side of the fence (good or bad) is considerably different from the chair's.

Perhaps this has been an unduly harsh commentary that might better have been left unwritten. My reaction to Mrs. Kaizuka's article is self-evident, but I mean no personal crack at her. In things like this I have usually tried to rely upon my feelings as to "do I or don't I?", so I will let the chips fall where they may.

From Happy Valley: Sachi Seko

'25 Friends from Salt Lake City'

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Salt Lake City

It was so incredulous, I had to re-read the letter and review what was considered an objectionable ad. I refer to Letters (8/11/72) in which a group signing itself as the "National Jr. JACL Convention Committee" objected to a PC advertisement (7/28/72) which applauded the resigning So. Calif. office staff.

The advertisement was signed by "Twenty-five friends from Salt Lake City." It designated Salt Lake as being the home of Raymond Uno, ex-national JACL president and site of the National Junior JACL Convention.

Perhaps there are subtle implications which I do not grasp. However, I can read no relationship between the advertisement and what the letter states, "it might be implied that the latter mentioned persons collectively are sympathetic to the ideologies and efforts of the national staff members." To my uneducated and unprofessional eye, I can read only two very public facts about Raymond Uno and the convention. Anyone who has watched the political conventions will notice that at every opportunity even those who cast their state ballots will precede their votes with something their state can boast about.

The letter further states that "certain readers were also upset over the misrepresentative nature of the ad."

I was a reader of the ad and I found it refreshingly positive and imaginative! I can see no way in which the acknowledgment of some rather splendid individuals becomes distorting. Perhaps this should be blamed on my inability to prove for some nitpicking innuendo. But how small it would be to diminsh ths freely and certainly sincerely rendered public notice of appreciation.

And then the letter concluded with this incongruity, "We the undersigned feel perfectly capable of speaking for ourselves. We don't need the assistance of 'friends' to do so."

That, to me, is suggestive of arrogance in assuming that primary attention is designated to the least important phase of the ad.

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More distressing is the thinking which pervades this letter of protest. In various cultures, especially ours, we must be aware that generations do perpetuate certain negative characteristics. The Nisei have had more than their share of hang-ups.

Recognizing their many advantages and opportunities the Sansei have claim to a much larger picture than that which we could see. When one reads a letter like this, it is sad because we observe where we have failed in our leadership responsibilities. Instead of generosity and flexibility, somehow we have transmitted suspicion and fear. Instead of relaying the magnificence of individuality, the ecstatic release of each given soul, we have made it more acceptable to conform for conformity's sake.

We have created the pattern of demise. We are suggesting that by compliance we will enjoy the rewards of failure.

It is hopeful that elsewhere, even in this city, there will be

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EDITORIAL: Dayton Daily News

Can't Afford Anti-Japanese Racism

"Buying Jap-made products so sleazy to see — Is a damn fool thing for you and me— And I'm fighting back because I won't run—From the slant-eyed people of the Risin' Sun."

Rep. James R. Mann (D.-S.C.) inserted that verse, known as "The Import Blues," into the Congressional Record. He ought to be censured for it.

Mr. Mann's constituency includes many textile workers who have been laid off because their factories could not compete with the low prices and superior quality of imports — Japanese among others. That this should cause some bitterness among workers is understandable. But for a congressman to pander to that bitterness in a racist manner is despicable.

The Wall Street Journal reports a rise in anti-Japanese feeling in the country. Japan's economic competition, which in certain fields has overwhelmed aging U.S. factories and soft U.S. workers, is partially responsible. Another factor is the coming to maturity of the Sansei, third-generation Japanese Americans who are not so eager to assimilate into white society as previous generations.

Like white youth, Sansei tend to reject the middle class values their parents pursued with singular intensity. They also seem to have caught the ethnic pride contagion that started with the blacks and has swept through more American minorities than we knew we had.

The first thing to do about the Japanese is to separate the American Japanese from the Japanese Japanese in our thinking. That would seem to be elementary, but large numbers of white Americans, particularly on the West Coast, do not make the distinction.

The second thing is to compete economically with Japan without putting a racist tinge on it. The sight of a Volkswagen does not inspire doggerel about blond-haired, blue-eyed Germans. Why should Japanese products generate such irrelevant and self-demeaning feelings?

There are many races and nationalities, but only one kind of racism. It does not feature discrimination so much as a total lack of discrimination — an inability to see national groups inside of racial groups, or cultural groups inside of national ones. An inability to see people as individuals. That is a failing this country above all others cannot afford.

Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

NISEI LITERATURE—The column of a few weeks ago commenting on the shortage of Nisei-produced literature resulted in a couple of letters, a rare occurrence in these parts. Each contains a good deal of information very much worth sharing with readers of this column.

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The first is from Yoshiko Uchida of Berkeley, Calif., whose 17th book, "Samurai of Gold Hill," is to be published in September by Charles Scribner's Sons. Miss Uchida reports this is a story based on the history of the Wakamatsu Colony, a small group of Japanese political refugees who sought, unsuccessfully, to establish a settlement in the gold country east of Sacramento, Calif., in 1869, long before the main wave of Japanese migration to the United States.

All of Miss Uchida's books are juveniles, which must qualify her as one of the most successful in that specialized field. She began by writing about Japanese folk tales, then went on to stories about the children of Japan, and then to the Japanese in the United States. "My major effort," she explains, "is writing books primarily for the 8-12 age group, but a truly good children's book should be interesting to adults as well, and I've been pleased to have many adults tell me they enjoyed my books, especially 'Journey to Topaz,' a fictionalized account of the Evacuation."

Miss Uchida's 18th book, "Makoto, the Smallest Boy," is to be published by Thomas Y. Crowell Co. She reports that she is now interviewing Issei to obtain background for future books which she hopes "will contribute to an increased understanding of the role of the Japanese in this country."

The second letter is from C. Bernard Jackson, executive director of the Inner City Cultural Center of Los Angeles, who draws my attention to Momoko Iko and her play, "Gold Watch." The Inner City Cultural Center produced the play earlier this year and it won considerable critical acclaim. The play is about a Japanese American farm family, the Murakamis, in the Pacific Northwest. Act I is set from mid-November to December 1941. The second act is in May, 1942 on the eve of the evacuation.

Jackson says: "It's a realistic drama of strained relationships in a family living in a farming community and what the pressure of prospective internment in a concentration camp does to them. We picked it because it's written with great insight into the Japanese American life of that particular geographical area."

Momoko Iko, born in the farming community of Wapato in eastern Washington, was 2 years old when her family was relocated to the Heart Mountain camp in Wyoming. The family moved to Chicago and she was graduated from the University of Illinois. She has taught high school English and among other things, she has written two novels, "Mama Mountain" and "Second-City Flat," both still unpublished, and a play, "Old Man," which won first prize in the 1971 East-West Players competition. Jackson says of Miss Iko: "She is an extraordinary writer who I am confident will soon rank among the very best America has produced. Her progress will be well worth watching."

In the Inner City Cultural Center production of "Gold Watch," the role of Masaru Murakami was taken by Mako, whose already considerable stature as an actor is rising swiftly, and the part of Kimiko Murakami by Nobu McCarthy whose name is familiar on he has written two novels, "Mama Mountain" and many movie and TV playbills.

Inner City Cultural Center is refreshingly color blind. "In many productions," one of their information sheets explains, "roles are cast without regard to race. Thus, a family may have a Chicano father, Asian mother and a Black daughter." Which, of course, is the way things ought to be.

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But getting back to writers, we're delighted to learn about Yoshiko Uchida and Momoko Iko and their work. We wish them continued success, and are looking foward to seeing other Nisei and Sansei writers join them in a calling that offers great satisfaction along with the heartaches of artistic struggle.

PEPPERMINT WHIRL

Hope vs. Depression

By K. Patrick Okura
Executive Assistant to the Director, NIMH

With recent happenings on the political scene, depression has become a household word on the contemporary American scene. In today's hustle and bustle and turmoil it is not surprising to find that men and women are increasingly aware of an inner sense of uneasiness and discouragement.

Whether this amounts to a modern "epidemic of depression" remains conjectural at this point in history. However, what is not conjecture and is proved beyond a doubt, is the fact the depressive illnesses are a serious and massive individual and public-health problem.

This is why major clinical and basic research efforts are being brought to bear on depression, which afflicts from 4 to 8 million individuals enough to require professional care and which, in many cases, leads to a number of suicides each year.

Unlike the specialists in internal medicine, the psychiatrists have yet tno biological laboratory tests to aid him in the diagnosis of the majority of patients who succumb to mental illness.

This situation is as true for the depressive illnesses as it is for other major categories of mental disorders, such as schizophrenia.

However, because of recent research which has advanced our understanding significantly, there is now hope for diagnostic assistance from the laboratory in the foreseeable future.

One recent research project completed by several teams of collaborating scientists has presented evidence that a biochemical test may be useful in improving the clinician's ability to predict the risk of a fatal, suicidal outcome in a given patient suffering from a depressive illness.

The test is based on the finding that the amount of a chemical from the "stress hormone" secreted by the adrenal cortex and excreted in the urine was almost always markedly increased over prolonged periods of time, in patients who made fatal or serious suicide attempts.

Despite its early stages and limitations, this work shows encouraging progress towards developing laboratory aids for diagnosis and prognosis in psychiatric medicine and illustrates the practical potential of mental health research today.

Of all the major psychoses and neuroses, progress has been the greatest in the treatment of depression and it would appear, as pointed out above, that significant future progress is most likely in this area.

PNWDC Affinity Flight to Japan
Oct. 14—Nov. 3, 1972

West Coast to Tokyo: $423 round trip via Honolulu

Lv. Honolulu, Oct. 14, 4:35 p.m. ..... JAL 001
Ar Tokyo, Oct. 15, 7:30 p.m.
Lv Tokyo, Nov. 3, 9:30 p.m. ..... JAL 062
Arrive Honolulu, Nov. 3, 9:40 a.m.

Open to PNWDC JACL members, their spouse, dependant children and dependant parents living in same household. Deposit of $50 at time of application and balance payable by Aug. 30 accepted by—JACL, c/o 200 SW 4th Ave., Portland, Ore. 97204.

NIXON ORDERS END TO QUOTAS IN MINORITY HIRING

Prime Consideration to Be Merit in Federal Government

WASHINGTON — President Nixon has ordered government departments and agencies to end all quota proportional representation system in the hiring and promotions of blacks, and Mexican Americans, other minority groups and women. He said the prime consideration should be merit.

Nixon's order was transmitted last week to all Cabinet officers and agency heads by Civil Service Commission chairman Robert Hampton.

Nixon said he has sought and will continue to seek greater opportunities for minority groups in federal employment, but that quota and proportional representation systems cannot be allowed.

While the CSC has denied the existence of official quota and proportional representation systems many federal departments and agencies including Defense have established unofficial minority hiring goals.

Government equal-employment oportunity officials were reluctant to comment directly on the impact of the President's action.

But most seemed to agree with the comment of one Office of Equal Oppodtunity officer who said: "It won't help our program."

AJC Complaint

Nixon issued his order following complaints from the American Jewish Committee about the establishment of quota and proportional representation systems. The Jewish group said this would destroy the merit system in government and asked both Nixon and his Democratic presidential rival, George McGovern, how they stand on the issue.

Both Nixon and McGovern replied that they opposed the quota and proportional systems, and the President followed with his order to government departments and agencies to cease such practices.

In his communication to Cabinet officers and agency heads, Nixon said: "I have sought and will continue to seek to enlarge opportunities for men and women of all religious, ethnic and racial backgrounds to serve in responsible positions, but the criteria for selection that I have employed and will continue to employ will be based on merit.

For Affirmative Action

"I share your support of affirmative efforts to ensure that all Americans have an equal chance to compete for employment opportunities, and to do so on the basis of individual ability.

"With respect to these Affirmative Action programs, I agree that numerical goals, although an important and useful tool to measure progress which remedies the effect of past discrimination, must not be allowed to be applied in such fashion as to, in fact, result in the imposition of quotas, nor should say they be predicated upon or directed toward a concept of proportional representation."

McGovern's Reply

McGovern, in his reply to the American Jewish Committee said:

"I believe it is both necessary and possible to open the doors that long have been shut to minority group members without violating basic principles of nondiscrimination and without abandoning the merit system'.

Final reports due for Sac'to community center

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—Subcommittees are submitting their final report for the Japanese Community Center of Sacramento Valley on Sept. 6, 7 p.m., at Nisei War Memorial Hall. Study director Peggy Saika will edit and publish the final report by October.

The four subcommittees, which have been analyzing community needs and determcommunity needs and decidhousing, convalescent care, youth, and cultural activities.

Elderly housing is seeking FHA funding, with part of the projected building to house a convalescent care wing. While much of the center complex, envisioned in the neighborhood of $1 million and up, will be geared toward youth, a cultural center gives it special atmosphere, it was felt.

HORIE WANTS TO SAIL SOLO AROUND WORLD

KOBE — Kenichi Horie, 33, who made his famous trans-Pacific solo voyage aboard a 19-foot sloop in 1962 to San Francisco, will embark on a round-the-world non-stop solo voyage aboard a 23-foot sailboat in November.

The voyage is expected to cover 30,000 miles and last up to 300 days but he hopes to break the "east-to-west" sailing record of 293 days set last year by Chay Blyth of Britain.

Yamasaki

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most 600,000 persons of Japanese ancestry in this country —⅓ in Hawaii, ⅓ in California, ⅓ in 48 States. They came to this country not as refugees in quest of religious or political freedom but they came to accumulate a nest of eggs and planned on returning as soon as they could. Little did they realize that many would grow to love this land and to adopt it, proving this love by sending their sons to the wars.

Issei's Lodestar

The Japanese American Research Project as it is now called, where over 1,000 Issei were interviewed has shown that instead of the majority of emigrants being coolie labor and small farmers, there were many who came as craftsmen, foreman, clerical and sales workers. Another survey by UCLA led Professor John Modell to observe: The high proportion of eldest sons — the guardians in Japan of the family line and the family traditions—indicates that in a very deep sense the parents of the Issei in Japan too were involved in immigration. My father was an eldest son. On the conscious level the Issei did not feel driven out of Japan, but were lured towards "something." That something in the preponderance of insurances was the Dollar Sign, the Issei's lodestar.

In those early years the majority of the Japanese went directly into agriculture and as migratory farm laborers. In agriculture much was accomplished during this period.

1—In California alone production of Japanese farmers rose from six million dollars in 1909 to 67 million dollars in one decade—one-tenth of California's output. Most of the gain was in stoop labor crops which Caucausians disliked and in areas where poor soil conditions made farming unattractive.

2—Japanese converted the barren land like that at Florin and Livingston into productive and profitable fields, orchards, and vineyards.

Rice Farming

3—The hardpan lands in the Sacramento Valley, gray and black with destructive alkalis, were converted by K. Ikuta to lands that would raise rice. Due to the work of this Japanese pioneer the State of California had a rice crop worth 60 million dollars in 1921.

4—The west slopes of the Sierra were transformed by men like Sakamoto into beautiful vineyards and citrus orchards.

5—Seventy per cent of the land owned by Japanese in 1921 were lands that once disfigured the State until reclamed by the Japanese.

6—George Ushijima came to California in 1889 and in time he worked the delta country where the Sacramento and the San Joaquin Rivers meet. Ushijima and a group of associates built dikes around the islands and drained excess water. They grew potatoes, onions, and other crops. When he died in 1926, his estate was estimated at 15 million dollars, an impressive sum in those days.

Garden Vegetables

7—Another large agricultural operator was Harry Minami, who helped introduce production of garden vegetables near Santa Maria in the early 1900's. Before World War II he was shipping vegetables from 4,000 acres of farmland and his own packing sheds to all parts of the nation. They were exceptions; the majority of the Issei struggled to make their way, succeeding by hard work and ingenuity.

8—The Japanese planted many of the oldest citrus groves in San Fernando Valley and it has been said that every foot of the valley was at one time or another farmed by Japanese pioneers. A Japanese once owned a farm in what is now the Sunset Strip in Los Angeles.

9—The Japanese laid the foundation for the large grape industry in Lodi now the economic mainstay of the area. Between 1910 and 1915 the bulk of the orchard planting and cultivation was done by the Issei.

Extensive Crops

10—The alkali regions of South El Monte were turned into one of the richest celery and bunch vegetable areas of Southern California. Among the crops they introduced were strawberries, in 1904; blackberries, loganberries, and raspberries in 1912; and cauliflower in 1917. They pioneered in the developing of garlic in San Juan Valley, lettuce in Hollister, peas in Visalia, and watermelon in the Dinuba area.

11—Rice culture was introduced in the area around Marysville, bush peas on the hillsides of Pismo Beach, and strawberry culture in the Watsonville area. In 1941, they cultivated only 3.9% of California's farmland, but harvested anywhere from 50 to 90% of the state's tomatoes, celery, strawberries, green pepper, cucumber, cauliflowers, spinach and artichokes.

The result of all this was the "multimillion dollar" Japanese operated agricultural industry that, depending on one's viewpoint, could be damned as a seizure of American jobs and land, or praised as an important contribution to American wealth and food needs.

Complain Begin

The great American majority who had taken pride in creating a nation out of wilderness through ambition, industry, hard work, sacrifice and other traditional virtues, began to complain about the very same characteristics in the Japanese immigrants.

In order to prevent further inroads of the Japanese, the people of California passed the Alien Land Acts of 1913 and 1920, which stated that no aliens ineligible to citizenship could own land in California and the Issei were ineligible by federal law.

But the Japanese got around the land laws through loop holes in the law and went ahead under handicap to develop the year-round produce production with its consequent benefits to west coast society.

(To Be Continued)

QUESTION BOX

Outstanding Nisei

Q—Am interested in securing a list of outstanding Nisei for a brochure for the Girl Scouts.—K.I., Los Angeles.

A—A compilation of Nisei of the Biennium awardees and nominees over the past 20 years is available from the Pacific Citizen.

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'FRIENDS OF JEFFREY'—Butch Kasahara, lifelong friend of Jeffrey Matsui, who emceed the "Friends of Jeffrey" dinner Aug. 23, said "we come to bury Jeffrey, not to praise him" and laughter reigned the remainder of the evening in a Los Angeles Chinatown restaurant: Mrs. Mitsu Sonoda, dinner co-chairman, has handed Barbara and Jeff with funds raised for their expected child come November—but the smile was elicited from the message: "Pretend you're overwhelmed by the generous gesture." The check was blank. The total was not known. In response, Jeff admitted he could use the money but plans to bank it separately so as to benefit some worthy community project. Resolutions from both the Los Angeles city council and county board of supervisors were among the tributes extended the past associate national JACL Director.

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CHAPTER PULSE

August Events

Portland endorses city ombudsman plan

In a post-convention meeting, **Portland JACL** went on record in support of the Metropolitan Human Relations Commission proposal for a city ombudsman, who would hear the complaints of citizens.

Don Hayashi reported that the Seattle JACL-Washington State Museum "Pride and Shame" display will be shown at the White Gallery in Smith Center at Portland State University in early October. The exhibit is also slated at the Univ. of Oregon.

Meanwhile, the chapter which is co-hosting the 1973 National JACL Bowling Tournament next spring, with the Oregon Nisei Bowling Assn. and the Gresham-Troutdale JACL, noted the preparations are on schedule. Tournament committee members have been selected and merchants are being approach to insert greetings in the tournament booklet. Henry Kato is booklet chairman.

Eden Township holds family swim party

Eden Township JACL held a family swimming party Aug. 27 at Tennyson High School. The Eden Jr. JACL with Mo Yanagi as chairman were in charge.

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September Events

Flu clinic set for Sept. 10 by Sacramento

Sacramento JACL will sponsors a flu clinic on Sunday, Sept. 10, 1-4 p.m. at the Sacramento Buddhist Church. To defray expenses, a $1 donation will be accepted, according to Grace Kanai and Hach Yasumura. Those allergic to eggs, chicken or feathers will not be administered the shot while children under age 18 will require a written permission of their physician.

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October Events

St. Louis Fall Festival scheduled for Oct. 21

Another successful **St. Louis JACL** Fall Festival is being anticipated come Saturday, Oct. 21, at Kirkwood Jr. High School, where entertainment, cultural exhibits and Japanese food will be the highlight. Dr. Otto Furuta and St. Louis JAY president Jody Morioka are co-chairing the biennial festival.

Prospect of having the chapter co-sponsor the "Executive Order 9066" display in the St. Louis area within the coming three months has stepped up interest in the chapter to promote Asian American studies. The chapter is now urging the Meramac Community College to sponsor a course in Japanese American studies.

Asian group may block Seattle dome stadium

OLYMPIA, Wash.—The governor's Asian American Advisory Council said it supports a court injunction sought by an International District group to delay the start of the King County domed stadium.

Executive director Martin M. Matsudaira said that "until concrete assurances are given by the county and city governments that the International District (in Seattle) will retain its integrity and that the living conditions for its inhabitants will be improved," the council will oppose the stadium.

The injunction was requested by the Concerned Filipino Residents of the International District.

CALENDAR

Sept. 1 (Friday)
San Jose—Candidates' Night, Buddhist Church Annex, 7:30 p.m.
West Los Angeles—Earth Sci Mtg, Westside YMCA
Sept. 2 (Saturday)
Contra Costa—Annual steak bake, Alvarado Park, Richmond, 6:30 p.m.
Sept. 3 (Sunday)
Delano—Fifth Delano Reunion, Stardust Restaurant.
Alameda—Golf tournament, Galbraith Muni Course, 9 a.m.
Sept. 5 (Tuesday)
Sequoia—Bd Mtg, Palo Alto Buddhist Church, 7:30 p.m.
Sept. 10 (Sunday)
PSWDC—3d Qtrly, Pasadena Buddhist Church, 9 a.m. (Pasadena JACL hosts).
Salinas Valley—Outing.
Dayton—Luau, Crother's Farm, 2 p.m.
Sept. 11 (Monday)
Alameda—Bd Mtg, Buena Vista United Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m.
West Los Angeles—Bd Mtg.
Puyallup Valley—Gen Mtg.
Sept. 12 (Tuesday)
San Mateo—Bd Mtg, Sturge Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m.
Sept. 13 (Wednesday)
Orange County—Bd Mtg.
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. 19 (Tuesday)
Sacramento—JACL Charter Flight to Japan orientation, Nisei War Memorial Hall, 7:30 p.m.
Sept. 22 (Friday)
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Sept. 22—24
Nat'l JACL—EXECOM Mtg, San Francisco.
Sept. 24 (Sunday)
St. Louis—Fall Festival.
West Los Angeles—Issei Appreciation Day.
Orange County—JAY Mtg.
Sept. 28 (Thursday)
Sacramento—Gen Mtg, Nisei War Memorial Hall, 7:30 p.m.
Oct. 1 (Sunday)
Alameda—Issei Appreciation dinner.
West Los Angeles—Issei program.
Oct. 3 (Tuesday)
Sequoia—Bd Mtg, Palo Alto Buddhist Church, 7:30 p.m.

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those who will seek their freedom from the shackles of the past. There must be change. It will not be easy and suffering will certainly accompany it.

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On the national scale, within JACL we are hearing the voices of dissent. Let them be heard. We have not heard voices as loud and clear as in the past few weeks. We, who are known for being less than politically open, more adept at back-room dealings, have made a switch.

Our differences are public. They are not personal, for they are greater in scope. It is issues with which we are concerned. Because of the precarious situation global economics may force on us, the dialogue we conduct now is of tremendous importance.

Considering the upheavals in the august realms of education and religion, the shifting trend in life styles, JACL is tardy in its appontment wth change.

We must not stifle the controversy we are confronting now. While time is on our side, let the fires burn. If we douse it now, there will be the doubt that the ashes are not quite dead.

We will be stronger for having spoken for the causes we believe in. It will prepare us for the difficult times which destiny may have preordained. With this dialogue today, we are communicating.

At last we are revealed! We are more than faces and bodies. We are the small and the great thoughts, we are the selfish and those who see past self. We are a composite of emotions.

We are those who read advertisements with hypersensitivity, and those whose spirts are lifted by someone else's gesture of appreciation.

I would be more than proud to be the tweny-sixth friend from Salt Lake City. Who will be the 27th?

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS—Kathy Ando and Brian Nao (at right) were awarded the 1972 San Francisco JCYC-JACL scholarships. Irene Fujimoto of JCYC and Mrs. Susie Okazaki of JACL (at left) headed the scholarship committee. George Yamasaki Jr. (center), JACL president, made the presentation. Kathy (who won the $500 award) is the daughter of the Yutaka Andos, a Lowell High honor graduate who plans to attend UC Berkeley. Brian (who won a $250 award) is the son of the Isamu Naos, a Washington High graduate to plans to major in biochemistry at UC Berkeley this fall.

Bay Area Community CL membership being polled on status as chapter

SAN FRANCISCO — Bay Area Community chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League will poll its membership on the question of whether it should drop from National JACL or remain as part of the 94-chapter organization.

The move was announced after a special meeting and debate Aug. 13 failed to resolve the issue. The chapter has 162 members.

Bay Area chapter leaders proposed the pull-out after returning from the National JACL Convention, held last June in Washington, D.C., where David Ushio, the League's current Washington representative was appointed to succeed Masao Satow as executive director.

Alan Nishio, formerly of the UCLA Asian Studies Center, was favored for the directorship by the Bay Area delegates.

The Ushio appointment and related issues led to the resignations of six JACL staff members based at the So. Calif. regional office in Los Angeles.

Warren Furutani, one of those who resigned, attended Sunday's meeting to participate in the discussion.

Ray Okamura of Berkeley, charter president of the year-old Bay Area chapter, announced he is in favor of allowing the chapter charter to lapse at the end of the year.

However, convention delegates Edison Uno and Mrs. Kathy Morooka Reyes said they feel it is better to try to work within the structure of the national organization.

"By doing so, we can always present constructive criticism," said Uno, who has been an active JACLer since 1952, when he served as president of East Los Angeles chapter at the age of 19.

Okamura and Uno worked together as co-chairmen of the League's Committee for the Repeal of Title II, the emergency detention camp provision of the 1950 Internal Security Act.

Their four-year effort ended successfully when Congress passed the repeal bill last fall and President Nixon announced he had signed the bill on Sept. 17.

While Okamura and Uno debated the question, the No. Calif.-Western Nevada JACL District Council held its third quarterly meeting in Mountain View, but the Bay Area Community JACL sent no delegates.

BEGINNINGS '72: Dave Motoki

A Fitting Finale at Park City

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SALT LAKE CITY, Utah — After four hectic days and three sleepless nights participants in the 1972 National Jr. JACL Convention found themselves with a scheduled activity remaining. At four in the afternoon on Friday, Aug. 18, buses arrived at the Univ. of Utah dormitories to take everyone up to Park City for the final banquet and dance.

The preceding days had been so exhausting that most of the JAY's slept on the hour ride up to the resort city, east of Salt Lake City. Despite the quiet atmosphere of the ride everyone stepped into the C'est Bon Convention Hall hungry and ready for a good time. A dinner of roast chicken was served, partially in protest to the outrageous prices of beef and more than partially due to the limitations of convention funds.

Highlighting the banquet were speeches made by Henry Tanaka, National JACL President; Dave Ushio, executive director-designate; Victor Shibata; and Ron Wakabayashi of the JACL staff; Allen Oshita and Diane Aramaki, general convention chairpeople.

After dinner a nightclub atmosphere was created by dispersing tables around the dance floor. Music was provided by Holden Caulfield of Salt Lake City.

About 225 people were at the final gig and the dance floor was jammed for the duration of the evening. During the band breaks a juke box was set up and JAYs showed each other dances from different parts of the country. Everyone had a good time: the mood was very relaxed as JAYs had come to know each other and had dropped their inhibitions.

The buses loaded and left for Salt Lake at midnight carrying some tired, happy JAYs with great memories of "BEGINNINGS '72."

Anti-war protest stir Festival finale

LOS ANGELES — Some 100 young Asian Americans comprising the tail-end dancing unit of the 1972 Nisei Week Festival parade on Aug. 20 added an unexpected turn by demonstrating against the war as they approached the disbanding area in Little Tokyo.

Leaflets signed by the Thai Binh Brigade were distributed by young Asians to spectators before and during the parade, calling Nisei Week a "contradiction" when other Asians are being bombed and tortured in Vietnam.

The anti - war paraders, identified as the Van Troi Anti-Imperialist Youth Brigade, dispersed spectators at the First and San Pedro St. corner when a Japanese naval flag was burned and firecrackers began exploding.

The anti-riot police squad was immediately summoned by Nisei Week parade officials. The youth group broke up peacefully and no arrests were made.

1971 World Series

The 1971 World Series and Dodger Highlight films are available for group showing by calling the L.A. Dodgers, 225-1411.

Sasaki scholarship

SAN FRANCISCO — A Rev. Sensho Sasaki Memorial Scholarship has been established by his widow, Kinuko, to be administered by the National Young Buddhist Assn. for a youth student-worker at Institute of Buddhist Studies.

Convention—

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ing of the personnel committee (5-3 vote). The Pacific Southwest District of JACL had their favorite son in the person of Alan Takeshi Nishio . . .

Both were interviewed before the National JACL Personnel Committee in private session lasting five hours and taped. As an aftermath of listening to the taped interview the Nishio camp expressed "their loss of faith in . . . JACL (leadership)". The inference was that Ushio was given the innermost and candid intelligence briefing by each member of the PSW District professional staff to help Ushio in his work in Washington, D.C. But this confidential information was not to have been used by Ushio for personal gain when competing with Nishio during the personal interview, it was claimed. This was interpreted as a "breach of trust". The only act of redeeming grace was to elect Nishio into the National Director position. Otherwise the whole youthful staff will walk out. They kept their promise.

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But through the maze of rhetoric, one can see the clash of two schools of JACL philosophy. The pro-Nishio group had envisioned JACL as a community social service organization trying to fight the ills of society with Nishio in the driver's seat. They hoped to see these services reach beyond the scope of JACL constituents into the entire Asian community and to the community in general. There was talk by the opposition that Ushio was not qualified for the national director job by his lack of experience in dealing with Chicanos, Black Americans, and other Asian Americans having grown up in Utah.

Raymond Uno (then president) was among the many speaking in favor of Ushio, and questioned whether this type of social service program can be applicable to general membership. Uno said:

"In talking with the Chapters throughout the whole national organization, they felt the need to have services to the Chapters in terms of program, in terms of activities, in terms of guidance, leadership, etc. If we don't go into this direction (some of which have already fallen out of JACL), we can function without JACL. But you get into some communities and if you don't have JACL, that may be the only organization that holds the community together."

In the final analysis one can't accuse the present JACL administration and its National Council of being a slouch even when it comes to social service aspect of the program.

The record unbalanced budget of $350,000 includes $32,000 for youth program, $3,500 for education-visual communication project, student aid $5,-300 and regional office community involvement program (including Pacific Northwest District office) $70,000. Washington office expense is $35,-000 and not to mention payment for all the salaried staff members. Also listed were Asian legal aid and a legal counsel fund. Each dollar of your dues raises about $25,-000 for budget disbursement. Money comes hard. The National Council voted down $1.50 dues increase and settled for 50c or as one commented, "just a price of one pack of cigarettes."

All the rhetoric at the National Council may not change the course of JACL. Nor can the power of national committee, the national board or the special interest group. It's the cumulative vote of each Chapter big and small that counts. It's the vote of Chapter members expressed through their delegates. Power to the people!

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Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

Political Scene

Honolulu

Lt. Gov. George Ariyoshi said on Aug. 16 that he supports the candidacy of George McGovern but feels that McGovern's stand on issues does need clarification . . . The 29-member executive board of **Hawaii ILWU Local 142** has gone on record in favor of the election of Sen. George McGovern and Sargent Shriver . . . More than **300,000 island residents** are now registered to vote in the 1972 elections. This is 45,000 more than were registered two years ago . . . **Gov. John A. Burns,** a Democrat, is talking as if he were endorsing the re-election of President Nixon. Although emphasizing that as a Democrat he plans to support the Democratic ticket, Burns said he cannot find fault with President Nixon's Pacific and Asian policies, especially his dealings with Peking . . . Democratic state **Sen. Nadao Yoshinaga** predicts that President Nixon will take Hawaii this fall, marking the first time a Republican has won a presidential election here since Hawaii became a state. Yoshinaga says he's undecided whether or not he would support Sen. McGovern in this year's race.

Richard Sharpless, Honolulu managing director, has accused Sen. Pres. **David McClung,** the state Democratic Party chairman, of "accepting money under false pretenses." He was referring to McClung's failure to support McGovern and Mayor Frank F. Fasi, both Democrats . . . Federal Court Judge **Samuel P. King** has temporarily suspended enforcement of Maui County's ordinance banning political signs. King suspended enforcement of the ban until he decides whether or not it violates the Constitution.

Federal Judge **Martin Pence** has ordered Lt. Gov. George Ariyoshi to place the People's Party of Hawaii on the state election ballot this fall.

Big Island gamblers are putting together a campaign fund to support candidates who are sympathetic to gambling and cockfighting, police chief Ernest Fergerstrom said in Hilo recently . . . Big Island council finance chairman **Ikuo Hisaoka,** announcing for re-election, said on Aug. 16 he favors legalization of cockfighting with controlled parimutual betting . . . U.S. Dist. Atty. **Robert Fukuda** said in Kapaa, Kauai, recently that Hawaii's police are probably the best in the nation, but warned that they will be "very, very, very hamstrung" when the new state penal code takes effect. He predicted that organized crime will extort $1 million a month from gambling in Hawaii and said, "After the first false arrest and malicious prosecution tort suit, the police are not going to make any more arrests."

Mayor Frank Fasi has made it official. He will seek re-election to office. He became a candidate officially on Aug. 16 when he paid his $50 nomination fee. Political observers were expecting Fasi to make his bid formally late in Aug., but his action Aug. 16 surprised them. Other candidates for the office who have announced to date include **Thomas Kaukeano,** (R); **Kekoa D. Kaapu,** (D); **Paul DeMark,** (D); and **Richard (Ike) Sutton,** (R). All are rated underdogs.

Voter **registration workers** in both political parties comulan that many young people are apathetic and consider politicians to be "junk." Registration figures made public recently by the office of Lt. Gov. Ariyoshi show that only 12,000 of an estimated 28,000 prospective 18-year-olds have registered. By contrast, an Ariyoshi assistant said, upwards of three-fourths of Hawaii's eligible adults are registered . . . **Anthony C. Baptiste, Jr.,** one-time chairman tnd executive officer of the Garden Island, has announced that he is running for mayor of Kauai as a Republican.

Rep. Tadao Beppu, speaker of the House, has announced his candidacy for re-election from the 10th District (Palolo-St. Louis). He is a Democrat . . . State Rep. **Tats Kishinami** has filed for re-election to the State House as a Democrats from the 20th District (Ewa-Pearl City) . . . Former Kauai County councilman and supervisor **Shigeomi Kubota,** a Koloa Democrat, has filed nomination papers for the county council . . . Democratic state **Rep. Tony Kunimura** of Kauai has filed nomination papers for re-election to the State House . . . **Francis T. Masukawa,** an accounting clerk at Del Monte Corp., has announced he will seek a seat in the State House from the Wahiawa-Waialua area. He is a Republican . . . Veteran State **Rep. Akira Sakima** has announced his intention to seek an eighth term in the State House as a Democrat from the Upper Kalihia district . . . **Robert S. Shimabukuro,** 53, a Wailuku businessman, has announced his candidacy for a seat on the Maui County Council as a Democrat.

Names in the News

Three well known Honolulu men remained in very serious condition Aug. 16 at Kaiser and Queen's Medical Centers. They were **William G. Sturgis,** publisher of Beacon Magazines; **Richard F. MacMillan,** information director of the Hawaii Visitors Bureau, who is suffering from a liver ailment; and city finance director **William S. Johnson,** who suffered a stroke at home on July 30.

The Keio Univ. Alumni Assn. has been formed with about 50 members. Masaharu Hotta is its executive secretary.

Kazumi Hatayama, 53, drowned near the Blowhole Aug. 11 while fishing with a friend . . . **Mrs. Leslie Fullard-Leo,** 88, who has devoted 64 years of her life to the development and promotion of amateur athletics in Hawaii, was honored Aug. 14 at the Ala Moana Hotel . . . **Arlene Teraoka,** 17, a 1972 Hilo High School graduate, has been awarded a $1,000 scholarship by the National Merit Scholarship Corp. She is the daughter of the Tetsuo Teraokas of Papaikou, Hawaii . . . **Masato Kamisato** has been named assistant v.p.-marketing at City Bank of Honolulu . . . **Warren Higa** has joined City Bank as assistant v.p.-loan administration . . . **Stanley T. Yamanaka** has been named manager of the engineering dept. of R. M. Towill Corp.

Hawaii Today

While the **controversy about H-3** has raged on the Honolulu side of the island, much work has been completed on the Windward side of the proposed puka-through-the-Pali highway. The H-3 will terminate at the Marine Corps Air Station at Kaneohe Bay.

The State of Hawaii celebrated its 13th **Admissions Day** on Aug. 17. Hawaii actually joined the U.S. as a state on Aug. 21, 1959 . . . The Big Island school advisory council has recommended to the state board of education that rules be amended **to allow smoking** on high school camuuses under certain conditions.

Congressional Score

From Congressman **Spark Matsunaga's** office: Rep. Matsunaga filed for re-election to his sixth term July 24 . . . He gave an address before the Retail Clerks International Assn. July 25 in Honolulu . . . Matsunaga has been commended by the Committee for Full Funding of Education Programs for his support of a key amendment to the Labor-Health, Education and Welfare appropriations bill for 1973 . . . Matsunaga announced on July 28 that the House Rules Committee had cleared for floor consideration a bill which authorizes federal assistance to states for the development and administration of coastal zone management programs . . . **Sen. Daniel K. Inouye** has been aupointed chairman of the foreign operations subcommittee of the appropriations committee.

Police Force

Police say a badly decomposed body found in the hills above the Pali Lookout Aug. 11 may be that of **Dr. Paul Kiessling,** 27, a Queen's Medical Center intern. He has been missing since Aug. 1.

Courtroom

John F. Orso, an ex-convict, was awarded a $250,000 settlement Aug. 10 in a damage suit against the city and county of Honolulu. He was awarded the money for false arrest and imprisonment and defamation of character. He had been arrested in the first degree murder of underworld figure Francis Burke in Honolulu's Chinatown on Oct. 21, 1970. He later was released in the case.

A jury has found **James W. Douglass** and **James V. Albertini** guility of charges the government has brought against them. They were convicted of conspiracy and of damaging government property. The two men were on trial as a result of their Mar. 2 visit to Hickam Air Force Base fhere Douglass poured human blood on electronic warfare files to protest American bombing of North Vietnam.

Education

Beginning this month (Aug.), **14 colleges in the state** will register about 43,000 students for the fall term. They are U.H. at Manoa, Hilo College, Hawaii Community College, Honolulu CC, Kapiolani CC, Kauai CC, Leeward CC, Maui CC, Windward CC and five private colleges—Chaminade, Church College, Hawaii Loa, Hawaii Pacific and Mauna Olu.

HAWAII HOCHI CELEBRATES SIXTIETH YEAR WITH NEW $1-MILLION BLDG.

By DICK GIMA

HONOLULU — The Hawaii Hochi, a leading Honolulu bilingual daily, celebrated its 60th anniversary and grand opening of its new million-dollar home at Kokea St. Aug. 16. More than 1,000 invited guests helped to make the celebration a most successful one. A traditional "mochi maki" (mochi throwing) was held Aug. 19 in front of the new building, 917 Kokea St., to complete the sexagesimal observance.

Actually, the Hochi had its origin on Dec. 7, 1912, when the late Frederick Kinzaburo Makino, an immigrant from Yokohama, began publishing a newspaper in a building at Pauahi and Maunakea Sts. in downtown Honolulu.

Japanese journalism goes back to 1892 when the Nippon Shuho (Japanese Weekly) was first published in Hawaii. Since then many Japanese newspapers and magazines have been published, mostly in Honolulu, but today only two of these have continued to do business as the Islands' leading bilingual newspapers — the Hawaii Hochi and the Hawaii Times.

Gakuen Issue

In the 1920s and 1930s the Japanese press with men like Makino and Yasutaro Soga of the Nippu Jiji (today the Hawaii Times) took an active part in connection with the foreign language school question in Hawaii. As the late author Ernest Wakukawa of "History of the Japanese in Hawaii" put it:

"The positive and determined support rendered by the Hawaii Hochi and its president, Fred K. Makino, has been considered one of the chief factors responsible for the decisive legal victory on the part of the language schools."

Makino in his day was known as a fighter for Japanese causes. It was largely through his efforts that his people won many legal battles in the fields of labor, education and dual citizenship. Some Nisei and a few Sansei know about the accomplishments of this great leader, and it would do well for someone, preferably a Nisei, to dig into the personal history of this man and tell the Makino story to the Japanese Americans and others in Hawaii and on the Mainland.

The foreign language press in Hawaii has experienced rocky years in recent times because of the decline in the number of its subscribers, primarily the Issei, who are fast passing from the local scene. This of course, has been expected.

But despite dwindling readership, the Hochi with faith in the future of Hawaii, has decided to brace and invigorate its printing and publishing activities. Hence, the brand new, air-conditioned million dollar building. And the wherewithal for all this has been made possible by the Shizuoka Shimbun, the parent newspaper in Japan, led by Masamitsu Oishi, who also is the owner of the Hochi. The Hochi president is Paul Yempuku who, I believe, is a Kibei Nisei.

There's been talk about a possible marger between the Hochi and the Hawaii Times, but at this juncture this hardly seems likely. Whether the Hochi has taken the right step in enlarging its scope of activity, only time will tell.

But with men of vision and force like Oishi and Yempuku, this correspondent firmly believes that this great newspaper has taken a step in the right direction. They are laying plans to strengthen and tone up the English section of the bilingual daily and this, certainly, is a sensible move.

(Gima is a twice-weekly contributing columnist to the Hochi, doing his part in helping the Hochi become a bigger and better paper.—Ed.)

The Spartan Beat — Mas Manbo

A Memorable Meal

TOKYO — Another anniversary of the end of World War II has come and gone, reviving memories of hardships and privations.

Wartime Tokyo, however, was not without its humorous moments. Not by a long shot.

As far as I'm concerned, one of the most wryly funny incidents in memory came during the last stages of the Pacific War when Tokyoites were undergoing the most trying time of their lives.

Involved were five Nisei including myself, thrown together due to the U.S. air raids on the capital in the early part of 1945.

The other four fellows, all quite younger than I and also holding jobs in the news field, were Clarence Nikaido, Tohru Tatsui and George Takeda and his brother Hiro.

In the air raids, the five of us, bachelors all, were burned out of our digs, the four others in the Kanda area and I in the heart of the Akasaka geisha district.

Luckily, through a helpful fellow-Nisei named George Kyotow, who is now a New York businessman, we were able to find a place to live in Asagaya, on the Chuo railway line about 45 minutes ride from Tokyo Station.

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The place was a large, two-story Japanese-style house, not far from the station and occupied before we moved in solely by a middle-aged mother and her schoolgirl daughter.

There we lived together a life of extreme frugality for the rest of the war.

Most of our possessions had gone up in smoke in the air raids and we had very few kitchen utensils.

Our cooking was done mostly with a pot ingeniously fashioned out of a steel helmet.

The tobacco we smoked was rationed stuff, loose and unflavored, that we rolled into cigarettes. For ash trays we used covers of fire-bomb casings, picked up in the ruins after air raids.

George Takeda, who was quite adept, made military-style caps out of canvas for all of us, stitching them by hand. He and Nikaido handled the cooking for the bunch.

Day after day we had the simplest of fare imaginable—a small amount of rice boiled together over the charcoal fire with vegetables or anything else that could be scrounged. Rice was rationed and there never was enough. Before cooking, it had to be pounded in a beer bottle with a stick to polish it.

The food was divided equally into five portions. If someone was not home at mealtime, his portion would be set aside for him.

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The monotony at mealtime was broken one evening when instead of vegetables boiled with rice we had vegetables made into tempura.

It was a meal none of us was likely to ever forget.

To fry the tempura, we used a bottle of oil that one of the fellows had picked up somewhere. It turned out to be castor oil and wham! It hit us all about the same time shortly after eating. Needless to say, there was a traffic jam at the only john in the house.

Most of us had the castor-oil tempura meal early in the evening. An absentee was Tatsui, who was working late.

So after recovering sufficiently from our unexpected ordeal, we had a pretty little problem before us.

The problem was, should we warn Tatsui about the tempura and let him go hungry that night or should we keep our mouths shut and let him be cleaned out?

Since there was nothing else for him to eat, we decided to keep our mouths shut.

When Tatsui finally came home late that night, tired and hungry, the rest of us gathered around him to watch him eat, making such solicitous remarks as "Good, huh?" while he wolfed down his share of the tempura.

It was only after Tatsui had cleaned up his plate that we told him the sad news.

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More than 27 years have passed since this little wartime incident. Tatsui is now living in the Sawtelle section of Los Angeles. Nikaido, whose cousin Susumu is new Prime Minister Kakuei Tanaka's Chief Cabinet Secretary, is also in California. The two Takeda brothers too are in the States somewhere.

At times, when they sit down to a tempura dinner, no doubt their thoughts stray to that memorable meal they had in wartime. Mine do anyway.

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BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman

Atomic Bomb: Precedent and Peril

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THE DAY MAN LOST: Hiroshima, 6 August 1945, by The Pacific War Research Society, Kodansha International Ltd., 312 pp., $8.95.

At a press conference, July 28, 1945, Japanese time, reporters pressed Adm. Kantaro Suzuki, premier of Japan, for the government attitude towards the Potsdam Proclamation of the preceding day. Already victorious over their European enemies, the heads of the Allied governments, except for Russia, had offered Japan the opportunity to surrender unconditionally or face "prompt and utter destruction."

The "prompt and utter destruction" envisioned by Pres. Harry S. Truman, was to be initiated through the dropping of the recently perfected, still unused, atomic bomb.

Suzuki knew Japan was beaten. Her navy was at the bottom of the sea. Conventional bombing had reduced most Japanese centers to shambles, except for a few cities the Americans were preserving as unblemished targets for atomic bombs. Morale sagging, the Japanese people tended to be homeless and hungry.

Suzuki had been seeking to end the war short of the stipulated unconditional surrender, which to many Japanese implied the abolition of the imperial institution and reigning dynasty. Japan had a neutrality pact with Russia; he had been trying to persuade Russia to negotiate surrender.

These fumbling efforts to surrender were known to the Allied leaders. Recognizing the impotence of Japan, some American scientists were experiencing qualms about the use of the atomic bomb.

The atomic bomb project had originally been instituted because America suspected Germany was working on a similar project with prospect of success. With Germany beaten, some American scientists responsible for the development of the bomb, including Albert Einstein, opposed using the weapon on Japan. Had they known how close Japan was to surrender, other involved scientists might also have opposed using the bomb against the already defeated enemy.

'Mokusatsu'

Knowing nothing about America's new weapon, Suzuki replied to the inquiry about the Potsdam Proclamation in ill-chosen words.

Japan, Suzuki said, would *mokusatsu* the proclamation.

Mokusatus could mean to "take no notice of" or to "remain in wise and masterly inactivity." But as is the way with enemies, the Allies chose to put the worst interpretation on the term. To them, *mokusatsu* meant that Japan would treat the surrender offer "with silent contempt."

On the morning of August 6, three American planes, assigned to initiating the "utter destruction" of Japan, rendezvoused over Guam and headed, in formation, towards Hiroshima. At 8:15 a.m., over the center of the city and at a height of almost six miles, the lead plane, Enola Gay, released an atomic bomb.

Fifty-one seconds later at a height of 1,850 feet, the bomb exploded in a blinding flash. According to conservative estimates, the explosion instantly devastated four square miles of the heart of the city, destroying or damaging more than 67 per cent of the structures. Also, the explosion killed 66,000 persons, and injured 69,000, many of whom would later die of their wounds.

Surrender Note

Despite the still unexpired neutrality pact, Russia declared war on Japan, August 8. On August 9, America dropped an atomic bomb on Nagasaki.

Next day, Japan offered to surrender if the imperial institution might be retained — the same condition she had sought before the bombs were dropped. In effect, the Allies granted this stipulation; the war ended.

The book soberly tells of the conception of the bomb, its use, and the havoc it wrought. It poses a question of how much of her moral leadership America may have sacrificed through dropping the bomb, and how much more perilous she may have rendered the world situation.

There are notes and a bibliography of Japanese language books on the subject. But it is a pity that this book, so well-conceived, so well-written, lacks an index. An index might have made *The Day Man Lost* the standard reference work.

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VISUAL COMMUNICATIONS

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LOS ANGELES — The Gardena Valley JACL voted this past week to contribute $500 to the National Endowment for the Humanities dollar for dollar matching grant awarded to the Visual Communications Committee. This donation combined with a $100 contribution by the Venice-Culver JACL brings the fund drive to just $207 short of its $5,000 goal.

The Visual Communications Committee, a volunteer group of young Asian American professional film makers, photographers, and artists, will use the funds to collect, catalogue, and annotate historical photographers and documents related to the Asian experience inthe United States. The group, in addition to producing numerous Asian American educational materials, has already established a historical and contemporary archive comprising some 4,000 images.

Committee member Ron Hirano stated "this project is vital in light of the growing interest in Asian American history among the young". He also noted that the lack of a central archieve has caused the loss and destruction of manl historically valuable photographs and documents.

The archival project is expected to run for six months, during which time the 10,000 photographs and related documents will have been collected, copied, and annotated.

Contributions payable to National JACL and earmarked for this project should be forwarded to JACL Headquarters, 1634 Post St., San Francisco 94115.

15 monographs on Asian Americans planned

LOS ANGELES — The UCLA Asian American Studies Center and the Visual Communications Committee of Asian American Studies Central, announced plans for a joint effort to produce a 15 monograph series on the Asian experience in America.

The series project is being developed to meet the growing demand for a comprehensive high school level textbook on Asian Americans. The series format was selected so that the material will be financially more accessible to high school students.

VCC education consultant Ron Hirano, who initiated the project, stated, "Due to the current financial crisis in many school districts the burden of acquiring educational materials on Asian Americans will be on the student himself. Our format is designed to keep this cost to a minimum".

Hirano also added, "The field of Asian American studies is relatively young, consequently new data and ideas are constantly coming up. The format will also allow us to make revisions rapidly and economically".

Three Topic Set

The first in the series will be an overview on Asian Americans authored by Franklin Odo, associate director of Asian American Studies at Cal State Long Beach. The former UCLA Center curriculum coordinator is a specialist in Asian American history and has conducted many courses at UCLA and Long Beach.

A section on Asian immigration will be written by Buck Wong, instructor at Cal State, L.A. and graduate research assistant at UCLA.

The third in the series, which will cover the Asian influence on western art and Asian American artists, will be authored by Los Angeles City College art and art history instructor Kazuo Higa. Higa has recently completed a syllabus for KCET-TV (channel 28) art history course. He also served as chairman of the LACC Ethnic American Cultures Department. His field is Asian art history, and he has studied extensively in Asia.

The monograph series editorial board, headed by the Center's director of resource development, Amy Tachiki, will include:

UCLA research assistants Peter Ibanez and Buck Wong, Center assistant curriculum coordinator Vivian Matsushige, Visual Communications staff researcher, Eddie Wong, and Prof. Franklin Odo.

The same UCLA group produced the highly successful college level anthology "Roots: An Asian American Reader" now into its fourth printing.

Local Scene

Los Angeles

Community Drug Offensive, a coalition of Japanese Christian and Buddhist churches and community service groups engaged in "educating the people" to combat the drug abuse problem, is wrapping up its campaign this month to petition the Justice Dept. to impose a reduction in the manufacture of barbiturates. Two important events climaxing the campaign will be the teach-in Oct. 7, 1-8 p.m., at Senshin Buddhist Church and community delegation approaching Lilly Corp. sometime in mid-October. It has been pointed out that 40% of the barbiturates manufactured by pharmaceutical firms enter the illegal market.

Workers in civil service and private industries affiliated with the AID-United Givers Program were reminded pledges can be made to the "Japanese American Community Services, 125 Weller St., Room 305, Los Angeles 90012" through regular monthly deductions. JACS president Sam Ishihara noted its JACS-Asian Involvement program is dependent upon individual donations, including contributions handled through AID-United Givers.

Oover 1,000 pounds of rice and an equal amount of groceries was collected for Isleton flood victims by both the Long Beach and Little Tokyo Pioneer Projects. The JACS-AI summer neighborhood youth corps delivered the food this past week (Aug. 24).

Sansei takes over tough youth post in S.F. Chinatown

SAN FRANCISCO—A young Japanese American woman from Sacramento is currently serving as the acting executive director of the Chinatown Youth Service and Coordinating Center, set up last year to combat growing juvenile delinquency in Chinatown.

Nancy Yokoyama, a 1964 UC Berkeley graduate, took over the post as the director of the center at 250 Columbus Ave. in late July.

According to Dr. Rolland Lowe, chairman of the center board, Miss Yokoyama has stepped into a situation where 'people who know the community don't want the job and people who want the job don't know the community."

He said a search for a permanent executive director goes on.

Five Years in Area

Miss Yokoyama has over five years of experience working in Chinatown, first with the California State Dept. of Human Resources and more recently at the Columbus Ave. Center as director of the city's neighborhood alternatives program.

Her predecessor, Barry Fong-Torres, on leave from the Contra Costa County probation office, was slain by unknown assailants on June 26.

Torres, who worked primarily with "Chinatown gangs," was struck by bullets as he answered the doorbell of his basement apartment at 1434-16th Ave.

Born and raised in Oakland, he had worked his way through U.C. Berkeley, majoring in criminology. His case is one of some nine unsolved Chinatown deaths during the past two years.

Just a Lull

Dr. Lowe said also at a city delinquency prevention commisison meeting that July's big drop in teenage violence in Chinatown is just a lull.

He pointed out that at least 65 youngsters under 18 are living away from home, without a job and "surviving by hook or crook."

Dr. Lowe said the basic problem of Chinatown juvenile delinquents is employment.

Another problem, he said, is that Chinatown hasn't "a long enough history of delinquency to get the kind of rapport of street kids that they can look up to and respect.

"We have straight people trying to relate to street people and this gives the center a low credibility with the kids," he said.

The center was founded in its first year by HEW. This fiscal year just closed it received $145,919, mainly from the California Council on Criminal Justice.

It is funded through June, 1974 by the state agency, and then expects to receive UBAC funding.

Young Bussei may drop presentation

WATSONVILLE, Calif. — The Miss Bussei contest, which has been held annually since 1947, will be dropped from the agenda of the Coast District Young Buddhist League conference to be held in San Jose in October.

With many Sansei YBA leaders questioning the relevancy of the contest at any YBL event, the 1972 WYBL conference held in Asilomar last March changed it to a Miss Bussei Presentation to eliminate the idea of competion.

The Coast District's decision to drop the Miss Bussei contest may accelerate the movement to drop even the Miss Bussei Presentation at the 1973 WYBL conference to be held in Los Angeles. Three district YBLs — Bay, Southern and Coast—may not send any Miss Bussei to the conference, according to spokesmen.

Miss Tomodachi

LOS ANGELES — East Los Angeles JACL candidate Christine Sumi was selected by the seven-member court as Nisei Week's "Miss Tomodachi" at the close of the 1972 festival. As the best-liked girl among the group, the honors include a trip to Honolulu next spring.

J.A. Optimists

LOS ANGELES — The Japanese American Optimists Club celebrated its 18th year at a Founder's Day celebration Aug. 16, honoring all of its 18 past presidents. Charter president was Eiji Tanabe, one-time JACL regional director, who began the organization in Little Tokyo in 1954.

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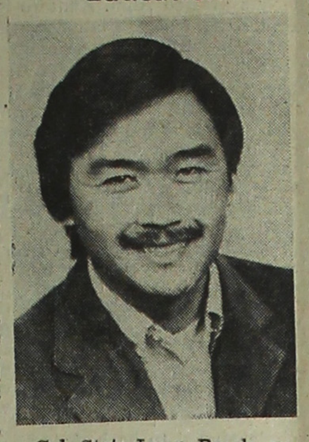

Cal State-Long Beach appointed **Alan T. Nishio**, 27, (above) director of minority programs, to supervise the University's educational opportunities program for students lacking financial resources or academic advantages, special services for counseling and tutoring minority students and bilingual special services. He has been administrative coordinator for the Pasadena Alternative School, a special program sponsored by Univ. of Massachusetts and the Pasadena United School District.

Politics

Japanese American Republican Club president **Ben Fujita** of Los Angeles was an alternate California delegate to the Republican National Convention in Miami Beach. Also attending were **Tad Ikemoto** and **Soichi Fukui**, whose daughter Cathy preceded as a Young Voter. Other Asian youths attending from Los Angeles included Randal Lee, Gary Kuwahara, Eileen Nako, Candace Takenaka and William Wong. Other California Young Voters present were Judy Kiyoi, Modesto; Eileen Kurihara, Orosi; Cindy Suzuki, Newberry Park; and Gary Shiohama, chairman of the Oriental Young Voters.

Eileen Nako and **Candace Takenaka**, Young Voters from Los Angeles attending the Miami Beach Republican national convention, escaped the violent anti-war demonstration on Wednesday upon returning from a shopping spree. The taxi in which they were passengers was among the cars disabled. The two Sansei were able to escape when the demonstrators couldn't pry the doors open and turned their attention to harrassing others on the street near Convention Center.

Flower-Garden

Arthur O. Iwasaki of Denver will be the only Japanese American attending the 27th annual congress of the American Horticultural Society Sept. 6-10 in Seattle. He is a member of both the American Garden Writers Association and the American Horticultural Society and writes for the publications of both groups as well as for the weekly Aurora Advocate.

Vital Statistics

UCLA dental school graduate **Dr. Donald Mikami** of Fresno and **Cindy Rubin** were married Aug. 13 in Los Altos at the Congregational Temple Beth Am with a dinner-dance following at the synagogue social hall. The couple will make their home in Los Angeles where the doctor will continue his studies at USC in prosthodontics. (This is the first time we have noted such an item in a JACL newsletter. —Ed.)

Sports

Maui residents cheered the return of its native son, **Jesse Kuhaulua**, last week (Aug. 24). He is the first non-Japanese to win a Japan sumo tournament.

Deaths

Masami Abe, 73, a Downtown Los Angeles JACL 1000 Club life member, died Aug. 24 of heart attack. President of the So. Calif. Minyo Assn. and generous donor to many causes in the area, he was one of four area Issei to be decorated by the Japanese government last April with the Order of the Sacred Treasure, 5th Class. A native of Fukushima, he came to the U.S. in 1916, farming in East L.A. first and then in San Juan Capistrano. He was interned at Bismarck, N.D., at the outbreak of WW2 and then rejoined his family at Poston WRA Center, and operated an apartment postwar.

Takeo Fudenna, 51, of Union City, Calif., was killed Aug. 16 while inspecting his stalled pick-up truck when he was struck by another truck on Mission Blvd. near O'Connell Lane in Union City. One of three brothers who operated a 1,000-acre farm in Fremonth and Newark in southern Alameda county, he was vice-president of the firm that concerted their 50 acres adjacent to the Fremont Civic Center into a $60 million development for a commercial structure, high-rise apartment and housing complex. He is surived by w Sachi, five sons, his mother, br James, Harold, and sis Mae Nishigu, Betty Sakamoto and Irene Takaki. His late father Kiichi immigrated to the U.S. in 1913 to start a strawberry farm in Fremont. "Tak" was a 442nd veteran and boosted construction of a stadium at Fremont High School. A Tak Fudenna Memorial Stadium Fund has been started at the Fremont Bank.

FBI SEEK QUALIFIED NIKKEI, MALE OR FEMALE

LOS ANGELES — The Federal Bureau of Investigation is looking for qualified Japanese Americans for FBI employment at a starting salary of $12,151 for special agent. After 14 weeks training at the FBI Academy in Quantico, Va., the salary is increased to $15,187 per year.

Applicants, male or female, must be between 23-41 at least 5 ft. 7, a U.S. citizen, a law degree or college degree in accounting with at least a year in practical accounting and/or auditing experience, or a college degree with a fluency in a foreign language for which the FBI has a need, or a college degree majoring in physics, chemistry or electrical engineering, or a college degree with three years of professional, executive or complex investigative experience.

Applications may be obtained by writing FBI, 11000 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles 90024 or calling 272-6161.

More parking meters in Little Tokyo slated

LOS ANGELES — The board of traffic commiscsioners recommended a new Little Tokyo Zone (between E. 1st and E. 4th and east of Los Angeles St.) for parking meters at the rate of 20 cents per hour. At least 200 more meters in the zone would be installed, if the ordinance is passed.

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Evacuation should be allowed to take its place in history, says evacuee

By CLIFF CAHOON

LOGAN, Utah—"I think people should be aware of the situation but an exhibit of this sort brings me unhappy memories," says Susan Sunada, Logan, in referring to the photographic exhibit, "Executive Order 9066, The Internment of 110,000 Japanese Americans" presently being displayed at the Utah Museum of Fine Arts in Salt Lake City.

Speaking recently to Dr. William Hale's class on minority problems at Utah State University, Mrs. Sunada stated that the imprisonment should be allowed to take its place in history.

"It doesn't do any good to remain bitter about something that happened 30 years ago," she asserted.

JACL Credited

Mrs. Sunda tends to look at some positive things which have occurred rather than thinking about negative things. "I am not a member of the Japanese American Citizens League, but that is the organization which should be credited for bringing about some benefits for minority races," she said.

Prior to World War II, Japanese people could not become U.S. citizens. This is no longer true. She also cited the repeal of the law allowing the government to detain groups of people who are considered dangerous as a positive outgrowth of Japanese American internment. And Japanese aliens can now purchase property which was not possible before the war.

"I am not condoning any of the actions of the government or of the American people during that time, I'll never forget it, but we needn't dwell on it. It doesn't solve anything."

Students Surprised

Susan Sunada remembers the U.S. concentration camps and the events that caused them very well but she recalls them with a lack of bitterness which surprised her student audience.

"Feeling was running very high against Japanese Americans and when the government said the camps were for our own protection, many believed it," she said. "My own family spent several months in horse stalls at a southern California county fair grounds before being shipped to Heart Mountain, Wyoming where they spent nearly three years. They had to sell their Hollywood store and never collected the money for the sale. They never really worried about the loss of the store but just went on after the war as if they had never had it."

George Sunada, who like his wife was born and raised in the United States, was fired from his railroad job in Wyoming. Japanese Americans who did not live on the West Coast were not put behind barbed wire, but they were subjected to job dismissals and verbal and physical abuse in many cases.

The case of Susan Sunada is different from her fellow Californians because she escaped the fate which met them. For six years she had served as a live-in "mother's helper" for wealthy California families and had not been with her own family. When order 9066 was issued, the 18-year-old teenager, who had graduated from junior college decided not to comply.

Didn't Evacuate

"I absolutely disagreed and could see no justification for going, so I silently fought it," explained Mrs. Sunada.

With the assistance of several doctors for whom she had worked, Mrs. Sunada was admitted to study nursing at a hospital in the midwest. She got out of California all right, but upon arriving at the hospital was told the decision was reversed and she would not be admitted. Following this disappointment, she was invited to live in the home of a local minister. She spent a year with this family which she met and married George Sunada before he went in the U.S. Army.

"This brings up another irony of the period," she explained. "Some Japanese were kicked out of the service, some were placed in stockades when the war broke out and all were classified as enemy aliens, but in 1944 when things were changing in the Pacific, Japanese Americans were allowed to enlist, which they did in large numbers. They were also drafted from the camps."

Ironic Twist

The Japanese became the 442nd Infantry Regiment, probably the most decorated unit in history. Her husband enlisted in the 442nd and was issued a .45-calibre pistol, a rifle, an antitank gun, a pair of binoculars and a bayonet. When the war broke out with Japan 2½ years earlier, the government had confiscated from him two .22 rifles, a deer rifle, a pair of binoculars and a hunting knife.

In the service he earned three Bronze Stars before being medically discharged because of wounds suffered in a mortar attack.

Sunada presently is display artist in Sears' Logan store.

"We suffered through that period and survived," Mrs. Sunada said. "I don't like to stir up old or new bitterness."

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