

Chavez hurls threat at Nisei farm league

FRESNO, Calif. — Charges and countercharges were exchanged this past week in the United Farm Workers Union strike against White River Farms, a wine grape operation at Poplar in Tulare County and at Delano in Kern County.

At a separate press conference (Sept. 22), Cesar Chavez, UFWU leader, charged some farm labor contractors and the Nisei Farm League are in violation of state labor codes by providing workers for the struck farm without notifying them a strike is in progress. The union struck White River Farm on Aug. 20 after contract negotiations failed.

Chavez said he would ask the Fresno County district attorney to investigate the situation he regarded as a "conspiracy to break our union." He also said contractors were advising for workers at White River without saying a strike was in progress.

Dolores Huerta, UFWU vice-president, alleged at the news conference seeing farmers "grabbing workers by the back of the collar and forcing them into cars."

Meanwhile, White River officials said they would complete harvest without union help. John Boretta of Oakland,

president of Buttes Gas and Oil Co., parent firm of White Rivers, said 300 workers were on the job last week, despite threats and violence.

Picketing has been restricted under court order following sporadic incidents of violence and clashes between pickets and nonunion workers.

Boretta accused union members of charging into the field on Sept. 9 to beat up some nonunion workers and again on Sept. 20 of breaking into the homes of three workers in Orange Cove.

Chavez angrily retorted, when questioned about the alleged violence, "We are on the receiving end of violence. We are a nonviolent union."

Harry Kubo, Nisei Farmers League president, has strongly denied the allegations. His group has not forced any worker to go to White River and is telling prospective workers there is a strike in progress.

"We have notified them and they are still willing to go," Kubo said. "They want to work. The only problem we've had in getting workers to go is that they face harassment and threats from union members."

Kubo also denied the

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HAWAII ELECTIONS

Incumbents Favored in Isle Primary

By ALLAN BEEKMAN

(Special to The Pacific Citizen)

HONOLULU — As the candidates turn into the home stretch towards the October 7 Primary Election, incumbents in the three most important of the Hawaii races seem certain of nomination.

All Democrats, these three incumbents are Honolulu Mayor Frank F. Fasi and U.S. Representative Spark M. Matsunaga and Patsy T. Mink.

Acting more like a candidate for the 1974 gubernatorial election than a mayor seeking to be returned to office, Fasi is under fire from a group he refers to as the "Burns - McClung - political syndicate hotel lobby candidate" for mayor.

Mayorality Race

Fasi advocates a tax on tourists to pay for some of the improvements that he would like to see made to the city. He contends the opposition, the hotel owners, is trying to replace him with a candidate sympathetic to their views. The chief culprit in this dastardly conspiracy is Gov. John A. Burns; second, is his lieutenant, State Senator President David C. McClung, and the candidate is State Senator Mason Altieri.

Belatedly identifying himself as part - Hawaiian, Altieri feels his fractional identification with Hawaii is important. Hawaii needs "people who have feeling for the place," Fasi, no-part Hawaiian, heads an "alien government."

Unfortunately for the success of this appeal to the part-Hawaiian vote, another candidate for the Democratic nomination to the mayoralty, Kekoa D. Kaapu, has long been stressing his part-Hawaiian image. Lacking the financial and political backing of Altieri, Kaapu is nevertheless blessed with good looks and a pleasing, dynamic personality.

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The personableness of Kaapu shows to particular advantage against the dull, apathetic image projected by Altieri. Consequently, the part-Hawaiian vote will be split between these two candidates, to the advantage of Fasi.

Unopposed in the primary, Matsunaga will face State Sen. Frederick W. Rohlfing in the general. Rohlfing, an attorney, has challenged Matsunaga to debate.

Confident and unruffled, Sparky has agreed to debate before the General Election if the schedule can be arranged without conflict with his duties in Congress.

Seeking the Democratic nomination for Congress from the 2nd District-West-Windward Oahu and the Neighbor Islands, John W. Goemans, also an attorney, has challenged Patsy to debate. He says she has declined on the grounds that there are no "substantive" issues on which they could argue.

In a speech at the Univ. of Hawaii he contended there "are some major and substantive differences between us." A small band of hostile students subjected him to a barrage of questions.

Patsy's Daughter

Later, he said he had received an apology from the students who had organized the campus appearance. He said, "They told me that all of the questions had been prepared in advance by Wendy Mink, daughter of the U.S. Representative, and that she was one of those who posed many of the questions."

Despite the fortitude Goemans showed towards the hostile students, one of whom called him an "idiot," his performance seems only preliminary to the main event—the General Election in which Patsy will be pitted against State Rep. Diana C. Hansen.

Two Running \$100,000 Campaigns

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Yen claims bill: questions raised, answers furnished

(The PC Washington Bureau) WASHINGTON — Hope that President Nixon would sign into law this week the bill authorizing Japanese nationals interned during World War II to file for the recovery of their yen certificates of deposit in the prewar Yokohama Specie Bank was expressed by Mike Masaoka, veteran Washington lobbyist who handled this legislation on behalf of the Japanese American Citizens League.

He noted that when this legislation was called up for floor consideration on Sept. 20, Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield of Montana first explained to his colleagues briefly the sense of the measure.

"Mr. President," the Majority Leader then said, "may I say in respect that I am delighted that justice, such as it is in this particular case, is at long last coming into being. This is another indication of the most difficult and uncalled for treatment we accorded to fellow citizens of Japanese descent at the time of the outbreak of World War II. Every country—as does every man—have events in their past of which they are not proud. The events at the time of the outbreak of World War II with respect to the Americans of Japanese ancestry is one of the most nefarious in our history. There is no way now to undo those events; nor to even make fair compensation. It is only to never forget so that never will they be repeated."

Following Sen. Mansfield's remarks, the Senate unanimously passed the bill by voice vote and sent it to the White House for an expected signature.

Following Dec. 7, 1941, it was noted by Masaoka, when Mansfield was professor of Far Eastern history at the Univ. of Montana, he was called upon to be the chairman of a special civilian panel organized by the Enemy Alien Control Unit of the Justice Department to hear appeals from German, Italian and Japanese aliens who were interned at Fort Missoula.

Masaoka recalled that he had often heard Sen. Mansfield tell of those hearings and saying that most of those interned should have never been detained in the first place at all because there was no real evidence that they were disloyal or planned to commit sabotage or espionage against the United States.

Masaoka credited Congressman Spark Matsunaga of Hawaii for not only introducing the corrective measure which would give internees the same opportunity to recover their prewar savings as thousands of other Issei and Nisei but also for his leadership that resulted in unanimous approval of this bill by the House on Aug. 18.

Masaoka paid tribute, too, to Sen. Hiram Fong, also of Hawaii, for persuading the Senate Judiciary Committee to report the measure without additional hearings or executive consideration and to Sen. Mansfield without whose leadership the Senate would never have approved this legislation so late in the session.

With congressional enactment of this bill, "my last legislative commitment to JACL has been completed," Masaoka said. This bill continued to be his responsibility even though he had officially terminated his services as the Washington JACL Representative on July 1 after more than 30 years of staff activity for JACL, some 25 years of which were in Washington.

First of all, the average age of the surviving Issei who put their funds into these banks is 80. And the percentage who survive is pitifully small. I would estimate it would be less than 10 per cent. Then it would be also rare within this group to find very many who have good memories or minds at all in their present advanced age.

Secondly, with the many physical moves forced upon these people, first into concentration camps, sometimes moving from one camp to another three and four times during World War II, then the moves which were forced upon them during the long period of resettlement in the postwar era. And finally moves made into retirement. Let's hope not too many of these papers are necessary (so says the government) to prove a claim were lost.

Thirdly, the Issei men were not particularly generous about family finances with either their children or wives. So how many of the descendants of those who have already died will be aware that such funds once existed?

Fourth, a majority of the second generation Nisei (Japanese-Americans) do not read Japanese. Would they have recognized the importance of papers necessary to make proper claims? Were many of these papers discarded by non-Japanese reading relatives?

Are you beginning to get the picture? How much of these funds are actually going to be returned to the Japanese, even without interest? And even more importantly, what is going to happen to the unclaimed balance? The Government has already admitted that these funds confiscated from the Japanese people in America do not lend itself of being resolved and totally returned.

I would suggest that the Japanese American Citizens League or some other organization ought to get busy and insure that these funds remain in our community where they belong if they are claimed by the relatives of deceased and long gone depositors.

It is my observation that it is always worthwhile to look a "gift horse" in the mouth. We, as minorities, must learn to do this with a great deal more dedication than we ever have in the past. Justice must not be a half-baked deal for anyone in this great country of ours.

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the bill and requesting its introduction, the JACL and the Committee of Japanese American Yen Claimants were very mindful of the several questions asked by Mrs. Yoshiwara, and many more, and tried to answer them to the extent possible in the legislation.

On Documentation

First, we knew that the Issei are very old as a group. So, it was provided that the heirs or successors in interest to those who would benefit from this bill could file claims.

Second, we were aware of the problems of documentation caused by the evacuation and resettlement programs involving the interned Issei. Accordingly, while the administration of the law will be in the hands of the Justice Department, it is presumed that about the only document necessary to prove a claim would be the original yen certificate of deposit. Since some proof of ownership was required, it was considered that these certificates would be the minimum that would be acceptable to the government as the custodian of these funds.

Third, although we recognized the fact that some, or even many, of the heirs or successors in interest might not know if their parents ever had yen certificates of deposit, we would find no solution to this problem that would satisfy the Office of Alien Property. After all, it is responsible to taxpayers, citizens, and Congress for these funds and cannot redeem these certificates without knowing who are the lawful owners or successors in interest and how much each is to be repaid.

Fourth, concerning the inability of most Nisei and Sansei to read Japanese and therefore being unable to understand the value of these yen certificates of deposit had they chanced across them at one time or another, as with the previous issue, we have no reasonable and legal solution. If Mrs. Yoshiwara can provide us with the answers to questions three and four, we would try to have the Congress amend the bill to take care of these problems.

Law Says

Finally, the suggestion that the funds remaining after repayments are made be retained by the Japanese American community ignores the law which provides that whatever is left after the proposed program, if approved, is completed is to be transferred to the War Claims Fund and used to pay war damage claims against German and Japanese military action in World War II.

The funds involved are the private property of the individual depositors and their heirs and successors in interest. They are not community property. And, as pointed out earlier, existing law provides that if this sum is not used or any of it is left after repayment is made to those legally entitled to such redemption, the money is automatically transferred to the War Claims Fund and used for an entirely different purpose.

Our position is that we should try to get back as much of the available funds as possible for the Japanese depositors or their heirs, or may not satisfy all who are concerned with this problem but such an alternative is much to be preferred in our judgment to letting the full amount be sent to the War Claims Fund through default of efforts to secure the return to as many as possible.

Bigger Problem

Even assuming that there is sufficient money in the current fund to repay all of the claimants in full, and assuming too that the Congress is willing to authorize a general return of this fund to the so-called Japanese American community, how would such funds be distributed, to whom and where, in what amounts, etc.

In addition to these comments on Mrs. Yoshiwara's article, may we explain that no interest on the claims was considered because the courts some years ago in ordering the repayment of these same yen certificates of deposit to many more thousands than are presently involved in this bill ruled against it. Moreover, Congress traditionally does not provide interest on claims against the government.

Since a number of other prewar Japanese banks accepted deposits from Japanese, it is a legitimate question to ask why it is that only claimants against the Yokohama Specie Bank will benefit from this legislation. The answer is that only the Yokohama Specie Bank has

any funds available for the repayment of its yen certificates. None of the other banks have any money left in the custody of the Office of Alien Property. As a matter of information, in earlier repayment programs, claimants against the Sumitomo Bank, for instance, were only repaid a pro-rata share of their yen certificates, although the Yokohama Specie Bank redeemed their certificates in full. Sumitomo Bank did not have enough money on hand to redeem all of its certificates even at that earlier time.

Hope for Internees

It is hoped that these internee claimants will receive their full value back on their yen certificates of deposit from the Yokohama Specie Bank if this legislation is enacted.

We hope that these comments and answers are responsive to Mrs. Yoshiwara and will be helpful to those who may be beneficiaries of this Matsunaga bill.

Partial text of House Committee Report

Following is a partial text of the House committee report favoring passage of the Matsunaga bill (HR 8215), filed by Rep. Harley O. Staggers (D-W.Va.), chairman of the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

This legislation is intended to remedy a long-standing inequity in the treatment of Japanese Americans. As is well known, until the enactment of the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, lawfully admitted alien Japanese were barred from becoming naturalized citizens of the United States. For this reason, at the outbreak of World War II, they automatically became "enemy aliens" and were evacuated en masse from the Pacific Coast. Many were interned with the consequent disruption of their lives and, in many cases, loss of their livelihood and property. Virtually all of those evacuated or interned were loyal to their adopted country. Their sons served valiantly in our Armed Forces during World War II. Most are now citizens of the United States. All so-called dangerous internees were repatriated to Japan during and after World War II and would qualify as claimants under this legislation.

Over 15,000 Recover

Over a period of years since the end of World War II, Congress and the courts have sought to redress this unfair treatment of our Japanese American community. Under previous legislation, more than 15,000 Japanese Americans who were evacuated but not interned or paroled, have recovered funds which had been deposited in United States branches of Japanese banks. However, between 1,000 and 2,000 depositors were barred from recovery under the Trading with the Enemy Act because they were interned or paroled during the war.

Other Japanese Americans have recovered claims for real property confiscated or lost during the war under the terms of the Japanese American Evacuation Claims Act. Several court decisions have permitted recovery at favorable exchange rates, or on behalf of late claimants, in an obvious effort to rectify the loss of what is essentially private property.

War Claims Fund

According to testimony before the Subcommittee on Commerce and Finance, all of the claimants who might qualify under this legislation were either released outright or paroled during the war as not being dangerous to the nation. It should be noted that if this legislation is not enacted, funds which are free of obligation under the Trading with the Enemy Act (including the \$4.5 million which is the subject of this legislation) would be transferred to the war claims fund in the custody of the Treasury Department and be used for the payment of war claims of American citizens who suffered losses in World War II. Notwithstanding this fact, it is the opinion of the Committee that the predominant legal and moral right to these funds belongs to the Americans of Japanese ancestry who are the beneficiaries of this legislation.

New bank site

GARDENA, Calif. — Bank of Tokyo, which opened its branch here 17 years ago, moved to its new office this week at 158th and Western Ave. Accommodations are double of the former branch.

CRITICISM MOUNTS AGAINST ILGWU RACIST '

Reviving the Yellow Peril

Sept. 20
 For a long time in America's past, Orientals were widely depicted as subhuman. And Americans of Chinese and Japanese extraction were frequently subjected to personal abuse and political indignities. Almost immediately after the attack on Pearl Harbor, those attitudes culminated in the uprooting of more than 100,000 Japanese Americans from their West Coast homes, and incarcerating them in scattered relocation camps.

Today, American attitudes are much more enlightened. Throughout the Korean and Vietnamese wars, and despite America's longtime post-war differences with Communist China, there were gratifyingly few attempts to revive the familiar anti-Oriental shibboleths. Indeed, Americans of Oriental extraction recently have been largely accepted and admired by the wider society, and this has been a hopeful portent for the even more difficult problem of prejudice against blacks.

But what of the Korean and Vietnamese wars were unable to revive, an economic threat very well may. As a recent Journal article on Japanese Americans noted, because of Japan's trade success there have been isolated but increasing examples of anti-Japanese slogans, advertisements, and even a song ("The Import Blues") whose lyrics are crudely anti-Japanese. Like opportunistic prewar

politicians who ran on openly "Yellow peril" platforms, today some politicians from districts that are losing out to competition from Japan are hammering thinly-disguised anti-Japanese planks and sentiments into their platforms.

More recently, the word "Jap" — a racial slur every bit as deplorable as the much more familiar slurs known to every Archie Bunker viewer — increasingly crops up in newspaper headlines. And recent ads of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union are seemingly designed to arouse fears of American jobs exported to Japan. Indeed, it is hard to disagree with the charges of spokesmen for Asian-Americans for Action that the ads encourage "the frustrations and anger of workers toward an ethnic minority," and are not the way to deal with such problems.

The word racism has been banded about far too carelessly of late, frequently as a convenient tag to pin on those holding different political and ideological beliefs. And because racism thrives on ignorance, superstition and fear, its ugly virus is never completely isolated.

That's why the sudden sprouting of anti-Japan messages and slogans, unfortunate in themselves but worse because they threaten to revive sentiments that have been dormant for decades, is of much greater concern than the dollars and cents argument over trade and jobs.

Rohlfing is using all the techniques of Madison Avenue "to try to BUY the elections". In actuality, both Matsunaga and Rohlfing will be utilizing public relations agencies in this campaign. As for Masaoka's charge of political exploitation, we humbly ask him to elaborate on that statement. Frankly, we don't know what he is talking about!

Masaoka speaks, the story continues, "from more than a quarter of a century observing the political scene". In that time has Masaoka met Sen. Rohlfing? We sincerely hope he is at least acquainted with Fred Rohlfing's record. That we doubt, since had he been aware of that record, we are sure he would not have permitted such a slanted statement.

Racial Bias—More than the incorrect statements, the plea for money, the personal attacks on Fred Rohlfing, we deplore the implicit bid for support on a racial basis. Perhaps this also reflects on the raison d'être of the JACL itself. Perhaps it is an inescapable fact of life. Yet, we consider it unfortunate and rather should hope for the day when organizations to protect the rights of racial minorities are no longer necessary.

As a State Senator, Rohlfing's constituency is heavily Oriental and predominantly non-Caucasian. He has served in the Legislature for their behalf for 13 years. He could not have been elected five times without their support.

Goodwill Ambassador—We are volunteering our services, and Fred Rohlfing is running, because we firmly believe that the people of Hawaii desire a stronger representation. Matsunaga has been an excellent goodwill ambassador, but after his 10 years in office, Hawaii is still vulnerable to dock strikes, and the mere threat of a strike causes consternation to Hawaii's businessmen and consumers alike.

That Matsunaga has endorsed Sen. McGovern for President is of even greater concern for many here who feel that hundreds of defense and defense-related jobs will be phased out. In addition, many fear that taxes will double under McGovern. Federal spending is by far the largest source of revenue in this state and the citizens of Hawaii are justifiably nervous about any great change in this sector.

We thank you for the chance to express our side of the story.
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Perspectives

AMERICAN POLITICS—I just read or, more truthfully, scanned carefully "The Almanac of American Politics". This publication, which I noted others have already commented upon in the PC, contains a lot of useful and interesting material not often available under one cover. You can get a practical education about the structure and nature of our body politic in this piece of work. The fact that one of the three co-authors is a Japanese American kind of enhances its appeal.

It seems to me that Michael Barone, Grant Ujifusa, Douglas Matthews have made a significant contribution to political literature.

POLITICS AND OLYMPICS—Events of the 20th Olympiad in Munich are history, and the heat generated by some of the happenings has undoubtedly cooled. If you are a sports fan and have any kind of sensitivity, however, you couldn't help but become emotional. I had the misfortune of sitting in front of the television set and watching the spectacle generated by Howard Cosell, around the misfortune suffered by the U.S. sprinters, who missed their heat.

Cosell, whose voice and condescending mannerisms, irritates me anyway, chose to use his commentator's role (which doesn't carry with it olympian wisdom or god-like qualities) to make judgments and overdramatize the whole issue, in what struck me as in bad taste and appalling arrogance. An already bad scene was made unnecessary worse by this performance.

People keep talking about taking politics out of the Games. Although this sounds nice, it apparently isn't going to happen. What purports to be the epitome of amateur sports and sportsmanship seems instead to be an all-out nationalistic "war" on the different athletic fronts between nations, with capitalism vs. communism getting the brightest spotlight. The sniveling that goes on about about everything from the International Olympic Committee, to the bias of individual judges, hardly justifies the spirit of sportsmanship.

One cannot blame the many athletes who were quoted as being disturbed by the gap in both age and philosophy between them and the "old men" running the show. If the Olympic Games is to retain the kind of meaning it should have in the scheme of things, somebody ought to wake up.

POLITICS WITHIN—I can't help but reflect upon continuing signs in the PC that certain JACLers insist upon perpetuating the myth that certain developments at the Convention mean that JACL has deserted the Asian community, youth, etc. From things I read of what's happening in the L.A. area, and at the recent Youth Convention, there are encouraging signs that, despite the hassle from which no one won any victories, JACLers are taking care of business.

Also any JACLer who preaches the virtues of listening and understanding, has the responsibility of avoiding sloppy analogies and, if alluding to individual philosophies, need to know what they're talking about. Some current JACLers might not have been on the scene when I ventilated in the PC about the "America, Love It or Leave It" syndrome—the bumper strip still bugs me. If you're a newcomer (Mr. Sakai) and apparently a reasonable JACLer (or "liberal" if you prefer) maybe you might consider finding out where I am at, before possibly interpreting some important things wrong. As you can see, I'm still "letting the chips fall where they may".

25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, Sept. 27, 1947

U.S. officials await outcome of Tokyo test cases to clarify citizenship status of Nisei strandedes . . . Committee formed in Los Angeles to fight restrictive housing covenants barring non-Caucasians from Jefferson-Normandie area . . . 442nd's 3rd Battalion reactivated in Hawaii as reserve unit . . . First Japanese brides of Nisei veterans arrive in U.S. under Soldier Brides Act amendment. Japanese Canadian evacuee group continues protest on British Columbia exclusion. . . Report Peru Japanese interned in U.S. to be deported to Japan denied by San Francisco attorney Wayne Collins . . . Oregon law barring alien barbers ruled invalid by court . . . Sim Togasaki accompany 200 goats on relief mission to Okinawa . . . Mayor LaGuardia dies, had opposed relocation of evacuees to Brooklyn but first to admit mistake later.

In the Pacific Citizen, Oct. 4, 1947

Colo. Gov. Knous expresses pride in integration of evacuees resettling in state . . . Five Nisei attacked by group of Filipino farm workers in Lodi, apparently precipitated by innocent salutation delivered by one Nisei to a Filipino mistaken for a person of Japanese ancestry; JACL officials meet with Filipino leaders to eliminate misunderstanding . . . Young Nisei doctor denied office space in Akron (O.) building . . . Rev. Jitsuo Morioka named pastor of 114-year-old First Baptist Church, Chicago . . . Federal Judge Cavanagh at Los Angeles restores citizenship to four Tule Lake renunciants . . . 34th Division veterans urge naturalization rights for parents of Nisei GIs . . . Pathe Newsreels show evacuees back in California.

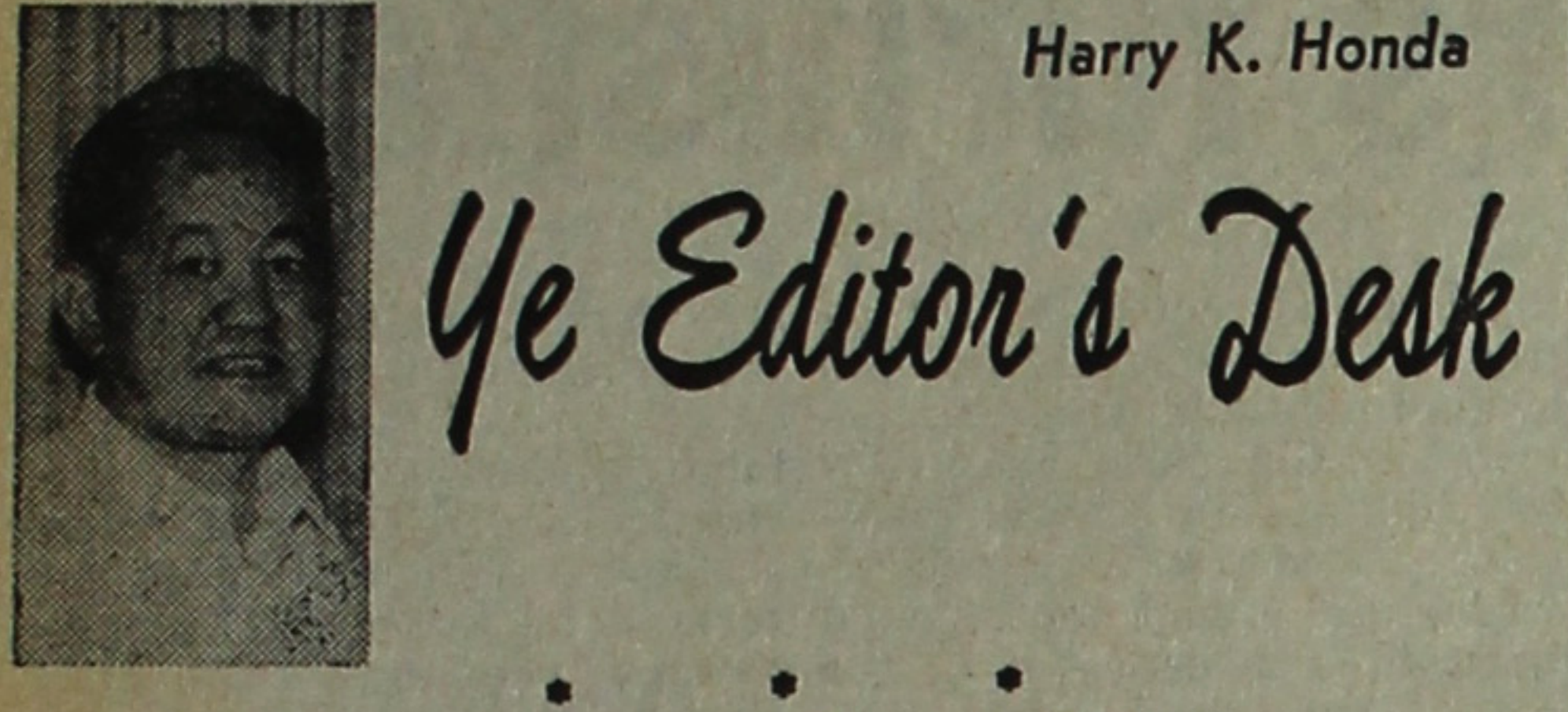
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Harry K. Honda

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TWO BOOKS FROM MORROW

It's been three years since we've had books of interest to PC readers to review from William Morrow & Co., publishers who were given a bad time with the title to Bill Hosokawa's popular history of the Japanese in America.

Bill is back with a second book, "The Two Worlds of Jim Yoshida", a biographical account of a Nisei stranded—one who was stranded in Japan because of World War II. In a way, it supplies part of a missing chapter to his first book, "Nisei: The Quiet Americans", as the tragic predicament facing Japanese Americans in Japan after Dec. 7, 1941, is even more unbelievable than the plight of Nisei during the Evacuation.

Jim Yoshida was born in Seattle, started in high school football prewar, but a few months before Pearl Harbor his father died. He accompanied his mother and two sisters to Japan to bury his father's remains. Two years later, he was drafted by the Japanese army and served in China—about the same time his buddies in the States were enlisting for the 442nd Regimental Combat Team out of relocation camps. Finally making it back to Japan, Jim learned he had lost his U.S. citizenship, served as an interpreter for the Allied Occupation and as unpaid volunteer in the Korean war with an American MP outfit. With his citizenship restored in a precedent-setting case in 1953 in Hawaii, Jim settled there to become a property developer and importer of ginseng products from Korea and jade from Hong Kong.

Senator Dan Inouye, in the foreword, is thankful this personal story is told for it shows what America means to one man and how it sustained him in his most dismal hour. "In an age marked by deep cynicism, it is refreshing to read of a man who had an opportunity to straddle two different worlds but in the end chose to return to the land of his birth. There are lessons here that we can all learn."

Other strandedes reading this book will find it may be time to tell their ventures of this period. I was thinking of our National JACL treasurer Al Hatate.

Unscrewing the "inscrutable" out of the Japanese of today has been the foil of many Hakujuin writers who've been in Japan in recent years. Morrow has latched onto an impressive key in Jack Seward's "The Japanese", a beguiling book that enlightens and entertains (some of the anecdotes are too funny to be real).

A Texan who studied Japanese at Michigan during WW2, he's lived in Japan for over 25 years, reads and speak the language fluently—enabling him to describe the Japanese life, customs and psychology in straight style. Tightly written, there are entire chapters devoted to the communal bath, their men, their women, their love life, food and drink, their religion, their extremes, attitudes, democracy and their future. Enough of Japan's rich history is cited to prove his point with the American reader who senses Japan is U.S.'s chief economic competitor.

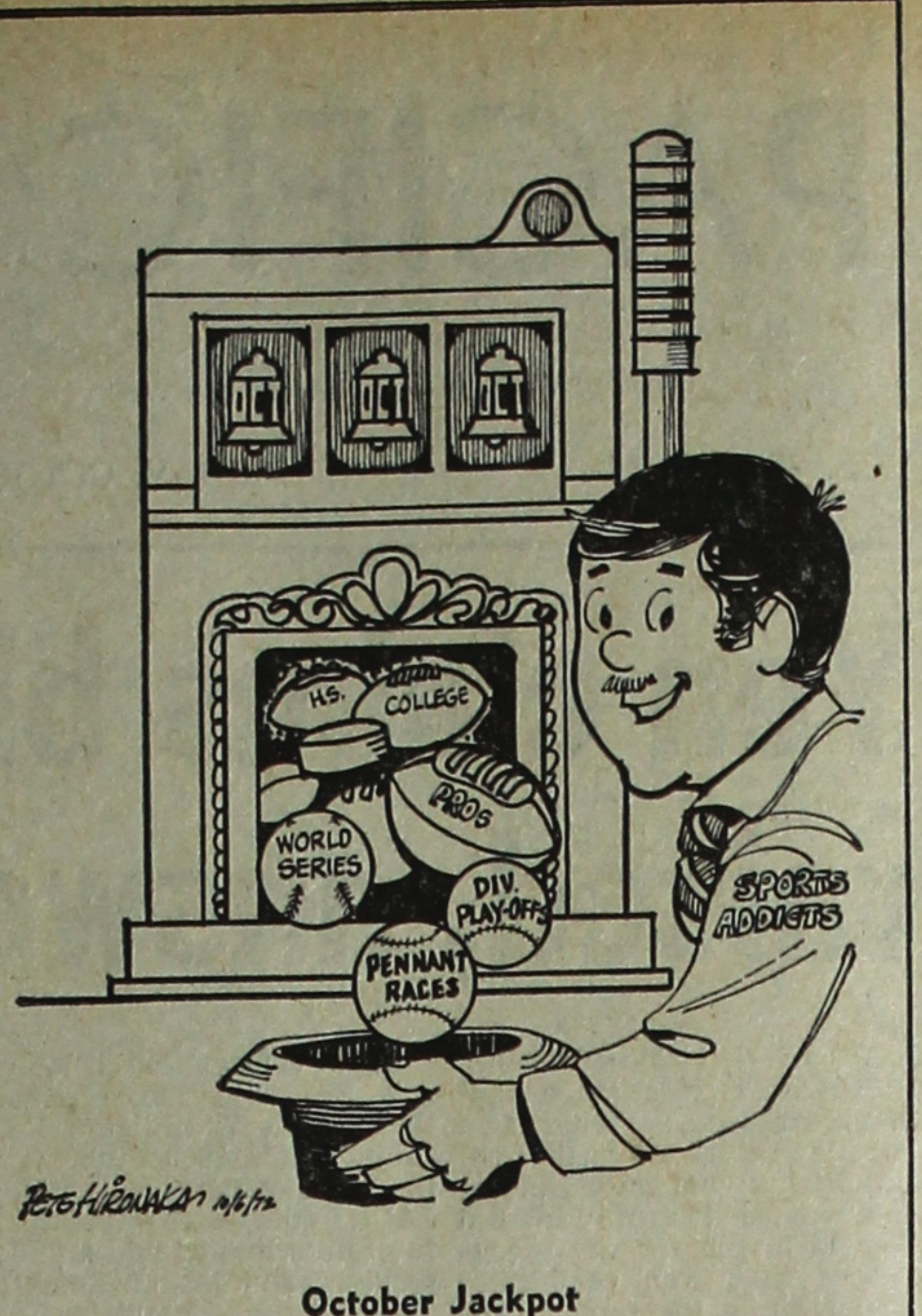
Of violent student demonstrations—the most unruly incident on May Day, 1952, he didn't know had happened till he read his paper that night. While the Western observer is tempted to predict chaos or an extremist regime in Japan in due course, Seward reflects on behavior patterns. The Japanese curve starts high on freedom during childhood and dips toward restriction, whereas the American curve is plotted in opposite fashion—restrictions are placed on children and rises to a peak of freedom during adult years. It is in that frame of mind that Japanese students demonstrate as "their last one fling before the demands of adult society clamp them firmly into the roles for which they are being molded". Seward recalls four studies to determine what happens to rebellious students after graduation from college. After they find jobs in government or business, by the end of the first year, they are "the same amenable cogs in Japan's social works that their older coworkers and neighbors are".

Seward's matchless virtue of preferring Japanese to the English translation hits paydirt each time. His explanation of "kami" as originally intended before and its diffusion after Christianity flowed into Japan takes a couple of pages but Seward feels necessary to grasp Shinto. Social values of "on, giri, ninjo, sei, makoto, kao, sekinin, gimu, and nimmu" (kindness, duty or justice, humanity, sincerity, sincerity, face, responsibility, duty, and mission or assigned task, respectively), Seward calls the "ligatures that hold the framework of Japanese society together . . . while each can be translated into English fairly adequately, these English translations often do not encompass all that the original Japanese is meant to convey".

"Japanese people are not at all hard to understand," Seward professes and he feels "it has become advantageous for them to assist in the perpetuation of the tired old half-myth about the inscrutable Japanese and Their Islands of Mystery." In one sense, the Japanese remain generally uncomprehended because few Westerners really know their language well.

The islands are not much of a mystery any more as millions of Westerners have since visited Japan but still not much is really known of Japan. Seward, who is Far Eastern manager for Scholastic Magazine, Inc., then cites the cultural gap that exists between Japan and U.S. for almost any Japanese can name at least five or ten of our states and five of our presidents besides the present one. "How many Americans can name even one Japanese prefecture or prime minister?" he asks. It is to this understanding of Japan and the Japanese that Seward disentangles with skill and candor.

Each book sells for \$6.95. Seward's book is indexed.



October Jackpot

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

Rohlfing's campaign

Editor:
 In the interest of fair play, we ask a few facts be printed in order to clear up some misconceptions in the PC Sept. 22 article entitled "Patsy, Spark Facing Tougher Bid".

Regarding Campaign Funds—The story refers to State Senator Rohlfing's intention to spend \$150,000 in an effort to defeat Rep. Matsunaga. He certainly will, if he can manage to raise that amount. By not mentioning the total the incumbent intends to spend, it certainly appears that Matsunaga has much less money and is the underdog. Enclosed is an article (on the PC front page this week—Ed.) from a Honolulu paper which gives the exact dollar amount which each candidate has mustered thus far. You will see that Mr. Matsunaga is by far the richer candidate.

Clearly, Matsunaga has the advantage as the five-term incumbent. He has the ability to collect contributions from special interest groups, lobbyists, (such as the JACL) in Washington D.C. Rohlfing, on the other hand is relying for the most part on Hawaiian "grass roots" support.

Ancient Curmudgeon—Sen. Rohlfing has never stooped to personal attacks and name-calling. He did not call Matsunaga an "Ancient Curmudgeon". He hardly could, being only 12 years younger than his opponent. Rohlfing

was referring, instead, to the many chairmen of Congressional committees that have run from "safe districts" for 40 or 50 years and are no longer responsive to the new, pressing problems of our society today. Enclosed is the speech Rohlfing made to the Shriners in which he called for Congressional reform.

Matsunaga, incidentally, favors the seniority system now that he has put in his time. Our thinking is that this system categorically rejects merit or election as a basis for promotion or committee placement.

Madison Avenue Public Relations—We question further the accuracy of the report. According to the PC story, Rohlfing "is said to have paid in advance for most of the available prime time on all the TV stations except one in order to prevent Sparky from telecasting the truth to the citizens of Hawaii." The implication is that Rohlfing pulled a fast one beating Matsunaga to the station to buy up all the best times. Federal law requires that TV time be paid in advance; Matsunaga, himself must comply with this policy. Also, TV stations are obligated to sell equal time so we do not have an undue portion. Furthermore, the actual truth is that Matsunaga purchased TV time BE-

FORE Sen. Rohlfing by at least one or two weeks. And our campaign committee has done nothing to "prevent Sparky from telecasting the truth".
 Mike Masaoka has said,

A NISEI VIEW OF JAPAN: by Dr. Roy Doi

Understand the Japanese?

Part II
 Can a Nikkel really understand Japanese culture? With Issel as parents it would appear that Nisei would be able to comprehend the behavior and thought patterns of the Japanese. However my belief is that a Nikkel would never be able to fully understand the Japanese unless he had lived in Japan for about 10 years. There are several prerequisites which appear to be essential for gaining insight into how a Japanese acts and thinks.

The most important skill required is absolute fluency in the Japanese language, one of the most difficult languages to learn, and a complete knowledge of how it is to be used.

This is demonstrated simply by the fact that when two Japanese men meet, they immediately exchange *meishi* or namecards. The purpose for this exchange is not to learn the other person's name, but to learn the other person's status in life. After a brief perusal of the information on the card, then and only then can they talk to each other.

Language Formality
 If the other person is "superior", then a certain formal form of Japanese is used to address him; if he is inferior in status, then a more familiar form of Japanese is permissible; finally if the person is equal in status, or a very intimate friend, another casual form of spoken Japanese is used.

For most Nikkel this immediately presents difficulties, since he can hardly speak any Japanese in the first place and then to be asked to decide which form to use is beyond his capabilities. This great handicap definitely decreases the probability of full understanding of the Japanese.

The references to superior, inferior, and equal status may also strike most Nikkel who are accustomed to American democracy as being somewhat distasteful. But it is a fact of life in Japan that status is one of the most important factors in life and may determine the whole life style of the person.

Vertical Structure
 Japanese society is structured vertically. Every male has a superior and inferior(s). The superior can be called a *senpai* or classic-

ally an *oyabun*. The inferior is called a *kohai*. A colleague of equal status is a *doryo*. However most of the social relationships appear to be either with *senpai* or *kohai*. There is relatively little relationship between "doryo" except with very intimate school or *kaisha* (company) friends.

In my personal observation of professors, they tended to interact very well with their *koza* (group) which are all of inferior status to them; they were paternalistic and insured that a good relationship existed between themselves and their junior colleagues. I was uncertain as to how often they went drinking with other professors of equal rank. It seemed that a professor's relationship with his group occupied so much of his time that very little time was left to develop many relationships outside of his own group and his family.

This vertical nature of society is somewhat difficult to comprehend for most foreigners including probably most Nikkel. Also a Nikkel who goes to Japan cannot become fully socially integrated, since the "senpai/kohai" relationships are usually established from high school and university days. Most foreigners who go to Japan are treated royally, but they will never become an integral part of the society unless he lives there from his college days or for many, many years; even then if he happens to have blond hair, he would never become truly part of Japanese society. Understanding the intricate nature of this vertical society would be another requirement for total comprehension of the Japanese.

Japanese Extremes
 The contradictory nature of Japanese action is again difficult to understand. A simple example is the fact that most Japanese keep their homes beautifully clean. We were very fortunate to have been invited to many homes in Japan and invariably the house and small garden were truly beautiful with everything in its proper place. And yet this same Japanese who keeps his own home so immaculate may go out of his house and urinate and spit on the street, throw waste paper indiscriminately, fill his car, discard empty beer and soda bottles and lunch

boxes all along hiking trails and even in public parks, and have complete disregard for public sanitation and cleanliness; this is particularly so when anonymity is maintained while polluting the environment.

The Japanese sociologists explain this phenomenon in the following manner: since a Japanese is so restricted in his own household, he feels free to do anything he wants outside of his home. This internal restriction consists of behaving one's father, knowing one's status in the family, and obeying all the social customs of the home.

Apparently this is carried so far as to include seating arrangements for dinner at home. The order of descending superiority goes from the father down through the oldest son, other sons, daughters, and finally to the wife who occupies the bottom of the social ladder in the home. This type of seating arrangement exists throughout society. Therefore if one enters a room occupied by Japanese there is a probability that one can spot the most important person in the room by the seating arrangement. This apparently causes confusion to the Japanese who walks into a roomful of foreigners, since most foreigners do not sit in a fixed arrangement; the Japanese has a difficult time trying to determine who is the most important person in the room to whom he should pay homage.

Issel Admonition
 Returning to the behavior of Japanese in public places, I have observed just the opposite behavior pattern among Nikkel. In America most Nikkel groups take great pride in "leaving a public park cleaner than it was before they came." This type of behavior probably was derived from the concept of "remaining as inconspicuous as possible in a hostile white society." Most Nikkel will remember the admonition of the Issel to "not bring harm on the whole group" by careless actions.

The contradictory nature of the Japanese is also brought out in their emotional behavior. As a Nisei I had been raised on a diet of samurai movies in which the cool samurai showed very little emotion while artistically slicing people in half. Since he was the hero of the movie, my conception of a typical

Misconceptions

Also if you look at the other characters in a samurai movie, you will notice that they laugh with gusto, cry loudly and this includes men, become uncontrollably angry — the best example is Lord Asano of Chushingura fame (The 47 Ronin, a classical story of honor and revenge), an show every typical human emotion. There is no such person as the unemotional "you can't tell what he is thinking about" Japanese. This was in fact a very surprising discovery to me and one of my major misconceptions about the Japanese.

Another area of contradiction is the compartmentalized nature of being polite. The Japanese are very polite to guests and friends. However, this very gentle behavior is thrown to the winds when they are boarding a crowded public conveyance, shopping at a department store sale, going through doors (this will be noticed by Nikkel women in particular, since the Japanese man always precedes the women through doorways; in fact I had to walk through doorways first, because the women would be waiting), when they don't realize you are a Nikkel and think you are using rural Japanese, when a department store clerk can't quite figure out your proper status, and when they don't realize you are a foreigner and think you are a Japanese.

This last point may seem to contradict some of the previous points, but generally the Japanese are much more courteous to a strange *gaijin* than to another Japanese who is a stranger. I should be quick to add that generally most Japanese are extremely courteous, kind, and polite, but it did come as a shock

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From the Frying Pan

Bill Hosokawa

TALENT HUNTER—William H. (Mo) Marumoto, the Los Angeles Nisei, is the first Asian American to serve in the White House on the administrative level. His title is staff assistant to the President, and last week we reported about his assignment of stirring up Hispanic support for Richard Nixon's re-election campaign. But he wears two hats, and his other and perhaps more important function is to recruit able, talented people from minority groups for upper level federal jobs.

A life-long interest in politics took Marumoto inevitably to Washington. He recalls that his first venture into the field was as campaign manager for a pal running for student office in junior high school. By the time he himself was a big man on campus, Marumoto was being tabbed as a comer. He plunged into volunteer work, soon attracted attention for his skills as well as his energy, and was invited to go along to Washington when his friend Robert Finch was named Secretary of the Department of Health Education and Welfare by President Nixon. When Finch left the cabinet to take a new assignment as White House counselor, Marumoto joined the White House staff.

Marumoto has played no small role in finding places in federal service for an increasing number of the Spanish-surnamed as well as Nisei. Perhaps his most interesting experience was in locating Mrs. Ramona Banuelos, the Los Angeles business executive who became treasurer of the United States. Marumoto was given the word late on a Thursday that the President wanted to appoint a Hispanic woman for the job. Marumoto's assignment was to find a suitable candidate. He telephoned friends on the West Coast for the names of Spanish-surnamed women on the boards of banks and savings and loan associations, or with extensive business experience. Within 24 hours the reports began coming back, and Mrs. Banuelos' name appeared on most of the lists.

Only after she had been checked out and appointed did it become known that she had been in trouble with immigration authorities over employment of illegal immigrants in her Mexican food factory. The security people had slipped up, but Marumoto also accepts part of the blame. I forgot to ask her whether there was anything in her past that would embarrass the President, he says. On a somewhat larger scale, George McGovern's people were guilty of asking Senator Tom Eagleton that same question. As it turned out, Mrs. Banuelos overcame the embarrassment and is performing splendidly.

Of approximately 20,000 men and women in decision-making jobs in the federal government, Marumoto says, about 20 are Asian Americans. Since Shiro Kashiwa, assistant attorney general in charge of the Land and Natural Resources Division, left the Department of Justice to become justice in the Court of Claims, the top Nisei in government service would be Dr. Robert Naka, deputy undersecretary of the Air Force. But in addition to federal employees, Marumoto says there are some 50 or 60 Asian Americans serving in unpaid advisory capacities in such agencies as the Small Business Administration and various others.

It has been suggested that Marumoto has an excellent chance of becoming the first Nisei member of Congress from the mainland. While Marumoto doesn't dismiss the possibility, he feels that Mayor Norman Mineta of San Jose, Calif., now building a strong base of support in his area, may find Congress a logical next goal. Much, of course, depends on time and opportunity. Under other circumstances Mike Masaoka well might have represented his state of Utah in Congress.

Meanwhile, as the political battles warm up, it is heartening to read that Jeffrey Matsui has been taken on as a salaried worker in the McGovern-Shriver campaign. The Nisei never have voted as a bloc, and while this dilutes even further their relatively insignificant numbers, it is good that principle rather than ethnicity determines the way they vote.



Sakura Script
A Strong Sex Flavor

By Jim Henry

TOKYO — In the past the pages of girls' magazines were filled with innocent gossip about movie stars and sweet stories of love.

Today, however, most such publications, weekly and monthly, except those for kindergarten children and the lower grades of primary school, are strongly sex-flavored.

The innocent gossip about film idols has long given way to descriptions of kissing techniques of actors and actresses. And the pages are punctuated with spicy cartoons.

"Don't eat peanuts, because they arouse you sexually," says one magazine. "So and so lipstick," declares another, "won't leave red marks on the lips of your kissing partner."

Yet another magazine recently carried a story about a girl who saw her mother making love with a stranger. "She fixed her gaze at what was going on in the room," goes the story. "The mother was lying on her back. Over her was this man, quite a stranger to the girl. And both of them were naked from the waist down."

Each of the girls' magazines (there are more than 10 of them) has some 200,000 circulation, and their readers include primary school pupils. "Stories of platonic love have no appeal to present-day girls," says Tateshi Tomishima, a writer regularly contributing to such magazines. "These days, girls are much more aware of boys than their mothers used to be."

Takashi Shozawa, editor of "Shosatsu Junior," says that girls these days mature sexually earlier, both mentally and physically. "Adults who were brought up when sex was a hushed subject

won't believe this," he says, "but girls know much more about sex than their parents think."

Understandably, parents and educators express their concern that the material may give rise to juvenile sex crimes, but at present they have no means to keep it from being published.

"It is not a welcome trend," says Saburo Wada of the Tokyo Metropolitan Education Board. "I feel that something should be done to turn the girls' interest to more wholesome men-women relationships."

LITTLE TOKYO SENDS CLOTHING TO KOREANS

LOS ANGELES — The Japanese American community was thanked last month for its support of the clothing collection drive conducted by the Federation of Korean Societies in the USA to aid victims of recent disastrous floods in Korea.

According to Sonia S. Suk, Federation president, some 28 large cases, loaded with 2,748 pieces of men's, women's and children's clothing and several pairs of shoes, were shipped via Korean Airlines on Sept. 20 for flood victims who lost their homes and all of their belongings.

Locally, the So. Calif. JACL office cooperated with the Federation in the collection effort.

Ex-Imperial reunion
LOS ANGELES—Former Imperial Valley residents will have a reunion Oct. 21 at the sexually earlier, both mentally and physically. "Adults who were brought up when sex was a hushed subject

NBC-News essay: 'Guilty' provokes viewers

LOS ANGELES — Although switchboards at the five NBC television stations were deluged (about 300 in all, according to Associated Press writer Jay Sharbutt) with "crank" and "hate" calls following the Sept. 19 airing of "Guilty by Reason of Race", mail response has been overwhelmingly favorable.

The hour-long essay recalled the 1942 internment of some 110,000 persons of Japanese ancestry through interviews with evacuees, still photographs and newsreel footage and comments by individuals in prominent positions at the time of Evacuation.

NBC reported irate phone callers outnumbered the complimentary ones by 10-1. About 40 praised it.

Talk Show
In San Francisco, callers to a KGO Radio talk show referred to the TV program and revived old myths of Japanese farmers, fishermen, and businessmen aiding Japanese military forces.

Typical of the callers was one woman who queried, "Why can't you show pictures of American soldiers who were victims of the Bataan death march?" program producer Robert Northshield disclosed.

He notes, however, that the success of the program can be measured by the adverse reaction to the report which was designed to re-examine the conscience of America as to the terrible mistake the government made in their treatment of good, loyal citizens.

Written Response
Written response, on the other hand, reflected the opposite tone. Letters and telegrams began pouring into NBC's New York office later in the week. Almost all commend the Northshield program.

The ratio is about the same — 50 to 1 — but this time there are 15 letters praising the documentary for every letter criticizing it.

Included among the phone calls and letters were requests to borrow the film for edu-

cational purposes in high schools and colleges.

"We are very satisfied with the response — both negative and positive — and feel we had done a fairly accurate job of reporting the facts," Fred Flomenhaft, who directed "Guilty," told the Rafu Shimpo. He spoke on behalf of Northshield, who has been hospitalized with a ruptured disc.

"We looked at everything (films, documentaries) that was ever done on the Evacuation era and felt that none was adequate," Flomenhaft said.

Long Overdue
Television critics across the country have generally praised "Guilty By Reason of Race" and concurred in the opinion that it is a long overdue work.

New York Post TV editor Bob Williams summarized the "effective NBC Reports documentary" by saying "the ugly memories endure." He repeated Northshield's question whether Evacuation could happen again and saw no reason why it couldn't for the executive order by the late President Roosevelt still exists and the Supreme Court decision upholding the measure as a "military necessity" has never been reversed, a point stressed by Sen. Dan Inouye in the TV essay.

San Francisco Examiner critic Dwight Newton said that while it was "impressively moving," it failed to research fully the "fright, terror, uncertainty and panic" that pervaded this West Coast following Pearl Harbor. Prying quotes from "enfeebled old military men was ridiculously superficial," he said.

Oakland Tribune critic Bob MacKenzie felt if there is a lesson in that disgraceful episode, "it would be found by examining why almost an entire public cooperated in the lockup. We might learn something about war psychology and mass hysteria." Thirty years later it's hard to imagine how Americans could listen to newsreels describing the Japanese in subhuman terms as well as trying to

reconstruct the state of mind of Californians who herded the Japanese Americans into detention camps, he said.

Los Angeles Times critic Matur Green lauded Northshield for bringing the Evacuation of the National Archives into the national consciousness. "It's the kind of thing we need to remember; both we who are old enough to want to forget, and those who are too young to imagine genuine evil," he added.

Nisei Comments
New York Nichibei editor Taxie Kusunoki found it "an oddly dispassionate narrative" that needs telling "but which has so many layers that one hour's coverage is necessarily and consequently limited."

The worthwhile sidelight was the appearance of Leon Happell, department commander of the American Legion in California, and Lloyd Cosgrove, grand president of the Native Sons of the Golden West, continuing "to mouth rhetoric, vintage California 1941-42." It was revealing — and chilling — to listen to these then-pillars of the community, Miss Kusunoki said.

Kashu Mainichi English editor Kats Kunitzugu found the program "well-edited, well-put together... with no false notes of any importance that I could detect" and congratulated producer Northshield and the Employers Insurance of Wausau, sponsors of the show, for "a significant presentation."

For Mrs. Kunitzugu it was something akin "to a psychoanalytic session... evoking painful emotions that I am still reluctant to acknowledge."

Edison Uno put it accurately by calling the Evacuation experience as a "rape of constitutional liberties" and as victims "we continue to feel a sense of shame and elect not to talk about it," Mrs. Kunitzugu added.

Rafu Shimpo English editor Ellen Endo Kayano found the program "markedly devoid of the patronizing tone which often permeated previous attempts at reporting the events of that era." She blamed not the wartime hysteria of the public but the people in power "who manipulated public opinion into their own warped way of thinking."

While Happell believes former internees ought to forget about the Evacuation as "they have been forgiven," Mrs. Kayano counters that the perpetrators of the Evacuation instead "ought to beg forgiveness from the interned Japanese Americans."

San Francisco Hokubei Mainichi contributor Jon Fu-

nabiki called it the "most persuasively damning documentary yet produced for TV on the Japanese American concentration camp experience and its aftermath."

Nikkei Interviewed
While Army Lt. Col. D. Boney (ret.) was among those in charge of the Evacuation and declined to comment on whether he felt the removal was right or wrong but that he was only following orders, evacuees and other Sansei were not so reluctant. Interviewed were other members of Edison Uno's family, older brother Ernie and sister Amy Ishii, Craig Shimabukuro, Warren Furutani, Sandy Maeshiro, Mrs. Betty Kozasa and her two sons, "Bean" Takeda and Ikei Kakimoto.

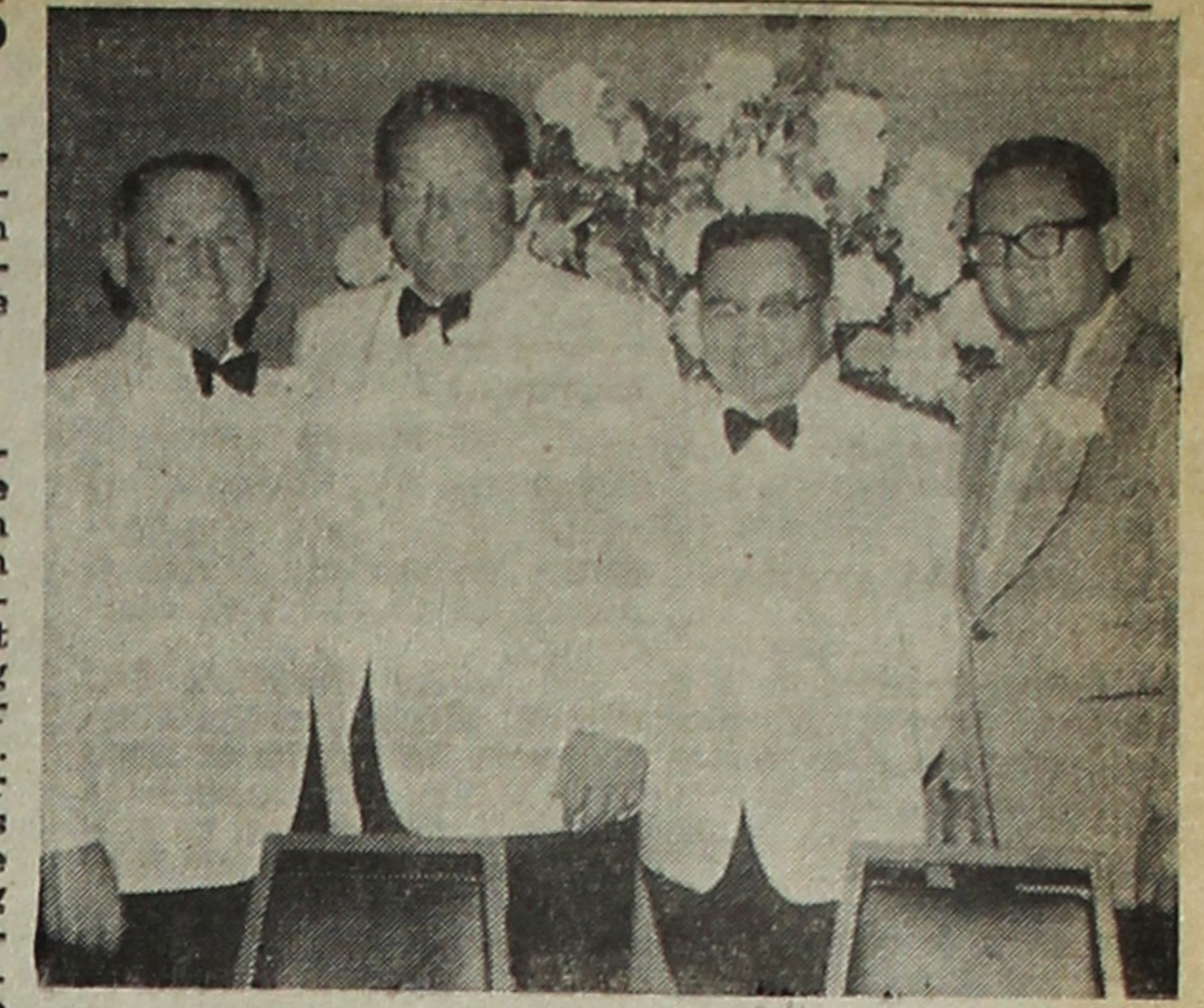
NBC found Mrs. Fumiko Hayashida, Dr. William Asano and Mrs. Miyuki Hirano, all of whom are pictured in the "Executive Order 9066" exhibit. Asano is shown as the small boy with his older brother and grandfather, while Mrs. Hirano is the small child on the cover of the "E.O. 9066" book.

The lesson of the NBC reports perhaps lies in the remarks of former Supreme Court Justice Tom Clark who looks on it all as "a grievous mistake" and doesn't feel "we've changed enough" to prevent a recurrence. "It could happen again," he quickly added. "There could be another so-called military necessity."

Bullock's Store gives JACL \$1,000

PASADENA, Calif.—Bullock's Pasadena celebrated its 25th anniversary by awarding \$1,000 each to 25 different social service and cultural organizations here on Sept. 19. Pasadena JACL, a recipient, has placed the major portion of the Bullock's award in its scholarship fund, recently named in memory of Ben Senzaki, chapter leader and community worker. Balance of the gift will be used for community purposes, according to Mrs. Thelma Stoodly, chapter president.

Lewis Leiter, general manager of Bullock's Pasadena, in welcoming the organizations, said the awards were their way of saying "thank you" to the hundreds of volunteers whose support and interest are so vital to meet the cultural and welfare concerns of the community.



NEW OFFICERS—Elected to state offices in the California Assn. of Nurserymen for the 1972-73 year are (from left) Peter Millenaar, pres., San Diego; James D. Edwards, pres-elect, Visalia; Moto Asakawa, San Diego, v.p.; and George S. Oki, Sacramento, treas. Interestingly enough, Moto waged a friendly campaign for the post against Mrs. Ruth Yoshiki of Hawthorne, first woman to ever vie for a state office in the 1,200-member organization.

Asian representation on na'l board of United Methodist Church expanding

NEW YORK — Sachi Kajiwara of Oakland, Calif., was elected as the recording secretary of the Women's Division of the Board of Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church during the organizational and election meeting held in New York recently.

As a national officer, Miss Kajiwara is also the recording secretary for the denomination's women's organization, United Methodist Women, which has about 1,500,000 members in 36,500 local units in the 50 states.

Miss Kajiwara was a member of the Board of Missions 1968-72 and served on the Women's Division and its Wesleyan Service Guild committee. She has held conference and jurisdiction offices in the Wesleyan Service Guild.

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NATIONAL JACL CONVENTION Events great, business overshadows

By SHARON DEGUCHI Chicago JACL

I hope that you have been reading the articles about the convention, so that I may just give you some personal impressions. I was expecting quite an exciting convention and I was right, but it was also tense, madening and stimulating. The events were great! The Washington, D.C. chapter must have worked very hard to come up with so many diverse events.

DELEGATE AT D.C.

Everyone enjoyed the art exhibits and listening to a variety of speakers. Especially interesting was Mayor Norman Mineta, who will be our speaker at this year's Inaugural.

The visit to the Embassy of Japan was impressive. The Ambassador and his Lady were quite cordial in their greetings. There is a beautiful tea house in their garden. The food was delicious, too.

I had the honor of sitting with Congressman Yates and his wife at the Congressional Dinner. They were very good dinner company and I found that he attended the school where I am teaching now.

However, overshadowing these impressive events were the happenings at the business meetings. The meetings began with a bang. The Personnel Committee recommended that David Ushio be the new National Executive Director. There was opposition to this appointment, so each side was given time to speak. The youth staff said that they would be unable to stay if David Ushio were appointed. The vote was taken and David Ushio is our new National Executive Director.

The Tanaka proposed budget was adopted. In the budget, Chicago is scheduled to get one staff person. However, the income for the budget required a \$2 increase in dues. This part was not passed. The council decided to increase dues by 50c and a pledge to work hard on getting more members was made, especially 1000 Club, Century Club and Corporation membership.

There was a proposal to build a National JACL headquarters in San Francisco. This proposal was placed in a study group. Different resolutions were passed, but the Chicago proposal about supporting the farm workers' right to unionize was tabled and not brought to the floor. The Central California delegation did bring quite a lot of material presenting their side of the issue.

The elections were mixed with the emotions that had preceded this final matter on the agenda. The two contested offices were won by Shig Sugiyama and Frank Iwama. Thank you for letting me represent our chapter.

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Nisei approaching the September of their lives

By JOE HAMANAKA

Seattle
It's Indian Summer in this Northwest. Corner, a nice time of the year. Nice weather, nice scenery, nice events. Some things ending, some starting. A pot-pourri. Schools started, and the neighborhood is quiet. Seems the colored kids are hitting the sack earlier. Fewer candy wrappers blowing around, fewer empty pop cans. Fewer rocks being thrown.

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It's September, and leaves are beginning to look tired. Ripe tomatoes in the garden, kabocha squash ready to bring in. Mums are busting out. Nice colors everywhere. Baseball is down to the short strokes. In Oakland's 7-8 loss to the Chisox, the Acorns paraded 30 players into the lineup and Chicago 21. Like the managers are watching too many football games.

Football is in the air. And taking his last fling with the U.W. Huskies is Cherokee Sonny Siskiller, No. 6 jersey, of course. Maybe All-American. Maybe Rose Bowl. Wonder when we'll see an Oriental All-American.

Chuck Yoshihara

And Duke's Blue Devils left town the other week on the short end of a 14 to 6 score. Reminds us of the only transplanted Rose Bowl game — Oregon State versus Duke in 1942. And the big end for OSC was Chuck Yoshihara who showed-up in Minidoka instead of in Durham, N.C.

And down in the Puyallup Valley, the state's biggest Fair is on. It's their 69th, though not consecutive years. This would have been No. 72 had not WWII come along and the Japanese evacuees had not occupied the premises in the summer of 42.

Tourists are fewer now, thus ending the season for the 2,000-passenger Canadian Pacific cruise ship, Princess Marguerite. End of one-day trips up our Setonaikai Inland Sea (Puget Sound), Seattle to Victoria, B.C., to a little bit of England.

And there's politics in, and on, the air. The governorship is up for grabs. And Governor Evans' secretary, Mrs. Ruth Yoneyama, hit us for a contribution. And breezing in-and-out of town was Shriver, followed at his heels by Romney.

On the tube, a brand new season. Dino Martin has couple of new Ding-a-Lings. See he's added a juicy Oriental girl and a tall pretty Black girl. Right on!

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Nisei golf winds down after the Labor Day Northwest Tourney, Ontario, Ore., this year. Next host is Vancouver. Seems these affairs ought to invite the shosha and kaisha folks too (the Japanese nationals). Seems we ought to mix more, learn more about each other.

We look alike, have Japanese names. Mistaken, often. We could contribute to better U.S.-Japan relations, maybe. Like someone said, what happens to Japan will happen here to Japanese Americans. And poor Nihonmachi looks locked-in. Up-tight. The all-purpose county stadium and the city fire codes are cast-

ing huge doubts. For sure, an item called Money will help.

About time for social scientists and the academics to move over and let the community business heads take over. Like Seattle City Council President, Liem Eng Tsui, told a U.W. professor: "Intellectuals should stay on the campus . . ."

Money

And if the solution is Money, who has a "surplus" of U.S. dollars. But, of course, Japan. Think about it, community.

See where Toronto's J-C cultural center just got \$50,000 from the profits of Expo 70 in Osaka. Shame, we have no community center, no cultural center to leave our Sane-ai and Yonse-ai. Shame, we go for one-shot things, up here in this Northwest Corner.

Indian Summer kinda makes one think. Look back. And forward. What one has planted, and what one can hope to harvest.

And already, the Nisei has humped at the 50 mark, and it looks downhill now. But we still have 10-15 productive years, before 10-15 productive years, before 10-15 productive years, before 10-15 productive years. Yes, it's September. September of our lives. A nice time. Just being here, and alive. Have or have not.

CHAPTER PULSE

October Events

San Jose to elect 15 to chapter board

By PHIL MATSUMURA

Annual fall potluck dinner-meeting of the San Jose JACL will be held on Saturday, Oct. 7, 6:30 p.m. at the local Buddhist Church annex. Election of 15 Board of Directors will be the main business during the brief meeting with President Richard Tanaka presiding.

All planning to attend are asked to bring a main dish or contact chairman Dale Sasaki 734-2360 for other food assignments.

A prominent guest speaker is being arranged to address the crowd.

Philadelphia plans dinner for Issei

Philadelphia JACL will have its annual Issei appreciation dinner on Saturday, Oct. 14, from 3 p.m. at Cathay Tea Gardens, 1221 Chestnut St., complemented by door prizes, movie and audience activities on the evening program.

The chapter also will initiate its 1973 membership campaign. For 1972, it enrolled 221 members for a chapter all-time high.

Seattle JACL hosts Issei tour of museum

As part of its fall program, Seattle JACL 1000 Club and the chapter Issei concerns committee hosted on Oct. 5 a tour of Seattle Art Museum in Volunteer Park where the priceless "Ceramic Art of Japan" is on exhibit through Oct. 22.

The 100 masterpiece collection was gathered to celebrate the Museum's 40th anniversary.

September Events

Seattle hosts symposium on 'grantsmanship'

Over 70 persons attended a grantsmanship symposium held Sept. 6-7 at Seattle University with resource speakers discussing private and public funding sources for programs dealing with Asian Americans, elderly, housing

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and education. It was co-sponsored by the Filipino Youth Activities, Demonstration Project for Asian Americans, Seattle JACL, International District Youth Council, Martin Matsudaira, social concerns chairman, coordinated the program.

August Events

Seabrook JACLers join Philadelphia picnic

The August outing held by Philadelphia JACL at Holiday Lake at Bridgeboro, N.J., attracted 150 adults and children, including a contingent from Seabrook JACL.

It was chaired by George Higuchi, and assisting were: Ruth Higuchi, Bunji Ikeda, Gladys Kamihira, Roy Kita, Yuri Kita, Fred Moriuchi, Mary Murakami, Alan Okazaki.

250 cavity at D.C. family picnic

For the 250-plus, the Washington, D.C. JACL family picnic in August proved to be an enjoyable outing. There was taped Japanese music, hamburger and hotdogs, races, etc., and a softball game between the Nisei captained by Tom Owan and the Sane-ai led by Wayne Minami, which ended in a 2-2 tie.

Installation

West L.A. inaugural to have luau setting

West Los Angeles JACL will convert Airport Marina Hotel's main dining room into a Hawaiian setting for its installation dinner-dance on Saturday, Nov. 11.

Hawaiian attire, atmosphere and informality are being stressed for the luau. Polynesian entertainment and dancing will follow.

Watsonville to hear Santa Cruz County D.A.

Peter Chang, Santa Cruz County district attorney, will be guest speaker at the Watsonville JACL installation dinner-dance on Saturday, Dec. 2, 7 p.m., at the Deer Park Inn, Aptos.

Chang won national prominence early this year when he successfully prosecuted John Frazier, who murdered Dr. Victor Ohta, his wife, two sons and his secretary last year.

Tom Tao will be dinner-dance chairman. Tickets will be sold for \$6 per person.

The chapter nominations committee will meet Oct. 16 to prepare its slate of candidates. Members will vote by mail during November. It was also decided that a chapter board of governors will be re-activated to include four past presidents and the current president. To meet rising cost of the JACL-sponsored Issei Center activities and recent increase of national dues, the chapter dues will be \$12 from 1973.

The chapter also supports Prop. 1, which if passed would mean as much as \$3 million in state funds for Cabrillo College.

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Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

Hawaii Today

Honolulu Residents born in Hawaii accounted for 67.6 per cent (28,000) of the total population of 632,772 in 1960, but slipped to only 63.2 per cent (428,000) of the total population of 769,913. Their number increased only about 14 per cent, while the total population grew about 22 per cent over the decade. A sign in Waikiki invites the public to join a social gambling club. This is an attempt, it is believed, to capitalize on the social gambling clause of the new State Penal Code which goes into effect on Jan. 1.

For the average four-person family living in Honolulu, the annual cost last autumn to maintain a lower level of living was \$8,990; for an intermediate level, the cost was \$13,108; and for a higher level, \$19,700, reports the First Hawaiian Bank. The bank also adds that this year Hawaii expects to host some 120,000 visitors who will come to attend a convention or sales incentive meeting. Permit authorizations through April, 1972, show that private building activity this year will be concentrated in the residential sector, according to the bank.

A complaint registered repeatedly at an Oahu Agricultural Development Conference recently was that agriculture

as big business is in trouble on Oahu. Few see sugar cane and pineapple production surviving longer than 20 years. Yet there's no plan and little agreement on what to do with the 156,000 acres of farmland on Oahu. More people will be voting in this year's primary election than ever before. The total of voters registered is 319,589. This is about 28,000 more than the 291,000 who registered for the 1970 elections. All counties report more registered voters than in 1970. Breakdown by counties: Oahu, 247,425; Big Island, 32,980; Maui, 24,245; Kauai, 14,939.

Traffic Fatality

Thirteen fewer persons were killed in traffic accidents in Hawaii in the first eight months of this year than through Aug. of last year.

Appointments

Gov. John A. Burns has announced two appointments to the five-member state board of pardons and pardons—the Very Rev. Robert Mackey of Chamblaine College and Alfred Sura. Burns also has named William Cadavona of Ewa Beach and Ken Kamimura of Honolulu to the Advisory Commission on Manpower and Full Employment. Their selections must be confirmed by the state senate next year.

Gov. Burns has named seven members to various state commissions. They are Prof. John MacIole of the UH to the Natural Area Reserves System Commission; Romel Dela Cruz and Herbert H. White to the Third District Advisory Commission; Mrs. Diane Hildenbrand of Pearl City, the Rev. David Showtwell of Hilo and Michael Lukes and Michael Aml, both of Honolulu, to the Commission on Children and Youth.

Business Ticker

The Tokyu Group of Tokyo is expected to buy 3,085 acres of Big Island land for \$12 million and plans to create a resort to include a Hawaiian village. The seller is Signal Companies, Inc. of Los Angeles. The property is located in the Puako area, South Kohala District.

Lt. Gov. George Ariyoshi said in Hilo Sept. 17 he thinks efforts of the Kohala task force will result in more jobs in the Big Island's northern district than will be phased out along with sugar operations. Ariyoshi said the task force still pins its hopes on pro-

Farm labor—

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charge that Chavez leveled at the Nisei Farmers League as having received "large sums of money to break the strike." "We have not received one cent" from Butte and "we don't expect a cent," Kubo declared.

At the Sunday rally, Sept. 24, Chavez threatened to boycott Japanese American farmers in the area if they continue to oppose the UFWO strike. "They better think twice before trying to destroy our union because they're asking for a fight," Chavez warned as he addressed nearly 2,000 persons, mostly Mexican American. The rally, however, was called to discuss Prop. 22 the farm labor initiative.

Chavez disputed the proponents' claim that Prop. 22 guarantees farm workers the right to secret union-organizing elections. Only five percent of the farm workers could vote under Prop. 22, he contended, because it only calls for elections when employees outnumber temporary laborers—and a most farm workers are migrant.

Windward Oahu Community College began classes Sept. 18 on the grounds of the Hawaii State Hospital in Kaneohe. Some unused buildings on the grounds are being used for classroom purposes. The college is part of the UH of Hawaii system.

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Benjamin F. Rush, 78, former manager and chief engineer of the Board of Harbor Commissioners, died Sept. 15. He spearheaded the modernization of Honolulu Har-

bor. He was a member of the U.S. Navy Reserve and served in the Pacific during World War II.

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Sports Scene Dr. Harry Huffaker, Oahu's swimming dentist, on Sept. 14 became the first man ever to swim the rugged Molokai Channel from Oahu to Molokai. . . Teikoku Tanko Co. of Japan wants a hotel and golf course so much that it has offered to buy Kauai County's Waialua Golf Course. The offer, however, has been turned down.

Univ. of Hawaii Olympic basketball player Tom Henderson says he feels the U.S. team "got robbed" in its championship game with the Russians. "After we won the first time, we were puzzled," Henderson said. "I knew we had to go back out there. If we refused the refs would have given them two technical shots." According to Henderson, what followed "was a very long three seconds" where Kevin Joyce and Jim Forbes were fouled—just before Russian Aleksander Belov made the final basket—but the referee was in a haze. He must have swallowed the whistle on that one.

Political Scene The Star-Bulletin has learned that for four years several Honolulu firemen have been assigned to spend city time selling tickets for Mayor Frank Fasi's \$100-a-plate dinners. On-duty firemen have also been used to man Fasi's Bishop St. headquarters, stuffing envelopes and making phone calls for Fasi's campaign staff. Asked for comment, Fasi walked away without answering.

The Honolulu city clerk's office has reported that 253,772 voters are registered and eligible to cast ballots in the primary election on Oahu this year. The new figure, a record, is more than 34,000 higher than the 1970 primary total. Lt. Gov. George Ariyoshi's office estimates that statewide voter registration will reach 328,000. Island registration figures are Big Island, 35,000; Maui, 24,032; and Kauai, 15,174.

President Nixon will carry Hawaii by "at least 60 per cent," Ray Millic, chairman of the State Committee for the Re-election of the President, predicted Sept. 19. Millic said the President has been gaining in national polls and in a week-end door-knocking canvass on Oahu he was favored by 68.6 per cent of some 2,200 voters questioned. He said 13.8 per cent favored George McGovern. Democratic voters on Kauai for the Oct. 7 primary election outnumbered Republicans 10 to 1, according to final registration figures at the county clerk's office. Data from the computer center show 10,128 with a Democratic party preference and 1,069 Republican. The remaining 3,947 registered voters are unclassified and may request either party ballot or a nonpartisan ballot. Mayor Frank Fasi charged Sept. 19 that political opponents are conducting a negative campaign because "my record is too good for them to attack."

Education The Board of Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church encompasses the denomination's work in home and overseas missions, health and welfare ministries, relief, women's program, ecumenical concern, and mission education. The Board is being organized at this meeting from four United Methodist agencies, the Boards of Missions, Health and Welfare Ministries, Ecumenical Affairs, and the Committee on Overseas Relief.

Acutely aware of ethnic representation, United Methodists elected a number of Asian Americans at regional conferences to be part of the 156 decision-making members of the Board of Global Ministries.

The Rev. Peter Chen, pastor of Centenary United Methodist Church in Los Angeles, and the Rev. Jonah Chang, pastor of Buena Vista Methodist Church in Alameda, Calif., were selected as Asian American representatives. Mr. Chen has been appointed to serve on the National and Ecumenical Concerns Divisions and Mr. Chang to the World and Women's Divisions. Although Chen and Chang are of Chinese ancestry, both are serving Japanese churches.

Elected at the organization meeting to the Division of Health and Welfare Ministries were Connie Takamine of Denver, Colo., a former airline stewardess and presently a law student at the University of Colorado, and Dr. Dora Lee, a physician of Stockton, Calif., as members-at-large.

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BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman

Asian Plays—Classic, Tragic, Comic

FOUR CLASSICAL ASIAN PLAYS, edited by Vera R. Irwin, Penguin Books, Paperback, 333 pp., \$3.75. THREE MODERN KYOGEN, by Donald Richie, Paperback, 99 pp., \$2.95.

Sarugaku (mimetic dances) had been popular from the Nara Period (646-710) to the end of the Kamakura (1185-1333). At first performed at court, Sarugaku became religious ceremonies of shrines and temples, and assumed a dramatic form.

Aiming at achieving *yugen*—(mysterious beauty), Kanami (1333-84) and his son, Zeami (1363-1443), built on this primitive foundation a new form, *Noh*, and brought this new form to perfection. The shogun Ashikaga Yoshimitsu, becoming enamored with the boy, Zeami, took his *Noh* troupe under his protection. So *Noh* became directed towards a cultivated, aristocratic audience.

From the aristocratic *Noh* there developed a dramatic form, *Kabuki*, directed to plebeian taste. A woman, Okuni, is said to have originated *Kabuki* through having her troupe perform parodies of Buddhist prayers. In the dried river beds on which they performed, men of the troupe danced as women; women danced as men.

A verb of the day, *kabuku*, was applied to anything unusual or curious, the verb also having connotations of indecency. From this obsolete verb, *Kabuki* derives its name, though the name has come to be written with three

kanji unrelated to the etymology. Four Classical Asian Plays contains a *Noh* drama and a *Kabuki*. It also has an Indian play, "The Vision of Vasvadata," and a Chinese play, "The West Chamber."

The book has a preface, an introduction, a selected bibliography, a selected list of Asian plays in translation, and brief biographies of the contributors. Each play has an explanatory introduction and is followed by "production comments."

The *Noh* drama, "Ikku Sennin," by Zempo Motoyasu Komparu, was performed at least as early as 1524. The protagonist *Ikku Sennin*, a monk with magical powers, has caused a drought by imprisoning the rain gods. A beautiful woman comes bent on befriending him of his magical powers by seduction, and thus ending the drought. Monk and seductress are masked. She achieves her purpose, though the seduction is symbolic rather than literal. Music, dance, poetry, costume, setting combine to hypnotize the viewer into realization of the awesome beauty of her achievement.

Dealing with the same legend as "Ikku Sennin," the *Kabuki* drama, "Narukami" (Thunder God) is conceived in a different spirit. The psychology of characters is more explicit. Unlike the poetic, literary language of the *Noh*, that of the *Kabuki* is simple and colloquial.

In *Noh*, "all is understatement, refinement, a kind of naked austerity. . . (Noh) is elegant and symbolic. . . (Kabuki) somewhat more realistic and outspoken." Despite their greater refinement, the aristocratic appear to have needed relief from the exalted fantasies of *Noh*. *Noh* plays tend to fall into five divisions: god, warrior, woman, madwoman, and demon plays. As described by Zeami, an ideal program would be a daylong performance of five *Noh*, presented one after another according to the themes just mentioned, interspersed with three *Kyogen*.

The *Kyogen* (lunatic play) evolved from the comic element of Sarugaku. *Kyogen* is "mundane, funny, concerned with the human appetite," and couched in the colloquial tongue of the period in which it is performed. In Three Modern *Kyogen*, Donald Richie has written three farces entitled, "The Perfect Servants," "The Magic Fudoshi," and "The Misplaced Goddess."

Similar in spirit to the other two *Kyogen*, "The Perfect Servants" concern a manservant and a maidservant, detesting each other, serving different houses, but alike in zeal for the reputation of those they serve. Serving an apathetic lord in an age which only a vigorous roue may be considered respectable, the manservant encourages a liaison of his master with the mistress of the detested maidservant. Equally concerned that the reputation of her house is suffering because of the indifference of her mistress to sex, the maidservant promotes a liaison with the lord.

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Local Scene

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Maryknoll School students and church members bid Bro. Pierre Hamel farewell at an ice cream-cake get-together on Oct. 15, 1-4 p.m., at the school hall. The CYO and scout leader has been assigned to Peru.

Appearance of Gov. Reagan has been confirmed for the Japanese American Republicans rally for the re-election of the President on Oct. 15, 1:30-4 p.m., at Century Plaza, it was announced by Ben Fujita, JAR president. Tickets are on a no-charge basis as space is limited and may be secured from Fujita (263-6797), Solchi Fukui (626-0441) or Edwin Hiroto (225-1501).

Nisei Singles' membership drive begins the month of October. Organized two years ago, the club is composed of singles over age 35 and meets monthly. Those interested can write to Kay Masuda, 14831 S. Normandie Ave., Gardena 90247. Future events include a Halloween Dance, Oct. 28; picnic at the Elysian Park Lodge, Nov. 18; and the New Year's Eve Dance at the Continental Hyatt House.

Free English conversation classes are being offered at the Storefront Community Center, 2826 W. Jefferson Blvd., Wednesday, 7:30 to 9 p.m. from Oct. 11. More classes will be scheduled as needed. For information and/or rides to class, please call 732-1107 or 734-2666.

Asian adults are being encouraged to enroll at Dorsey Community Adult School to learn basic English speaking and writing skills as classes are being held during the day and evenings at: Crenshaw Baptist Church, 3214 W. Vernon, and Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2330 W. Jefferson, on Tuesday, 2 a.m.-2 p.m.; St. John Evangelist School, 6103 Crenshaw, Wed. 9 a.m.-12 n.; Dorsey Adult School, 3537 Farmdale, Mon-Thru, 6:30-9 p.m.; and Sixth Ave. School, 3109 Sixth Ave., Mon-Thru, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Late enrollments are welcome. Further information may be secured by calling 292-0455.

Pacificulture Asia Museum, 46 N. Los Robles Ave., Pasadena, is currently featuring through Nov. 5 an exhibition on calligraphy and its influence on the arts of the East and West. Examples range from early Chinese to Japanese, Korean, Persian, Islamic, medieval and contemporary. Among the calligraphers demonstrating on Sunday afternoons are: Charles Choi, Korean, Oct. 8, 3 p.m.; Prof. Jurin Ohta, Japanese, Oct. 15, 3 p.m.; and David Green, western, Oct. 22, 3 p.m.

Community legal aid seminars are being held at the Gardena Community Center which may develop as a Pioneer Project if the response warrants it. The topics will be covered by attorneys, law students and community workers as follows: Oct. 13—Drugs and the Law, 7:30 p.m.; Oct. 22—Consumer, Landlord-Tenant Law, 2 p.m.; Nov. 5—Wills, probate, inheritance tax, 2 p.m.; and Nov. 19—Social services, alien rights, 2 p.m.

Observing its first anniversary, Friends of Far Eastern Art with the L.A. County Museum of Arts hosted guest lecturer Oliver Statler, author of "Modern Japanese Prints," on Oct. 5, and presented a 30-minute film which surveyed Ukiyoe prints from Moronobu

to Hiroshige. Statler, who spent at major portion of the past 30 years in Japan studying Japanese art and history, has authored, "Japanese Inn," "The Shimoda Story" and "The Black Ship Scroll." Soon to be published will be a volume on the "Shikoku Henro" or Temple Pilgrimage in Shikoku, perhaps the most famous of Buddhist pilgrimages in Japan.

Fresno

Tony Takikawa, president of the East Fresno Rotary Club, announced his club is sponsoring a Marine Band concert on Oct. 19 to raise funds for youth activities. Tickets are available from Tony at \$10.

San Francisco

Five hour-long workshops on Asian immigration will be conducted by International In-Action at San Francisco, 2209 Van Ness Ave., between noon and 1 p.m., on five consecutive Wednesdays commencing Oct. 11. It is designed for employees of community agencies assisting immigrants. Enrollment at \$5 per registration is limited to the first 21. Advance registration is required.

San Francisco Center for Japanese American Studies continues to sponsor stimulating lectures, the most recent being on Japanese women by Elaine Yoneda and on recent trends in Japanese communism by Karl Yoneda. Upcoming Oct. 20 will be Chris Kiefer on Japanese American Aging and on Dec. 15 Jim Hirabayashi on Japanese in Brazil and George Araki on "America Mura." All meetings are at the Pine United Methodist Church. (PC contributor Joe Hamanaka reported on "America Mura" in his Jan. 21 column.—Ed.)

San Jose

Highlights at the San Jose Buddhist Church autumn festival held Sept. 24 were the Akita dog show exhibition, Japanese dolls made by the local Teisen class, bonsai, floral arrangements and unusual Japanese confections. Dennis Yasuda was festival chairman, assisted by Bill Maruyama.

Food will be free all evening long and prizes distributed at the end of the San Jose YJA casino night, Oct. 29, 7:30 p.m. to 1 a.m., at the Bold Night in Sunnyvale. Admission is by tickets only, obtainable by calling 243-1946 or 265-5346.

Oakland

Berkeley's Asian American Community Alliance calendar for October is heavy with an Asian potluck dinner family night on Saturday, Oct. 7, 7 p.m., at King Jr. High; general quarterly meeting on Monday, Oct. 9, 7:30 p.m., at the Instructional Media Center; and its second annual Asian Festival on Saturday, Oct. 14, at Berkeley High School to introduce the wide spectrum of Asian life and culture to the community.

Seattle

Bilingual counselors staff the Employment Opportunities Center, which has been relocated to 4726 Rainier Ave. S., Suite 104, in the Columbia post office building. Alison Wong is project director. Seattle Housing Development opened its southeast area office at 3808 S. Angeline St. (722-2991) with Margaret Wong and Ernest Large as housing counselors. "English as a Second Language" classes held this past summer on a \$52,000 federal fund pilot project were re-

garded as a success, showing the need for this program was obvious. A proposal twice the amount was being prepared for the regular school year by Dr. Roy Mar, chairman, and A. Barretto Oglive, program director. The ESL committee also hopes to establish an Asian Media Communications Center.

Dr. Doi—

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initially when "all Japanese were not polite all the time. This was one misconception which was rudely shaken on our third day in Japan. Since we had just arrived in Kyoto we went next door to the Rakuyō Kaikan (Faculty Club at Kyoto University) for dinner. We noticed our service was slow and very indifferent compared to the other customers in the dining room. We thought the food was decent but the attitude of the waitresses was indifferent, impolite, and almost hostile.

When I mentioned this to my colleagues at the University, they just laughed and said that I was the only one who felt that way, since the waitresses there were known to give poor service. You apparently had to be a steady customer or at least a well-known professor to rate good service.

The reason that this episode is mentioned is that some Nikkei have come to Japan and gone home somewhat bitter over their experiences in Japan. One wonders whether part of their bitterness is derived from their misconceptions about Japan, Issei Meiji Period conceptions, and the fact that a Japanese could be unpredictable, contradictory, rude, a polluter of his beautiful country, publicly ingratiate, and, in any case quite different from a typical Issei.

For a person who goes to Japan for a relatively short period of three weeks to three months it can be a most enjoyable experience, especially if he can be tolerant of another culture which is so different from his own. I am not being condescending when stating that one should be tolerant of things Japanese, because it is the height of arrogance to believe that one can understand another culture in three weeks, three months, or even three years. Unfortunately our inept foreign policy in Asia is probably the result of projecting American culture and mentality on an Asian situation.

Just Beginning

At the end of our one year stay in Japan, my family and I felt that we were just beginning to scratch the cultural surface of Japanese life. Every day still brought surprises. Therefore for the typical tourist to Japan, it may be more fun just to accept the Japanese way of life and not try to understand it from the American point of view. However, for those of you who are students, businessmen and scholars who have to interact closely with Japanese, it is essential to know some of the more obvious social and behavioral patterns for any success in developing rapport with the Japanese. Hopefully the future articles will give you some ideas in this regard.

Dr. Roy Doi, professor of biochemistry at UC Davis, spent his sabbatical leave in Japan on research. It allowed him to compile an 800-page diary from which this series, "A Nisei View of Japan," has been prepared.

NEWS CAPSULES

SOUTHLAND NIKKEI AT \$1,000 PLATE DINNER

LOS ANGELES—Twenty Japanese Americans attended the \$1,000-a-plate Presidential dinner last week Sept. 27 at Century Plaza, according to Kenji Ito, chairman of the California Japanese Finance Committee to Re-elect the President.

Politics

Hoped the sacrifice made by the donors serves to dramatize the need for increased civic consciousness and enhancing the political, economic and social status of Japanese Americans.

Seventeen who contributed \$1,000 each were: George Aratani, Solchi Fukui, Tsugio Hiji (Oxnard), Manuel K. Inadomi, Kenji Ito, Dr. Tsugio Kato (Oxnard), Masashi Kawaguchi, Shiroichi Koyama (Santa Maria), Sannosuke Madokoro (Riverdale), Yaemon Minami (Guadalupe), Henry Onodera, Roy K. Sakioka (Santa Ana), Heijiro Tanaka (Oxnard), Mrs. Moto Tashiro (Gardena), Fred I. Wada, Mrs. Toshi Yamamoto, Fred W. Yoshimura (San Gabriel).

Other contributions totaling \$3,000 were from: Calif. Japanese Committee, Tad Ikemoto, Isamu Kita, Katsuma Mukaeda, Masami Sasaki, Mrs. Frances Shimizu and George M. Yamamoto.

Four San Francisco Saneel served as hosts at the \$1,000-plate Sept. 27 luncheon in honor of President Nixon at the Sheraton Palace. They were Cheryl and Nadine Nakamura, daughters of the George C. Nakamura; Douglas Kyono, son of the William Kyonos; and George Okamoto Jr.

Education

Mills College added two Japanese Americans to its board of trustees on Sept. 22: Eunice Nakao, 26, a TWA stewardess since her graduation from Mills in 1963, and Mrs. Grant Shimizu of San Jose, former alumnae board member and active with San Jose JACL.

Univ. of Missouri chancellor H.W. Schoelling appointed a nine-member Affirmative Action committee to

Community teach-in on drug abuse set

LOS ANGELES—Experiences of the community anti-drug abuse campaign over the past three years will be related during the Oct. 7 teach-in at Sennin Buddhist Temple.

General orientation begins at 7 p.m. with PSWDC Gov. Helen Kawagoe and Grant Shimabukuro of Protestant Community Services introducing the afternoon program of workshops conducted by community workers, former drug users, Parents Group, Asian Sisters and other representatives from community agencies.

Prior registration is urged as attendees are being asked to bring food for the potluck dinner concluding the teach-in. Forms are available for most Buddhist and Christian churches or at the JACS-AI Office Rm. 305, 125 Weller St.

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Asian Studies

Cal State, L.A. library will house an Asian American Studies Group display, "We Are Visible", from Oct. 9-20, depicting the problems and struggles that Asians have experienced in the past and present. Photos, posters, books, arts and craft displays from community organizations will be used to convey the theme.

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assist with implementation of the equal employment opportunity program for academic personnel on campus at Columbia. Robert R. Hosokawa, an associate professor of journalism, was named committee chairman.

Sports

Jesse Kuhaulua of Hawaii returned home Sept. 24 to visit his ailing mother after a disappointing Tokyo tournament with his 5-10 record, which may cost him his recent promotion to sekiwake (junior champion) back to maegashira rank. Friends said the visit would be brief.

Tommy Kono, 34, has been recommended by the American AAU executive committee, to be the first national AAU coach in weightlifting. The former world middleweight champion's appointment is subject to final approval by the AAU weightlifting committee. Plans call for Kono to set up training centers at a rate of 12 a year under a two-year contract. Kono will train coaches and will be available for the coaching of American weightlifters elected for international contests.

Business

Joan A. Furuta, Alhambra resident, has been appointed assistant cashier with Security Pacific National Bank's Los Angeles-based Central Division, Administration. Miss Furuta was formerly an assistant manager at the bank's South Gate branch. A native of Wyoming and an alumna of Woodbury College and UCLA, she joined the bank as a management associate in 1969. Edward Okuno of Occidental Life of California is the new president of the Pasadena-San Gabriel Valley Chapter of Chartered Life Underwriters, the educational arm of the life insurance field.

Entertainment

Stand-up comedian Pat Morita and actress Nobu McCarthy have joined the East-West Players for its classes which began for actors Oct. 2 at its home-theater, 4424 Santa Monica, Los Angeles. "I feel very close to the goals of the East-West Players, which are to achieve a position for Asian performers equal to their talents," Morita said. Mrs. McCarthy said she was "intrigued by the potential of an American theatrical group with an Asian thrust."

Singer Pat Suzuki appeared in Chicago Sept. 22 at the Chinese American Civic Council's annual Moon Festival. Two original one-act plays, "Spoos" by Bill Shinkai and "The Gallery" by Conrad

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