

JARP ARCHIVES PLACED IN UCLA SPECIAL LIBRARY

Over 500 Boxes,
Newspapers and
Microfilms Gathered

LOS ANGELES — Documentary material gathered for the Japanese American Research Project by JACLers over the past decade will be placed in the special collections department of the UCLA Library today (April 27).

It marks the completion of one of the three major objectives of the JACL-JARP, the other two being the Issei-Nisei-Sansel sociological survey and publication of the definitive social history of the Japanese in America.

Chief Librarian Roger Vesper, who will accept the JARP archival material, visited Manzanar WRA Center in 1945 before it was closed to have the camp records stored in the UCLA Library and subsequently publications and records of other WRA centers were collected.

Yasuo Sakata, research assistant and associated with the research project since its inception at UCLA in 1964, revealed 518 boxes of material have been transferred.

The JARP collection of Japanese vernacular newspapers have been placed in the UCLA Library Newspaper Stack while the JARP library of Japanese-language books are in the Oriental Library.

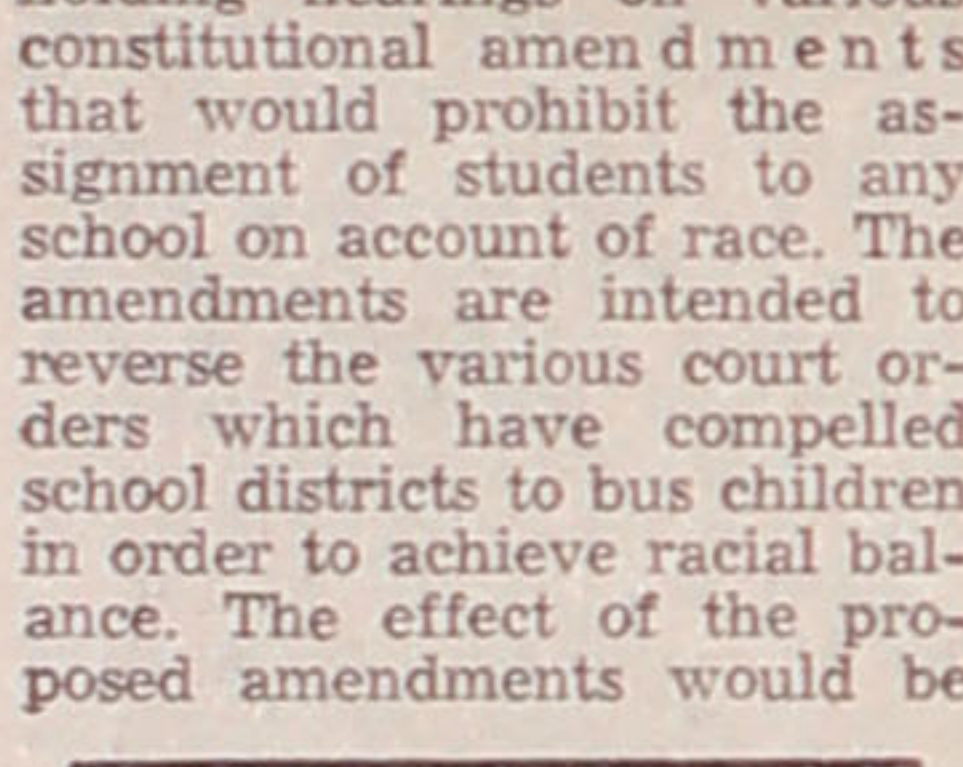
The JARP microfilms of Japanese Foreign Ministry documents relating to the Issei are in the library's microfilm section, Sakata added.

JARP Meeting

The JARP executive committee, chaired by Shigeo Wamatsu of Chicago, is also meeting this weekend to hammer out a basic plan to handle the publication and distribution of the definitive history and other books.

Special ceremonies marking

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As I
See
It

By BARRY MATSUMOTO
Washington JACL Representative

This week the Senate Judiciary Committee has been holding hearings on various constitutional amendments that would prohibit the assignment of students to any school on account of race. The amendments are intended to reverse the various court orders which have compelled school districts to bus children in order to achieve racial balance. The effect of the proposed amendments would be

School Busing Issue

far more pervasive since the language of most of the amendments would not only prevent court ordered busing programs but would also prevent local boards, acting upon their own initiative, from adopting programs designed to achieve racial balance in the schools. In addition, civil rights advocates view the proposed amendments as repudiating many of the basic civil rights principles which have been developed in education since the Supreme Court case of *Brown vs. Board of Education* was decided in 1954.

Public school education has long been a center of controversy and debate. The concern over education stems, in part, from our belief that education is one of the primary instruments to be used in achieving our egalitarian goals. The Supreme Court in *Brown* stated:

"To separate them (Negro students) from others of similar age and qualifications solely because of their race generates a feeling of inferiority as to their status in the community that may affect their hearts and minds in a way unlikely ever to be undone."

Integration benefits not only the minority child but it also provides invaluable benefits to the white child. The key to understanding among the races must rest with our ability as individuals to develop a sense of empathy for our fellow men and women. To develop this empathy among races, it is not enough to confine human interchange to books and sociological studies. While school integration will not result in a racial millennium, the development of understanding can only be furthered by the opportunity which students of different races have in studying and learning together in school.

When the debate over school integration and the means which must be employed to effectuate integration was limited to the South, it was easy for the rest of the nation to dismiss the opposition to integration as a sign of regional racial bigotry.

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CLEVELAND JACL STARTS STUDENT AID

CLEVELAND, Ohio—A \$1,000 Cleveland JACL educational grant program is being initiated this year with financial need as the criterion. Designed to help those high school graduates who may not be financially able or may not have sufficient grade points to qualify for scholarships, the chapter announced no single award may exceed \$500 and confidentiality will be maintained.

Further information may be secured by calling Sally Taketa (631-2989).

RENO, Nev. — The Reno JACL is hosting the second quarterly Northern California-Western Nevada District Council session on Saturday, May 5, at the Mapes Hotel. The business session is scheduled for noon and from 3 p.m. a dynamic drug program will be presented by a team under John Tachihara, director, Omega House.

A no-host cocktail hour will start at 6 p.m. with a banquet at 7 p.m., featuring U.S. Sen. Howard C. Cannon as speaker. Registration will start at \$10 for both delegates and boosters. The cost includes a prime rib dinner and drink tokens plus other inducements worth two to three times the cost.

Excellent accommodations are available from \$14 but reservations must be in prior to May 1 to assure a room at the Mapes Hotel. The annual western folk festival is being held in Reno on the same weekend with over 5,000 visitors in town so housing will be scarce, according to Wilson Makabe, local chapter president.

Sergio Franchi, singer, will be performing at the Harrah's Headliner Room and Barbara Eden, star of "I Dream of Jeannie," will be at the Sparks Nugget Circus Room. The Sergio Franchi midnight show will be \$7.50 minimum and the Barbara Eden show is \$5 minimum. Reservations for these shows will be strictly on a first-come basis and can be made by contacting Wilson Makabe, 4185 Hackamore Drive, Reno 89502.

George Yamasaki, nurseryman and bonsai expert from Auburn, Calif., will demonstrate the art with Bonsai exhibit to start from 1:30 p.m. at the Roy Comm Elementary School, on Sunday afternoon, May 6.

ASIAN GERONTOLOGY PROJECT

VIDEO TAPE SERIES, ANTHOLOGY ON AGING ISSEI PROBLEMS PROPOSED

SAN FRANCISCO — The problems of aging among the Asians will be explored in a proposed series of video tapes produced by the Asian Gerontology Project currently being administered by National JACL, it was announced April 19, by Eugene Moriguchi, Gerontology Project Director.

The Gerontology Project is funded by a \$65,000 federal grant from the Social and Rehabilitation Service Administration on Aging of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (HEW).

"This project will help to provide documentation of the plight of the Asian elderly and at the same time expose the realities of the stereotype myth that Asian families always take care of their own," Moriguchi added.

In accordance with AOA program guidelines, the project is unable to provide funds for direct services to Asian elderly. The funds will be used to develop and produce educational materials.

Program Objectives

Moriguchi explained that the purpose of the program is to influence change by educating and sensitizing state and federal agencies, foundations, and those institutions which provide personnel for direct services and which fund organizations engaged in the delivery of services to the elderly.

"The terms of the one year grant further stipulated that we expand the proposed project from the Japanese community to include the entire Asian community," he said. "The project is a ready underway with Japanese, Chinese, and Filipino groups working in the area of aging. Generally, reaction from these groups has been very positive and we are looking forward to working with them," Moriguchi stated.

"The video tapes will help to underscore the current failure of social services to provide for the Asian elderly. For example, few people consider the problems faced by the Asian elderly when they enter the hospital. They

Sumitomo Bank names new president

SAN FRANCISCO — Ichio Kumagai, president of Banco Sumitomo Brasileiro in Sao Paulo, Brazil, was named to succeed Kunio Kabuto as president of the Sumitomo Bank of California.

Kabuto, who joined Sumitomo Ltd., in 1947, was appointed general manager of the parent bank in Tokyo.

REVOCATION OF LIQUOR PERMIT OF ELKS UPHELD

Supreme Court Rules
6-3 Not to Hear
Appeal from Maine

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Supreme Court ruled 6 to 3 last week (April 16) against 15 Elks lodges in Maine whose liquor licenses are being revoked by state law on grounds they discriminate against blacks.

The six-member majority refused to hear an appeal by the lodges from an adverse decision by the supreme judicial court of Maine. Justices William O. Douglas, Potter Stewart and Harry A. Blackmun dissented, noting they wanted to hear arguments on the issue and hand down a written opinion.

The Supreme Court decided last June that the U.S. Constitution did not apply to state liquor licensing or private fraternal groups even though they practiced discrimination.

'No Federal Issue'

But the justices made it clear in a Pennsylvania case earlier this session and in latest action they would not interfere with state laws on the subject. The six-man majority rejected the Elks appeal on grounds it did not present a "substantial federal question."

The Maine Elks case originated under a 1969 state law which forbids racial discrimination by those serving food and drinks except organizations "oriented to a particular religion and... ethnic in character."

A lawyer representing the Elks said a liquorless lodge would trim Elks membership in Maine, which he estimated at nearly 9,000. The ban would also crimp their fund-raising events, he added.

Attorneys for the 15 lodges which accept only white males as members claimed the law violated the constitutional guarantee of equal protection under the law and their right of privacy.

Private Clubs Hit

They argued the statute "effectively destroys all private clubs whose associational preferences do not coincide with those of the state."

Their appeal described the Elks as a national association "for the advancement of white people" and asked: "Why should the Elks be accorded less protection than those of the NAACP (National Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People)?"

MANZANAR PILGRIMAGE

State historical plaque mounted

By ED SAKAMOTO
Daily Breeze Staff Writer
(Torrance, Calif.)

Some barbed wire is still there after 30 years. Where eight watchtower sentry boxes still stand, mute testimony to Manzanar, the concentration camp that once interned 10,000 Japanese, mostly American.

Manzanar is a desolate square-mile area, a 4-hour drive north of Los Angeles between Lone Pine and Independence.

Rows of 576 barracks buildings where the Japanese lived are gone. Now the area is overgrown with large sagebrushes and naked trees that look like skeletal fingers.

Icy, blustery winds whip fine dust through the air, and the snowy Sierra Mountains stand majestically in the background.

Pilgrimage

Some 1,000 persons made a pilgrimage to Manzanar Saturday (April 14) for dedication of the area as a historical site. A permanent state plaque, placed at the sentry house, reads:

"In the early part of World War II 110,000 persons of Japanese ancestry were interned in relocation centers by Executive Order No. 9066, issued on Feb. 19, 1942."

Manzanar, the first of 10 such concentration camps, was bounded by barbed wire and guard towers and confined 10,000 persons, the majority of whom were American citizens.

"May the injustices and humiliations suffered here as a result of hysteria, racism and economic exploitation never emerge again."

"Plaque placed by the state Department of Parks and Recreation in cooperation with the Manzanar Committee and the Japanese American Citizens League, April 14, 1973."

Missing Generation

The mystery at Manzanar is not of the past — but the present. A generation is missing.

Sansel (third generation) made up most of the gathering Saturday. Issei (first generation) came in three busloads. But the Nisei (second generation) were only a handful.

Why a small turnout from a generation that was affected by the concentration camps?

"I think the average Nisei may want to forget that whole period of the concentration camps," says attorney Thomas Shigekuni of Gardena.

"Many Nisei don't like to talk about it. He doesn't want to admit he was in a camp and that he was considered a second-class citizen."

An Explanation

David Uyekawa, 27, a Sansel like returning to the scene of the crime in trying to explain why the Nisei avoided the pilgrimage.

"For the Nisei many of them in their teens, it must have been a psychological shock. It was a shameful experience for them and diverted them to materialistic aims."

Karen Chomori, 22, of Carson, adds: "The Nisei wanted to assimilate into society and provide for their children, the Sansel, what they didn't have, which was security."

Shigekuni was 13 when he was interned with his family at Granada camp in Colorado. His wife, Ruth, living in Seat-

le at the time, was sent to Minidoka camp in Idaho.

Says Shigekuni: "White racism, ignorance and greed and what you read about 'Japs' in newspapers or heard on radios hurt sensitive Nisei and made them resentful. Without admitting it, it also made them feel inferior."

'Work Like H—'

"So Nisei made up their minds to work like hell and not give people a chance to put them down again. They saw education as the key. A lot of Nisei went to college who normally wouldn't have gone. Before the war, not that many Nisei were going to college."

"After all they went through, Nisei want to be the invisible American, to blend in and become part of the mainstream of life."

Tosh Nakano, 28, of Harbor City, is a Sansel who works as a programmer for TRW in Redondo Beach.

He feels the Nisei should have made the effort to come out to Manzanar to show their concern.

"I think they were interested but lacked the initiative and responsibility to come here," Nakano says.

"Nisei have homes, jobs and are secure in their own way. They probably go through certain routines, like golfing on weekends."

Interests Differ

"Nisei go out for different things. They show up for coronation balls in Nisei-Week and other social gatherings like big weddings. They support projects in their own way through organizations like the Lions Club or Optimists."

"Maybe they thought Manzanar was just Sansel doing their thing and not a community — encompassing thing. But the Nisei should have turned out because they were affected by the concentration camps as all Japanese were."

There are some tears at Manzanar. But the faces, young and old, are mostly stoic. Buddhists and Protestant services are held at a 15-foot memorial monument. Seven primitive graves outlined by simple stones remain. Many more were buried in the camp, but relatives have returned through the years to take home the ashes of their loved ones.

Dedication

Dedication ceremonies were simple. There are speeches and applause. Letters of support come from Los Angeles City Council, Board of Supervisors, state and national leaders.

Among the Japanese are sympathetic Caucasians. Lori Mennen, 20, of Long Beach, says she is there because it is a cultural experience.

"I'm Jewish and it happened to the Jews in Germany," she says. "I'm sure it could happen again. All groups who have experienced something like this should stick together and see that it doesn't happen again."

Pfc. Calvin Winchell, 20, is also from Long Beach, but he grew up in Van Nuys.

"Last night for the first time I heard the truth about the concentration camps from Lori's Asian friends," Winchell says.

Truth about Camps

"I had heard something about camps before, but I always thought they were for captured Japanese soldiers in the war. I didn't know they were Americans."

"Like the stories about the American Indians, it shows the ignorance of teachers and the ignorance of history books in not bringing out the truth."

A group of Indians huddle in a circle, beating a drum and chanting prayer songs. They are from an inter-tribal religious group in Los Angeles called Red Wing. The leader is gray-haired Semu Huatue, who is called the Grandfather.

Huatue says minority groups are trying to communicate and get to know each



Ryuzo Kado, Venice-Culver JACLer, mounts Manzanar plaque by guardhouse.

other better.

Sansel Warren Furutani, co-chairman of the Manzanar Committee, says the Red Wing was invited to show the issue of concentration camps relates to people other than Japanese.

'Wounded Knee'

During the dedication program Sue Embrey (a Nisei married to a Caucasian), co-chairman of the Manzanar Committee, reads a letter of support to the Indians at Wounded Knee:

"We the members of the Manzanar Committee recognize that the struggle in Wounded Knee is today the focal point of the native American movement."

"We also recognize that the historical oppression that took place at both Wounded Knee and Manzanar speaks to the necessity and the struggles there and also what is happening here today."

As a Symbol

"These two places of what happened then and also of what is happening now in terms of the many forms of continued oppression of native Americans, Asian Americans, black Americans, Chicanos, Latinos, women and other oppressed people here and around the world."

"Today the person in charge of the Bureau of Indian Affairs is the same person who was in charge of the relocation centers for Japanese during World War II."

"We must know like we do that it doesn't matter whether you call it a reservation or a relocation center, it is in reality a concentration camp."

"And today we must realize that Manzanar is right now, this minute, our Wounded Knee. If we support one, we must support the other. It's the same struggle with many fronts."

Gary Uyekawa, 26, brother of David, reacts positively to the speech.

"The reference to Wounded Knee was very appropriate," he says, "and I was glad to hear it mentioned. Being here with all people from a variety of places makes us united."

Manzanar Today

Standing in the heart of Manzanar today, one can

hardly believe 10,000 Japanese, most of them American citizens, lived three decades ago in a square-mile area bounded by barbed wire, watchtowers and armed guards.

Manzanar was divided into 36 blocks. Each block consisted of 16 barracks. Thirty people could fit into one barrack. As many as six or eight persons lived in a room.

Attorney Thomas Shigekuni, past president of the Gardena Valley Japanese American Citizens League, shivers as he surveys the Manzanar of today.

The land is beaten, cracked and forlorn. The winds are cold and relentless.

"The setting is much like the other camps I've visited," Shigekuni says. "A no man's land."

To this no man's land came 1,000 persons Saturday, mostly Sansel (third generation Japanese American), to see Manzanar dedicated as a state historical site.

Issei (first generation) came in chartered buses in respectable numbers. But the Nisei (second generation) turnout is small. There is talk of a generation gap.

Shigekuni, a Nisei, admires the Sansel for what they are doing.

"But I hope they aren't here to say how bad America treated us 30 years ago," he says.

Generation Gap

"That serves no useful purpose. I hope they're here to emphasize the fact our civil liberties are very fragile."

"I think there is a real danger some other group could be interned in the future because of executive war-making powers."

"The Sansel are more sophisticated about constitutional matters and more aware of what's happening today than the Nisei were. So I'm not criticizing the Sansel."

"But there is a political generation gap between the Nisei and Sansel. Nisei leaders want to work within the legal and judicial process. Some Sansel are impatient with the Nisei way of thinking."

Reconciliation Due

"As those Sansel age, I think they will learn to work within the political process. A reconciliation will come between the Nisei and Sansel, but the Nisei will have to

bend, too, and reach a common ground."

"There was a generation gap of a different sort between the Issei and the Nisei. Most of all was the tremendous language barrier."

"Many Nisei couldn't speak Japanese, so they couldn't communicate philosophical ideas with their parents. It was like people from two different worlds."

There seems to be no generation gap between the Issei

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First Asian elected to Berkeley city council

BERKELEY — Ying Lee Kelley became the first Asian American elected to the Berkeley City Council, polling some 21,024 votes in elections held April 17. She was the only member of the radical-oriented April Coalition to be elected.

Mrs. Kelley was the front-runner most of the evening, but was overtaken by the incumbent council members as the precincts from the conservative hill areas were counted after midnight. She was able to hold on and win the 4th and last seat open.

Noted for her anti-war activities, Mrs. Kelley ran with the April Coalition slate, but her running mates finished fifth, seventh, and eighth.

The new councilwoman who is 41 years old was born in Shanghai. A resident of Berkeley for 22 years, she is a UC Berkeley graduate with teaching credentials.

Employed by the Berkeley Unified School District, she is currently on a leave of absence. She is married to John Kelley, professor of mathematics at UC Berkeley. They have a son, 15, and a daughter, 13.

She was a McGovern delegate to the 1972 Democratic National Convention, a co-organizer of the Social Action Committee of the Asian American Community Alliance, arrested three times for her anti-war activities.

Rep. Anderson to explain details of HR 261-Asian American Affairs Act

HARBOR CITY, Calif. — To show support of the pending Asian American Affairs Act (HR 261), a dinner will be held April 29 at the Retail Clerks Union Hall, 25949 Belle Porte Ave. in Harbor City.

A no-host cocktail hour will begin at 5 p.m., according to Ken Nakaoaka and Mrs. Helen Kawagoe, in charge of reservations.

The measure, co-authored by Reps. Glenn Anderson (D-Calif.) and Spark M. Matsunaga, (D-Hawaii), would establish a Cabinet committee

for Asian American Affairs. The committee will be composed of members of the President's Cabinet and directors of special programs such as the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

In submitting this (JACL-supported) bill, Anderson and Matsunaga are seeking recognition of the Asian American minority at the highest level. Nakaoaka, who is the mayor of Gardena, said.

"After more than a century of being discriminated against

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Pilgrimage Issei lay flowers at Manzanar monument built by Mr. Kado.

—Manzanar Pilgrimage photos by Ed Ikuta.

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Farewell parties evoke joy and fond memories

By JOE OYAMA

New York
In a few weeks we leave New York for Ohio after almost thirty years of residence in Manhattan. When it comes to parting, one wishes that he had one more for people and had gotten to know them better.

At this informal farewell dinner at Lotus Eaters, I asked Mr. Hiroshi Matsuo, old-time New Yorker, past president of the Japanese American Association, "When did you first come to New York?"

He replied quite proudly, "Nineteen seventeen (1917) that's before you were born." Then he stood up and said, "Pretty soon my wife and I will be celebrating our fiftieth anniversary, not yet (he looked at his wife, who was sitting besides him)—but pretty soon! I wish you and your wife good health so someday you can celebrate your Golden Anniversary too!"

MANHATTAN ECHOES

History

Pointing to Mrs. Mary (Yoshimoto) Sturges, who is married to a former New Englander, he said, "I used to know her father when she was a little girl. (He bent over and indicated Mary's height with his hand). Before the war, her father was the manager of the Morimura Brothers." (A historic import-export firm).

Then Mrs. Sumi Terada, another oldtime New York resident, said to Mary, "I used to know your mother when you were only nine or ten years old. (Mary's mother, incidentally, died when Mary was a child). Your mother was a character. I remember she wanted to ride in a police car so badly — she lied to the policeman that she didn't have any fare so she got in the car and got a ride!"

Later, Mary admitted, "My mother used to be a character — a Women's Lib type." (Ahead of her time). "She had attended Columbia University," and about her father she said, "He was always doing things for people. I wonder if I got some of that character from my mother?" Mary has her own successful import-export business and sells real estate on the side.

A Coincidence

I asked Fumi Shiono, a longtime postwar resident of Manhattan, "Where are you from originally?" "Monrovia" (Southern California). Then my wife enquired, "Did you know the Tsuneishis, a large family with nine children, and the Tashiro's?" Fumi knew of them.

My wife continued, "One of the Tsuneishi boys, Warren, is now in Washington, D.C. He's head curator of the Oriental Department at the Library of Congress."

Fumi said, "The Tashiro's had a son named Tom. My wife smiled. "Did you know that he is now a Professor at the City University?" (Manhattan). "He teaches—of all things — English, Anthropology, Astronomy — Shakespeare, and he's a James Joyce expert!"

Coincidentally, the Shiono son attends City University and the Shionos had operated a business near the University for many years until their relocation to the Bronx.

An Evening of Coincidences
When we introduced Shig Kariya, president of the Japanese American Association, to Chris Ishii, Shig said, "You know I think I met your wife's sister back in Hong Kong or Japan back in (Shig squinted his eyes) — 1946 — or 1947 — I went to Japan as an Overseas trader by boat with the first group of (American) businessmen—after trade opened."

Then Chris shut his eyes, and tried to think back to 1946 or 1947, but gave up.

Shig continued, "I met your sister-in-law — that's right! — in Japan. I was supposed to look you up and give you a message from her!" Chris held out his hand and exclaimed, "O.K. What was it?"

Creator of Lil' Neebo
Lil' Neebo is a contraction of Little Nisei Boy. The model for Lil' Neebo was Edison Uno when he was interned in the Santa Anita Assembly Center back in Arcadia, Calif., in 1942.

At that time Chris was the cartoonist for the camp paper, the "Pacemaker," which was edited by Eddie Shimano. (Art director: Roy Kawamoto).

With Uno as the pixie model, Chris created a most delightful caricature of a little boy wearing an oversized broad striped jockey cap who flew a powerful model plane which took him way over the camp into the clouds high above the Santa Anita Assembly center. In another sequence Lil' Neebo is literally drowned in seaweed shoes from either Seve Roebuck or Montgomery Ward holding a size No. 4 shoe tag in his hand, and looking incredulous.

Chris's name became legendary.

Piel's Bear

Today Chris owns his own TV commercial producing firm in Manhattan and commutes to his home in Dobbs Ferry in Westchester County, N.Y. He is known for having produced the famed "Burt and



I've been a designated hitter a long time.

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

Condid Views

Editor:

As a long time member and supporter of the JACL and PC, I hope that this will be accepted as a constructive criticism as it is intended to be.

For quite some time now, I have been dissatisfied with the articles often written by the several columnists and have voted with the idea of writing to the editor regarding them. However, after looking through the PC of April 6th, I have finally been spurred to action.

In this issue, there are eight articles, not including President Tanaka's Priorities, which are by PC columnists. Three are by Past National Presidents and the rest by regulars and once-in-a-while. Of these eight, four, including articles by the three Past National Presidents, are not even remotely connected with anything Japanese American. Another columnist interviews his own daughter about fine arts.

I believe that this is an example of many issues of the PC not using its limited and valuable space to the best interest of the members. There must be so many items of direct connection and pertinency to AJAs that were covered by the columnists mentioned.

I have enormous respect for the Past Presidents of our organization, but by the same token, when they write in the PC, I expect opinions and thoughts that concern me as a Japanese American. I don't want them using up space in the PC talking on some general subject that I can find elsewhere at the local library. Sometimes, I imagine that even they feel "dried up." When that happens, row much better it would be if they just didn't write rather than to attempt filling space in the PC.

Then, when their columns appear, I know that they are writing something I want to read.

Sacramento

K. SATO

In asking our past national JACL presidents to continue writing in the PC, we felt their interests professionally would broaden the horizons of JACL members in general. To contend, as reader Sato does, that their articles "are not even remotely connected with anything Japanese American" may be true in a specific sense, but not in the human sense. The fact that Japanese Americans are expressing themselves in the wider world, we believe, to be very much connected with things Japanese American and the contributions we as Nisei and Sansei can render.—Ed.

Mr. N. Aibara

Editor:

With regard to "National JACL's Oldest Member Succumb," (PC, Feb. 23) there are some statements which need to be clarified.

Nisaburo Aibara was not a Buddhist. He leaned towards Buddhism. Funeral services conducted on February 13, 1973 at Allen's Mortuary in Turlock were by the Reverends Shibata and Yamaoka of the Stockton Buddhist Church.

It was Kyutaro Abiko, early San Francisco newspaperman, who was a Christian and was instrumental in starting the Yamato Colony. It was not Mr. Aibara.

According to an interview of Mr. Aibara in May, 1971 by Professor and Mrs. J. Emery Fleming (then of Cal State Stanislaus) and Librarian J. Carley Parker, of California State College, Stanislaus—the tape of which is on file at the College Library—the following information is also passed on to you.

Mr. Aibara was born January 1, 1870 in Nakakomagi, Inazumimura, Yamanashiken, Japan. Upon completion of

Harvey" (fat aggressive guy and skinny "fruity cat") commercial for Piel's beer. While in California, Chris worked in animation for Walt Disney in Culver City.

(Incidentally, Jim Tanaka of Rockland County, N.Y. is present Art Director of the New York Walt Disney office). During the war years, Chris was in Yenan, China, with the United States Army.

Manzanar—

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and Sansei, however, Naomi Uyekawa, 23, speaks for many young Japanese Americans when she says, "I admire the Issei for their self-determination and self-reliance."

Many Sansei at Manzanar are actively involved in the Gerdena Pioneer Project, which is geared to help the Issei meet their needs.

San Franciscans

About 40 students from the San Francisco area made the Manzanar pilgrimage.

Tom Yamaguchi, 21, of San Francisco State, is happy "people are bringing this out in the open and making us aware of what's going on."

His parents were interned at Poston camp in Arizona.

Mark Hayashi of San Francisco is only 17, but he welcomes coming to grips with reality.

"You can't really know what it was like unless you come to a place like Manzanar. I know many Nisei say it was for the best. Maybe it was for them at the time, I don't know."

"My parents were at Topaz. I feel bitter because I feel close to my mother and I wonder how they could do that to her."

Sansei Inquire

Many Sansei like Mark were born years after the war and concentration camps. Others like David Uyekawa were born in the camps. All seek answers in the past.

"I was born in Tule Lake," David says. "You want to find out your past to learn your identity. My parents were Kibei (Japanese born in America) but sent back by parents to Japan for their education in pre-World War II days."

"Coming here to Manzanar and learning more about the concentration camps helps me understand my parents better and the situation in which they lived."

His sister, Naomi, adds: "Our parents didn't encourage or discourage us from coming. But our mother did make the 'bento' (lunches) for us."

'A Growth Process'

Shigekuni thinks something like Manzanar is a necessary thing for the Sansei, a growth process.

"The Sansei is torn between two cultures," he explains. "He is a product of a 100 per cent American world. He's as American as apple pie because during and after the war Nisei raised their children to be Americans."

"But today Sansei are saying, 'Hey, wait a minute. There's something missing in my life. What about my heritage? Where did I come from? They are searching for an identity.'"

Sansei Views

How does a modern Japanese American girl feel?

Karen Chomori says, "It's impossible for me to be a Japan Japanese, and I can't be completely assimilated into the mainstream of American culture because, for one thing, I don't look American."

Toh Nakano of Harbor City gives his idea of moving toward some kind of identity.

"I feel the Japanese have contributed to American history. But all you read about the Japanese in history is as the enemy."

"If you don't read about the Japanese in concentration camps, you begin to think maybe it wasn't important enough to put in the history books. Then you begin to question your own value."

"Things like Manzanar you never read in school books. Or if there is mention it is very small."

Historical Valve

"For a person to grow and believe in himself, he must have something to relate to or he won't feel part of this so-called melting pot."

"My going to Manzanar is like contributing to history. Manzanar as a historical monument should be the most important thing to the Japanese in America."

"The concentration camp was the most traumatic moment for them."

"I'm glad I came to Manzanar. Since I was born in a camp (Tule Lake) I feel a part of it."

"By being here I feel I'm contributing to the community at large and not just the Japanese American."

"Coming here is a privilege and an honor."

(This story appeared in two parts on the front page of the Daily Breeze second section April 16-17. Ed Sakamoto has been on the Daily Breeze staff for a number of years with the Alhambra Post-Advocate. He is a Sansei from Hawaii.—Ed.)

QUESTION BOX

Paperback 'Nisei'

Q—Will you tell me how to purchase the paperback version of "Nisei: the Quiet Americans" (Morrow: \$3.95) by Bill Hosokawa?—M.L., Chicago.

A—Most bookstores should have them on stock.

JACL Scholarship

Where do we get application forms for the National JACL Scholarship?—M.K., Alhambra, Calif.

Applications are issued by National Headquarters after a JACL chapter submits by April 15 its single nominee for a scholarship. Students, therefore, must inquire with a local chapter board member or scholarship chairman.

and retained in their files at 125 Weller St., Los Angeles 90012.



David Ushio

National Dialogue

THE LESSON OF MANZANAR

San Francisco

Manzanar is a desolate place. For many of us who have not lived in these concentration camps, a visit to Manzanar is an unforgettable experience. During the recent plaque dedication officially naming Manzanar a California State Historical Landmark, I spent a day there.

I spent one day under conditions I found almost unbearable, and yet, our parents and grandparents endured it for years.

I met an 82 year-old man at Manzanar who pointed out a stone-lined pond he had built 31 years ago. He filled it with water, and stocked it with fish to help bring beauty to that camp. The true lesson of Manzanar lies with men and women such as these.

They came to a distant and unresponsive land and persevered despite rejection. They gained some semblance of success only to be uprooted, confined, and then freed to have to begin all over again. At that point, most of the Issei were in their 40's and 50's, an age when most people today begin thinking of retirement. And yet, they began again. Manzanar is a tribute to the Issei, who like that 82 year old man, despite all adversity sought beauty and survived.

Above all, Manzanar teaches pride. A poem by one of our staff members after her visit to Manzanar last year eloquently sums up my feelings.

MANZANAR

The teryaki is delicious. Was it to demonstrate, to remonstrate with the redundancy of rhetoric? Right On!

Why are we here?

We are here to honor a people who have withstood what we couldn't.

Pursued a dream, a hope, in a strange and hostile land. Endured the pain and were defamed.

By prejudice and hate. Comprehended not of the past but looked only to the future. A future in us.

Did you make the sushi The Issei, yourself?

Matsumoto—

Continued from Front Page

tional issue. Northern parents soon found themselves allied with the Southern parents who in the late 1930s and early 1960s opposed the sending of their children to schools which would also be attended by Black students.

This is not to suggest that all opponents to busing are bigots or that all opposition is racial. A number of ostensibly non-racial reasons have been developed in opposition to busing. The extra cost of busing programs, the additional time burden upon bussed children, the "sanctity" of the so-called neighborhood school concept, and the uncertainty caused by the removal of children from familiar surroundings and friends are among the arguments cited by those who oppose busing for "non-racial" reasons.

No one can deny that the extra time spent by a bussed child in being transported to and from school is a burden. Nor can anyone deny that the additional costs to the school district which accompany busing programs are also a burden.

The real question is not whether busing causes burdens or costs which would not exist without busing, for the answer to that question is self-evident. But rather the question is whether the burdens are significant when measured against the goals which integrated education is designed to achieve.

Quite apart from the substantive arguments which can be marshalled in favor or in opposition to busing is the issue of whether the proposed constitutional amendments are an appropriate vehicle to resolve the issue.

There is, I think, a compelling reason why the busing controversy should not be decided by the amendment process. One of the strengths of our Constitution is that it enunciates broad fundamental principles concerning the structure and power of government and the liberties of

individuals. The enduring nature of our Constitution and of our constitutional processes is attributable in no small part to the fact that our Constitution has been cast in terms of these fundamental principles of enduring generality. The busing issue, on the other hand, is a specific matter of immediate public concern and the proposed amendments are particular statements designed to deal with that concern. Such an amendment is totally out of character with the broader nature of the Constitution.

To illustrate the particular nature of the busing controversy and the inadvisability of using the amendment process, one should note that the federal courts which have ordered busing have indicated that they view busing as a tentative measure. The tentative nature of the busing remedy is present for developing alternative solutions and for revising concepts. As new cases are litigated, the case-by-case determination of the issues provides the greatest possible potential for developing additional workable solutions.

The proposed constitutional amendments would, however, preclude such experimentation and would place an unwelcome rigidity upon the entire decision making process.

While one amendment such as the proposed anti-busing amendment cannot itself trivialize the Constitution, the very proposal of such an amendment by Congress would establish an unfortunate and unwelcome precedent.

As noted earlier, the value of our Constitution has been its enduring quality which has allowed the general principles expressed in the document to serve as the basis for legitimate decision making process. Any movement away from this fundamental nature is unwarranted.

Thought for the Week

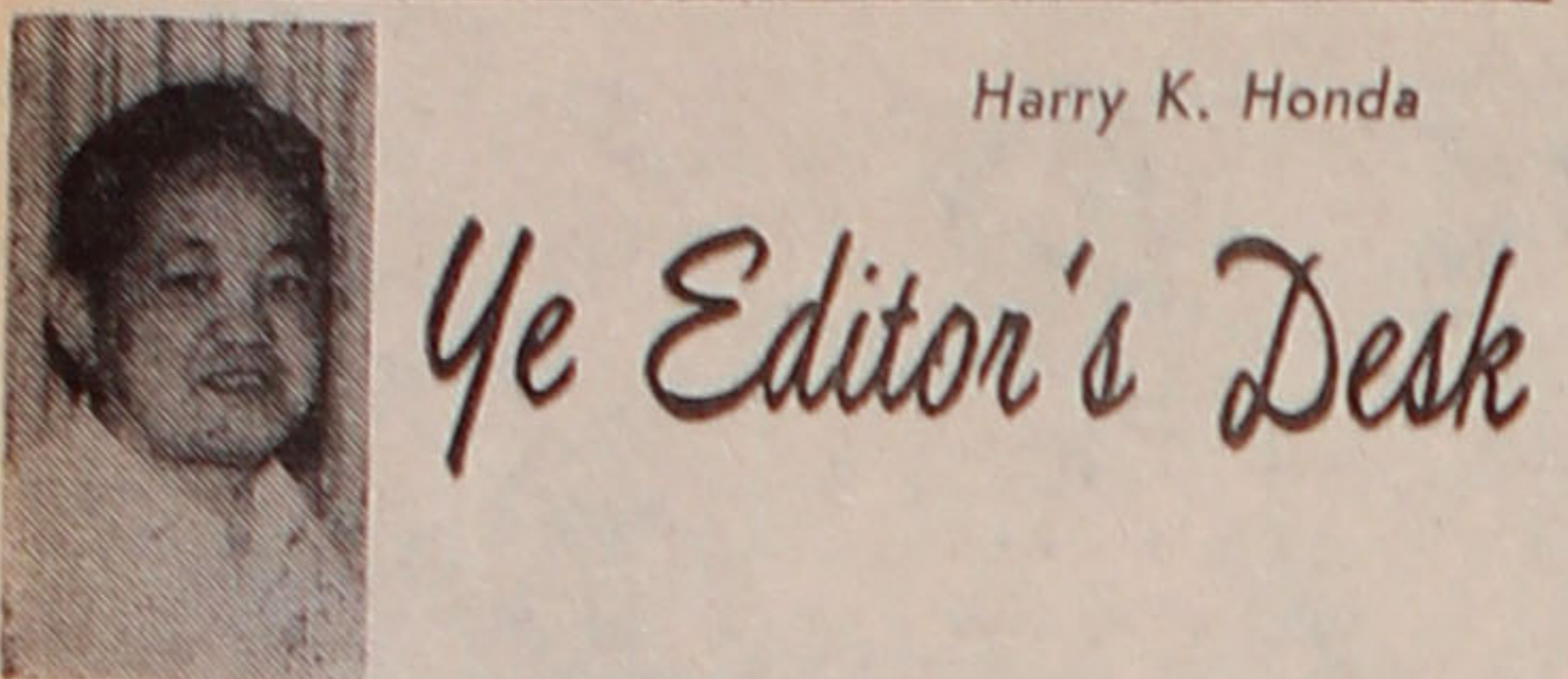
A man who dares to waste one hour of his life has not discovered the value of life.—Charles Darwin, English naturalist (1809-1882).

25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, Apr. 24, 1948

For the first time since the passage of the historic Exclusion Act for 1924, a Congressional committee this week initiated public hearings on a bill designated principally to enable Japanese aliens in this country to become citizens and to extend the immigration quota law to Japan citizens and to extend the legal rights of the Calif. Fish and Game code which denies commercial fishing licenses to Japanese and other "aliens ineligible to citizenship" were heard by the Supreme Court Kisei Domei branches have April 21 in the Takahashi case. A one man show of paintings by Sueo Serisawa, rising young artist, is now on exhibition at the Ambassador hotel... Gen. Bonner Fellers, psychological warfare officer and military secretary to Gen. Douglas MacArthur during World War 2, told congressional subcommittee April 21 that the U.S. owes the Nisei Judd naturalization and immigration laws.

2— Friday, April 27, 1973



Harry K. Honda

Ye Editor's Desk

PC BUSINESS IN BRIEF

By the time this reaches our readers this week, the Pacific Citizen Board will have concluded its annual meeting in preparing its report to the National JACL Board. By and large, matters are largely "housekeeping" in nature but to fill in the general membership, whose only liaison with the organization is this publication, with our progress, we dutifully report:

1—The PC budget has been revised, slightly upwards, from \$106,000 to \$113,500. Income, likewise, is expected to be better from \$106,000 to \$117,400. We have added Jim Henry, erstwhile Tokyo correspondent, as editorial assistant. Mailing rate and costs have also increased since the previous budget was prepared a year ago. Increase in income is mainly from the 50-cent additional due from JACL-PC subscribers.

2—A new mailing system is being proposed, whereby the address labels will be prepared off IBM-style cards on a Cheshire-Xerox lister. We have computed current costs to prepare labels to be \$6.40 per M, whereas the proposal estimates \$4 per M. Advantages are many if these cards are key-punched and a selector rented to offer additional services to the organization-at-large. Just the PC assisting National Headquarters with a membership renewal campaign by mail each year should be welcomed by the chapters, which can then focus their solicitation efforts to new members and delinquency mop-ups.

3—PC is now in the market for a microfilm reader-printer. Thanks to the \$1,000 contribution from the 1972 National JACL Bowling Tournament and the Gardena Valley JACL, PC launched its microfilm project. To date, nearly \$600 has been expended in micro-filming the PCs issued from 1942-1971, now available in 12 rolls at \$10 each through our office.

4—To expedite the dispatch of PC to "new JACL members", it has been suggested they also be provided a special PC subscription notice, countersigned by the chapter solicitor and sent to us direct—rather than through channels and subsequent delay of up to four or five months. We even heard of members who never did get their paper.

5—Not many JAYS or Student JACL members have asked for their PC with membership, but the JAYS in working out their membership dues structure have been reminded of the minimum rate (\$3.50 per year). Whatever the parent chapters can offer in form of subsidy should be passed along to their JAYS.

6—Last PC readership survey was conducted in 1964. Response then was about 15%. Now we're tinkering with the "postpaid coupon" system, whereby the readership poll would be printed in the PC and the reader would clip, fold, scotch-tape the sides and mail.

The PC financial statement is too much to duplicate here but in terms of weekly costs and receipts, it looks this way:

	1971	1972	1973e
Per Week Basis			
Staff	\$ 541	\$ 559	\$ 674
Production	723	726	668
Circulation	420	473	577
Overhead	193	178	264
Expenses	\$1,877	\$1,936	\$2,183
JACL Subscriptions	\$ 931	\$1,021	\$1,280
Non-Memb Subs	180	169	173
Reg Ads	417	464	462
Holiday Ads	411	334	337
Income	\$1,839	\$1,988	\$2,252

What we did was take the annual figures and divided by 52 weeks.

POTSHOTS

Beyond Flattery

Don Hayashi



PORTLAND, Ore.—On a recent trip to the Intermountain area, Ray Uno and Shake Ushio introduced this writer to state and local elective officials. It was a useful opportunity to let these decision makers know we're concerned about our community. Though most public officials are flattering about Nikkei accomplishments (i.e. hard work, good citizenship), few were able to perceive that we, like others, have concerns and problems. Certainly the presence of Ray and Shake in civic affairs make us visible, but we need many more to clearly articulate our concerns and problems. It is false to hope that local officials will come to us; we must approach them and share our perspective and concerns.

Commissioner Yukus Inouye, newly elected Utah County Commissioner, stressed the "need to be involved." His commitment, involvement, and election to public office serves as a valuable example of helping others to better understand us as people. Certainly JACLers have concerns. The Salt Lake Issei Center, sponsored by the Salt Lake and Mt. Olympus chapters, expresses a concern for the elderly. Monthly activities are possible through the ef-

Idaho Falls and Boise Valley chapters express a desire to involve more young adults in their program, and some Sansei are responding. It's gratifying to see Ron and Carla Harada and Dean and Amy Hayashida serve as leaders of their respective chapters. It also reminds us that we must be open to their ideas and concerns to make JACL a relevant and serving organization.



From the Frying Pan

Bill Hosokawa

San Francisco

ZADANKAI, U.S. STYLE—The Japanese have an institution known as "zadankai" in which a panel of persons more or less knowledgeable about a subject get together around a table and discuss it. Such a seminar on U.S.-Japan relations was held here one recent weekend, and the shame of it is that more persons couldn't have listened to the lively discussion. For the record, the participants, in alphabetical order, were Prof. Hans Baerwald, department of political science, UCLA; Prof. Harumi Benu, department of anthropology, Stanford; John K. Emmerson, Hoover Institution, Stanford; Bill Hosokawa, Denver Post; Prof. Robert S. Ozaki, department of Economics, California State, Hayward; Prof. Herbert Passin, East Asian Institute, Columbia University; Prof. Seizaburo Sato, department of liberal arts, University of Tokyo; Prof. Masakazu Yamazaki, department of literature, Kansai University; Prof. Hiroshi Wagatsuma, department of sociology, University of Pittsburgh.

Without reference to source, and in no particular order, some of the comments made at the seminar are being related here:

➤ Racial discrimination exists in both the U.S. and Japan, but a large part of what appears to be racial discrimination by Americans against Japanese may be more the result of lack of understanding of cultural differences. For example, in the U.S. it is customary to say what one means. In Japan one must understand what is not said, and a person who speaks too bluntly may be ostracized. Americans, being from many backgrounds, obviously are a heterogeneous people. The Japanese, being racially homogenous, look like a rock-solid nation. Thus it is easy to conjure up images of Japan Inc., a country united in its efforts to expand economically, whereas in truth Japan is a nation of many facets with many shades of political and economic opinion. One of the great difficulties is that the Japanese do not see themselves as homogenous.

➤ Understanding each other is difficult. Japanese visitors usually see only the downtown areas of U.S. cities, which often present the worse face of America. In Japan, downtown is the most attractive, most exciting, most interesting part of the urban scene. Japanese homes are likely to be crowded and drab; suburban American living, which the Japanese visitors rarely see, best reflects the high standard of life in the United States.

➤ Americans are having difficulty ridding themselves of the "Superpower Syndrome" which they acquired unwillingly through victory in World War II, even though that status is eroding rapidly. One racist aspect of the Superpower Syndrome is the feeling among many Americans that Japan must never catch up with the white world in terms of prestige and standard of living, whereas there's really nothing wrong with Japan trying to achieve economic, social and political equality with the white world through hard work.

➤ The deterioration in U.S.-Japanese relations dates to 1971 when the American domestic economy faltered. Japan resents being made a scapegoat for U.S. domestic problems like inflation and unemployment when imports from Japan account for less than 0.5 per cent of the U.S. gross national product.

➤ The U.S. and Japan are racing toward head-on competition for the world's raw materials and energy resources, to their mutual disadvantage. Both are heavily dependent on petroleum, for instance, and Japanese purchases of U.S. timber is being blamed for the soaring cost of lumber at the same time that the U.S. wants Japan to buy more from us. The time is coming when natural resources will have to be regarded as a world pool rather than national possessions, and the two nations would be wise to lead a global cooperative search for new energy technology like utilization of the seas and solar energy.

➤ And one final observation without comment: Nisei and Sansei are not likely to play a significant role in Japanese-American relations. Aside from the relatively insignificant numbers of Nisei and Sansei, both Caucasians Americans and Japanese

STATE AGENCY FUNDS EASTBAY ISSEI CENTERS

To Help Work at Mt. Eden, Set Up One at El Cerrito

RICHMOND, Calif. — The East Bay Japanese for Action was successful in getting a \$19,285 grant for the California Commission on Aging to establish senior citizen centers for the Issei of the Mount Eden area in southern Alameda county and in the Richmond-El Cerrito area in Contra Costa county.

Credit has been extended to the groundwork effort of such people as Dennis Yotsuya, Grace Nagata, Tom Okamoto, Yo Kasai and many other EBJA members for securing the grant.

The Issei center for the Mt. Eden area has been in operation for about a year. The center here is yet to open.

June 2 Open House

At the previous community meeting to establish an Issei center here, it was decided to set up an Issei center at the American Savings & Loan Assn. building in El Cerrito. An open house is scheduled for Saturday, June 2, noon-3 p.m., with the regular program for Issei seniors planned for the first and third Saturdays of each month from 10 a.m.-3 p.m., commencing June 16.

Meantime, applications for a program coordinator (\$180 a month) and a senior aide (\$150 a month) of the Issei center here are being accepted by Jerry Irel, personnel committee, 5961 Arlington Blvd., Richmond 94805 (415-237-1320). The senior aide must be at least 62 years of age.

The program coordinator will be primarily responsible to coordinate and develop programs for the Issei participants at the center.

Through efforts of EBJA of Berkeley, interested members of the Richmond-El Cerrito area who belong to various organizations such as the Contra Costa JACL, Berkeley-Richmond Free Methodist Church, Swamore Church, Nishi and Higashi Hongwanji Buddhist churches of Berkeley, Berkeley Methodist United Church and many other organizations, were called for a community meeting to discuss the feasibility of establishing a senior citizens center for the Richmond-El Cerrito area.

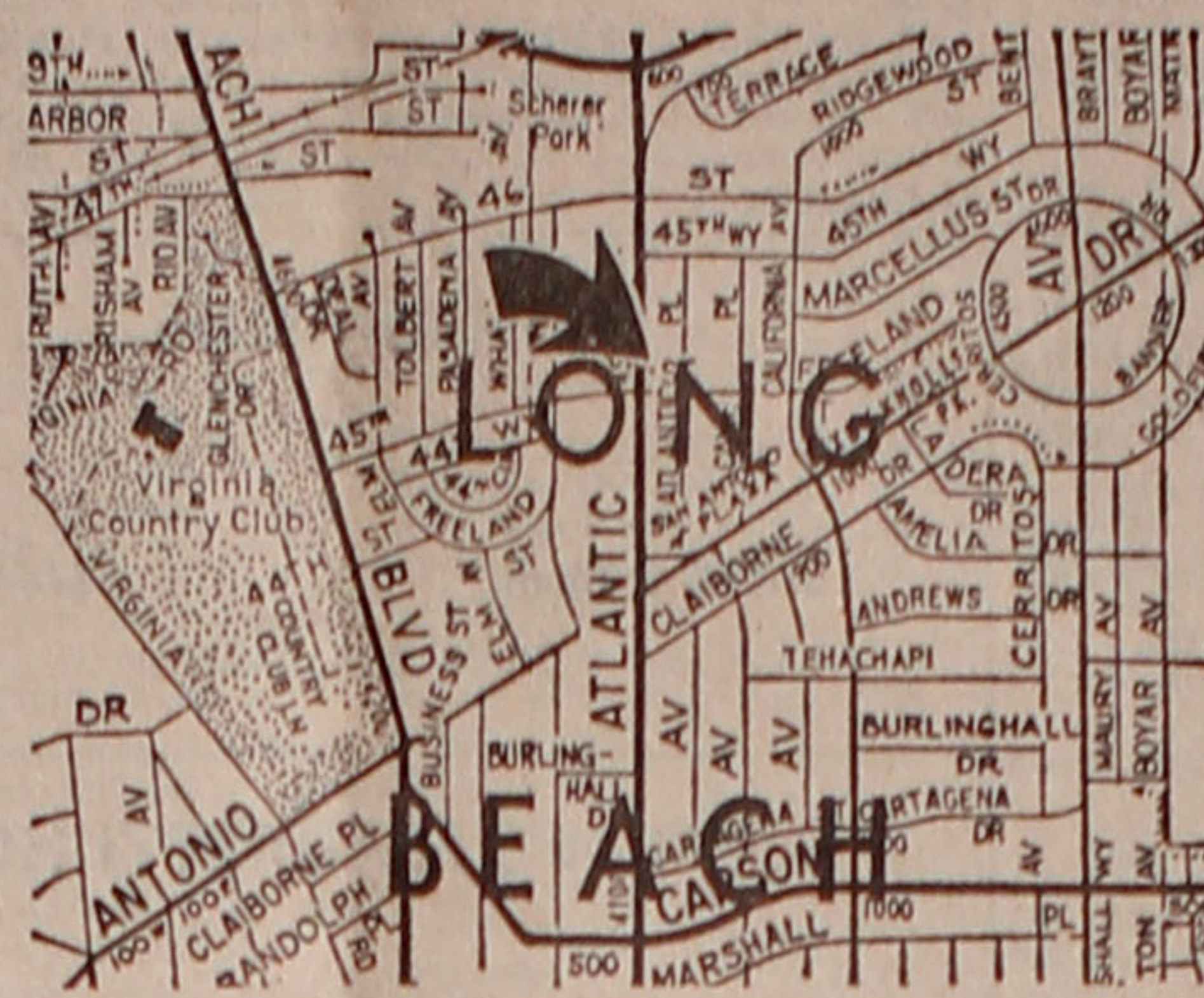
Further information about the new center may be obtained from Ko Iijichi 233-8419 or Ben Takeshita 235-8182, both with the area code (415). Volunteers for transportation or telephone work are needed.

Tokyo's dry year

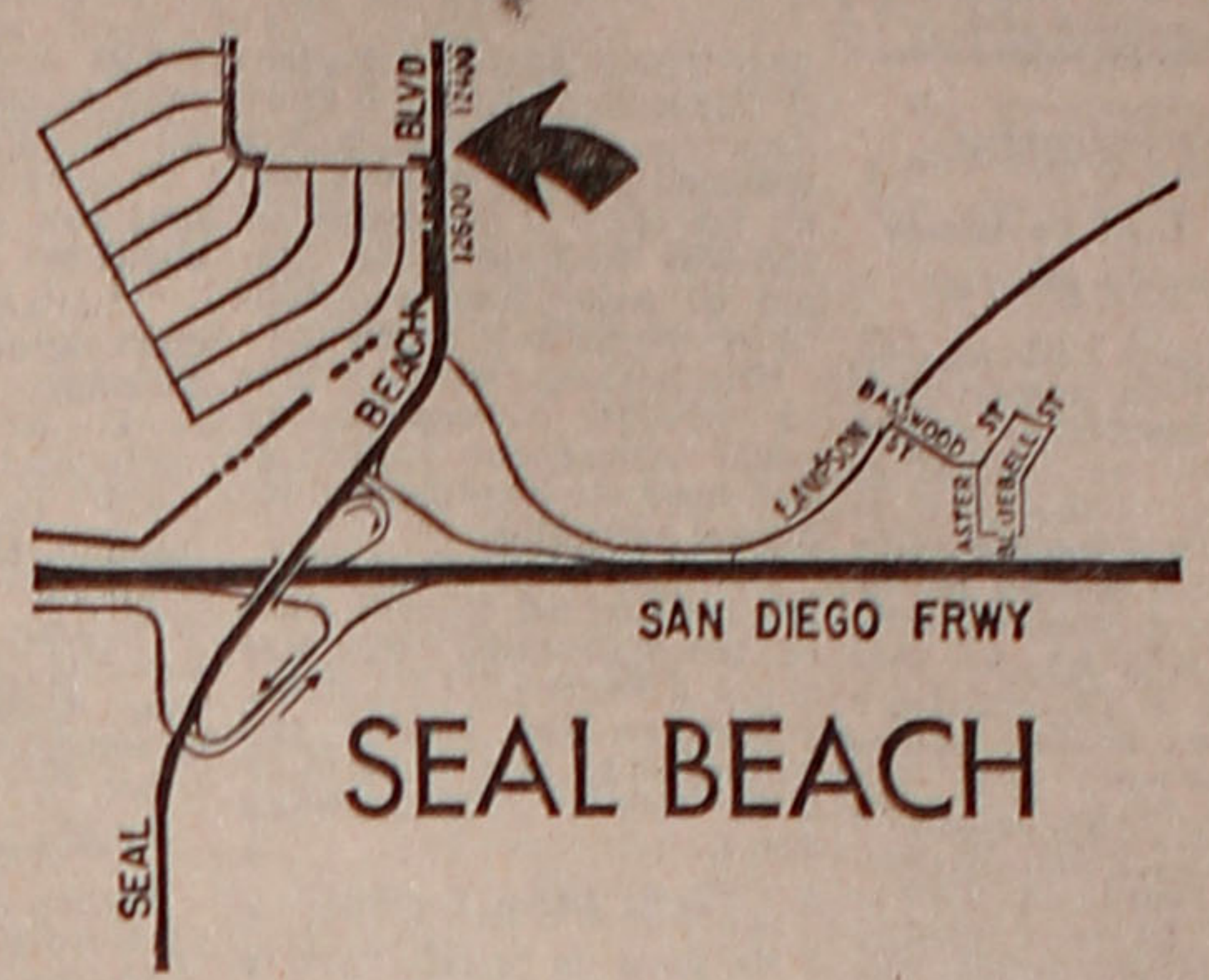
TOKYO — The meteorological agency said 1973 brought Tokyo its driest March since the start of the century, with only four inches of precipitation.

would prefer to deal directly with each in business rather than through the Nisei. In the U.S., Nisei ambivalence regarding Japan continues to create problems for them.

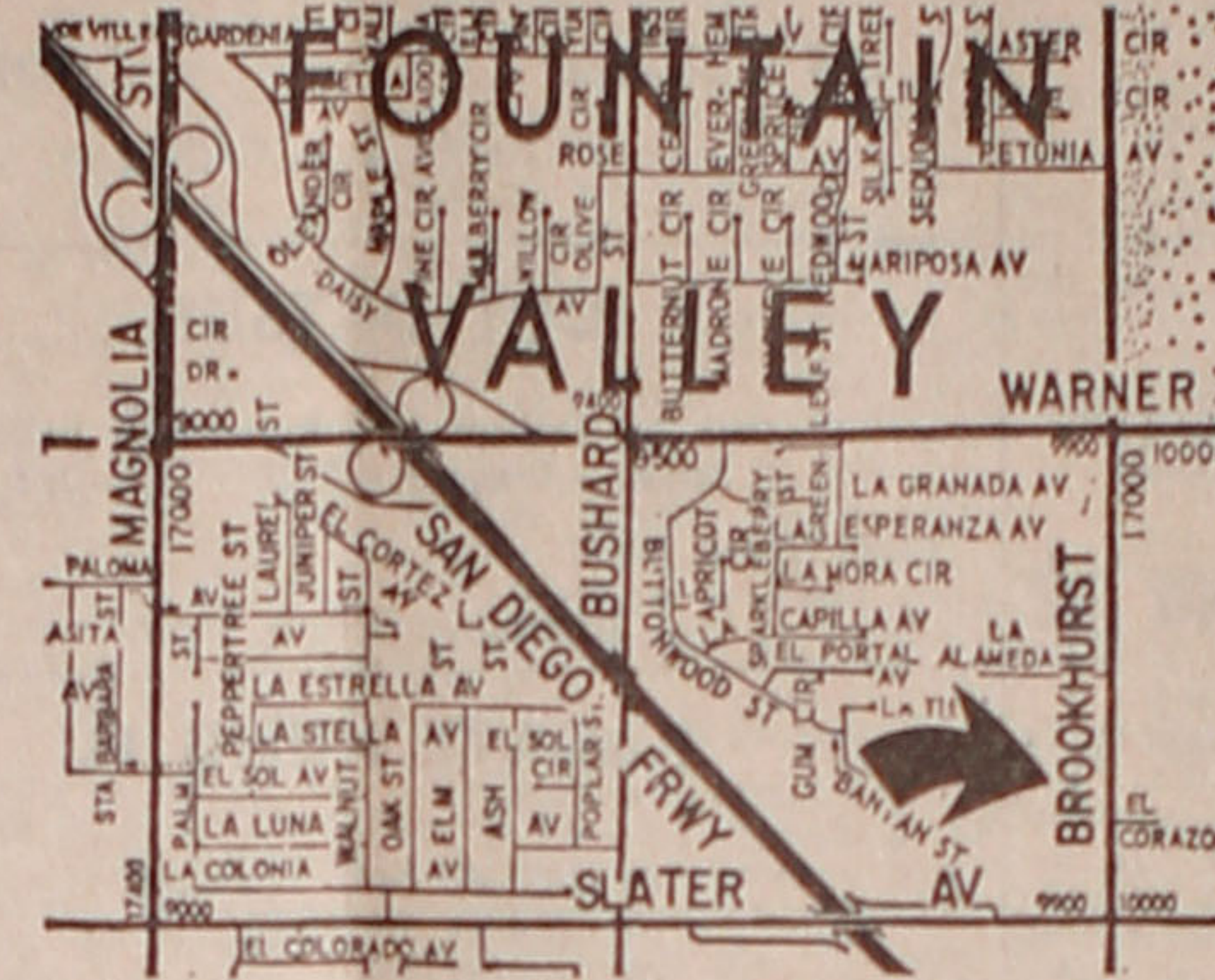
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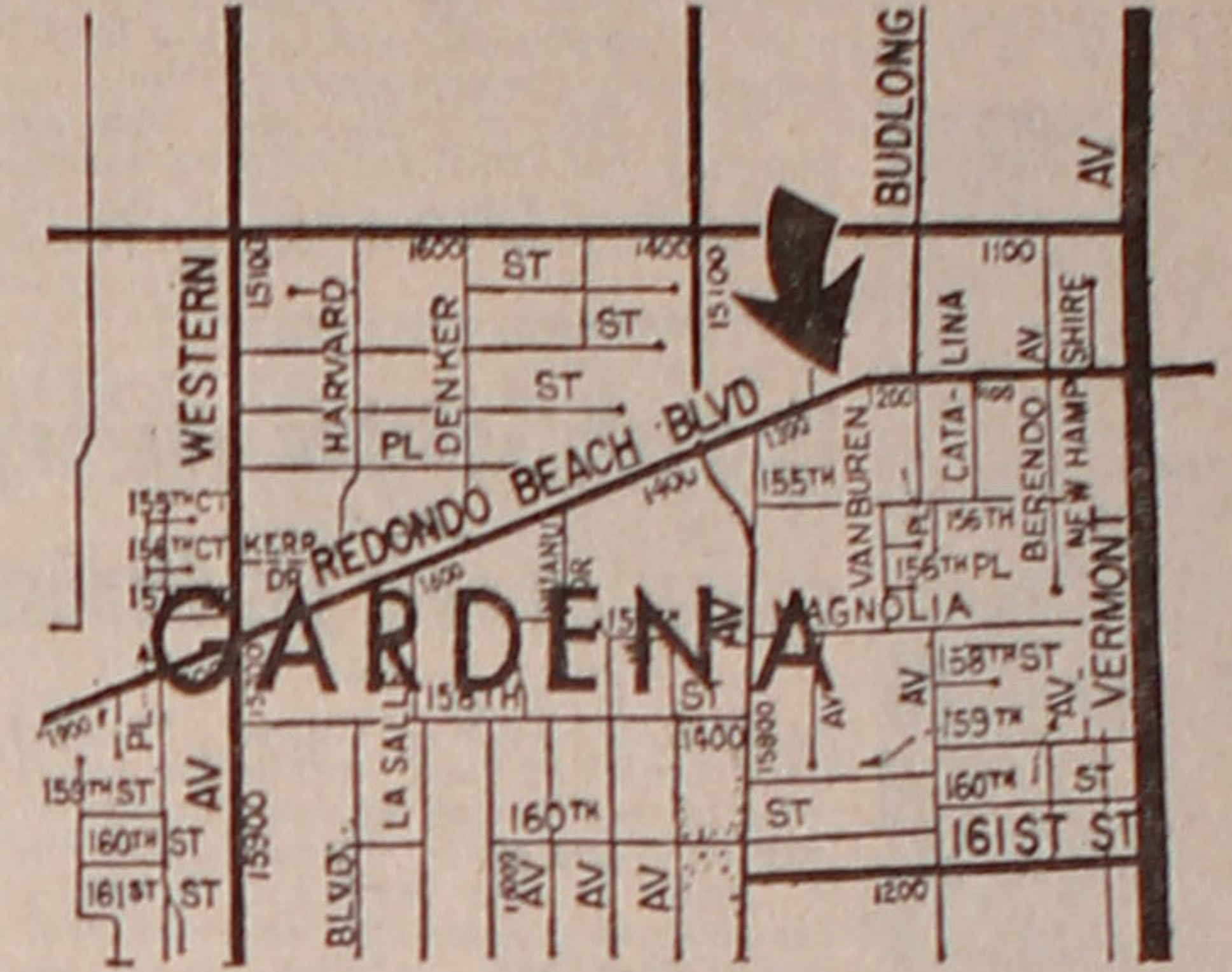
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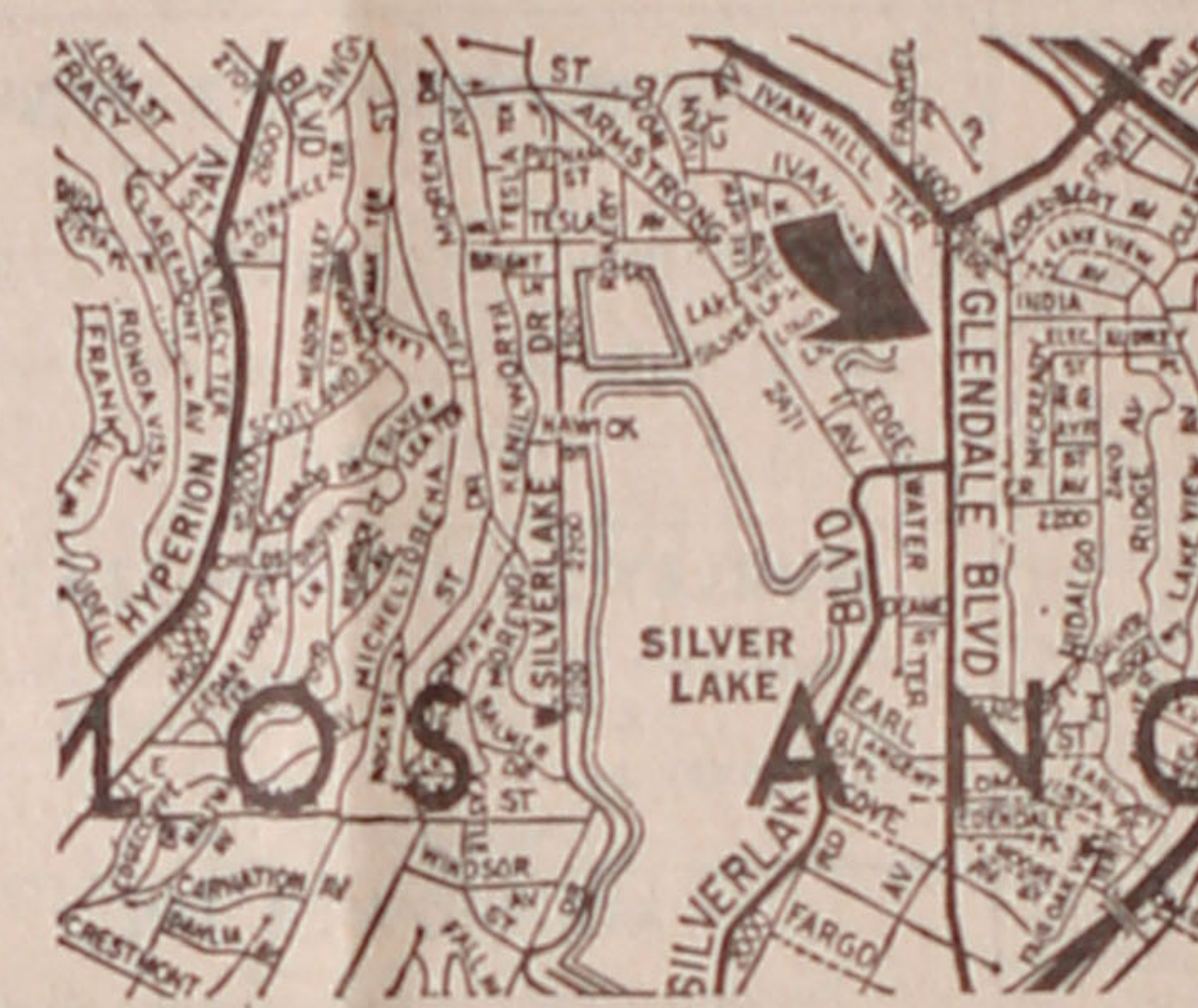
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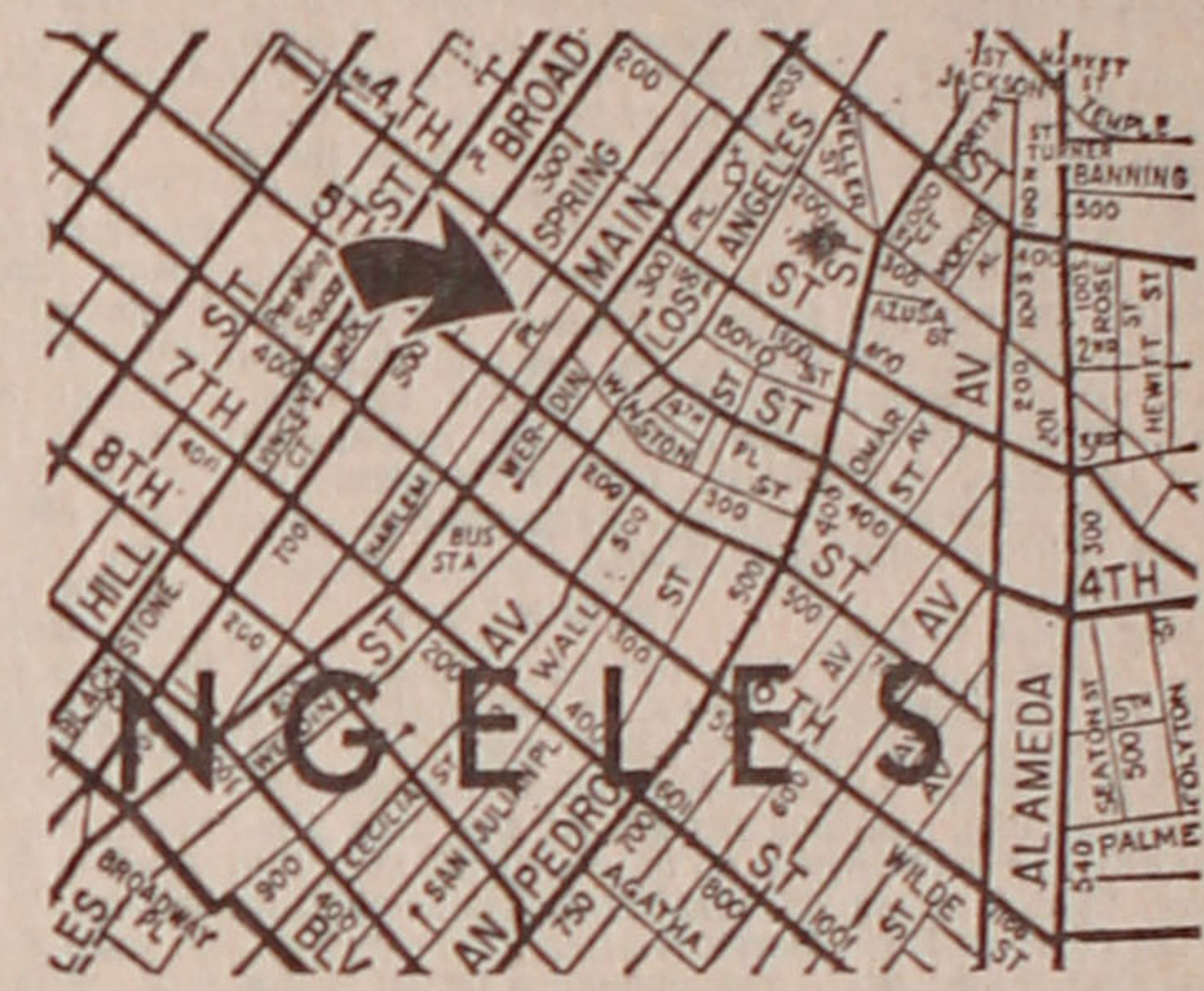
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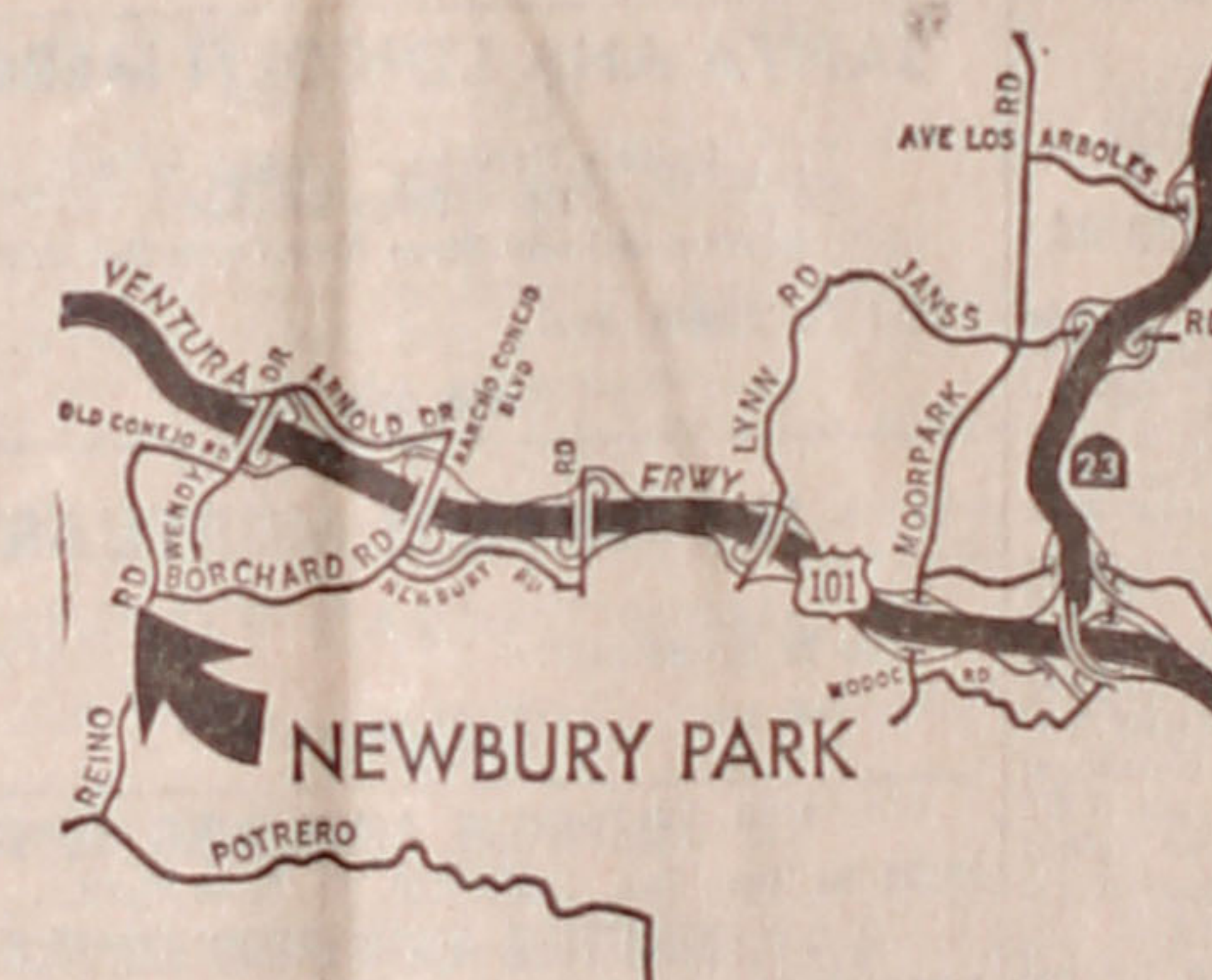
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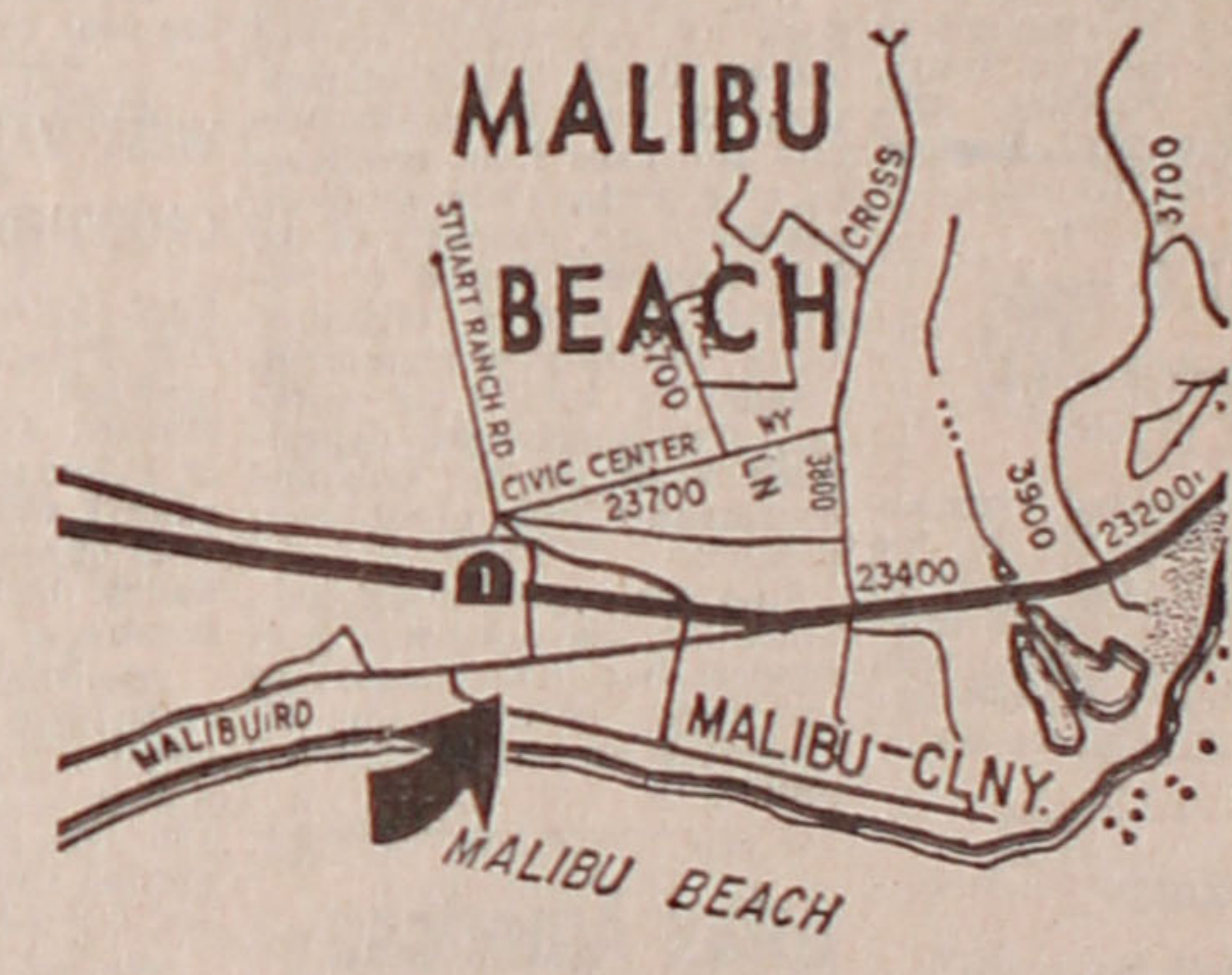
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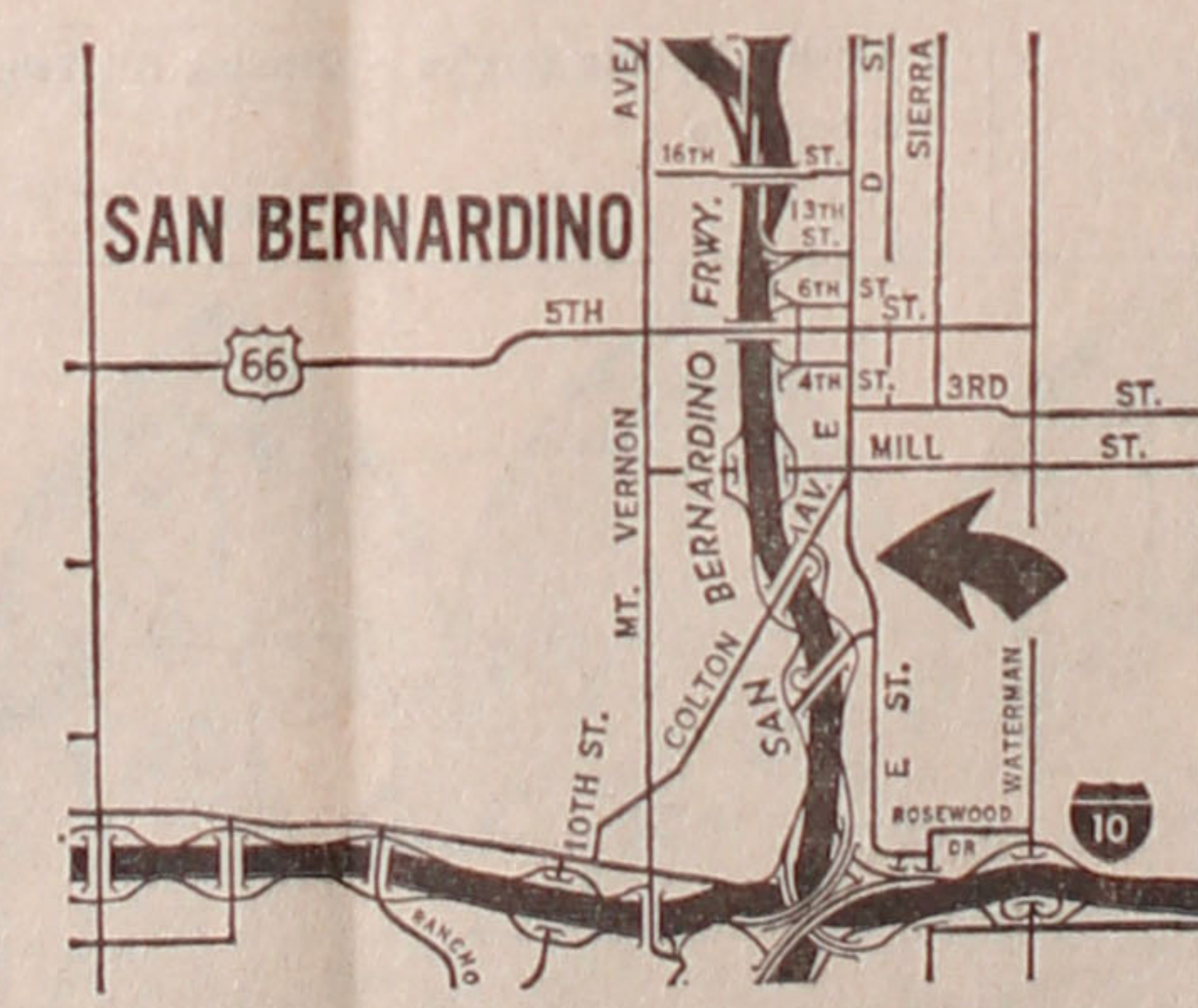
Downtown L.A. Between 4th & 5th on Spring across from Title Insurance. 426 South Spring St.



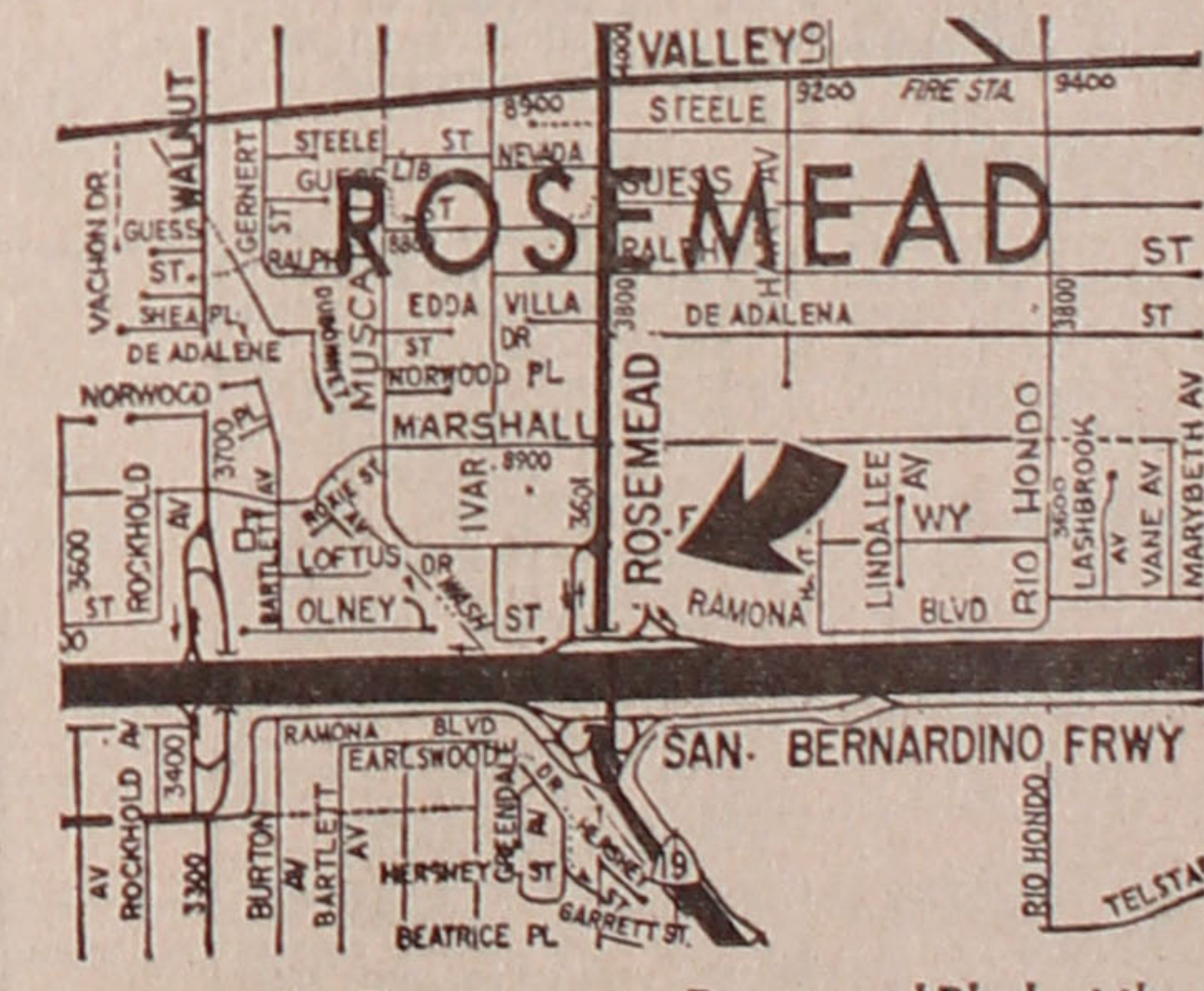
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CHAPTER PULSE

May Events

Downtown L.A. to honor
Orange County matron

Mrs. Shige Nishizu, 85, mother of seven, grandmother of 22 and great-grandmother of three, will be honored as "Issei Mother of the Year" at the 12th annual Mother's Day dinner to be sponsored by the Downtown Los Angeles JACL.

The event is set for Friday, May 11 at General Lee's Man Jen Low in New China town at 6:30 p.m.

Born in Fukuoka, Japan, on Nov. 15, 1887, Mrs. Nishizu arrived in Seattle in 1907 at the age of 20 as a picture bride of Shinjiro Nishizu. The couple moved to Hillrose, Colo., and began farming 200 acres of sugar beets without much success.

They moved to Garden Grove in Orange County and purchased 80 acres of farm



Mrs. Shige Nishizu

land in Buena Park, which laid the foundation for the present Nishizu enterprises.

Her husband died in 1952 at the age of 75. Her eldest daughter, Mrs. Grace K. Fujita, is also deceased, but her six other children are well and successful in various fields. They are Clarence Nishizu, Mrs. Dorothy Okamoto, Mrs. Ruth Goya, Mrs. Florence Sugimoto, John Nishizu and Henry Nishizu.

Clarence, long active in the JACL; John, active in the Lions Club and Henry, active with the Kiwanis, have formed Westmont Enterprises, Inc., which deals in farming, real estate investment and mobile home rentals. The brothers also operate the Olympic Produce Co. at the Ninth St. Market in Los Angeles.

Takito Yamaguchi, general chairman of the "Mother of the Year" program, said tickets for the dinner are \$6.50 each and may be obtained at his office, the Bank of Tokyo, 687-9800; Ed Matsuda, 629-3141; or at the JACL Regional Office, 626-4471.

April Events

French Camp set for
community picnic

The 24th annual community picnic sponsored by the French Camp JACL will be held at Mickle Grove on Sunday, April 29, 10 a.m. with George Komure and Tom Matsuhara as general co-chairmen.

East L.A. slates

Emerald Ball May 19

MONTEBELLO, Calif. — East Los Angeles JACL will introduce its Nisei Week queen candidate at the 15th annual Emerald Ball on Saturday, May 19, at the Montebello Country Club.

Prime rib dinner will be served from 7 and dancing to the Melo Macs follows at 9 p.m. Tickets (\$8) may be purchased from Marie Ito (263-9200) or Mattie Furuta (262-8580). Proceeds go towards the chapter scholarship fund.

CALENDAR

April 28 (Saturday)
Contra Costa-Issei Appreciation Night, J F Kennedy High School cafeteria, 5:30 p.m., Richmond-Shimada Sister City Story.

April 28-29
Cleveland-Jr JACL rummage sale.

April 29 (Sunday)
Detroit-Gen Mtg. Brightmoor Comm. Ctr. 1-4 p.m.

May 5 (Saturday)
San Mateo-Japanese movies.

May 5-6
NCWDC-Qtrly Session, Reno JACL hosts: Mapes Hotel; Sat banq spkr., Sen. Howard Cannon.

May 5 (Saturday)
Sequoia-Children's Day, Aldersgate Methodist Church, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

May 6 (Sunday)
Reno-Bonsai demonstration.

May 9 (Wednesday)
Orange County-Bd Mtg.

French Camp-Community picnic, Mickle Grove, 10 a.m.

May 11 (Friday)
Downtown L.A.-Mother's Day banquet, Man Jen Low, 6:30 p.m.

May 12 (Saturday)
Alameda-Chapter bowling tournament, Mel's Bowl.

May 12 (Saturday)
Contra Costa-Family bowling night, Albany Bowl.

May 14 (Monday)
West Los Angeles-Gen dnr mtg. Puyallup Valley-Gen Mtg.

May 19-20
EDC-Qtrly session, New York JACL hosts.

May 19-20
IDC-Qtrly session, Mt. Olympus JACL hosts.

East Los Angeles-Emerald Ball, Montebello Country Club, dinner 6:30 p.m., dance 9 p.m.

Contra Costa-Chapter golf tournament, Alameda South Course.

May 20 (Sunday)
West Los Angeles-Miss WLA queen's tea.

Detroit-JACL Bowling Lg dnr. Topinka's Country House, 5:30 p.m.

Bay Area Community-Mig. East Bay.

PSWDC-Qtrly session, Sausalito JACL hosts; Saddleback Inn, Norwalk.

NEA ASIAN-AMERICAN TASK FORCE
PUT DOWN BY S.F. AREA TEACHERS

SAN FRANCISCO — National Education Assn. Asian American task force held a weekend hearing (April 6-7) at the Board of Education, 135 Van Ness, to gather "input on Asian American education needs and concerns."

The hearing went overtime as speakers focused on unequal educational opportunities, need for identity, and bilingual programs.

Aaron T. Ishikawa, a Stockton high school teacher, called the task force "one step above a banana." (A banana, yellow on the outside and white inside, is a derogatory term for an Asian Uncle Tom).

Task Force Scored
He went on to say, "You're a sincere people, but you're being used to keep us down."

A Berkeley Unified School District coordinator, Glenn Watanabe, called the seven-member task force white-oriented, middle-class and uncommitted to the community.

"We're fed up with researchers and outsiders who barge into the community for studies which we never see," he said.

The task force agreed to send copies of the hearing to all who attended.

It also admitted to being outsiders and knowing little about the local community.

"That's why we're here. We don't know your problems," chairman of the day Danny S. C. Wong, an El Centro math teacher, said.

The task force included Antonio Almaro, Clarksburg, Md.; Rick Florita, Laramie, Wyoming; Steve Ho, East Lansing, Mich.; Mary Kashiragi, Seattle; Wayne Tahara, Grand Island, N.Y.; and Linda Ushio, Salt Lake City.

'Zero at Local Level'
Earlier, the NEA and the PTA were put down by Gail Uyebara, an Asian studies teacher at George Washington high school, as having done little for minorities.

"On a national level, NEA and PTA look great. But on the local level, it's zero," she said.

She cited San Francisco as an example. "Eighty per cent of the teachers are white and 20 per cent are minorities. The student rate is just the

opposite." Marina junior high school teacher Ted Wong spoke on the unified school district's failure to hire minorities despite an affirmative program.

Of the 52 teachers hired recently, none were Asians. He also accused administrators of being "insensitive to bilingual programs."

Other speakers asked for textbooks revisions, especially those which perpetuate the stereotyped images of Asians. Another sensitive area discussed was the problem of articulation. Asian students were good at math and science but poor in English and other subjects where they have to express themselves orally.

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3-Probe possible discrimination practices in the areas of employment, housing, education, welfare and other public services, recreation and other areas that may arise against the Asian Americans;

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Hawaii Today

Hawaii's 9,000 school educators voted to end their 2 1/2-week strike and accept an arbitrator's decision on unresolved issues. The Hawaii State Teachers Assn. said 88% of its members voted to return to work at the end of the Easter holiday period. Key issues were pay, fringe benefits, teacher preparation periods and the work-day length.

Burt Tsuchiya, Kauai County councilman, said on April 3 that nudism exists in widespread proportions at public beaches on Kauai. He urged beachgoers who are offended by naked bodies to file complaints with police so that arrests can be made. Tsuchiya said those displaying themselves nude in public are infringing on the rights of residents to enjoy public areas.

Hawaii's employment rate for Feb. dropped to 3.3 per cent of the statewide labor force, leaving 20,000 persons without jobs. This was an improvement from Jan. when 22,000 were without work.

Residents of Maui, Molokai and Lanai now have direct dialing service for station-to-station long distance. It began on April 1. Similar service is slated to begin in May for Big Island residents and in Dec. for Kauai residents.

The State Health Dept. says the incidence of gonorrhea in Hawaii remained about the same last year as the year before—and, in fact, the total of civilian cases dropped somewhat. "Whether the leveling off or the decrease in civilian cases represents a peak in the epidemic curve can't be ascertained at this time, but it is a hopeful sign," said Dr. Ned Wiebenga, state epidemiologist.

Courtroom

James Douglass, former assistant professor of religion at the Univ. of Hawaii, will not return to Hawaii or pay his \$500 fine. A bench warrant was issued March 7 for Douglass because he violated terms of the probation and left Hawaii without paying his fine. The case was posed by Federal Judge Samuel King last Sept. as a condition of probation after Douglass was convicted of pouring what he said was blood on files at Hickam Air Force Base.

Stanley T. Kobayashi, 55, president and sole stockholder of Stanley T. Kobayashi, Inc., general contractor, and Charles G. Fukushima, 64, owner of two restaurants, Arcade Fountain and Charley's Place, have been indicted by the federal grand jury on charges that they filed false income tax returns to defraud the government. The grand jury also indicted Sanji Kobata, v.p. of Hawaiian Pearl Products, Inc., Ala Hinalo St., and his company on charges that they smuggled jewelry into the U.S. The indictments were returned Mar. 20.

Names in the News

Alberta Chee, daughter of the Albert Chees of Wailuku, Maui, and a senior at Manhattanville College, New York,

George Yoshinaga

Ringside Seat

Hidehiko Koga . . .

You've heard the old saw, "He never got a break . . ." Look around you and you can count the number of people around who just missed by inches because they were not in the right place at the right time.

I think the story of Hidehiko Koga is as good as any of a person who missed fame and, perhaps fortune, by inches.

Koga is a baseball player. He came to the United States about 10 years ago to try out for a minor league team.

Somewhat, he ended up in Lodi, in the California League. The Lodi club, then belonged to the Chicago Cubs which was managed by Jim Marshall.

Koga threw well enough and showed a lot of potential but Marshall never gave him his real chance even though on the few occasions he was called up to pitch, he was impressive.

Disheartened, Koga went to Decatur in the Midwest League, another Class A club. He got a better break there and impressed the parent club, which happened to be the San Francisco Giants.

In fact, he was so impressive he was promised a chance to try out for the big club the following year.

Off-Season Mishap

During the off season, driving on an icy road in Illinois, his car skidded and he crashed into a tree. Most people said he was lucky just to get out with his life.

His neck was broken and his life hung in balance for quite a while.

When he was finally released, he was so weak he couldn't even pick up a baseball, let alone throw it.

With nothing to do, he ended up back in Lodi, not to play baseball but to work in the grape fields as a ranch hand. As luck would have it, immigration authorities picked him up for working in the field without proper visas.

Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

has been awarded a 1973 Danforth Foundation Fellowship for graduate study in Slavic languages at Columbia Univ.

Jill Matsui, 22, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hisanobu Matsui of Wahiawa, is the 1973 Cherry Blossom Queen. A Pacific Univ. (Oregon) graduate, Miss Matsui is a Liberty House sales girl at Pearlridge, but she has no plans of remaining in merchandising.

She graduated last year with a degree in speech pathology and is waiting for an opening as a teacher in the local public schools. Other winners were Sonia Shishido, first runnerup; Brenda Saifuku, second runnerup; Bonnie Terada, third runnerup; and Wilma Iwasaki, fourth runnerup.

Miri Murayama was named Miss Congeniality. Louise Tsuneyoshi was named Miss Popularity.

Karen Shimokawa, a student in the fashion design department at the Univ. of Hawaii, won the 1973 Hawaii Fashion Guild Award as outstanding senior in her department.

Sen. Hiram L. Fong has introduced three bills in Congress to lighten the tax burden on senior citizens. The bills would allow persons 65 and over to deduct all unreimbursed medical expenses from gross income; increase the tax credit on income from private pensions, annuities, interests and dividends for people over 65; and eliminate the need for low and moderate income people over 65 to file declarations of estimated income tax and the quarterly payments on income from pensions or retirement annuities, or from interest and dividends when such income is below \$2,000 annually.

State Capitol

The State House of Representatives on April 4 passed a rent control bill which would freeze rents at their Jan. 1, 1973, level for two years. It passed by a 29 to 22 vote. It now goes to the senate, where its fate is uncertain.

The State Senate on April 4 voted 16 to 8 to allow maiden names. The bill now goes to the House. Under present Hawaii law a woman must assume her husband's last name when she marries. The bill would give her the choice of keeping her maiden name. It would also let her and her husband decide whose last name their children would adopt.

Appointments

The state board of education has Masashi Arinaga as its newest member. Arinaga, the newly appointed member from Kauai, will take his place for the first time on the board. He replaces Ronald Harker, the former Kauai member of the board.

Seven persons appointed by Mayor Frank Fasi to the city board of recreation have been approved by the city council. Approved were Dr. Mario Bautista, Roy Campos, Gary

Johnson, Roger S. Toguchi, Wilfred Watanabe, Gordon Yabui and Dr. Richard You.

Medical Notes

Hilo Hospital has been accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals. Big Island Hospital administrator Frank Keifer made the announcement. The accreditation is good for two years, according to Keifer. New licenses issued to island physicians have greatly increased since residency requirements were dropped by court order last May. This is according to the state's Professional and Vocational Licensing Division. Last year 174 licenses were issued, compared with 106 in 1971.

Political Scene

John K. Cabral, who was forced to resign as a Honolulu police officer in 1964 for being a member in a brawl with a fellow officer, has been appointed to the Honolulu Police Commission by Mayor Frank Fasi. Cabral is Hawaii's national representative for the American Federation of Government Employees. Cabral supported Fasi in last year's mayoral campaign.

Honolulu had the lowest crime index of 19 large American cities compared in a statistical study published by the Phoenix, Ariz., police dept. Cities compared were those with 500,000 and over million persons. In the breakdown of statistics making up the crime index, Honolulu ranked 19th in number of robberies and aggravated assaults during the one-year period counted, 18th in number of rapes and auto thefts, 17th in number of burglaries and 11th in number of murders.

13,604 officers ranked 12th in size among the 19 cities in terms of population.

Traffic Fatality

Mrs. Malie Edith Kubota, 44, of Wailua Households, Kauai, was killed April 3 when the car she was driving went off Haleiilo Road and crashed into a utility pole. Police said Mrs. Kubota was alone in her car. Survivors include her husband, Mamoru.

Univ. of Hawaii

The Manoa Faculty Senate on April 5 voted to express its lack of confidence in Univ. of Hawaii Harlan Cleveland and his administration. For the first time in the UH's 65-year history, a major faculty group openly turned on the school's administration.

The senate is expected to confirm the appointments of two new Univ. of Hawaii regents. They are Harriet Mizuguchi, who replaces Ed Nakamura, and Lihue businessman Kiyoshi Sasaki, who replaces Patrick Cockett.

Sports Scene

John Penebacker, the popular Univ. of Hawaii basketball star, has been named basketball coach at the new Moanalua High School. The Menehunes will be competing on the varsity level for the first time in 1973-74 as a member of the Oahu Interscholastic Assn.'s western division.

Crime File

Wilford K. Pulawa, 37, reputed crime syndicate boss, and five other men have been arrested by federal agents in Honolulu on charges of income tax evasion. Pulawa, it is alleged, made more than \$500,000 in 1970 and 1971 from extortion and racketeering but paid taxes only about \$12,000. Arrested with Pulawa were Alema Leota, 48; Alvin G. Kaubon, 34; Robert E. Wilson, 35; Roy R. Ryder, 40; and Henry W. Huluhl, 35.

L.A. Sansei nabs AAU judo crown

ATLANTA, Ga. — Roy Sukimoto, three times grand champion of Southern California, rose to the occasion in the finals of the 1973 Amateur Athletic Union Senior National Judo Championships to defeat Bill Sanford of the Gulf Division, 176-pound class winner, here April 7.

Sukimoto won the 205-pound class before entering the six weight division winners competition for the grand championship.

Sukimoto, the 22-year old son of Masaiichi and Toshiko Sukimoto of Los Angeles, threw Sanford, the winner of the round robin in the three lower weight divisions, with a "uchimata."

This is the first time since 1967 that a grand champion has come from Southern California. More than 500 judoka participated in the two-day events, representing every state in the nation and Guam.

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BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman

Far Afield on Undefined Subject

INTER-RACIAL MARRIAGE: Expectations and Realities, edited by Irving R. Stuart and Lawrence E. Abt. New York: Grossman, 335 pp., \$12.50.

In her "Potential Role Conflicts in Black-White Marriages," one of 18 articles in this book, Caroline B. Rose says, "The idea that the child of a mixed marriage is in some no-man's land, neither black nor white, is a fairytale . . ."

Nevertheless, some of the contributors assign children of interracial marriages to no man's land, repeatedly identifying them as "mixed-bloods." A child of mixed blood must be in no man's land, for nowhere in this world is such a human condition possible.

The wonder is that those who should be permitted to pose as experts on interracial marriage when they are so ignorant as to believe there are persons of mixed blood.

The articles cover black-white marriages in mainland America, outmarriages by American Indians, and intermarriage in Cuba, Puerto Rico, Trinidad, Brazil, Japan, and Hawaii. There is a section on biographical references as well as an index.

1967 Decision

Since the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in 1967 that prohibition of interracial marriage is unconstitutional, such marriages are increasing especially in those states where they had formerly been outlawed. Since the articles are about people, a thread of human interest tends to be interwoven with the text, holding the attention of the reader, even when the reasoning is faulty.

Nowhere is race clearly defined, though in the article on Puerto Rico, for example, there is defined the concept of race held by the Puerto Rican layman. Contributors conceded that an analysis of interracial marriage may be complicated by such considerations as differences in economic status, education, nationality and class.

In selecting a marriage partner in Brazil, class appears to be a more important consideration than race. In Jewish-Gentile marriages, the supposed difference in race may be only imaginary.

Confusion of race with nationality is common among the contributors. In his "Some

Problems of Interracial Marriage for the Japanese," Hiroshi Wagatsuma implies that a Japanese-Korean marriage is interracial.

The most confused article of all is "Interracial Marriage in Hawaii," by George Yamamoto. He says that of 38,120 marriages recorded in Hawaii from 1965 to 1969, 35 per cent were across "traditional boundaries of race or ethnicity." The reader is left to imagine what may be the traditional boundaries of race or ethnicity.

The author himself quickly abandons speculation on the point; in the next sentence ethnicity blends into race: "This percentage of interracial marriage is considerably higher than the percentage for the American nation as a whole . . ." There follow references to "Caucasian-Hawaiian" marriages resulting in "part-Hawaiians," and other marriages, such as "Caucasian-Japanese" and "Korean-Japanese," while in the background hover "pure Hawaiians."

The results of these marriages, of course, are "mixed-bloods."

People of Hawaii

Though the American flag has flown over Hawaii for 75 years, Hawaii appears to be a no-man's land peopled, not by Americans, but by Japanese, Chinese, Koreans, Filipinos and part-Hawaiians. Though there are Caucasians, their nationality is ignored.

Under the impact of such gibberish, the mainland reader may find his mind reeling. But the long time resident of Hawaii should be able to find method in the author's apparent madness. But far from being directed towards illuminating the subject, the method is used to rationalize and extenuate the credo of

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Critical Constitutional Confrontations



Washington, D.C.

Regardless of what one thinks of the so-called Nixon style, there is no gainsaying that Richard Nixon in his second term has brought about some critical constitutional confrontations with the Congress.

Among the more prominent confrontations are those involving the impoundment of funds, the continuance of the bombing in Cambodia, and the claim of executive privilege to deny congressional committees the opportunity to "examine" White House staff and other government witnesses.

In an effort to keep federal expenditures below the \$250 billion ceiling for fiscal 1973, which ends this June 30, the President has decided to eliminate some of the programs that the Congress enacted and to reduce the funds allocated to others.

The National Constitution provides in Article I that "All legislative powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives. . . . To make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution the foregoing powers, and all other powers vested by this Constitution in the government of the United States, or in any department or officer thereof." In Article II, it is provided that "The executive power of the United States shall be vested in a president of the United States of America. . . . He shall from time to time give to the Congress information of the state of the union, and recommend to their consideration such measures as he shall judge necessary and expedient. . . ."

The President claims that, as a prudent and reasonable executor of the nation's business, he must take such action as is necessary to keep expenditures below the ceiling he has set for the government. Congress, however, insists that the President cannot disregard special plans and programs designated by the Legislature.

Thus far, Congress has resorted to the courts for a determination of its rights. In one case thus far, a lower court has held that the President cannot eliminate the Office of Economic Opportunity. The White House will probably appeal this decision.

In the meantime, Congress is considering legislative means to "control" the President's claimed authority in this regard. The Senate will consider a bill that will require the President to seek congressional approval before impounding funds, while the House will consider a bill that will give the Congress veto power over any impoundment of funds that the President may undertake.

Many in the Congress are questioning the authority under which the President is continuing the bombing of Cambodia, since all American troops and prisoners of war have left Vietnam.

The Constitution says that Congress shall have the power "To declare war. . . . To raise and support armies. . . . To provide and maintain a navy. . . ." It also says that the President "shall be the commander in chief of the army and the navy of the United States. . . ."

Both the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and the House Foreign Affairs Committee are conducting investigations into these bombings, but the President may not permit his Secretary of State, his Secretary of Defense, or any other officer, including the National Security Council Director, to appear and testify on these matters.

Then, there is the question of executive privilege. It would seem that there is no quarrel that the President has the right to prevent his personal staff from testifying before a congressional committee on matters of state. But, there is a question as to whether the President may resort to executive privilege to deny congressional committees the opportunity to "examine" White House staff officers of possible wrongdoing, and even criminal actions.

The Watergate incident of last summer, with all implications and ramifications of corruption, fraud, and criminality, however, may force the kind of confrontation that even the President should avoid. In this particular case, a special committee of the Senate has been created to investigate who is, or are, responsible for the bugging of the headquarters of the Democratic National Committee and its aftermath activities relating to the raising of funds for the presidential campaign and their various uses. Even the President himself has declared that its Chairman, North Carolina's Sam Ervin, is a "great constitutional lawyer". Of incidental interest to Japanese Americans may be that Senator Dan Inouye of Hawaii will be one of the special committee members.

And, to add fuel to the fire, recently the Attorney General of the United States, appointed by the President, told congressional committees that the President has the authority, if he wills it, to order any of the more than two and a half million federal employees from testifying to a congressional committee on any subject, whether it be related to government work or not.

In the nature of our governmental system, the President probably can win most of these confrontations. He is only one, while there are 435 members of the House and an additional 100 in the Senate, each with some concept of his individual sovereignty.

Theoretically, Congress could refuse to tax the people and Congress could also refuse to appropriate any funds for the operation of the government, including the presidency. But, this is an impossible alternative and Congress could not be so irresponsible.

Theoretically too, as the Attorney General suggested, the Congress could impeach the President. This also is an impossibility under the circumstances. So, Congress might enact legislation directing the President to use certain funds for certain projects. If, however, the President chooses to veto such legislation, his veto would probably be upheld because it is doubtful that each House would be able to muster a two-thirds majority of those present and voting to override the presidential objection.

Thus, it would seem that only an aroused public opinion—from the grass roots from every part of the nation—can force some sense into these confrontations before they become such constitutional crises that the foundations of our system may be threatened.

As of this writing, it appears that just such public opinion, slowly coming to the fore, may cause the President and the Congress to work out some face-saving compromise regarding executive privilege in the Watergate case. If this is done, it may break the logjam that is confronting the Executive and Legislative Branches on other issues, and prove anew that public opinion in this democracy still is the dominant factor in the determination of government policy and action. Resort to judicial procedures, as the President in-

NEWS CAPSULES

Elections

Biennial elections of school board trustees were held in California April 17. Asian Americans elected, a number of them incumbents, included Sue Tsuda, Fullerton Elementary District; Thomas M. Takata (1), Little Lake City District (Los Angeles); Akira Kitani (1), Paramount Unified District (Los Angeles); Ed Hoshino (1), Alum Rock Elementary District (San Jose); Toshiye Joyce Itatani (1), Santa Clara Unified District Area No. 1 (San Jose); Richard K. Tanaka (1), Eastside Union High School District (San Jose).

Eugene Roh, young Korean American, was elected April 17 to one of two vacancies on the Berkeley (Calif.) School board.

Sister Cities

Architect Toshiyazu Terasawa succeeded attorney Bob Takeuchi as chairman of the Nagoya-Los Angeles Sister City Affiliation. Over 200 attended the annual banquet April 12 at Man Jen Loew. Takeuchi cited a most active year in his departing address, including projects such as the totem pole and tepee for the Nagoya Zoo, student art exhibit, picnic, kimono show, group tour to Nagoya, naming of Nagoya St., near Pico and Figueroa, and plans for the forthcoming rock exhibit of valuable collections from Nagoya.

Fifty sapling cherry blossom trees from Montebello's Japanese Sister City, Ashiya, were planted in Ashiya Park at Montebello. Representing Ashiya were Tatsuo Kitamura, first chairman of the Ashiya Sister City Committee; Yasuhiro Konami, garden landscaping consultant for Ashiya; and Takeya Ishimoto, secretary to the mayor, all from Ashiya.

Government

Rep. Patsy Mink (D-Hawaii) toured an area of strip-mined land in Kentucky and last week (April 14) said, "No amount of pictures and slides can tell you to what extent the last has been abused." Mrs. Mink, chairman of the House subcommittee on mines and mining, led a group of congressmen on a tour of strip-mined land in Kentucky, West Virginia, Ohio and Pennsylvania. Mrs. Mink said she now feels that federal laws dealing with strip mining must be stronger and more strictly enforced.

Churches

Cover story (April 15) in the San Jose Mercury-News Sunday supplement, "California Today," features Buddhism with scenes from the San Jose Buddhist Church.

Flower-Garden

Carol Motoraki, professional florist and instructor at San Francisco City College, is president of the San Francisco-Bay Area Floral Assn., representing growers, wholesalers, suppliers and retailers in a five-county area. SFCC is one of the few colleges in the nation with a school of retail floristry.

Politics

Dr. Paul Tsukahara and Edwin Hiroto are co-chairmen of the "Friends of Bannai" group within the Japanese community in support of City Councilman Paul Bannai of Gardena, candidate for the 67th state Assembly District seat made vacant by the recent death of Larry Townsend. With a large number of candidates seeking office, a runoff on June 26 will likely be needed. Tsukahara, a practicing dentist in Gardena, is president of the Americans of Japanese Ancestry Republican Club. Hiroto, candidate for the 27th State Senate seat in 1971, is president of the Japanese American Republican Club.

Library designer

CHICAGO—Kiyoshi Kikuchi of the Office of the City Architect was chief designer of the new Edgewater branch of the Chicago Public Library, dedicated April 12. Its initial collection consists of 40,000 books.

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LITTLE TOKYO PLAZA—Looking toward the Second St. entrance is the artist's concept of the First Action Area being developed as a commercial area in the Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project.

LITTLE TOKYO REDEVELOPMENT

Local group to develop shopping area to accommodate 60 business tenants

LOS ANGELES — The Community Redevelopment Agency board of directors last week (April 19) designated the Little Tokyo Development Corp. as developers of the Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project's "First Action Area" with groundbreaking scheduled later this year.

Members of the Little Tokyo Development Corporation include six of 12 owners of properties which were acquired by the CRA for the First Action Area project. Akira Kawasaki, owner of Matsuno Sushi, is president. Other members of the board include: Henry Ida, owner of Ida Market; Susumu Honda and Nori Kuroyama, co-owners of Nippon Book Co. Roy Hoshizaki, owner of House of Photography; and Kiyoshi Kawaratan, owner of Rafu Busan.

Kawasaki, 39, explained that the other six property owners who had decided not to join the corporation when it was formed in January, 1971, are being asked again to invest with them in the project.

"It is our intention to seek participation from the local community in every phase of our project. We are inviting local investors to participate in the project," he added.

Groundbreaking

Howard Nishimura, accountant for the corp., explained before the CRA board that additional financing of the project will be sought from local banks and that the developers expect to break ground sometime late this year.

The First Action Area, named Little Tokyo Plaza by the developers, is located west of Central Ave. between First and Second Streets in the area which is now Moline Alley. The \$6.2 million development will encompass some 2.5 acres to include 100,000 square feet of retail space and a four-story office building of about 14,000 square feet. Plans call for the construction of a landscaped pedestrian mall by the CRA with shops and offices facing the mall. A parking structure to accommodate over 200 cars will be constructed.

Little Tokyo Plaza has been planned to accommodate the approximately 60 business tenants from the north side of First Street between San Pedro and Alameda who will have to relocate because of the City of Los Angeles plan to widen First Street. Northside business tenants have first priority to move into the development, and will not have to move until such time as the new development has been completed in late 1975.

Northside Tenants

Leasing agent for the Little Tokyo Development Corporation, Edward Fukumoto, stated that the northside business tenants are now being contacted with regard to leasing space in Little Tokyo Plaza, and that the response thus far has been extremely favorable.

General contractor for the development is a joint venture of R.M. Takeyama, Inc. of Honolulu, and Oriental General Contractors, Inc. of Los Angeles. President George Inouye of Oriental General Contractors stated that general contractors will work

Local Scene

Los Angeles

Films on Japan and China will be featured on the program of USCaleidoscope V, all-free, all-university open house April 29, in Room 133 of USC's Founders Hall, according to Noboru Inamoto of Los Angeles and Ta-Hsia Kuo of Culver City, members of the Asian Studies faculty. All in color and with English narrations, the films will be shown continuously from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

An evening gala of Chinese folkway in music, dance and self-defense, entitled "Chung Hwa," will be sponsored by the Joint Chinese Student Assn. on Sunday, April 29, from 7 to 9 p.m. at Ackerman Student Union on the UCLA Westwood campus. Besides student participants, professional performers will display their utmost skills in Chinese musicology. Other attractions will include Professor Liu's pipa, lion dance, kung-fu and the UCLA CSA Mandarin Choral Group.

The Water & Power home economics staff will feature Oriental cuisine in May at their Consumer Information Center, 4030 Crenshaw Blvd., free cooking classes on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The same series will be repeated Thursdays and Fridays at the valley W&P Center, 6550 Van Nuys Blvd. All classes start at 10 a.m.

Chicago

The Midwest Asian American Coalition in Chicago is applying for federal funding of its project, titled "Coordinated Services for Chicago."

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