

# JACLER ENTERS RACE FOR MAYOR OF SEATTLE

Councilman Liem Tuai Sees Strong Support from Neighborhoods

SEATTLE, Wash.—City Council President Liem Eng Tuai, 46, last week (April 23) announced his candidacy for mayor and—in a slap at Mayor Wes Uhlman—said he would give leadership to the City Council without dominating it.

Tuui is past legal counsel for the Seattle JACL and board member. He emceed the 1973 chapter installation banquet.

At a news conference, Tuui said Seattle's mayor has more power than the entire City Council, but that Uhlman has misused that power.

As a partisan mayor in a nonpartisan office, Tuui said, Uhlman has failed to obtain from a Republican national administration all the federal funds that are available to Seattle.

## Slap at Mayor

In addition, Tuui said, Uhlman has not consulted adequately with the City Council.

"I could provide leadership and work with the City Council so Seattle could achieve its potential," said Tuui, a council member for nearly four years and president for more than one.

Tuui said he expects his campaign to cost \$70,000 to \$100,000.

"Mostly it will be based on the people's desire for a change," he added.

## Support

Tuui said he expects to get his share of support from downtown business.

"It won't be as much as I would like," he said, "because the mayor has made sure the downtown businessmen are on his team."

He added that his strength lies in the neighborhoods.

Seattle, a city of nearly 600,000, is the largest metropolis in the Pacific Northwest.

REP. JEROME WALDIE

# Two retirement credit bills introduced for Japanese American evacuees

WASHINGTON — Two bills to provide retirement credits for Japanese Americans interned in camps during World War II were introduced in March by Rep. Jerome R. Waldie (D-Calif.), chairman of the House subcommittee on retirement and employee benefits of the Post Office and Civil Service Committee.

HR 5555 would give Japanese who are federal employees and who were interned in the WWII camps retirement credit for the time spent in confinement.

HR 5183 would give Social Security retirement credit to those Japanese Americans who voluntarily evacuated

from restricted areas during World War II.

## To Rectify Bias

Rep. Waldie said the provisions of his bill would help rectify the discrimination and hardship endured by Japanese Americans as a result of U.S. policy during WW2.

"The Federal Government, the employers of these American citizens was responsible for the unjust tragedy of their internment," Waldie declared upon introduction of HR 5555. "Though little can be done to substantially repair the lives thus broken and interrupted, this major atonement on the part of the Federal Government for the great wrong done these loyal Americans is a small step in that direction."

With reference to his bill on Social Security, Waldie was aware that the 1972 amendments moved to correct a longstanding injustice by providing credit to those Japanese Americans who were interned during World War II but noted an important segment was omitted from receiving these benefits — those Japanese Americans who voluntarily evacuated restricted areas.

## Omission Noted

"Like those who were interned, these people were forced on extremely short notice to give up their personal possessions, leave their friends and start life again in a totally different and oftentimes hostile environment," Waldie declared.

"It might be argued that these people who voluntarily evacuated had an opportunity to work and therefore earn social security credits. However, if relying upon this argument, it would be good to remind oneself of the atmosphere and general social attitude toward Japanese Americans and then picture the discrimination they, in all probability, faced in attempting to obtain good, steady employment."

Waldie's bills in brief:

HR 5183 — To amend Title II of the Social Security Act to provide coverage extended to individuals of Japanese ancestry who were interned in the United States during World War II shall also be extended to individuals of Japanese ancestry who voluntarily left the areas of their residence in order to avoid such internment.

Period of time for exclusion is designated as from Dec. 7, 1941, through Dec. 31, 1946. As for wages deemed to have been paid during this period, it will be reduced by the amount of any wages or self-employment income with which credit has been made. Benefits are to apply with respect to monthly insurance payable under Title II of the Social Security Act after December 1972, with respect to lump-sum death payments in case of deaths occurring after such month.

HR 5555 — To amend Title 5, U.S. Code, allow credit for civil service retirement purposes for time spent by Japanese Americans in World War II internment camps.

Bill includes those who departed voluntarily from the West Coast in anticipation of evacuation. Period for World War II is designated as from Sept. 1, 1940, to July 24, 1947.



NEW MAYOR — Carson (Calif.) city council last week (April 24) elected Sak Yamamoto as its mayor. The Tacoma-born Nisei businessman has served on the city council since the city was incorporated in February, 1968, except for 1971-72. A city of 85,000, Carson is sandwiched between Long Beach and Gardena. He is married to the former Greta Tanimura of Vashon Island, Washington, (both Gardena Valley JACLers) and they have four children.

—Cut Courtesy: Kashu Mainichi

# PLIGHT OF AINU IN JAPAN SIMILAR TO AMERICAN INDIAN EXPERIENCE

By GEORGE ARAKI

San Francisco

In a cluster of towns in Northern Japan, a small number of people have started a fight for psychological survival of their race. They are Ainu-aboriginal, mistreated, and now vanishing.

Yoshimi Hiramura, a young attractive Ainu girl from Hokkaido, and leader of the Ainu Undo (movement), related the Ainu story to over a hundred engrossed listeners at the December meeting of the S.F. Center for Japanese American Studies.

Today, the Ainu live mainly in Hokkaido. The population is reportedly close to 15,000, but intermarriage makes it difficult to determine accurately. Before intrusion by the Japanese, the aboriginal Ainu lived as hunters, in peace and harmony with their surroundings in a land called "Ainomoshir" (Ainu Country), the present day Hokkaido. Culture and values were transmitted from generation to generation through "Yukara" (legends of valor), "Yaisamu" (songs of lament), and "Uebekere" (folk tales). There is no written language.

Since the 8th century, the Ainu history has been one of steady and sometimes violent loss to Japanese encroachers. At first, Japanese visitors and settlers were welcomed and helped, but soon, hostilities developed as the Japanese began to dominate the Ainu.

## Ainu Wars

In 1457, a brief Ainu war erupted over the wanton slaying of an Ainu by a Japanese shopkeeper. Chief Koshida, Ainu leader of the Hakodate area at that time, and his outnumbered army suffered a crushing defeat.

Again in 1669, another war, the Shakushain War of Independence, ensued. This time, meeting tremendous resistance, the Japanese sued for peace. After making peace agreements during the negotiation banquet, the Matsushima clan cruelly assassinated Shakushain, the courageous, 64-year-old Ainu leader. This ennobled the Ainu and shortly afterward, they were completely subjugated and dominated by the Japanese. Ainu men were hunted and captured for compulsory manual labor, while Ainu women fell victim to the sexual needs of the Japanese army. Agonizing hardships ensued.

## Ainu 'Nationalized'

A last effort "Kunashiri Rebellion" was harshly quelled by execution of 37 Ainu men. Conquest was total and in 1869, Hokkaido was proclaimed uninhabited land.

## 'Grains of Rice'

CINCINNATI — The Cincinnati JACL newsletter has been christened "Grains of Rice" with Frances Totsu cited for suggesting the name from a Japanese proverb: "Minoro kodo atama no sagaru ina hokano" — "The rice stalk which bears the more grain hangs the lowest." (The more advanced one becomes, the more humble he becomes).

and the property of the Japanese Emperor.

In the more enlightened Meiji Era, the Japanese government, in 1899, enacted a Native Protection Law, which made Ainu Japanese, provided some land for cultivation, and established schools for Ainu children. Spiritless, the Ainu could not supplant their hunting tradition with farming, which gave all the more ammunition to critics, labeling Ainu as shiftless and irresponsible.

Ainu were forbidden to speak the Ainu language. They were openly discriminated upon, and at every moment, the insidious message — IT IS BAD TO BE AINU — was cast, and its shadow of self-hatred became very dark.

Today, Ainu identity and pride are all but crushed. And remaining Ainu, hiding their Ainu heredity, try to cross the

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# 'Americanization' claimed no answer to world problems, says newsman

HONOLULU — The outgoing director of the East-West Communication Institute urged Hawaii's East-West Center to keep its goals separate from United States foreign policy so the center can work for true internationalization, rather than "Americanization."

Dr. Michio Nagai, institute director for the past year, made the statements in a farewell address April 12 at the East-West Center. He has returned to his position as editorial writer at the Asahi Shimbun, Tokyo.

Nagai said too many Americans equate "internationalization" with "Americanization." He noted, "Many Americans are eager to teach English to peoples in Asia and expect them to converse in English."

## Role of Languages

"I think that it is good for people in Asia to learn such Western foreign languages as English, Spanish, Russian, French, etc. But obviously for every nation in Asia to strike out (towards) nationhood, the priority is to refine and diffuse a national language of its own."

Nagai also said too many Western institutions fail to provide any scholarly emphasis on the language or culture of Asian countries.

"For even at the East-West Center where the mutuality of cultural interchange is so much emphasized, during one year of my stay here I have not been approached by even one Caucasian staff member who would speak to me in Japanese."

## Rep. Mink Quoted

Nagai several times quoted Rep. Patsy Mink's warnings about the East-West Center's "becoming an institution to give a one-way American message to countries in Asia."

He quoted Mrs. Mink as stating, "The basis for this fault is our intermingling for-

ign policy goals with educational goals. The center receives its funds from the State Department and the Agency for International Development. All too often, the policies of the center tend to reflect the goals of the State Department."

Nagai stressed that he was not calling for decreased government support to the East-West Center or any other institution: "Support by the government, of course, is different from control."

But, he added: "It would be desirable to maintain the integrity and autonomy of intercultural exchange from political, military and business concerns."

## Exchange Students

Nagai pointed out that one nation cannot expect the automatic lasting friendship of exchange students from other nations.

"I would like to remind you that, in spite of the fact that Japan received literally thousands of Chinese students in the first decades of this century, upon their return to China they formed an anti-Japan front... because Japan at that time was expanding into many parts of China militarily and economically," he said.

American businessmen are now expanding into Asia in a similarly economic way, said Nagai. He noted that some authorities believe the third-ranking economic power in the world will soon be American business interests abroad.

## 4,000-year-old grave

TOSASHIMIZU, Kochi — Traces of three graves believed to be some 4,000 years old are being investigated by Kochi researchers, who found them near a port construction site here. The find is the first of its kind dating back to the Jomon Era (Japan stone age) in Shikoku.

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JACL ARCHIVES — To signify completion of one major phase of the Japanese American Research Project, National JACL President Henry Tanaka, UCLA-JACL director Dr. Robert Wilson and Dean John Burke of the UCLA Dept. of Social Sciences hold a volume known as the Registry, which lists

the personal papers from the JARP archives now housed in the UCLA Research Library Dept. of Special Collections. At left are Steve Lin and Everett Moore of the UCLA Library. At right is Shig Wakamatsu, JACL-JARP chairman.

# Bilingual federal court proposed

WASHINGTON — A movement to require simultaneous translation in all Federal courts that serve communities with significant numbers of non-English-speaking residents is taking shape in court reform and Congressional circles.

# Nikkei businesses in San Diego up, notes bank official

SAN DIEGO, Calif. — It's pretty obvious that numerous banks, and businesses have a yen for San Diego — literally and figuratively, and despite the proximity to the Mexican border, that sound one hears is not eastonets but the steady rhythmic clicking of the abacus.

According to observers in the area, and Seiichi Iwata, assistant branch vice-president of the Bank of Tokyo of California, this is adding up to millions for the local economy, and portends an ever increasing business bonanza for the entire San Diego area. Where San Francisco and Los Angeles are crowded and expensive, San Diego has room to spare, more reasonable real estate prices plus a skilled manpower pool.

In Iwata's opinion the efforts of his bank, as well as those of the Sumitomo Bank of California branch, have a two pronged purpose. To help Nikkei industries remain competitive is one, and to aid Uncle Sam with his high imbalance in trade with Japan is the other. In 1972 trade between the two countries totaled nearly \$9 billion, but the U.S. sold only about half as much as it bought from Japan. However Iwata believes Japanese companies operating here can go a long way toward slashing the estimated \$4.5 billion trade imbalance.

Wholly-owned Japanese firms, and joint ventures already having a favorable effect on the San Diego business climate include the following: Sony, which just broke ground for a new \$10 million color tube manufacturing plant adjacent to its present facility. This will create 600 additional jobs. The Momori Co. that manufactures and repairs fishing nets is planning a shift from Long Beach to San Diego. Kyocera International, who are ceramic computer components producers, employs 50 San Diegans. The joint operation of Nippon Paint Co. Ltd. of Osaka, and Lee Enterprises of Davenport, Ia. to be known as Napp Systems Inc. will turn out a new type of printing plates and will employ some 100 persons.

And two other Japanese American ventures are, Tanover Inc. importers and distributors of chemicals, and Yoshida Dental Corp. in dental chairs, x-ray machines, and dental supplies distribution. With these and other concerns continuing to vitalize the area's body-economic, unquestionably the San Diego welcome mat will remain out, and emblazoned thereon the words: "Dozo Irasshai Mase!"

## Never on Sunday

TOKYO — Japanese in the future may be able to enjoy an extra day off on a Monday if a national holiday should fall on a Sunday under a plan proposed by Kenzaburo Hara, a liberal-Democrat Diet member.

system of justice for Asian Americans on the West Coast and in Hawaii, Mexican-Americans in California and the Southwest, and French-speaking residents of Maine and Louisiana.

Sen. John V. Tunney, (D-Calif.), is drafting a bilingual courts act that would mandate translation personnel and equipment in every Federal district with 50,000 or more residents whose primary fluency is in some language other than English.

The Tunney legislation is being circulated among leaders of the bench and bar for comment and criticism, and the threshold population figure and definition of what constitutes a "non-English-speaking" resident are still subject to adjustment.

## Fairer Trails Sought

Basic objective to a bilingual Federal court is to guarantee a full and fair trial to those who are so unfamiliar with ordinary courtroom English that they are unable to follow the proceedings and understand the bulk of the testimony.

A secondary goal of many judges and lawyers who back the concept is to put the reform into effect voluntarily before the Supreme Court gets a case in which it might rule that anything less than a simultaneous translation system is an unconstitutional denial of defendants' rights.

Some supporters believe that bilingual court proceedings are essential only in criminal cases, but Senator Tunney is convinced the system should be extended to civil cases as well, where the resolution of personal and property rights issues can have a major impact on litigants.

Under the plan, at least one courtroom in each district with enough non-English-speaking residents would have a sound-proof translating booth and earphones so that

both parties and lawyers could head Japanese testimony in English, for example, and vice versa.

## Salary Issue

A key concern would be salaries of simultaneous translators, several of whom would have to be full-time employees in the busier courthouses. Government interpreters who provide only consecutive translation, a much simpler task, currently receive top salaries of about \$12,000 a year.

According to Senator Tunney, there are only four full-time interpreters of this kind in the southwest and one in California. They require pauses in any proceeding so they can provide translation in segments. All told, the Federal courts now employ about 10.

Backers of the Tunney plan argue that simultaneous translation, once the equipment were installed, could save so much trial time, cutting some proceedings in half, that there would be little or no long-range additional expense.

On the other hand, keeping a complete record of bilingual trials would open up another possible grounds of appeal for convicted criminal defendants. A protest that faulty translation misled them into inaccurate or incomplete answers and thus denied them a fair trial.

## Expansion Seen

Once established, the translation system would be used for arraignments and other types of preliminary hearings as well as for trials.

Supporters of the bilingual courts bill plan to call for hearings before the Senate Judiciary Committee to develop sharper definitions of which the system could be established and the size of the groups it would serve.

In a memorandum circulating with a preliminary draft of his bill, Senator Tunney estimated that the bilingual courts could serve more than five million Mexican-Americans, two million Puerto Ricans — over half of whom live in New York — and significant numbers of Chinese in California and Indians in Alaska and the Western states.

# UCLA LIBRARY HOUSES RARE JAPANESE AMERICAN DOCUMENTS

By HARRY K. HONDA

LOS ANGELES — Scholars from around the country and serious students engaged in the study of Japanese in America are beginning to visit the UCLA Research Library, now that the documents and materials collected by JACLers have been transferred from the Japanese American Research Project to the Library's Dept. of Special Collections.

Chief Librarian Robert Vosper, who accepted the JARP archives last week (April 27) in the presence of JACL and UCLA officials, congratulated the JACL efforts and assured that professional care of the valuable material will enable researchers to study these sources for generations to come.

Shig Wakamatsu of Chicago, chairman of the JACL-JARP committee, said it marked the completion of one of the three major objectives of the research project, the other two being the publication of the definitive history of the Japanese in America and the three generation sociological survey.

## Value to Enhance

Wakamatsu predicted the value of the JARP archives will be enhanced as the years and decades pass. He acknowledged the work of preparing the priceless records into usable forms was done by the Asian American Studies Center staff on campus.

On display this month at the UCLA Library are some of the rare items — such as the Vol. 1, No. 1 of the "Nikkei Shimin" (renamed the Pacific Citizen) published in October, 1929, by the Japanese American Citizens League; a passport of an Issei who came to America at the turn of this century, old scrapbooks, letters from a W.R.A. camp resident, minutes of Issei organizations — that are truly museum pieces.

# PREWAR SAN DIEGO RECORDS DESTROYED

SAN DIEGO — Records of the San Diego Japanese Assn., believed to be dated from 1913-1941, seized by the FBI at the outbreak of World War II were destroyed by the Dept. of Justice in a program which began in 1950 and completed in 1969, historian Don Estes was informed.

The past San Diego JACL chapter president is currently writing on research methods in connection with the local history of Japanese in San Diego.

"The idea that the federal government would destroy such records (seized on search warrants) without attempting to return them or at least get permission of the owners is just beyond comprehension," Estes said. The Japanese Association became defunct after Pearl Harbor.

# Hosokawa speaker at NC-WN banquet

RENO, Nev. — Noted newspaperman Bill Hosokawa will be the main speaker at the second quarterly session of the Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council held here at the Mapes Hotel May 5.

Sen. Howard Cannon regrettably cancelled his appointment to address the district council at the banquet.

The business session commences at noon Saturday with a mid-afternoon workshop-seminar on the drug problem scheduled from 3 p.m. being led by Omega House executive director John Tachihara. He has presented over 500 programs throughout the state and Northern California.

Convention registration is \$10 including the prime rib dinner.

# 38,000 watch S.F. Sakura parade

SAN FRANCISCO — A different sort of Easter Parade wound through the streets of San Francisco April 22 — a Japanese-style pageant to climax the week-long Cherry Blossom Festival.

Police estimated in excess of 38,000 spectators turned out to watch the two and a half hour parade, which featured more than 1,500 colorful costumed participants paced by grand marshal Mayor Yasushi Oshima of Osaka.

A San Francisco cable car carried two Miss Sister City beauties from Osaka, Noriko Makabe and Mayuki Nakamori. The Cherry Blossom Festival Queen, Rhoda Kay Umamano, also took part.

The collection has been researched and registered, housed with other rare books and materials. An annotated bibliography is now in the process of publication.

## Contributions Sought

Books in Japanese contributed to JARP are now in the process of cataloging by the UCLA Library's Oriental Dept. Prewar Japanese-language newspapers and newsletters are on file as well as photographs and works of art.

Further contributions are being urged to the JARP archives now contained in 518 boxes.

# Filipino aliens in U.S. protest tax bill from Marcos

HONOLULU — A Federal court suit was filed against Philippines' President Ferdinand E. Marcos' tax assessment on Hawaii's resident alien Filipino population.

The suit was filed April 13 by attorneys Robert J. LeClair and John K. Hyun of the Kalihi-Model Cities Legal Aid Society of Hawaii for five plaintiffs. It seeks to become a class action to cover some 32,000 Filipino resident aliens in Hawaii who may be affected.

Marcos, whose country has been under martial law recently, is said to have been collecting the taxes through the local Philippines consulate. The tax is said to be based on gross income, with no deductions allowed.

## Assessment Illegal

The suit said the assessments are illegal because they tax Social Security, unemployment — compensation and welfare payments, "all of which are not taxable under United States or State of Hawaii laws."

LeClair also said resident aliens pay U.S. taxes and are in effect being doubly taxed.

The suit also said: Marcos "exceeded his constitutional authority by unilaterally amending the Internal Revenue Code without even the advice and consent of the Philippine Congress."

His actions violate "principles of international law" and are "unfair and burdensome" to the resident aliens. Marcos gave inadequate notice to permit the aliens to pay a tax.

LeClair could not estimate how much money has been collected by the Philippine consulate since the aliens became "generally aware" of the assessments this month.

## No Foreign Tax Credit

LeClair said the aliens cannot claim a foreign-tax credit on their U.S. taxes for the Philippines' tax because they earned the taxable U.S. income in Hawaii and not in a foreign country.

Plaintiffs in the suit are Victoria Domingo, Angel Palisbo, Domingo Baguio, Mariano Luquigan and Josefa Duyao. Defendants are Vincente Romero, Philippine Consul General in Hawaii, Honorio Gacapan, a consul under Romero, Fermin Villar, legal officer at the consulate and Justo Ortiz, a consulate revenue officer.

A hearing on an injunction against the tax was scheduled for May 2 in Federal Judge Martin Pence's court.

# Nisei appointed customs director

BELLINGHAM, Wash. — Masao Watanabe, 49, of Tacoma was recently appointed U.S. Customs port director at nearby Blaine, said to be one of the top five on the West Coast. Some \$26 million is collected annually from some 45,000 entries which pass through from Vancouver, B.C.

An 18-year veteran in the Customs Bureau, he previously was port director at Tacoma for 4½ years. A native of Seattle, he is a 442nd RCT veteran, attended Univ. of Washington majoring in foreign trade and accounting.

The staff at Blaine numbers 60, considered a large complement by Customs Bureau standards.

## Togin at Oakland

OAKLAND — The Oakland branch of the Bank of California, 1750 Broadway, was open for business April 30, according to vice president and manager Ben N. Matsui. The branch becomes the bank's eighth office in Northern California and the 18th in its network.



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### ASIAN GERONTOLOGY PROJECT

It is evident the administrators (National JACL) of the Asian Gerontology Project are not buying the adage of "eye for eye, tooth for tooth".

When the position statement on the (JACL) Gerontology Project was issued by the East Bay Japanese for Action and Kimochi, Inc., two groups involved in direct services to Issei in the San Francisco Bay Area, it was a prominent front-page item in the April 18 Hokubei Mainichi. The charges must have grieved the JACL administrators but the detail answers were reserved in a memorandum to the National JACL Board and Northern California JACL chapter presidents—though we believe had JACL responded in kind via the press, equal play would have been provided.

When the project was funded by the U.S. government to the tune of some \$65,000, it was not to provide funds for direct services but, in accordance with the Administration on Aging guidelines, to influence change by educating and sensitizing agencies, institutions and decision-makers engaged in the delivery of services to the elderly.

Since recent federal cutbacks have modified the original JACL project intent to provide training opportunities for graduate students in gerontology, project director Eugene Moriguchi last week proposed the problems of aging be explored through videotapes by documenting the plight of Asian elderly and expose the reality that Asian families are not always able to take care of their own.

Recognition of such grassroots groups as EBAJ and Kimochi dealing directly with the Issei needy elderly merely proves the current failure of social services to provide for the Asian elderly. As Moriguchi explained, "The first step in solving problems . . . is to make those organizations and individuals who are able to institute change aware that the problems exist." The videotapes, then, are expected to offer some answers by documenting visually and with a study guide to show community-developed programs have been developed and can be a model for others to consider.

The criticism expressed in the EBAJ-Kimochi position statement would be valid were National JACL in the same ball park—dispensing direct services. But as National President Henry Tanaka and others have often reiterated, "JACL is not a direct service organization" nor "a foundation" to fund outside groups (Mar. 23 PC). However, this stand does not prevent a local chapter from dealing with the Issei needy aged directly—and the record shows chapters have implemented programs along these lines. Issei multi-service centers have been started by chapters. Recreational activities for Issei have been conducted. Issei health fairs where JACL-member doctors, dentists and other medical specialists donate their time and talent have flourished for the Issei indigent.

National JACL has always been concerned with the immigrant generation of Japanese. Alien land laws have been assaulted successfully through the courts and Japanese have secured immigration and naturalization privileges—thanks to a nation-wide legislative campaign. This is the ball park National JACL is best adapted to in which to play. Subsequently, JACL-sponsored Americanization classes for Issei bloomed profusely in the 1950s.

National JACL has determined its own level to assist the Asian elderly. Grassroot groups have their style. There is no one way or system to resolve human problems and needs—if there were, the atmosphere most certainly would be totalitarian.

JACL has been charged with "exploiting the aged Issei for purposes of funding" but the pursuit of funds to quash the myth that "Asians have no problems" or that "Asians take care of their own" is the JACL purpose, girded with programs to that end. Bickering over methods only perpetuates an inequitable policy.

## 25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, May 1, 1948

The United States citizen-dreds of Japanese aliens was ship which 2,300 Americans of reported out, favorably by Japanese ancestry renounced the Senate Judiciary Committee on April 29. The fate of California's alien fishing statute, the second major piece of anti-Japanese legislation in 1945 was reinstated on April 28 by Federal District Judge Louis E. Goodman. . . . Members of the House Judiciary subcommittee on immigration and naturalization will meet in executive session May 3 in Washington, D.C., to consider amendments and other necessary provisions to the Judd bill. . . . A House-passed bill which will give the Attorney General discretionary power to recommend the suspension of the deportation of hun-

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'Male Chauvinist!'

## Columnist tells own Evacuation story to students

By KATS KUNITSUGU (Kashu Mainichi)

### Perspectives

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### GUEST COLUMN

On Tuesday, through the generosity of bossman Hiro Hishiki (as Horse would put it), we became a college lecturer for the day.

Mrs. Mary Karasawa, sister-in-law of travel agent Yae Karasawa, arranged for me to talk to a group of history students at Rio Hondo College in Whittier in the morning, and in the evening, I completed my commitment to the extension class series on the Japanese American Evacuation at the University of California at Irvine.

Both were interesting experiences for me. I would still rather write than speak, but it was gratifying to realize that I have enough chutzpah now to get up in front of a roomful of people and say my piece without my knees turning to jelly.

Rio Hondo is a two-year college nestled in the Whittier hills above Freeway 605. The rolling green hills which form such a beautiful backdrop for the campus are part of Rose Hills Cemetery, I'm told. Mrs. Phyllis Pearce, the instructor of one of the three classes I addressed, laughingly commented, "We have very quiet neighbors."

The campus buildings are new, and very pleasing architecturally. Students there come from the surrounding areas of Whittier, Placentia, Montebello, El Monte, etc., with the result that most of them are white with a large minority of Mexican American students.

The latter asked the most germane and penetrating questions of me in the session that followed my short talk. They zeroed in on the constitutional questions raised by the Evacuation, the draft status of the young Nisei boys during World War II, the loyalty questionnaire and the sociological impact of the Evacuation on Japanese Americans.

They weren't too curious about details of concentration camp life, which is the way I wanted them to see the whole sorry episode. It wasn't how or how much we suffered in the process which is important—the important point was that the Evacuation and concentration camps should have happened in America, of all places, at all.

I was rather surprised that the question-and-answer session to which I looked forward was more lively at Rio Hondo College than at the Irvine session. Perhaps it was because mine was only one of a series of classes at the latter and previous speakers which included Togo Tanaka, prewar English section editor of the Rafu Shimpu, and Amy Ishii, Hollywood JACL president and older sister of Edison Uno, who figures prominently in activist Japanese American causes these days, had answered many of the questions the Irvine students had already.

I perceive a tendency in many consciousness-raising Asian American sessions recently to emphasize the suffering of the Japanese from the concentration camp episode.

While this is a reaction against the white establishment attitude of "Oops, sorry the Evacuation happened, but we certainly admire the Japanese people for the splendid way in which they took it," a constant barrage of "Oh, how we suffered" from the Japanese Americans, especially from those who weren't even born then, does tend to raise the hackles of us Nisei who went through the Evacuation, who have digested the experience as best we could and now feel that we have better things to do than to constantly beat a dead horse.

Of course the racism which prompted the Evacuation is still very much alive and we have to be on the constant alert to combat it; what I am saying is that the Nisei know this. The message should be hitting the Archie Bunkers out there in Suburbia Land, not us.

That is why a television program (produced by an Asian American, by the way)

### Ainu—

Continued from Front Page

line or live in hopeless self-negation. The psychological coup de grace comes from Japanese anthropologists and other scholars who describe the Ainu as happily assimilated into the Japanese society. This whitewash all but erases Ainu from the Japanese mind. Only the "kankō-Ainu" (tourist Ainu) — phony, commercial and hated by Ainu — remain as the main popular legacy of the Ainu past. From "kankō-Ainu," Japanese form their Ainu stereotypes.

**Ainu Movement**

On Oct. 23, 1972, on the anniversary of Shokushu's assassination, a statue built in Asahikawa City, commemorating the opening of land in Hokkaido to Japanese, was bombed. This statue of four prominent Japanese (standing) and an unidentified "Ainu" man (crouching) was symbolic of the Japanese-Ainu relations. The bombing has acted to solidify a scattered and unformed movement among some young Ainu to face squarely Ainu-icity. Now, Ainu in general are coming together to talk about Ainu issues. At stake is the psychological survival of a whole race.

Direct parallels with American Indians are easy to see. Furthermore, the Ainu story has psychological parallels to the Japanese Americans.

In the lengthy discussion period, it was clear that some Japanese nationals in the audience found difficulty grasping the Ainu problems, while Japanese Americans easily empathized with Miss Hiramura's story.

Altogether, the evening with Miss Hiramura was one of the most enlightening experiences of the SFCJAS. It was doubly interesting since the meeting was held in Japanese and English, and attended by Issei, Nisei, Sansei, and Japanese nationals. Barra Uyeda and Yutaka Fujita provided the interpreting services.

### 'Directions '73'

GARDENA, Calif. — Asian American Education Commission workshops on "Directions '73 — Identity/Equality" will be held May 5, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., at the Community Center here, 1651 W. 162nd. A \$2 registration fee includes lunch.

like "Expressions: East-West" on KNBC, Channel 4, which took the theme of "Manzanar — Echoes of the 1942 Japanese Evacuation" on Saturday, April 28 at 2:30 p.m. (not exactly prime time) are worth infinitely more than the yet another session on camp life in the Japanese community.

## To the Point

Shig Sugiyama  
 Nat'l JACL President-Elect

### THE 'WHY' AND 'WHAT' OF IT ALL

When you ask someone for directions, you are normally asking how to get somewhere. You may not know where you are (and that may be the reason you're asking), but you do know where you want or ought to be and why. Also, in answer, you're likely to be given a number of possible ways of getting to your destination, some better or easier than others.

In response to similar questioning within JACL ("What is the direction of JACL?", the typical response, if any, appears to be in terms of what JACL's chapters, district councils and national organization ought to do. Rarely, if ever, is why we want to achieve and what clearly articulated. The emphasis is on the doing of something, anything.

How often we hear the clichés: "We have to get the members involved," or "Our programs have to be relevant." Why and to what? As proposals for action are considered and discussed, projects are approved and initiated on the basis of a gut feeling that it's a "good idea," "it's in keeping with the times," or perhaps "because someone else has done it."

Little or no consideration is given to why or what needs to be accomplished, what we expect to achieve by following the course of action proposed or decided, or the possible consequences if we do or don't do something. If someone questions the why, likely as not, he'll be sneered at for not knowing better. What better defense against a question for which you have no adequate answer?

Perhaps if we paid more attention to the why of a course of action and what we expect to achieve, we would be able to muster more substantial support for our programs, from our members as well as from people outside the organization.

It seems essential then that at the National level we should more clearly articulate the goals and objectives of the National JACL organization. We could say that our goals and objectives are enunciated in the National JACL Constitution: "... to foster American democracy, promote active participation in civic and national life, and secure justice and equal opportunities for Americans of Japanese ancestry . . . as well as for all Americans regardless of race, creed, color or National origin. . . ."

But even here, the mandate is more in the doing without any clear expression of what we hope to achieve, except in the securing of justice and equal opportunity for all.

Perhaps the achievement of justice and equal opportunity, not only for Japanese Americans, but also for all Americans, is alone sufficient as a broad and idealistic goal for JACL. But based on the concerns expressed by JACLers around the country, there appear to be other goals towards which JACL in reality is also striving.

The goals and objectives of an organization such as JACL cannot, must not be the expression of the will or desire of one individual or of an elite group. They should be an expression of the ends which will fulfill the needs, interests and aspirations of the members and the community served by the organization. It would be presumptuous for a self-appointed to prescribe the goals of JACL.

But there is still a need for someone or some group to interpret what the membership has been trying to say and to articulate this will into meaningful statements of goals and objectives.

If these steps are followed, there should be no question after the 1974 convention as to the direction of JACL. The National Council will have decided.

In the meanwhile, it may be well for the leadership of the chapters and district councils to begin reviewing their programs and activities and to listen to the voice of the membership and the communities which they serve to determine what it is they want to achieve and why, and to relate their programs to those recognizable goals. Frequently, if agreement can be reached on desired ends, alternative means more acceptable and less controversial can be found for needed projects and programs which would otherwise lack sufficient interest or support.

At the National level, in the Executive Committee and in the National Board, proposals for programs and projects which do not include a clear statement of needs expected to be achieved will be subjected to searching questions as to why and what is expected to be achieved. You cannot develop meaningful action plans (how something is going to be achieved) unless you know clearly why and what results you expect. And unless you know what you're trying to achieve, you can't measure progress, if any, toward desired ends.

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## From the Frying Pan

ACROSS THE WIDE, WIDE WEST—Our recent trip to the West Coast took us through portions of Colorado, Utah, Nevada, California, Oregon, Idaho and Wyoming. As Nisei and Sanele residents of each of these states will agree each has its own distinctive charm. But each also has vast areas of semi-desert brushland—the kind of place a government would choose for locating concentration camps—which are virtually indistinguishable from each other.

Let's say you blindfolded someone, took him to San Francisco International Airport, put him in a plane and flew him around on an aimless course for three or four hours, then forced him to parachute to the ground. If he landed in northern California, eastern Oregon, southern Idaho, southeastern Utah, western Colorado or central Nevada, he wouldn't know what state he was in until he found a service station where he could ask directions.

We marveled at the monotony of the scenery as we sped across country and gained new respect for the pioneers whose ox-drawn covered wagons crawled over this terrain day after day, week after week, month after month in their great westward trek.

THE LADY IN THE MAZDA—Somewhere east of Ontario, Ore., on the Interstate toward Boise, Idaho, while hitting a steady 80 m.p.h., we passed an orange Mazda station wagon with Oregon license plates. The Mazda was being driven by a lady of Oriental features who, shall we say, was no longer young, and a man who might have been her husband sat in the front seat alongside her.

Almost as soon as we passed her and returned to the right hand lane, she increased her speed, pulled even with us, cast a long unsmiling look in our direction and then sped on down the highway. We were still hitting 80 m.p.h., but in a few minutes she was far ahead of us, a speck in the distance. Wonder who she was.

EGG FOO YONG—Mike had recommended a place in Ogden, Utah, for breakfast, so we tried it. My mistake was in ordering pancakes. They tasted a bit like egg foo yong, which is disconcerting at breakfast time. We also made an error in Burley, Ida-

## NEW JACL CHAPTER

### Metropolitan L.A. compares life on Indian reservation with Evacuation

By ELLEN ENDO KAYANO  
(The Rafu Shimpo)

LOS ANGELES — "It gives me chills when I think about it now," said the Nisei man, recalling a recent visit to an Indian reservation. "When I saw the place (reservation) . . . it reminded me so much of the World War II internment camps, I began to shake."

At a forum-type meeting April 20 of the newly formed Metropolitan Los Angeles chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League, members and non-members listened and responded to the statements of two Native Americans who recently took part in the repossession of Wounded Knee, South Dakota. The Nisei man told the group of how he visited Indian reservations while working with the Head Start program. He had been interned during the war and noted that, in his opinion, there is a "definite, close relationship between Americans of Japanese ancestry and Native Americans."

#### Camp Life

A few of the WW2 camps were situated on Indian land, and many of the War Relocation Authority officials were formerly employed by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).

"If we (Japanese American internees) had been given television sets, a few dollars to spend, furniture, and some of the comforts of life, and were never released from the WW2 camps, I sincerely believe we would be in the same predicament as the Indians today," he concluded.

Guest speakers for the meeting, which was held at the Lou Costello Jr. Recreation Center, were Black Dog and Arching Fire, both members of the American Indian Movement (AIM) organization, who had been invited to discuss their experiences regarding the current situation at Wounded Knee and related topics concerning Native Americans.

Representatives of the BIA were also invited to take part but failed to appear.

#### AIM Goals

The two AIM spokesmen said their basic goal, in calling attention to Wounded Knee, is to force the United States government to honor the treaties it has signed with Native American peoples and to expose the corruption within the BIA, which they would

like to see eliminated entirely. Black Dog pointed out that the U.S. government, through its treaties, in effect recognizes Native American lands and peoples as a sovereign nation, yet will not deal with them as a sovereign people.

Furthermore, as Arching Fire stated, "A law was passed in 1924, making the Indians citizens of the United States . . . but if you study the law closely, Indians are not U.S. citizens as you would expect."

He said, for instance, Indians living in Los Angeles or other urban areas aren't allowed to vote in public elections unless they are registered at a reservation.

"All we want," said Arching Fire, "is to be able to have some control over our own lives. We're tired of handouts that make us fat and lazy."

L.A. Asian Americans head for Wounded Knee

LOS ANGELES—An Asian American contingent was reported as having arrived Easter Sunday at Rapid City, S.D., to join the April 23-28 pilgrimage to break the blockade of Wounded Knee.

Made up primarily of persons of Japanese and Chinese descent, it is one of many groups gathering in South Dakota to show support for the Indians who have been holding Wounded Knee since Feb. 28.

The support groups are participating in a peaceful march from Rosebud Reservation into Wounded Knee to take food and medical supplies into the area.

Approximately one-third of the 400-500 people inside

Wounded Knee is reported to be affected by pneumonia, colds and other illnesses. Food and medical supplies have been virtually blocked by U.S. government officials who "hope to starve out the Indians and force settlement," according to the Asian Caucus in Support of Wounded Knee.

#### Show of Concern

In spite of the fact that at least 50 persons have reportedly been arrested while trying to reach Rapid City, the group of Asian Americans said they decided to make the five-day journey "to show the Indian people physically the solidarity and concern of the Asian people in America."

A caucus member said, "You can see that news of Wounded Knee is hardly being covered by TV and is pushed to page 16 in the L.A. Times—that is, if they cover it at all. We feel this is a deliberate blackout to curb the interest and sympathy of the public."

"Therefore, it's important for us to go and see first-hand what is happening at Wounded Knee and bring the news back to our communities. That's the only way we'll get the truth."

Fuji Bank official ends American speaking tour

LOS ANGELES—Japan's trade imbalance with the United States can only be solved by more energetic American exports to Japan and by Japanese capital investments and joint ventures in American business and industry.

That was the opinion of Inao Saito of The Fuji Bank, Ltd., as he completed a four-week speaking tour of the United States this week. He addressed business groups in Georgia, Michigan, Oklahoma and Texas, purposely seeking areas which have had little business contact with Japan.

Be a Registered Voter

## BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman

### Sober Account of Flamboyant Era

MEIJI 1868: Revolution and Counter-Revolution in Japan by Paul Akamatsu, tr. from the French by Miriam Kochan. Harper & Row, 330 pp., \$8.95.

At 9 a.m., March 23, 1860, Ii Naomuke, with his retinue, approached the Sakurada Gate of the shogunal palace at Edo. Waiting in the falling snow were 18 ronin masterless samurai.

The shogunal palace was the seat of political power in Japan. Under the title shogun, a contraction of an earlier title meaning "barbarian-subduing generalissimo," the Tokugawa family had ruled Japan since 1603. During most of this period, the Emperor had held court in Kyoto, reduced to a religious symbol, divorced from temporal power, and politically impotent.

In a rare departure from this tradition of Imperial dependence, Emperor Komei (1831-66) had begun to try to participate in the rule of the country. A xenophobe, Komei had "barbarian" foreigners, the shogun, through his chief minister, Ii, had signed treaties making concessions to them.

Anti-Foreign Policy

It had ruthlessly suppressed opposition to his foreign policy, even putting under house arrest Tokugawa Nariaki, of Mito, head of a minor branch of the great Tokugawa family. The waiting ronin were from Mito and Satsuma, the men of Mito thirsting for revenge for the humiliation dealt their former lord.

The retinue arrived at the gate. As if to present a petition, a ronin approached the palanquin in which Ii was borne.

A member of the Ii retinue stepped forward to meet the petitioner. The ronin drew his sword and cut him down.

A shot rang out; 18 ronin charged the Ii group. Hampered in drawing their swords, impeded by their cloaks, the Ii guards fought back ineffectively. While losing only one man, the ronin killed 20 guards.

The ronin dragged Ii from his palanquin. He may have been mortally wounded by the shot that had signalled the attack. Now they beheaded him.

Five ronin fled; four, seriously wounded, killed themselves. Eight surrendered to a government official to whom they presented a manifesto.

They were not rebelling against the shogunate government, they declared; they were trying to restore the emperor to power.

Information about the era is here, but set down in a way that fails to capture interest. The strong personalities of those colorful times become only names affixed to bloodless shadows devoid of life.

Whether through the fault of author or translator, the writing, too, fails to meet the requirements of the epic sweep of the theme. Passive constructions are too much evident; unreasonably often verbs are separated from nouns they should modify.

Information about the author would have been helpful. Maps, glossary, a chronology of events, and an index are included.

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#### Sports Scene

Yoshi Oyakawa, gold medalist in the 100-meter backstroke at Helsinki in 1952, has been unanimously elected into the International Swimming Hall of Fame. The former Hilo High School swimmer currently is teaching and coaching swimming at a high school

## Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima



#### Hawaii Today

Honolulu

The first statewide convention of ALOHA (Aboriginal Lands of Hawaiian Ancestry) attended by more than 600 persons of Hawaiian ancestry met April 7 at Kaunakakai School on Molokai. Members are those Hawaiians who believe their lands were unjustly taken from them by white men in the 19th century. They planned legal moves to recoup their losses. They represent an estimated membership of 10,000 persons of Hawaiian ancestry.

Papaya prices are expected to be down before long. The Hawaii Crop and Livestock Reporting Service says an increase of papaya production is indicated for April because of warmer weather.

A second infant porpoise has been born at Sea Life Park, according to animal curator Ingrid Kang. Sea Life Park is one of Hawaii's top tourist attractions. The next time you're in Hawaii, be sure to include this attraction in your itinerary.

#### Names in the News

Albert Oda, a state health dept. microbiologist since 1956, has been named head of the laboratories branch of the State Dept. of Health. His appointment became effective April 10. Oda succeeds Ralph Tanimoto, who has retired.

Dr. Ralph Sachs, a Univ. of Hawaii professor from 1968 to 1970, has been named Los Angeles County health officer.

James W.K. Ing, assistant chief of the sanitation branch, State Dept. of Health, has been named chief of that division by Dr. Walter B. Quisenberry, department director. Ing will fill the post vacated by the recent retirement of George Zane. He has been with the health department since 1957.

#### Courtroom

Star-Bulletin attorneys are preparing to file assault and battery charges against Rep. Kenneth Lee for physically attacking political reporter Gregg Kakesako at the state capitol April 10. Kakesako said he was punched several times and kicked by Lee in the capitol's second floor hallway. Speaker Tadao Beppu said he could not say immediately whether the House would take any action in the matter.

Circuit Judge Yasutaka Fukushima on April 6 denied the city's motion to set aside a \$260,000 jury award to Mrs. Charlene Onishi, 25, for injuries suffered

from a police shotgun blast. Fukushima said he might have doubled the award if he had decided the case.

Five women were among 40 persons who passed the recent bar examination and received their licenses to practice law on April 16. Successful applicants were Audrey Anderson, Roy Anderson, James Basare, Stephen Brandt, Gordon Branson, Annette Chock, Jack Christy, Kathleen Dashiell, Richard Ford, Russell Fukumoto, Thomas Galt, Martin Gendel, Carl Hong, Kevin Hughes, William Hunt, Clayton Ikel, Nicholas Kane, George Kato, Michael Kato, Louis La Bella, Michael Lee, Norman Lewis, Edward Mason, Gordy Mau, Theodore Meeker, William Mills, John Myrdal, Thomas Monaghan, Douglas McDonald, Douglas McNish, Barbara Rader, Donald Reed, Jeff Ruth, Cliff Sandau, Harold Somerset, Clifford Spencer, James Stanton, Alan Van Etten, Edwin Watson and Francis Yano.

Stiff penalties are in store for drunken drivers in Honolulu. The average penalty for a drunk-driving conviction is costing the motorist a \$150 fine and a two-month suspension of his license. Recently, the penalties were costlier with fines of \$200 and a license suspension for 13 months.

Circuit Judge Allen Hawkins has sentenced Joseph Murray, 23, a Pokai Bay mechanic, to 60 years in prison in the killing of Jack Keith, 55, of Ewa Beach Rd. Keith was shot to death Dec. 24 at his home.

Former circuit judge Takashi Kitaoka has been appointed director of a statewide Comprehensive Criminal Justice Data System, which will function under the Judiciary Department. Since his retirement from the Second Circuit Court bench on Maui in 1968, Kitaoka has been engaged in private practice, with emphasis on criminal law.

#### Business Ticker

Arthur Rutledge, president of Unity House, led the list of Hawaii's highest paid labor leaders in 1972. Rutledge, it is reported, received a total of \$39,000 from the Hotel Workers and Hawaii Teamsters Unions. Other labor leaders: Stanley Saburo Yanagi, financial secretary of the Carpenters Union, \$36,166; Walter Kupan, the Carpenters' administrative assistant, \$31,151; Richard Dumanas, Sheet Metal Workers, \$26,538; Akio Fujikawa, Electrical Workers, \$20,447; James Yoshida, Local 1196, Electrical Workers, \$23,923; Carl Damaso, ILWU, \$18,836; Constantine Samson, ILWU, \$18,868; Newton Miyagi, ILWU, \$18,812; Joe Corpuz, ILWU, \$19,317. Figures for Henry Epstein, David Trask and others were not obtainable.

#### Deaths

Walter C.R. Victor, 61, a retired Hilo police captain and a long-time basketball coach at St. Joseph High School in Hilo, died April 10 in Hilo Hospital following a stroke at his home.

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## CHAPTER PULSE

### May Events

East Los Angeles set for Emerald Ball

On Saturday night, May 10, East Los Angeles JACL will sponsor its 15th annual Emerald Ball to raise money for scholarships. The ball will be held at the new Montebello Country Club, 901 Vin San Clemente, Montebello. Tickets are \$8 for a prime rib dinner or \$3 for the dance only. A no-host cocktail hour will be held from 6:30, dinner from 7 and the dance with the Melo Macs from 8 p.m. Tickets to the Emerald Ball can be purchased from either Mattie Furuta (262-8580) or Marie Ito (263-8920).

The Nisei Week Queen candidate from East Los Angeles will be chosen. There is still time for girls of Japanese ancestry who are 18 years of age or older to enter the contest. They can contact either Mrs. Junko Tanikawa (665-5499) or Tak Endo (268-0955).

Christine Sumi, Miss Tomodachi in the 1972 Nisei Week court from the East Los Angeles Chapter, will be on hand to crown the new Miss East Los Angeles.

Cultural arts day planned by Milwaukee

Milwaukee JACL will stage Japanese Cultural Arts Day this Sunday, May 6, at International Institute beginning with dinner at 4 (\$2.25 adults) and program featuring kite-making, bonsai, games, crafts, Japanese language and children's literature. Home-movies of JACL events will be shown by Sat Nakahira. Jennett Tada is program chairman.

Two events in May planned by Contra Costa

Contra Costa JACL will have a family bowling night on Saturday, May 12, at Albany Bowl and a chapter golf tournament on Sunday, May 20, at the Alameda South Course.

Reservations are being handled by: Bowling—Ed Nakano (525-9698) and Nob Inouye (234-1481).

Golf—Walter Asato (223-9546) by May 13.

### April Events

Cincinnati JACL forms education committee

To assist social studies teachers in the first and fourth grades with their presentation on Japan and Japanese, the Cincinnati JACL organized an Education Committee with Nita Yamaguchi as chairman.

Those who can assist her in this community venture should call her at 481-2905.

San Jose JACL honors local high school graduates

Outstanding Sanele graduating seniors from high schools throughout Santa Clara valley who are candidates for seven San Jose JACL scholarships, were introduced during the annual scholarship dinner held April 28 at the Buddhist church annex.

Thought for the Week

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Mental Health of Children

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



A severely disturbed child is one who seems to suffer deeply and to be handicapped in every area of living. He does not have one or two symptoms of distress such as nightmares or bedwetting, which by themselves can be normal behavior, but has fears which influence all of his behavior at home and at school. He is unable to understand and respond to the simple realities of everyday life and to the parent or teacher it may appear that he cannot comprehend what they say.

But often the seriously disturbed child is unable to pay attention to what he sees and hears around him because he is totally absorbed in the inner world of his own special fantasies.

Artistic Child

The autistic child is one example of this kind of generalized severe disturbance. Autism is a diagnostic label given to the child whose emotional distress may be expressed in the form of not speaking or in speaking only to convey his own symbolic use of language. Other symptoms make up the total picture of a child suffering from autism, and the features of autism are seen in other emotional illnesses.

The "atypical" child and childhood schizophrenia are frequently used as diagnostic terms. They imply characteristics to those of the autistic child, but they are distinguished by factors such as variations in symptoms and age of onset.

Little is known about what causes these disturbances. One hypothesis is that there are predisposing inherited factors which are reinforced by environmental pressures. In many parts of the United States there are institutions studying the problems of autism and childhood schizophrenia.



Sakura Script

By JIM HENRY

Quality beef prices in Tokyo are the highest in the world, two to three times higher than in most cities around the globe. Sirloin cost six times more than in Jakarta and Bangkok and more than twice in San Francisco. Milk prices in Tokyo are the third highest after Hong Kong and Aceria. The prices of farm and livestock products and processed

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foods are higher than the average. The Welfare Ministry will prohibit the sale of milk containing nutritive additives such as vitamins and minerals under the name of milk. The regulation will go into effect beginning October 1. A Dietman had told the upper house that Nippon Company, one of Japan's six biggest trading houses, has earned huge profits by selling soybeans imported from China in falsified bags labeled "Soybeans Produced in the U.S." Illegal practices such as this by Japanese trading firms had a great deal to do with the recent sudden rise in the price of soybean products such as soy, miso or tofu in this country, stated the Dietman. Prices of land in major cities and their environs rose by 30.9 percent during 1972, on the basis of checks at 5,490 points in the three major city spheres in other cities each with a population of over 300,000.

Though columnist Jim Henry is back in Los Angeles as our PC editorial assistant, he will continue to speak on things Japanese from time to time.

CALENDAR

May 5 (Saturday)  
San Mateo—Japanese movies, Sequoia—Children's Day, Aldergate Methodist Church, 2-3:30 p.m.  
May 5-6  
NCWDC—Qtrly Session, Reno JACL hosts: Majors Hotel, Sat banquet, Sen. Howard Cannon.  
May 6 (Sunday)  
Reno—Bonsai demonstration.  
May 9 (Wednesday)  
Orange County—Bd Mtg.  
French Camp—Community picnic, Micoe Grove, 10 a.m.  
May 11 (Friday)  
Downtown L.A.—Mother's Day banquet, Main Jen Low, 6:30 p.m.  
May 12 (Saturday)  
Alameda—Chapter bowling tournament, Mel's Bowl.  
Contra Costa—Family bowling night, Albion Bowl.  
May 14 (Monday)  
West Los Angeles—Gen dur mtg. Puyallup Valley—Gen Mtg.  
May 19-20  
EDC—Qtrly session, New York JACL hosts.  
May 20 (Sunday)  
East Los Angeles—Emerald Ball, Montebello Country Club, dinner 5:30 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 dur. Topinka's Country House, 5:30 p.m.  
East Bay Area Community—Mtg.  
May 20 (Sunday)  
San Mateo—Qtrly session, Selenoco JACL hosts: Saddleback Inn, Norwalk.  
June 2 (Saturday)  
San Mateo—Movie benefit.  
Milwaukee—Graduates dnt. Lime House, 1 p.m.; Dave Uehio, spkr.

NEWS CAPSULES

Elections

Many Japanese Americans in Central California were successful in their bids for public offices in the April 17 elections. **Lee Yoshida** was elected to the Merced City Council with 1,720 votes. Mayor **Edwin Dewhurst** collected 1,976 votes. **Mrs. Yukiko Morita** was elected to the Biola School Trustees with 167 votes; **Masanobu Kimura** collected 306 votes for the Parlier Unified School District board; **Robert Okamura** was top with 1,082 votes in the Selma Unified School District office; **Hajime Hamada**, 555 votes, in the Selma Rural Area School Board office. **Peter Yamamoto** was elected to the school board in Ballico; **Vincent Hirohata**, in Dos Palos; **Frank Kishi**, in Livingston.

Anti-Social Behavior

What are some of the causes of an overaggressive and antisocial behavior of a particular child? Some experts believe that much overaggressive and antisocial behavior in children is caused by physiological or neurological problems. But most people who have had extensive experience with children feel that brain damage or chemical imbalance may be a contributing factor in a small percentage of these problems. Such behavior usually indicates unhappiness and stress due to the lack of love, encouragement, and a suitable environment.

Hyperactivity in young children may well be a symptom of our society. Until 100 years ago, most children lived on farms or in small towns and went to very small schools where everyone got to know each other and when many hours a day could be spent in wandering, jumping, running, shouting, chopping wood, milking cows, climbing trees, playing marbles doing things that come naturally to childhood. Some people feel that hyperactivity may have increased because many children live in tenements in crowded, crime-ridden neighborhoods and attend schools that are too big, too impersonal, and too frightening.

Their opportunities for adventure have been greatly curtailed, their world is chaotic and often unloving and they do not have the same sense of belonging and of being valued by the adult community that was more common in a simpler society. In many cases, mental health professionals have suggested that the pressures of modern day life such as crowded classrooms and congested cities may be responsible for much of the disturbed or antisocial behavior manifested by some of our children.

Milwaukee sets up educational advisory group

MILWAUKEE — Stepping up its role to service the community, the Milwaukee JACL established an educational advisory committee with Jennett Tada as chairman, according to chapter chairman Andy Hasekawa.

Some of the goals and priorities recently publicized in the chapter newsletter are:  
1—Equality in job opportunities and promotions.  
2—High school counseling into vocations and professions through use of "merit badge"-type counselors.  
3—"Watch dog" against racial stereotyping practices.  
4—Writing articles on pertinent issues for the newspapers.  
5—A resource center on Japanese, past and present, to assist teachers and speakers.  
6—Purchase, review and circulate books.  
7—Development of a multimedia collection on Japanese language, art, literature, philosophy, music and architecture.  
8—Collection of bibliographies on Japan, Japanese in U.S., Japanese Americans.  
9—Development of a teachers' unit at the primary and secondary levels.  
10—Display of "Executive Order 9066" photographs.  
11—Presentation of NBC-TV's "Guilty by Reason of Race."

Whereabouts

Delano (Calif.) High School, graduating class of 1947, is holding a 25th reunion May 12. Persons knowing whereabouts of Susumu Kiraiki and Eilyn Torioque should call Louise Malone (408-268-7388).

dicte Mark Mondscheil of Haverford High, Pa., cleared 15 ft.-4 in. in the 1970 state meet for the title that year. Father Irving was 1948 Olympic decathlon winner and mother Momoe is Japanese.

Tiny Debbie Kitashima, 9, won the preliminary Girls championship in the All Year Club's invitational figure skating competitions in Culver City. Competing against a field of 11 skaters, the Samsel sensation was second in compulsory figures, first in free skating and awarded the first place medal and title in the final standing. Debbie's sister Deanna, 13, didn't fair quite as well in a higher Juvenile Girls class where she tied for third. Both were singled out for particular praise by Zuzsa Almasz, Hungarian champion, and a Korle and Olympic competitor. Another fine Samsel skater and a winner in these recent championships was Tracy Yokoi of Championa Monica, who teamed with Audrey Welch to win the special Ladies Pairs title.

Welfare

Mrs. Jackie Yamahiro of Lakewood, Colo., of the Asun, for the Education of Young Children, refuted claims that not enough trained personnel is available to staff child care centers. Her association alone has a list of 949 qualified applicants, the Colorado Senate Committee on Health, Education, Welfare and Institutions, was told during hearings on revising the state Child Care Act.

Florence Boester, now of California, was special guest at the first Asia-Oceania Conference of International Social Service held recently in Tokyo. She recalled her work in Japan when American law permitted foreign-born children to be taken in adoption in the 1950s.

Fine Arts

"Little Joe with Cow" by Yasuo Kuniyoshi, Issei artist who studied in Los Angeles and exhibited widely prewar, was sold in March for a record-breaking auction bid of \$220,000 in New York's Sotheby Parke Bernet gallery. The bid was a new high for early-20th Century American art. (Kuniyoshi was a contributor to the Pacific Citizen during the war years. He died at age 59 in May, 1953).

Press Row

Former staff members of the San Francisco Asian American monthly Rodan have resumed publication under a new name, **Taishu**, P.O. Box 99478, San Francisco 94109, with its April 1973 issue. Rodan had ceased publication in December 1970 after making its bow July 1970.

Entertainment

Japan pop singer Frankie Nagai will be presented in a Los Angeles concert May 19 at 3 and 7:30 p.m. at the Scottish Rite Auditorium, Wilshire west of Crenshaw.

Awards

George M. Nishinaka of Los Angeles was one of two recipients of the Koshland Award Apr. 16 during a luncheon of the United Way of California at the Airport Hilton Inn in San Francisco. He is the first Nisei to be so honored. Nishinaka was honored with a certificate and a cash award of \$1,000 accompanying the administrator's award.

Mrs. Sadako Kiyasu of San Francisco and Mrs. Marue Ando of San Jose were named Mother of the Year Apr. 14 during the Sakura Festival Queen Pageant and Coronation Ball at Kabuki theatre in San Francisco. Both received a plaque and a commemorative gift.

Four Samsel winners of four-year National Merit scholarships announced April 11 were Cathy J. Kodama, 17, of Alamo, Contra Costa County; Howard S. Tamahana of Los Angeles; Jean Uwate of Whittier; and Curtis G. Fujii of Reno.

Architect

San Francisco architect George Matsumoto was among five Californians elected to the College of Fellows of the American Institute of Architects. Institute will occur during the AIA national convention May 7-10 at San Francisco. Much of his design work has been in the field of small, low-cost housing, an area that has received scant attention from the profession. He also designed the Mountain View Buddhist Church recreation-education building.

Theater

In response to its enthusiastic reception by numerous full-house audiences, the current East-West Players' production of Conrad Bromberg's "Transfers" starring Nobu McCarthy and Mako has been extended through May 13. The evening of two one-act plays, providing provocative, bitter-sweet looks at contemporary life, opened March 21.

Sports

Bob Goto of Lowell High, Walnut, Calif., cleared 14 ft.-10 in. at the Chaffee Invitational April 8 to claim the honors as the "greatest Japanese American pole vaulter of all time." He later cleared 15-3 but brushed the bar with his body. Only five preps in the county have cleared 15 ft. and Goto is determined to be the sixth. (The PC files in-

Cart, with particular interest on the Nisei renunciant who went to Japan and how they had fared.

Dr. Frederic Spiegelberg, professor emeritus at Stanford and authority of Tibetan Buddhism, addressed the second graduating class of the Institute of Buddhist Studies, Berkeley, on April 14. The institute is the only institution of higher learning ever established by the Japanese American community. Diplomas, signifying the presentation of the degree of Master of Arts, were awarded by Bishop Kenryu Tsuji to Kan-ya Wayne Okamoto, Robert Toshio Oshita, and Kenneth Kenichi Tanaka.

Courtroom

Brian Hiral, 19, of Nyssa, Ore., changed his plea of innocent to a negotiated plea of LSD in January to an undercover narcotics agent. Upon pleading guilty to one indictment, other indictments against Hiral involving drug activity were dismissed. Trial opened April 17 in the Malheur county circuit court at Baker.

Crime

Nobuyoshi Ando, 35, a messenger for the Bank of Tokyo, was robbed of \$6,800 in cash Apr. 23 in Ghirardelli Square in San Francisco. Ando was accosted by two bandits who had a gun after he had picked up a cash from two restaurants in the area. He said the two men were wearing black and yellow ski masks and spoke with a "heavy Chinese accent."

Government

Los Angeles County Supervisor Kenneth Hahn has appointed Susan Yoshihara, Gardena High senior, and Girls League president, to the County Commission on Youth. Renton, Wash., City Council established a human rights and affairs commission April 16 to help erase prejudice and discrimination in various areas of city life. Seattle JACLer Martin M. Matsudaira, who is also director of the Washington State Asian American Advisory Council, chaired the ad hoc committee for the new Renton group.

Agriculture

Tom Murata was elected president of the Payette County Labor Association at a recent meeting in Oregon. Also to serve with him on the board of directors during the coming year are Tad Inouye and Jim Shigeno.

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Local Scene

Education series

An education series, sponsored by the Show Tokyo Pioneer Project, began April 19, with a presentation by speaker from the Japanese Welfare Rights Organization, discussing the needs of the Japanese American elderly, at the Japanese American Pioneer Center, 125 Weller St., 7:30 p.m.

Christ Presbyterian Church of Hollywood will honor its founders at a gala Golden Anniversary banquet June 3 at the Golden Dragon in Chinatown.

All City Annual Outdoor Art Festival highlighting local talent will be held on the grounds of Barnsdall Park from June 21-24 with more than 2,000 artists residing within a 30-mile radius of the city. Artists are expected to participate in the civic event. The four-day festival, open free of charge to the public, will include a variety of musical events, artisans demonstrating their crafts, unusual ethnic food booths, and a special area for children's creative activities.

Japanese traditional and folk dances were staged by the 20-member Kanama Kai Dance Group of Los Angeles at the Univ. of Calif., Riverside, April 28.

The Nippon Gymnastic Club, Japan's first international champions, will arrive in Los Angeles May 5 to begin an exhibition tour of the United States. On the team are two Olympic champions, Miss Takako Hasegawa and Miss Miyuki Matsushita. The first meet is slated at the Culver City Memorial Auditorium (Culver and Overland Blvd.)

Denver

Construction of the Sedgwick (Colo.) Bukkyokai Bldg. was completed after a year's effort and dedicated April 28. Kyuichi Inouye, local Issei leader, chaired the dedication while Harry Shimamoto was in charge of construction. The church will replace the Kyudokai Bldg. which served as a gakuken in the 1920-30s.

Seattle

A new counselling-referral service for Asians opened April 1 at Blaine Memorial Methodist Church. It will be available every Monday from 3-9 p.m. A volunteer staff including bilingual and bicultural Japanese, Chinese and Filipino Americans with professional backgrounds in counselling is being directed by Susan Tomita, coordinator, Asian Counselling and Referral Service. Telephone is 723-1536.

S.F.—East Bay

A Food Fair will be sponsored by the Berkeley United Methodist Church May 27 with proceeds marked for the church's youth program and activities. Wat Mura is chairman. Their chicken teriyaki features a marinade mastered after more than 15 years of experience.

A "Victory Party" for newly elected Berkeley City Councilwoman Ying Lee Kelley will be held on May 6.

Buddhist art

LOS ANGELES — Paintings and sculpture created during the evolution of Japanese Buddhism are now showing at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art until June 17. Fifty masterpieces, representative of the finest artistic works executed for the major sects of Buddhism, are exhibited on the first level of the Ahmanson Gallery.

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San Francisco

The June 2-9-10 weekend has been set for the annual Ginza Bazaar of the San Francisco Buddhist Church. New games and more variety of food has been promised. Jory Yasumoto and Jits Hishashi, co-chairmen of the event.

Our efforts to squeeze in as much of the Asian American community news will be acknowledged in "Local Scene." We ask that items be received early enough to be timely if time is a factor—Ed.

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