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LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Minority task force accuses county personnel tests replete with bias

LOS ANGELES — A five-member minority task force accused Los Angeles County officials of racial and ethnic bias in a report compiled after two years of investigation.

The task force, appointed by the Board of Supervisors, included Esteban Torres, Mrs. Esther Jones, Woodrew Rideaux, Albert Muronaka and Willie Davis.

In a lengthy report released Jan. 9 the group called for many reforms in recruiting, testing, promoting and administration among the county's 78,000 employees.

"We stand convinced that most currently administered civil service tests are replete with racial, ethnic and class bias," Torres accused.

He also said recruitment of Mexican American and Asians has been inadequate, and recruitment of blacks and females at levels other than entry level need to be further accelerated.

Recommendations

The group urged employment of a recruitment analyst of Asian descent, recruitment of minorities in all apprenticeship programs and increasing the number of apprentices in all departments.

The task force suggested that when feasible, examinations and filing for examinations should take place in the locale of the minority community.

In the area of promotions, Torres said minorities and females are most noticeably lacking in the ranks of top and middle county management. There appear to be certain promotional levels beyond which they do not progress, the report stated.

The task force suggested that "promotional examinations should be conducted in a fashion which would screen in, rather than exclude, qualified minority and women candidates."

Lack of Trust

The group also pointed out the lack of trust in the there-member Civil Service Commission on the part of minority workers in the county which number one-third of the county payroll. In lieu of the supervisors' refusal to put a task force-recommended charter amendment increasing the size of the commission to five on the November 7 ballot, the task force suggested that a minority member be appointed to the existing commission.

Torres said that although minorities are now almost one-third of the county employees, statistical data often fail to present a complete picture. The number may look good, but "not if most of them are found to be employed as clerks, janitors or at entry levels," he said.

Yoneo Yamamoto, president of the Los Angeles County Asian-American Employees Association, said Asians feel they are being left out of the affirmative action program.

Asian Cases

He said there was a need for Asian American bilingual personnel and for more of them to be included in the job training program.

Yamamoto admitted that two county department heads are of Asian descent, but reminded that they had a difficult time getting and holding on to their jobs. They are Francis Ching, head of the Arboreta and Botanic Gardens Department, and Dr. Thomas T. Noguchi, chief medical examiner-coroner.

County personnel director Gordon T. Nesvig made a blanket denial of discriminatory practices, citing statistics.

All but five of the 16 county departments specifically accused years ago of discriminatory practices filed affirmative action reports by a March 1, 1972, deadline. Since then, four more have added theirs, and only one the veterans affairs has failed to file.

To hear more testimony, Chairman Pete Schabarum continued the hearing until 2 p.m., Jan. 23.

Japan student slain in N.Y.

NEW YORK — Music student Masaharu Tomono, 24, of Tokyo was stabbed to death by three men on Jan. 1. He was the second Japanese murdered by robbers in the city following the slaying of a young businessman last year on Mar. 3.

Tomono was slain around 5 a.m. while returning to his quarters on E. Houston St., the Japanese consulate general revealed. He had been stabbed in the chest after refusing the three men's demand for money at knife point.

The case was reported to the consulate general by his elder brother, a painter, who had been living with the student.

Nisei case worker shot by angry client

SAN FRANCISCO — An angry welfare client who said she had not received food stamps was held by police Dec. 29 after she pulled a .22 revolver and fired three shots at social caseworker Kinuko Iwamoto of Pacifica at 965 Mission St.

Mrs. Iwamoto was treated for an arm wound but might have suffered more serious injuries add it not been for her husband who had come to pick her up.

Iwamoto had seized the distraught welfare client, Mrs. Leola Yeoman, 21, as she grabbed his wife by the hair, and flung her aside and told his wife to run outside when she saw Mrs. Yeoman with the gun, witnesses told police.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Iwamoto, at first thought unhurt, were shot. Mrs. Iwamoto had a bullet wound in her right forearm. Iwamoto was more seriously injured with a bullet in his groin. He underwent surgery at San Francisco General Hospital.

'Nisei' in paperback

NEW YORK — The paperback edition of Bill Hosokawa's "Nisei: the Quiet Americans" (Morrow: $3.95) will be published Jan. 19. Among the revisions are the 1970 U.S. census of Japanese.

CITY TRAILBLAZER—Pioneering as a landscape artist in Seattle in the 1920s, Fujitaro Kubota, now 92, stands in his own 23½-acre garden. His work, now carried on by his sons, Tak and Tom, and grandsons, have brought him recognition from the Japanese government last November —the Order of the Sacred Treasure, 5th Class. Gardening was a hobby for the Issei pioneer from Kochi prefecture for he had built himself a modest living at first from running a hotel.—Seattle Times Photo.

SEN. INOUYE CALLS MASSIVE RAIDS ON VIETNAM RACIALLY ORIENTED

HONOLULU — Sen. Daniel K. Inouye said he was speaking for Asians when he told Democratic senators in the Jan. 4 caucus that the massive bombing of North Vietnam "is the big bully of the Western world telling the little brown men of Asia, 'You go our way or else.'"

Ouring an interview shortly after his arrival here Jan. 6 Inouye said he spoke out during the Senate caucus because "I thought it might be well if the members of the Senate stopped and thought about what Asians are saying.

He added: "Since the bombing, I have received many calls — some very bitter ones from Asian foreigners.

"In my remarks to the senators, I referred to these many calls."

Asian Sentiments

Asked if he agrees with the Asian sentiments about the bombing, Inouye did not respond directly. "I think we should be asking ourselves about what the Asians are saying," he said, "we cannot ignore this fact."

Inouye said Americans should ask themselves whether the bombing would take place if the city were Paris instead of Hanoi.

"We should think about the fact that, in two weeks, we dropped more explosives than were dropped over England in six years during World War II," he said.

Asked if he believes the bombing is racially oriented, Inouye said:

"It makes me heartsick when I hear words like 'gook' and 'slopehead' and of the incidents like My Lai."

Committee Feeling

The Senator said the Senate Foreign Relations Committee has indicated it will postpone any action on cutting off funds for Vietnam until President Nixon's inauguration on Jan. 20.

"We will give the President and Mr. (Henry A.) Kissinger an opportunity to do something about this matter," Inouye said.

"Nothing (to cut off Vietnam War funds) will be done during this month."

Inouye said he will support proposals that Congress stop the war by cutting off funds if talks this week between Kissinger and North Vietnam's top negotiator, Le Duc Tho, fail to bring an agreement.

Inouye arrived in Honolulu with members of the Senate Appropriations subcommittee on foreign operations, which he chairs.

The subcommittee left Jan. 7 for a tour of Asia — South Vietnam, Laos, Korea, Hong Kong, Japan, Indonesia and the Philippines included — to study foreign aid requests.

EDC to meet Jan. 27 at D.C.

(Special to The Pacific Citizen)

WASHINGTON — The Eastern District Council will meet Jan. 27-28 at the Sheraton-Silver Spring Motor Inn with the Washington, D.C. JACL as hosts. The Saturday session is prior to the D.C. JACL installation dinner that evening.

Highlight of the EDC session is the forum on "Racism in Our Society — Viewed by Asians" and among the panelists will be Mike Suzuki, past national vice-president presently with the Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare; Pat Okura, NIMH; and Barry Matsumoto, Washington representative.

EDC Gov. Grayce Uyehara will gavel the business session to order at 10 a.m. Saturday. A rap session on "JACL Today" is scheduled for Sunday morning.

NEWSPAPER FOR ISSEI

A Dying Business

(During the first week of the new year, Associated Press distributed a long piece on the North American Post—first time we've seen so much said about the Japanese vernacular press. Here is the original story.—Ed.)

By PEYTON WHITELY
Seattle Times

How to get rich:

Sell something with broad appeal and a growing market.

Considering that, The North American Post can't help but fail.

The Post is one of Seattle's daily newspapers. It is less well-known than the others, however, since its circulation is about 2,500 and it is delivered by mail.

And it is printed in Japanese.

The Post is the only daily Japanese-language newspaper in the Pacific Northwest. The nation now has 10 Japanese newspapers and about 250 papers printed in other languages, vestiges of a time when the country worried about not having enough population.

'Dying Business'

"This is a dying business," said Takami (Tak) Hibiya ,63, Post editor.

"Almost all publications like this are having hard times," he said.

Considering The Post's market, that would seem obvious: Only first-generation Japanese can be considered as customers, and they are all "75 or 85 or 90" by now, Hibiya said.

A Japanese-language newspaper, The North American Times, founded in 1902, had a daily circulation of about 4,000 here before World War II. It was distributed by newspaper boys in a Japanese community of about 9,000 people living in the International District.

That war stopped that, as persons of Japanese descent were interned and their property confiscated.

Started in 1946

The Post was started as a weekly in 1946 and went to daily publication in 1947, Hibiya said.

Hibiya, born in Tacoma in 1909, went to Japan to study in 1919 and returned here in 1931. He was sent to camps in Puyallup and Idaho during the war and later taught Japanese to Navy officers at Boulder, Colo.

Hibiya became assistant editor of The Post in 1956 and took over when the editor, Teumitsu Kano, took a job with Japan Air Lines.

Hibiya has thought about retiring, but believes there is no one else, except Kano, in the United States who could do his job, calling as it does for bilingualism and a knowledge of journalism.

Besides, he said, it is important to know that the paper continues not so much as a business but as a service to the community.

Anyone thinking of applying for Hibiya's job, however, should first be warned of how The Post is produced.

Articles are written by hand, since no typewriter could produce the 3,000 or more Japanese characters.

Then the articles are translated into metal, also by hand, by type pickers who work from a wall-sized slanted board with compartments containing thousands of Japanese characters cast in metal.

The printing continues by ancient methods: The press is a 70-or-so-year-old Miehle flatbed in a basement with a musty smell and a water-stained ceiling.

Paper is fed into the press one sheet at a time and has to be run through twice, with one side being printed in the morning and the other in the afternoon.

Thrift of Kanji

There is a lot of news in the eight tabloid pages, however.

"You take half a page to write a story we do in a couple of inches," said a pressman, who explained that a word like "accommodation," which takes half a line of type in English, can be written in one or two characters in Japanese.

Getting printers "is the hardest part," Hibiya said, since they must be able to read Japanese forward and backward.

"But the union doesn't bother us," he said.

Henry Kissinger and the Vietnam war were top recent news on Page 1 of The Post. Other articles concerned the United States-Cuban anti-hijacking agreement, a naval base in Japan and Japanese politics.

Inside was news from Japanese communities in Tacoma, Portland and other cities, and a Jaapnese novel — what Hibiya called a "Japanese Western." The top story in the sports page was about a wrestling tournament.

15-Man Staff

About 15 persons work at The Post, including a dozen in the production department, two on the business staff and three in the news department.

Usually there are only two men on the news staff — Hibiya and Dick Kanaya, associate editor (the paper has no reporters, only editors) — but they have been joined temporarily by Mrs. Michiko Kashiwagi, whose husband, Toshihiko, is studying law at the University of Washington. The Kashiwagis expect to return to Japan in about three years.

Advertising, Hibiya said, is hard to find.

Publisher—Mr. Kubota

The paper sometimes runs in the red, Hibiya said, and the deficit is "coppered by the publisher," H.T. Kubota, who makes more money in the hotel business.

The advertisements themselves are a unique problem at The Post: Often they are designed for American-style newspapers, with columns that run vertically, and don't fit The Post, where the columns are horizontal.

"I suppose the people (working) here know the ultimate fate of the paper," Hibiya said, "but I believe it will continue in some way."

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AUSTRALIA ENDS WHITE-ONLY RULE ON IMMIGRATION

Recall U.S. Nisei Having Trouble Entering 'Down Under'

CANBERRA, Australia — Immigration Minister Albert J. Grassby on Jan. 4 disclosed Australia has officially barred color of skin as a factor for consideration in the admission of prospective settlers.

A member of the new Labor Government elected last month after 23 years of rule by the Liberal-Country party, Grassby said in an interview the action removes the last vestiges of the 1901 "white Australia" policy.

(The Pacific Citizen recalls that when Japanese Americans wanted to go to Australia for one reason or another, including marriage, there had been problems. Special arrangements were made for weightlifter Tommy Kono of Sacramento in 1956 as a member of the U.S. Olympic team. In more recent years, trade has boomed and Japan sought a change in their policy. Australia eliminated racial bars to naturalization in 1956).

Immigration History

Restrictions on immigrants date to 1901, when the six colonies were federated and virtually barred nonwhite immigration. White settlers had been alarmed by the influx of Chinese gold-seekers and indentured plantation laborers from the Pacific islands in the 19th century.

After WW2, Australia embarked on a large-scale population building program that brought in almost 3 million settlers in a present population of about 13 million. Racial restrictions were subsequently modified, permitting a few nonwhites to migrate and permitting them to become citizens after extended residence. In 1966, that requirement was reduced from 15 years to five.

A more recent change allows 4,000 nonwhites and 6,000 of mixed racial background each year. But now all quotas are off, Grassby said, and the emphasis is on the individual and national need.

Recalling a celebrated case of Sgt. Lorenzo Gamboa, a Philippine war veteran who was barred although he had married an Australian girl, that can never be repeated, Grassby said. "If Sgt. Gamboa were alive today, I'd be delighted to have his application for residence," he continued. The refusal of a visa to Sgt. Gamboa in the late 1940s tarnished Australia's image in the Philippines and other Asian countries have had similar incidents.

Polynesians Welcome

The new policy also means that brown-skinned New Zealand citizens from that nation's Polynesian island possessions, such as the Cook Islands and Niue, will for the first time be admitted to Australia on the same basis as white New Zealanders, Grassby said. This has been a sensitive issue between Australia and her neighbor.

The new guidelines drawn up by Grassby give first preference in immigration to applicants with close relatives in Australia, then to those with sponsors and to persons with desired skills, regardless of race.

"The demand for unskilled workers is zero," the Immigration Minister declared. "We have unemployment in this category now."

He added that for the first time the new policy would permit skilled nonwhite workers to obtain Government assistance toward their fares to Australia on the same basis as whites.

Assistance Program

However, the while "assisted passage" program, which has enabled immigrants to come from Europe for about $25 each, with the Australian government paying the remainder, is "winding down" with the changed employment

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$25 million deal focuses Japanese capital in Hawaii

By ALLAN BEEKMAN
Special to The Pacific Citizen

HONOLULU — Announcement of the sale of the 690-room Hawaiian Regent Hotel to Japan's Tokyu Corp. and its subsidiary, Tokyu Hotels International, has invited attention to the influx of Japanese capital to Hawaii.

The hotel and its assets sold for more than $25 million.

Under the sales agreement, AITS, a Boston firm, which had owned the hotel, will continue to market and use it.

At Ohua and Kalakaua Avenue in Waikiki, the Regent is the first hotel in America designed to cater to the Japanese traveler. Signs and menus are bilingual; members of the staff speak both English and Japanese.

Resort Development

The huge Tokyu Corp. recently purchased a large tract in South Kohala, Island of Hawaii, for resort development.

Tokyo financial interests now own up to $250 million worth of Island property, most of it directed toward the tourist trade. In addition, last year Japan exported about $91 million dollars worth of goods to Hawaii — including such merchandise as Japanese autos. Hawaiian exports to Japan fell short of $9 million.

The entrance of Japanese merchandise units into Hawaii is especially noticeable in the great new shopping center of Pearlridge, just outside of Honolulu, where the well-known Dai'ei and other Japanese firms have opened shop. To offset the imbalance in trade to which such shops contribute, local business circles tend to look toward Japanese tourism.

Overbuilding

In the last two years, the tour industry in Hawaii has been hurt by overbuilding, the Mainland recession, and the loss of service personnel from Vietnam who had been coming to Hawaii under the military Rest and Recreation program. Offsetting these deficiencies have been the hordes of well-dressed, well-behaved Japanese tourists who have been coming here in increasing numbers.

Japanese visitors to Hawaii this year may reach 235,000 —more than 10 per cent of the total visitors. Most shops and hotels in Waikiki have tried to adjust to this new type of tourist by erecting Japanese signs and trying to hire Japanese-speaking help.

Though everyone seems appreciative to Japan for taking up the tourist slack, Japanese tourism may not be the bonanza it appears at first blush. Much of the business is controlled by a few Japanese operators. As in travel from the Mainland, group travel from Japan is increasing; group travel now accounts for more than 40 per cent of Japanese visitors.

Japan Capital

Group travel is less profitable to the tourist business per visitor. In the most favorable circumstances, it also appears that of the $400-$500 Japanese tourists are permitted to take from their country, little will find its way into local hands.

So local business seems inclined to encourage the influx of Japanese capital rather than to complain of it. Since WW2, Hawaii has been short of capital.

The phenomenal industrial growth of Hawaii during the past two decades has been chiefly financed through the infusion of capital from overseas. The capital came primarily from Mainland United States, but some came from foreign countries such as Canada and Great Britain.

Now large capital is coming from Japan.

BCA CONTRIBUTES TO NICARAGUAN RELIEF

SAN FRANCISCO — The Buddhist Churches of America called upon its member churches to help the victims of the Nicaraguan earthquake by donating food and clothing.

The BCA has already sent a monetary donation to the Nicaraguan Earthquake Relief Fund. Churches are requested to contact the Nicaraguan consulate in their respective cities or with the State Public Health Office. In the Bay Area food and clothing can be taken directly to Pier 38 in San Francisco.

Nisei evacuee recalls life in 'concentration camp'

By SUSAN SUNADA
Deseret News Staff Writer

Logan, Utah

"Concentration Camp!"

Those words were a "no-no" thirty years ago. The correct term was "Relocation Center."

"Why should I go to a concentration camp? I haven't done anything wrong," I said.

"Don't say that!" "You want to get us in trouble?" "You'll get us all arrested for talking like that!" my fellow Japanese Americans warned me.

All right. So I couldn't say it out loud. But I couldn't be arrested for thinking, "I am not going to a concentration camp. I refuse to be placed behind a barbed-wire fence with armed guards standing over me!"

I was 18. I was living in a 14-room mansion in the Hollywood Hills when Pearl Harbor was attacked by the descendants of my ancestors.

Japanese American girls working in households were in vogue in California. While waiting to continue my nursing training at Los Angeles County General Hospital, I was living in the home of Dr. G. H. Houck on a spacious estate in the rambling hills of Hollywood. It was a lovely place in which to be "frozen" while the government built its concentration camps.

Wartime Hysteria

"A Jap"s a Jap! Let's get them all out of here!" was the cry in California as the web of war hysteria spread up and down the Pacific Coast during the early months of 1942.

The exodus began. Eastward went the Japanese with their families — until there weren't any places left for them to go. Housing was scarce and jobs were nil. The army stopped the "voluntary-involuntary" evacuation of the Japanese immigrants and their American citizen children with new orders effective Mar. 29, 1942, which "froze" them to their homes to await further orders, Thus, I considered myself "frozen" in the doctor's elegant home.

My cousin, a U.S. native, who was so proud of being an American soldier, was honorably discharged — for having been educated in Japan. He returned to his home from boot camp just in time to be sent to a relocation center. Japanese American males throughout the country were then re-classified 4-C, the same as enemy aliens, and were no longer eligible for induction.

Promise Unkept

The FBI "visited" my family and searched their home. My father had no guns, cameras nor field glasses. He was found to be quite harmless, but he had to leave Los Angeles with everyone else — including my mother, brothers and sisters. Hurriedly, he sold his grocery store. Two young men took over the store with a promise that they would send money as it came in. They later sold the store to others, collected the cash, and skipped with the money.

Dr. Houck and Dr. Lewis T. Bullock, in whose home I had worked my way through high school and junior college, and their colleagues in the Los Angeles County Medical Association (as individuals, not as an organization) helped me quietly but legally. A hospital inland accepted my application to enter its school of nursing to start in September 1942.

I went to the Wartime Civil Control Administration, an organization created by President Franklin D. Roosevelt placing the army in charge of the evacuation of the Japanese, and received an identification card permitting me to travel wherever I wished, just so I got out of California and reached my destination by September.

Shortly after Dr. Houck saw me safely on the train and on my way eastward to freedom, my family was moved from their home. They spent the summer behind barbed wire under armed guard at the L.A. County Fairgrounds in Pomona. In the fall they were moved to Heart Mountain Relocation Center, near Cody, Wyo. Barbed wire and a strong fence surrounded the area, and guards with rifles and bayonets walked the plank around the guard towers.

Barbed Wire Fences

When I arrived at the hospital to check in as a prospective nurse-trainee, I was told that the decision to accept me had been reversed. It was not in their best interest to allow me to enter their school at that time — because of the war, you know.

I had vaguely heard of the YWCA (Young Women's Christian Association). I went there looking for job possibilities, then checked in at a hotel. I had $25 — enough for a week's room rent and meals. I should have been worried about running out of money, but I wasn't.

I made friends easily, although I didn't know a soul at first, and word got around. Somehow the pastor of the Presbyterian Church and his family heard there was a Japanese girl in town, a refugee who was looking for a job and a place to live. The reverend and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Strahl, had two little girls and another child on the way. Mrs. Strahl was ill, and she was desperate for help.

Feeling of Rescue

There I was — homeless — and they took me in. They gave me a room into which I moved all my worldly possessions, mostly heavy books, very little clothing, and I took over the care of the household.

The feeling of rescue was mutual. I lived with my new-found family until I married George Sunada a year later. For thirty Christmases Mrs. Strahl has written to me lovingly recalling the happy year we spent together.

In January, 1944, the selective service system was reopened to Japanese Americans. George volunteered. He was in the 442nd Combat Team which fought in France and Italy. Its record as the most decorated unit in World War II is well known.

I had nothing when the war began. I had nothing when it ended on V-J Day. My dollars balanced zero, but the worth of friends who came to my aid without my asking cannot be measured.

I relished a taste of sweet victory when Allan R. Bosworth wrote about the relocation centers. He named his book, "America's Concentration Camps." His book returned to me my freedom of speech.

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Feelings Today

How do I feel now?

I don't condemn our government for the mistake it admits it made 30 years ago. After the war, the government did realize its error, made a public apology and tried to make some restitution. Those who suffered losses were allowed to file claims. Those who followed their claims through to completion, however, received a setlement of only a fraction of the amount of the value of their losses because of the discrepancy between pre-war dollars and post-war inflated dollars.

Many who filed claims did not see their cases reach settlement because they became bogged down in sloughs of red tape. Most did not file claims at all, knowing they did not have the proper legal documents needed to defend themselves. They suffered their losses and went on from there, rebuilding new lives the best they could.

Economist Dr. Leonard Arrington has said: "It is estimated that the cost of constructing the assembly centers and ten relocation centers was approximately $70 million with virtually no salvage value. The cost of maintaining the evacuees during the three years of detention was $50 million. The entire direct cost of the evacuation, not counting the loss to the evacuees or the loss to the country of the productive activities in which they would otherwise have engaged, was on the order of $350 million."

No Trials

One might consider it would have been cheaper to have tried each Japanese and Japanese American and tested his loyalty in court before a judge or in a trial by jury. But, because of the temper of the times, I believe each "suspect" would have still been found guilty (of being Japanese or Japanese American) and he would have had difficulty proving his loyalty to the United States. I believe the result would have been the same — forced evacuation.

Everyone who remembers World War II was affected by it one way or another. It happened. We need not forget it.

I remember the war and its many facets as a fact of life, not nostalgically, not bitterly, not happily. It has its place in the past. I do not dwell on it at the expense of the present or the future.

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Few Remember

Topaz, Minidoka, Tule Lake — only a handful of local older residents remember those were three of 10 "instant cities" which existed during World War II.

Topaz Mountain can be found on a Utah Highway map, south of the Great Salt Lake Desert and Dugway Proving Ground. The area glistens in the hot sandy desert with bits of golden quartz gem — November's birthstone.

South of the mountain, on the desolate alkali flats, a tar-paper barracks city blossomed and became "home" for over 8,000 persons from 1942 until the fall of 1945.

As in the scene from the movie, "Dr. Zhivago," the train arrived in Delta, Millard County day after day. On Sept. 17, 1942, 502 persons arrived and were trucked to Topaz. On Sept. 18, 482 arrived. On Sept. 19, 511 arrived. Finally the barracks were full and could hold no more. There were about 8,000 persons, almond eyes. The parents most were elderly, were Japanese immigrants and classified as enemy aliens. The rest were their children — American citizens by birth, and most under 21. All had been uprooted from California.

A chain-link fence reinforced with barbed wire surrounded the city which had been named Topaz, after the mountain in the distance. Armed guards were on sentry duty day and night.

Life Continues

Within a month, there had been a birth and a death. School started.

Dr. John C. Carlisle, now retired Dean of the College of Education, Utah State University, remmebers Topaz. He had six month's leave from USU. As superintendent of education at Topaz, his assignment was to organize the Topaz school system. He, and his wife, and their son, John, lived in a barrack in the administration area. Mrs. Carlisle helped found a library. John now a pediatrician in Logan went to school in Topaz with the Japanese children.

Others from Logan who were on the administrative staff at some time during To-

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TURNING OVER A NEW LEAF

There's no time to clear desk of 1972 material till we're settled down for 1973—and that means a couple of weeks into the new year. We can now flip over the stack of "in" mail—about 15 pounds of material—to see what needs to be answered, filed or retained for later use. It's hard to kill a good story.

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Author Yoshiko Uchida of Berkeley wants her snapshot back . . . Gift-order blanks from some magazines are dead . . . A United Way press kit is dated July 20, 1972—this was really squirreled away . . . Here's an 8-cent stamp uncancelled on an envelope we're going to make use of someday.

An extra copy of Charles Kubokawa's report on a Senior Citizen retirement project for the 1972 Convention comes up—and in a Christmas letter just received from him, he says he's picking up additional data in Japan for the project. He's there on a fellowship from Japan's Aerospace program.

Placer County JACLer Seiichi Otow's account of his second trip to Japan (his first was in 1965) with pictures was the aftermath of a chat with him during the National JACL Convention. As one farmer who endured a rough year in '72, and long involved training Japanese farmers in American methods. we're keeping this in the "in" file for future use. Seiichi do not give up! . . . Here's a story about smog in Palm Springs. The Nisei angle? Nearby are Riverside County farmers who had moved from San Fernando Valley to escape the smog in the 1950s—only to see it affect their winter crops in the 1970s and figuring Arizona is too far away for the Los Angeles market.

A scientist in the news this past year was William Shockley of Stanford University, Nobel Prize winner for his theories which developed the transistors. But the clippings are about his inquiry into the genetic factors regarding intelligence. It's not a new idea—Hitler believed in it. Of the same ilk, a UC Berkeley professor named Jensen was engaged in statistical research in the mid-60s, oblivious to the FSM and People's Park confrontations.

Here's a story which we should have used in September—Ruth Tanbara of Twin Cities JACL ending her 30-year career with the YWCA. Bill Hosokawa sent us the clipping—the second page was missing, which we had tracked down and since returned to her longtime friend Mrs. Mine Kido. Ruth and Earl Tanbara have no children of their own but they've been proxy parents to many, have given away many brides and now get letters from the youngsters' own children.

Sonoma County JACL's chapter report in the Holiday Issue carry-over (Jan. 5-12) only touched on it, but this past summer Jim Murakami supplied a magazine article on Fountaingrove—where a "circular" barn exists, a historic landmark with a strong Issei touch. Just outside of Santa Rosa, civic efforts to restore the barn for a museum are underway and the chapter is expected to participate. It's a kind of story to relish the PC quarterly, which we plan to revive this year.

Supplier of material from Texas is Herb Ogawa, younger brother of the late Elmer Ogawa, Seattle photojournalist and longtime PC contributor. The assortment of clippings from Herb will be placed in a new file, "Texas". Herb works in Dallas with Bantam Books. If JACL is revived in Texas, it'll probably be there. Previously a chapter existed in the Rio Grande Valley near Brownsville, a committee existed in Houston during the Evacuation period and a chapter existed prewar in El Paso.

Till we make up a folder on "Manjiro" (thought we had one in our files on individuals), the clipping on the first Issei to live for a while in the U.S. will be kept under "Issei—New England" since he studied there. (Probably the Manjiro file is misplaced as this is not the first clipping on this fabulous and historic character.)

Dyke Nakamura, a Portland Nisei registered with the Japanese Finance Ministry as a fully-licensed securities broker in Tokyo (you've seen his ad in the PC), heads the foreign division for his firm, situated adjacent to the conspicuous Tokyo Tower. One of our few overseas subscribers getting his PCs airmail each week, Dyke is married to a Tokyo girl, whose father is a national hospital superintendent. They have two teen-age children attending Sacred Heart and St. Mary's International Schools. Dyke's youngest brother George was ordained a Catholic priest (Redemptorist) in 1965, engaged in missionary work in the Amazons. All of this comes from another PC reader—chief engineer for the U.S. Air Force in Japan.

PC book critic Allan Beekman supplies us with clippings from the Honolulu dailies—and one which we've kept to show office visitors (since there's a 5-column photo) has Dale Arakaki, 25, as possibly the only male clerk in a lingerie department. A management trainee, he's seen fitting a bra over the display form atop the counter. The story noted unexpected female chauvinism in evidence as a number of females said they wouldn't buy a brassiere from a man. With this, the picture will be filed away and probably forgotten.

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Here we are at the end of column space and we've only put away not more than a couple quires of material . . . There's no way to acknowledge or describe the remainder of this pile—but if you'll permit, we'll see how far we can delve next week.

El Pimentero Frank Fukazawa

Mr. Nobody

Tokyo

Dale Carnegie, the American author of "How to Win Friends and Influence People" writes: "The Big Secret of dealing with people is to make them feel IMPORTANT." This desire to feel big is an urged any human being has, regardless of race or country. An invention or a demonstrated success in business accredits a person for an acknowledgement and ample remuneration. Yet, there is one country in the world where the people having inner desires to be important are still completely ignored so far as the importance of the individual are concerned. This country is Japan.

"Unbelievable! Biased! Never read such a remark in books concerning Japan" may probably be the first reaction of the PC readers.

To make things understandable, let me ask you one simple question: "Have you ever seen or heard of any individual Japanese name conspicuously connected with any inventions or great achievements accomplished in Japan? Like the rotary engine is called Wankel engine from the name of Dr. Wankel?"

Perhaps, company names like, Sony, Matushita, Mitsubishi are familiar but you may have never heard private names of the actual inventors or capable administrators of these companies. From the Japanese public eye, they are just nobodies and to them the company name counts, not the individual.

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Many other examples can be given.

A typical telephone conversation like this runs daily in Tokyo: "Hello. Kindly connect me with the president please, I'm Tanaka."

"Tanakasan??!" (A hesitation follows). "Tanakasan? Of what company?" (rather dubiously).

"I'm Tanaka of Sony."

"Ah! Sony-san desuka-domo hitsurei itashimashita. What can I do for you?"

The stiff attitude of the girl operator promptly changes to ever-sweetness. Tanaka to her is nobody even though he may be a big shot but Sony-san the company is something of great importance.

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In the Prefecture of Yamanashi, its rapid rivers used to overflow annually during the Edo period. A certain technician discovered the most efficient method to control the rivers which is to this day applauded in civil engineering textbooks in Japan. But the name of this technician simply does not exist in any archives.

The special technique is credited to Takeda Shingen, the lord of Koshu (Yamanashi Pref.) as one of his great civil works. So even going back into history, a Japanese individual was considered a nobody.

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An invention discovered by a chemist in a company is patented, of course, in his name but is always accompanied with the names of his superiors too, who have not even participated in the work.

And in the annual awards granted by the government to outstanding inventions of the year, his **company** receives the grand prize but not him. In such a case in Germany, the company concludes a contract with the inventor and becomes his licensee and pays royalties to the inventor even if he is an employee, in order to encourage technical motivation.

A million dollar sales from scratch in a difficult market is a demonstrated success and anybody in the States would be promoted to manager for his achievement. In Japan, the poor fellow still warms the same old seat he had when he entered the company while his senior of only two years comfortably climbs the ladder of promotion and becomes his boss. Examples similar to this are endless.

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Carnegie's book has been selling in Japan since 1937 but his principle of human behavior and psychology appears not to have been applied even after three decades! The enhancing of individual "cult" is a taboo in communist countries but still in these countries where the people belong to the State, they receive more individual acknowledgement than in Japan.

Then, what is behind all this Oriental mystery? The answer can be found in my previous article (PC, Dec. 1) in which I alluded a bit to "Japan, Inc." which dominates more or less all official and private lives.

A Japanese is simply just a cog or a bolt in the wheel of Japan Inc. He acts and thinks within the totalitarian mechanism at the same time with the other cogs. His inventions or his great feats are accomplished, of course, by his individual capability but still he will say:

"Minasama no okagede" (Thanks to the guidance of my superiors and the collaboration of my colleagues. I have succeeded).

It is a self-denial of oneself which comes from a long traditional modesty and is still maintained and practiced this very day by everyone. An egoistic emphasis like "Yes, I did it!" would be a show-off. It is his Division, his Laboratory, His Company which are awarded and becomes important. Not him. He remains the same cog whether he is a clerk or an executive, dutifully performing his work for the company in which his individual importance is replaced by the importance of his group.

This short article may sound frustrating but it's not so for the Japanese because the cult of "individual importance" is ignored here. If you personally wish to feel important, remain in the States, but if you want to become a NOBODY, come to work in Japan. Just like in the old Charlie Chaplin's film of "Modern Times", you will easily discover that you are just a tiny bolt in the Big Machine.

Jerry Enomoto

Perspectives

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A SERIOUS GAME

I recently read a column in one of our vernaculars that triggered a reaction that might be interesting to share. The topic discussed was the October "special briefing" held at the White House for Asian American "leaders."

In an earlier column, I commented that this affair, political biases to the contrary notwithstanding, at least demonstrated that Asian Americans were no longer ignored by the "establishment." The criticism that those invited didn't represent the "community," although not invalid, once again fails to recognize the reality that people in a position to make these decisions do what they are comfortable doing. They invite people who appear **to them** to reflect a cross-section of appropriate (in this case) Japanese Americans.

It strikes me as a hopeless and futile thing to believe that any individual's concept of who represents the "community" is going to be objective. Those who work in the Japanese American community frequently hold emotional and biased views about who the "people" are, sometimes excluding (in the case of JACL) their concept of "conservative Nisei."

In the case of this briefing, I don't believe that people were picked to represent anybody.

If the bulk of those named were Japanese American Republicans, let's face the reality that the party in the driver's seat now is Republican.

Who is to say that if the Democrats were in power, the same phenomena would not occur. The name of the game (a serious game) is politics, and to ignore that reality is not only foolish, but unwise. Unwise because it substitutes rhetoric for action—action to establish communications with those in power, so that the needs of the community (by the definition of those who are not "in") are really felt.

The flip remark that grants to Asian American projects were "to buy votes" is a classical example of self-defeating rhetoric. There was a recent time when Asian American organizations didn't get grants at all. Where is the perspective here? Is our goal to help people, or is it to engage in spiteful name calling?

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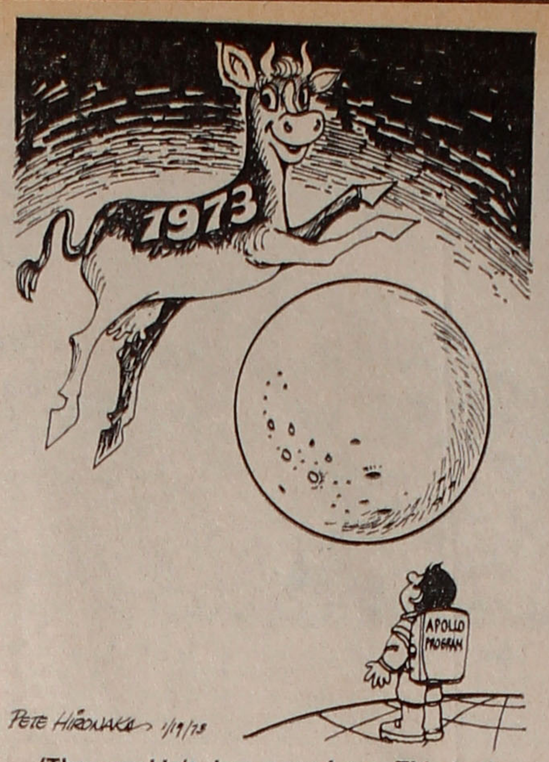
Unless I'm badly misled, I don't believe that this affair was meant as a summit meeting to get grass roots feedback from the Japanese American community. I don't believe that the people who went felt they officially represented anybody. It was possibly really more a ceremonial thing any anything else.

There is also an unfortunate tendency on the part of self-styled Japanese American "liberals" today to assume arrogantly that Nisei who don't think as they do are not part of the community, don't represent anybody, are bad people, and deserve total contempt. Among other things, the cost of such assumptions is to delay, or prevent, the **helping of people**, because, like it or not, the muscle to get things done is often in the hands of such Nisei.

I write the above as a lifelong Democrat who is ideologically not identified with a lot of Republican positions (as I see them), but who has some strong feelings about **fair play**, which is not a political issue.



'They wouldn't dare ground me. This is the Year of the Cow.'

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

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Holiday Issue

Editor:

Kindly permit me to comment on Mr. Bill Hosokawa's column published in your Holiday Issue (Dec. 22-29, 1972).

The writer in fact touched upon a key issue concerning JACL's announced intention to "study and recommend the ways and means by which all persons of Asian ancestry in the U.S. can achieve unification."

Mr. Hosokawa wrote (I quote):

The fact remains that if Japan goes on the American hate list, Japanese Americans soon will find themselves in its shadow . . .

Many minds — and Americans of other ethnic backgrounds — could contribute to the formulation of a broad, far-reaching, long-range plan, a public relations program in its finest sense . . .

Mr. Hosokawa's words can be logically expanded into . . .

The fact remains that if Japan goes on the American hate list, Japanese Americans soon will find themselves in its shadow . . . and Chinese Americans and Korean Americans will have to disassociate themselves from Japanese Americans . . .

Under the circumstance, then, would Korean Americans and Chinese Americans actively support Asian American "unification" in the U.S. in which Japanese Americans are more conspicuous?

In 1941-42, Koreans in Hawaii and West Coast states had to say, something like, "I am a Korean. Korea is different from Japan."

If a white American can be moved to ask a Japanese or Japanese American, "Are you willing to guarantee to me that your country will never bomb Pearl Harbor again?" Wouldn't a Korean American be moved to ask a Japanese American: "Are you willing to guarantee to me that your country will never get on the U.S. hate list again?"

While events in Africa do not affect blacks and developments in Europe rarely affect white Americans of European ancestry in terms of "hate list," etc., somehow Asian Americans are directly and immediately affected by events in the countries of their "origin."

I am strongly in favor of Asians in America pooling their resources for common benefits and for better contribution for our society in the U.S.

It is also, I believe, the prime responsibility of Japanese Americans to do their best to assure that such joint Asian efforts will not later involve risks and pains on the part of non-Japanese Asian groups.

So, "a public relations program in its finest sense," as referred to in Mr. Hosokawa's column, is self-evident.

All of us, Asians in the U.S., must work together to inform and enlighten the leadership in Tokyo;

(1) It must not forget Americans of Japanese ancestry.

(2) It must always remember potential impact on Japanese Americans of its actions —economic and military.

There are today 600,000 Japanese Americans in the U.S. while there were only 285,000 Japanese in the U.S. in 1940.

The Japanese community in the U.S. is today too enlightened and too valuable to be ignored or sacrificed by Tokyo.

Therefore, I hope the Japanese American community in the U.S. and its continued progress will serve a vital role: that of quenching any future fire of imperialist dream in Japan.

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Editor:

There were some extremely valuable materials in this issue from the standpoint of use in ethnic studies courses . . .

DR. K. MURASE
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Social Welfare Dept.
San Francisco

Editor:

Congratulations on your unique Holiday publication. I think this is the best ever . . .

BEN OSHITA
Salt Lake City, Utah

Editor:

I read with interest the first installment of Paul Brinkley-Roger's article, "Outwhiting the Whites", in the Holiday Issue, which I came upon by accident. I would like to read the continuation of that article . . .

JOSEPH MORGAN
Monterey, Calif.

QUESTION BOX

Multi-Media Kits

Q—The Dec. 15 PC noted that multimedia kits are available but no address was specified. Where can we inquire about them?—I.D., Loomis, Calif.

A—The kit, "Japanese American Relocation", was prepared for secondary-level students, by Olcott Forward Inc., 234 N. Central Ave., Hartsdale, N.Y. 10530. Other filmstrip, still in production for distribution purposes, will be available from the Board of Missions, United Methodist Church, 475 Riverside Dr., New York, N.Y. 10027. (attn. Toge Fujihira).

Of additional interest are the nine films prepared by Asian students. Write for an illustrated brochure from Asian American Film, 3232 Campbell Hall, UCLA, Los Angeles 90024.

25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, Jan. 3, 1948

282 Nisei draft registers win presidential amnesty . . . Attorney charges Nisei ex-GIs in Tokyo dance hall death case "doubled-crossed" by agent . . . State Department will refuse passport to Mrs. D'Aquino . . . Evacuation test case figure (Gordon Hirabayashi) listed among those pardoned by President Truman . . .

Body of Nisei medal of honor winner will be buried in L.A. . . . Private bill entered to stop deportation of Issei to Hawaii . . . Hawaii Issei cases hinge on presidential order of 1906 . . . Passage of Judd proposal will eliminate race, ancestry as conditions for citizenship . . . Deportation test case set for Denver court.

In the Pacific Citizen, Jan. 10, 1948

JACL files supreme court brief in Oriental American restrictive covenant cases . . . Defense counsel in Tokyo Nisei case charges use of force by Army investigators . . . Senator Guy Cordon (R-Ore.) to investigate Asian influences among Hawaiians . . . Masaoka seeks White House support for ADC proposals . . . Alien property office explains regulations for recovery of claims on Japanese banks . . . Main political, civic leaders endorse legislative aims of Japanese American group . . . Large-scale looting of properties told by Japanese Canadian evacuees.

In the Pacific Citizen, Jan. 17, 1948

Sherwood Dixon, ex-officer of 442nd, named by Illinois Democratic party to run for lieutenant-governer . . . . . Army court rejects dismissal motion in Tokyo Nisei trial . . . Ask supreme court hearing on Takahashi case testing Calif. fish, game code . . . Circuit courts considers test involving stays of deportation for alien "hardship cases" . . . . Truman's pardon of Nisei COs not general amnesty . . . Former U.S. attorney general Francis Biddle expresses support of ADC's current legislative program.

By the Board

James M. Watanabe
PNWDC Governor

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IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION

In my ten years in JACL, I have seen a slow evolution of objectives from a social and membership orientation to one of issues and problems concerning minorities in contemporary America (at least in the Pacific Northwest). This, I believe, is partly due to changing attitudes of the govennment and the dominant society regarding minorities. Witness the change from police dogs, water cannons and nightstocks to take over of the BIA in Washington, D.C.

Another factor is that more and more concerned Nikkei are joining JACL. They are beginning to realize that JACL can be a valuable tool in the fight against discrimination and in helping the Japanese American community More are willing to stand up and be counted to protest discrimination and prejudice, not only against themselves but against all minorities.

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A chapter is only as good as its members. Seattle being a fairly large city has many problems common to large cities. The Seattle JACL fortunately has many active and concerned members with the interest and expertise to help with the problems.

The Seattle members, therefore, have used JACL to help the JA Community in its struggle for equality and even survival They have instituted programs to help the Sansei in school and drug problems. They have programs to help the Issei. Because of these concerns the chapter has attracted concerned Nisei and Sansei. They have been a leader in Pan-Asianism. In fact they were awarded the Inagaki Award at the 1972 Convention for their civic achievements.

A direct spinoff of their activities has led to the formation of the Asian American Advisory Council to the Governor of the State of Washington. They and leaders of other Asian American groups met with Governor Evans and expressed their concern that many of their community's needs had not been recognized by people in important policy making positions.

The Advisory Council was formed to advise the state administration on such matters as legislation, administrative policy, and appointments. It assists members of the Asian American Community in presenting its views to other official bodies and the general public. The Council is made up of five members of Chinese ancestry, six of Filipino ancestry, eight of Japanese ancestry, and one of Korean ancestry. Many of the Nikkei are JACLers.

Since being on their advisory similar discrimination and many similar problems. I have also learned that we can work together amicably for the good of the Asian American Community as a whole and not be polarized by factionalism or ethnic concern.

We have tried to be reasonable in our requests and not demand anything not available to any other citizen. We have tried to point out inequalities to those high enough in the state government who could help rectify the problem. We can give Governor Evans the Asian American points of view on many issues. Our voices are now being heard and the administration is listening. The government is trying to help.

This is one of the reasons we believe that Seattle would be an ideal city to located the PNWDC-IDC Regional office. Martin Matsudaira, AAEC executive director and a JACLer, has knowledge and access to many state governmental agencies and can be of tremendous help to the Regional Director

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Many of the other PNWDC chapters are equally concerned and have many active and knowledgeable members. The Puyallup Valley chapter placed second in the Inagaki Award which gives some indications of its activities.

Portland and Gresham will host the next JACL bowling tournament and the Biennial Convention. Their orientation is also one of concern and have many programs to aid the JA Community. Ed Yamamoto of Moses Lake has been very active in behalf of JACL, not only in Columbia Basin but nationally. He was instrumental in having "Guilty by Reason of Race" retelevised in Washington State, when the original program was preempted by the statewide election returns.

The Spokane chapter is one of the first to sponsor an Issei retirement home. It has many members concerned with Affirmative Action Program, Human Rights, Human Relations, etc. Members have appeared on local TV programs and have appeared before many church groups, college students, adult education classes, school teachers, etc. to talk on the Japanese American experience.

In many of these meetings I found that many were woefully ignorant about Evacuation or the constitutional issues that it raised. Most thought only aliens were involved. We tried to point out the danger of prejudice and discrimination and to what it could lead.

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Incidentally, a while back I took my family to visit Minidoka. We left the freeway and passed through Hunt. I thought it was a sleeping dying country town then, and it seemed more so now. The spur line off the railroad is gone and the area is overgrown with weeds except for the area where coal had been dumped.

On the road north there was a sign "historical marker ahead". Much to my chagrin it noted that prehistoric artifacts were found nearby. The canal looks the same as then. Only the stone base of the guard house remain.

The only vestige of camp was along the east bank of the canal where there were slabs of broken concrete and mountainous piles of rusted No. 10 cans. The area where Block 21 stood (I thought) was an onion field, and sugar beets were growing in the hospital area. It was quite a contrast to the sand and sage brush we found 30 years ago.

As we drove away I couldn't help thinking that the Nikkei have come a long way, but we must remember the past so that nothing like this will happen to our children or anyone else's. We must continue to fight discrimination and prejudice, not only for ourselves and our posterity, but for the good of our country. I believe the JACL is committed to do just that.

Australia—

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situation, Grassby said.

"These policies are not signaling the end of the immigration program," he said, adding that he had ordered the continuation of the previous Government's in-depth studies of immigration needs.

Industrialists, beset by a shortage of skilled workers, have strongly urged against any indiscriminate cut in immigration. However, a combination of rising unemployment, to about 2 per cent of the work force — a low proportion in many countries, but high by Australian standards of full employment — and the increasing demand upon schools and other services by the immigrant population has brought pressure to limit the new arrivals.

In response to those pressures, Grassby has ordered a reduction in the assisted immigration quota from 140,000 to 110,000 this year.

Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

MONAGAMY, OF A SORT—Some social scientist types from several of our campuses were shooting the breeze the other night and inevitably the conversation got round to American relations with Asia. In the course of the evening one of them made what now, in retrospect, seems to be a rather astute observation. The gist of what he said was this:

"Something in the American makeup makes it impossible for this nation to have a romance going simultaneously with both Japan and China. If we cozy up to one, it seems we have to be hostile toward the other, which is a shame and not at all rational. But that's what the record shows."

Indeed it does. Check your history, and you'll find that Americans in their clipper ships first became aware of Far Cathay shortly after the Revolutionary War. China provided the spices and silks and lacquer and porcelains that New Englanders treasured. China was an exotic and friendly land. But Japan had sealed her doors to the West, imprisoned shipwrecked American whalers, fired on U.S. vessels seeking to visit her ports, and refused food and water to ships running short of provisions.

By the time of the California gold rush, there were several thousand Chinese in the U.S., most of them doing the dirty work that had to be done but which no one wanted to do. After the Chinese learned the ropes and decided they wanted to go into business for themselves, the hostility toward them built up to a climax in the Chinese exclusion act of 1882. The Chinese weren't considered good enough to migrate to the U.S. like the Europeans who were being encouraged to come by the hundreds of thousands. Suddenly there was a labor shortage on the West Coast, and now Japan was courted to provide manpower for the farms and railroads, mines and lumber camps.

But when the Japanese in the U.S. also proved overly independent, intractible and economically aggressive—while Japan itself committed the unpardonable by smacking down a European power, Russia—the American attitude changed. In a few years the hostility was manifested in the immigration act of 1924 which descriminated against Japan on the basis of race.

Meanwhile, the Chinese Nationalist government's efforts to throw off foreign domination stirred the imagination and sympathy of Americans. When Tokyo made the mistake of invading China, it was reason enough to break off the U.S.-Japan romance. World War II was the bloody and inevitable consequence.

But another switch in American affections was in the offing. Japan in defeat proved contrite, eager to make amends, anxious to adopt American suggestions. China, meanwhile, torn by a chaotic internal situation, was taken over by a Communist government. We decided to quarantine the Chinese. Through the 1950s Japan could do no wrong while mainland China became a vastly inflated bogeyman.

And so that brings us up to the present when, simultaneously with President Nixon's efforts to normalize relations with Peking, trade rivalry with Japan has become the root cause of increasing tensions between the powers on opposite sides of the Pacific. With typical enthusiasm Americans are rushing to embrace virtually everything Chinese. The villain's role is being dusted off once more for the Japanese.

What our friends the social scientists didn't get into is the unfortunate truth that Americans of Japanese origins catch the spinoff, often to their detriment, of their country's chameleon-like attitudes toward Japan. Some day we'll make it a point to take it up with them. Meanwhile, there would seem to be a strong case for polygamy, sort of, in our relations with Asian nations.

PEPPERMINT WHIRL

Religion Aids

By K. Patrick Okura
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Within the last three weeks I have had several inquiries and visits from clergymen of different faiths inquiring about the role of religion and how it can be of help to the field of mental health. Also, since recently joining a local church, I have become actively involved with one of our pastors in designing a program to deal with adolescent problems such as runaways, drugs, delinquency, etc. It seems that more and more churches are becoming aware of the role that they can and must play in all of our societal problems.

Historically, religion and psychiatry or mental health have always been involved together attacking man's emotional and mental disorders. But perhaps there is today more opportunity and more need for collaboration than ever before.

Historically also, religion has directly or indirectly affected nearly every major social problem. This is especially true today in the face of social concerns ranging a spectrum from alcoholism and drug abuse to violence. These concerns, of course, are concerns of psychiatry and mental health.

The overwhelming misuse of drugs, for example, is a social problem while at the same time it is a public and individual mental health matter.

In this field, morever, religion and the clergy with their tradition of concern for human wholeness and growth have a major stake in preventing drug abuse. Here religion can and should aid; in many instances, it is doing so.

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As I mentioned earlier, churches, for example, are involved in many drug abuse prevention programs all over the country. They run from well-stocked information centers and film libraries to freshly painted church basements serving as discussion centers or free clinics. Some are even involved in operating halfway houses and group therapy kinds of programs.

Clergymen-counselors man 24-hour hotlines to listen to and counsel young drug abusers and runaway adolescents and their worried parents. Residential and non-residential programs treat teenagers and young adults with drug or behavioral problems often

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FROM HAPPY VALLEY: Sachi Seko

What Winter Weaves

Salt Lake City

Winter along the Wasatch Front has been extremely severe. Record snowfall follow by freezing temperatures offers monotonously grey, cold days. The night sky glitters with ice stars. Dormant, dark projections of trees are delicate etchings, black on white. This afternoon the sun came out for awhile and cast its reflection on the snow packed mountains. Through the lattice work of tree limbs could be seen the blue sky and snow-shrouded hills.

By winter's weak light, one could sense the promise of spring one day. When that day does arrive, some branches will have broken and will have to be discarded. Others grown too cumbersome and unsightly must be trimmed. To provide for fuller growth and to permit new branches, some trees will have to be topped.

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It is not unlike the care we shall have to convey our American conscience, badly scarred these past few years. A new year should come with clean, empty pages. 1973 begins on sheets with undried blood, crinkle-cornered with fresh burn marks, damp with human tears.

In addition to the broken promise of peace in Vietnam, other thread-thin tremors threaten to penetrate the delicate crust of earth. Destruction, man-conceived and acts of God, sends high the flames of searing fire.

Some surrender their lives, their loved ones. Others lose all possessions and livelihood. Some feel the gnaw of hunger, the fever of disease. But how does it reach those like me, who watched the inferno from places like Happy Valley, where wind blew away the screams and cries, carried the stench of burning flesh and acrid odors of chemicals in other directions.

As I cannot call dark upon day, it is the shadow I cannot wish away. For what mortal can assume the constant posture of riveting his eyes to the ground, fitting his feet to footprints belonging only to himself.

To relate to the abstraction, "mankind" is a noble endeavor. But how does one like me, quite ordinary with no marketable skills or capabilities, respond to a general entity. It seems impossible. Then, do all the wrongs and aches become the responsibility of a select few?

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I believe that recent soul-searching has confirmed that much which is malevolent must be corrected through individual effort. Too long have we of the common breed, delegated to governments and agencies, total power to control a destiny which has gradually become dehumanized.

We are unhappy with what we have become. The winter quality of our lives misses the bird's morning song, its effortless winged flight. As grew clouds move overhead, rolling like waves, we yearn and watch for an insert of blue, however evanescent.

The beginning of this decade has wrought open exploration and frank discussion of subjects previously considered indelicate. Sexual therapy, women's liberation, the drug scene, homosexuality, psychosomatic illness are topics which have replaced issues like civil rights. What does this mean?

It does not shout moral decay. They are an expression of contemporary man's return to the eternal quest for individual happiness. If happiness can be equated to truth, it is a search for self-identity. In essence, is life worth living?

What qualities will contribute to make it worthwhile? Is the whole of experience to be restricted to the periphery of family and job? Family obligations and the necessary, if sometimes boring, routine of existence account for part of our time. If we were capsules, we would be self-contained.

One wishes there was time or that one had ability to give himself to every person or project which touched him. That is impossible. There are a few who do manage to assume a variety of roles and duties. Their energy is to be envied, but all of us are not so fortunate.

We wish that we could contribute to every worthy cause, but most of us find this financially inconceivable. Sometimes because there are too many solicitations, we reach a point of withholding from all, rather than to have to select.

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Perhaps of we did begin to make these small decisions, we shall reclaim ourselves. We can exercise that freedom of either supporting or opposing theories or practices.

Too often we find it convenient to seek subterfuge in "I don't know" and "I don't care." We deny ourselves self-respect. We hide behind the unstable clay wall of indifference or by silence commit ourselves to what is thought to be the prevailing popular opinion.

When we surrender that final freedom of choice, it is as if we are apologizing for our very existence. Life without choice is nihilistic. And choice must be given voice and action. Accord it dignity with its candid, public expression.

With the exception of a chosen few, most of cannot hope to manifest great contributions for humanity. It is in the one-to-one relationship that we fulfill our life experience. The gift we make of ourselves can be in many forms. Personally, I can remember a time when I was able to do a neighbor's laundry when the family was preparing to move. It was one of my more satisfying experiences. It made me happy.

Too often, we Nisei think that unless we can do something extraordinary or spectacular our human contribution is unworthy. We become second-class because we think we are second-class.

And yet, when one recalls his own relevant history, what remains? What leaders can you recall by name, what events changed the course of your life? These can become nebulous fragments. The things one remembers are often the small bits and pieces, like flowers from someone's yard, a cup of coffee shared, an unexpected letter. These are what compose happiness.

Perhaps this year, rather than being overwhelmed by the extraordinary times, we should consider the relationship of the common person like me to this decade.

HER NEW CAR RUINED

Swerved to Avoid Black Cat on Street

GARDENA, Calif. — In an attempt to avoid hitting a black cat that was crossing the street, "for fear of bad luck," Tokie Yoshiyama, 38, drove her 1972 Ford Torino 10 feet up a telephone pole guy wire, struck the pole and then managed to crawl out the passenger side of the vehicle after it had fallen to the roadway and overturned.

The accident, which occurred in the 15600 block of LaSalle St. at 3:17 a.m. Jan. 5, caused a power failure in an area which was restored at 4:27 a.m.

The Gardena Police Department, which was forced to go on its emergency generator, said that they received numerous calls concerning traffic signals out of order, in addition to receiving nine silent alarms due to the damaged cables.

Mrs. Yoshiyama told police that she was traveling southbound on La Salle at about 40-45 mph (25 mph zone) when she saw the cat run in front of her car. She said she swerved to the right in an attempt to avoid hitting it and suddenly felt her car overturning.

The vehicle sustained major damage; Mrs. Yoshiyama escaped injury; and the cat is living out the rest of its nine lives.—Gardena Valley News.

Newspaper—

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The form may change, he thinks, and The Post may go to weekly publication.

Readership Scattered

The King county domed stadium, going up a few blocks away from the Post's building at 215 Fifth Ave. S., hasn't had much effect on the paper, Hibiya said.

Most of the customers moved out of the area years ago, and the subscribers go to such places as Bellevue, Tacoma, Portland and British Columbia.

On a wall in the office, with its ancient roll-up desks, is a group portrait of hundreds of players on Seattle Japanese baseball teams.

The photograph was made July 14, 1925, by the Japanese Photo Association of Seattle.

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Deadline nears Nat'l JACL keglers

PORTLAND, Ore.—The entry deadline for the 1973 National JACL Bowling Tournament being held here at Timberlanes is Tuesday, Jan. 23, it was reminded by Hiro Takeuchi, treasurer, who is accepting the applications.

The tournament, co-hosted by Portland JACL and Oregon Nisei Bowling Assn., is being held Mar. 5-10 with the opening mixer and closing awards dinner at the Sheraton Motor Inn.

Special events for nonbowlers during the week include tours of the city, Columbia River, ski trip to Timberline Lodge at Mt. Hood and salmon fishing on the river.

East-West offers $600 Scholarships

LOS ANGELES — One year scholarships of $600 each for training in the performing arts and allied areas are now available at the East-West Players, 4424 Santa Monica Blvd., Los Angeles 90029.

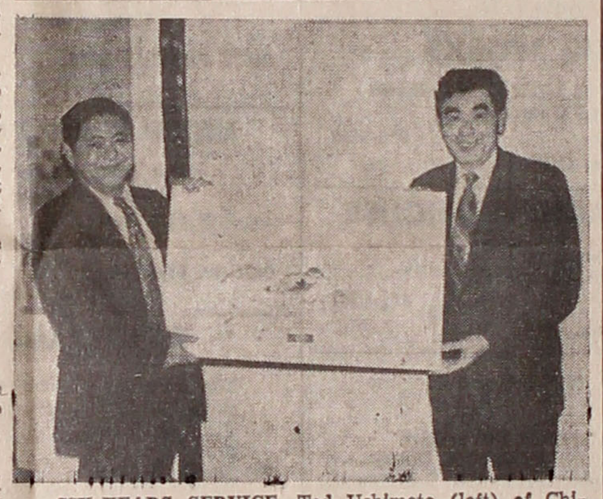
"No prior experience is necessary to qualify for some of the scholarships" said Beulah Quo, EWP president. "The scholarships come from the $20,000 grant we received from National Endowment for the Arts," she added, "to provide training in acting, writing, costuming, dancing directing, sound, lighting, set construction and theater administration."

Recipients will be selected on the basis of financial need and desire to learn. For information, call 660-0366 or write to Scholarship Committee, East-West Players Inc.

Deputy whip

WASHINGTON — Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) has been appointed deputy Majority Whip of the U.S. House of Representatives. The ten-year House veteran, who serves on the House Rules Committee, was appointed House Majority Leader Thomas P. O'Neill (D-Mass.)

Renew JACL Membership



SIX-YEARS SERVICE—Ted Uchimoto (left) of Chicago, board chairman of the General Mailing and Service, honored by the Japanese American Service Committee for his outstanding services as finance chairman for the last six years. Outgoing JASC president Lincoln Shimidzu (right) is presenting the gift.

Linc Shimizu ends 7-yr. reign as head of Chicago JASC, Lillian Kimura named

CHICAGO — At the 1972 annual meeting, Lillian C. Kimura was elected as the 1973 president of the Board of Directors of the Japanese American Service Committee. She was formerly director of the Olivet Service Area of Chicago Commons Association, and currently serves on the National YWCA Staff for the Program Development and Public Policy.

Outgoing president Lincoln Shimidzu has served effectively for the last seven years since 1966. Under his leadership the budget increased from $75,000 to $430,000. The JASC has been providing effective program in the areas of youth, geriatrics and mental health for the Japanese and the surrounding communities.

Shimidzu was honored during a dinner held at Azuma Sukiyaki Restaurant.

At the same time, Ted Uchimoto, general chairman of General Mailing Services was honored for his outstanding services as the Finance Chairman for the last six years. Under Uchimoto's leadership, the membership income increased from $9,600 to $14,000, and the Special Event income increased from $3,000 to $25,000 through special events as the Annual Dinner, Market Day and Christmas card sales.

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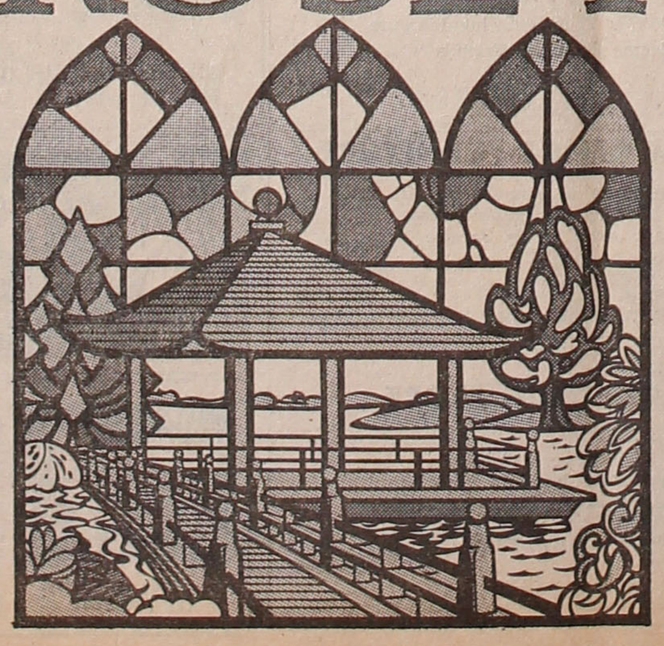

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HENRY T. TANAKA
National President

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PUYALLUP VALLEY. $15-25. Dr John Kanda, 1716 Academy St, Sumner 98390. TC $25-32.50.

SEATTLE. $12-21. Tomio Moriguchi, Don Kazama, c/o 526 S Jackson, Seattle 98104. Student $6.

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NEW YORK. $15-25. Michael Watabe, 4 Live Oak Rd, Norwalk, Conn 06851. TC $30.

PHILADELPHIA $12-22. Hatsumi Harada, 2500 Pine St, Philadelphia 19103. TC $28. Jrs. $4.

SEABROOK. $10-20. Terri Masatani, 18 Dogwood Dr, Bridgeton 08302. Issei $7.

WASHINGTON, D.C. $10-20. Shigeki Hiratsuka, 406 S Barton St, Arlington, Va 22205. TC $26.50

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CHAPTER PULSE

Installation

George Takei speaker at West Valley inaugural

West Valley JACL will install David Muraoka as 1973 president at its third annual installation dinner Feb. 3, 6:30 p.m., at Brave Bull Restaurant, San Jose

Featured speaker will be much-talented George Takei, best known for his role in the "Star Trek" series. He has appeared in many films and TV dramas. Active in politics, he attended the Democratic national convention at Miami last year. He also was national JACL cultural affairs chairman this past biennium.

Mas Satow to install Venice-Culver board

Performing one of his last official duties as national JACL director, Mas Satow will swear in the 1973 board of the *Venice-Culver JACL* at its installation dinner-dance Jan. 20, 7:15 p.m. at the Fox & Hounds Restaurant in Santa Monica.

John Y. Asari, deputy district attorney with the Los Angeles County, is incoming president, succeeding Betty Yumori, who served for two terms.

Chuck Jones combo will round the evening festivities.

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CALENDAR

Jan. 19 (Friday)
San Benito County—Inst dnr, Paine's Club, Hollister, 7 p.m.
Jan. 20 (Saturday)
Venice-Culver—Inst dnr-dance, Fox & Hounds Restaurant, 2900 Wilshire, Santa Monica, 7:15 p.m.
Orange County—Inst dnr-dance, Disneyland Hotel Grand Ballroom, 7:30 p.m.; San Jose Mayor Norm Mineta, spkr.
Fremont—Inst luau dnr, Kennedy Ctr, Union City, 5 p.m.
Jan. 21 (Sunday)
Dayton—Japanese movies, Kennedy Union Theater, Univ. of Dayton, 2:30 p.m.
Jan. 26 (Friday)
San Diego—Bd Mtg, Holiness Church, 7:30 p.m.
Seattle—Inst dnr, Bush Garden, 7:30 p.m.; Taul Watanabe, spkr.
Jan. 27 (Saturday)
Washington, D.C.—Inst dnr, Sheraton Motor Inn, Silver Spring, 6 p.m.
St. Louis—Inst dnr, Marriott Inn, 7 p.m.; David Ushio, spkr.
San Jose—Inst Dnr, Hyatt House Mediterranean Room , 7:30 p.m. William Marumoto, spkr.
Jan. 27—28
EDC—1st Qtrly Session, Sheraton-Silver Spring Motor Inn, 8727 Colesville Rd, Silver Spring, Md., 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sat; 10 a.m. Sun.
Jan. 28 (Sunday)
CCDC—Bd Mtg, Carousel Restaurant, Delano, 12:30 p.m.
Feb 3 (Saturday)
West Valley—Inst dnr, Brave Bull Restaurant, San Jose, 7:30 p.m.; George Takei, spkr.
Feb. 4 (Sunday)
NCWNDC—Qtrly Mtg, Sacramento JACL hosts.
Sacramento—Inst dnr.
Feb. 10 (Saturday)
Riverside—Inst dnr, Hickory BBQ, Corona, 7:30 p.m.; Dave Ushio, spker.
Feb. 13 (Tuesday)
San Mateo—Bd Mtg, Sturge Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m.
Feb. 17 (Saturday)
Contra Costa—Inst dnr. Mas Satow, spkr.

Tickets are available at $10 per person from:

Sam Shimoguchi—Bank of Tokyo (391-0678), Hitoshi Shimizu (391-4776) and Dr. Takao Shishino (398-9755).

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January Events

San Francisco JACL elects Wes Doi

Wesley T. Doi has been selected to lead the **San Francisco JACL** for the coming year. Elections were at a chapter board of governors meeting Jan. 8, at the Hospitality Room of the Sumitomo Bank's Geary Blvd. branch.

Doi, who also served as San Francisco JACL president in 1969, is the proprietor of Master Cleaners. His wife, Toyoko, teaches at Morning Star School. They have three sons.

Doi was recently elected vice governor of the Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council.

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February Events

Stockton to stage Japan culture benefit

A Japanese cultural benefit show will be staged by the **Stockton JACL** on Sunday, Feb. 25, 4 p.m., at the Stockton Civic Memorial Auditorium in cooperation with the Stockton city parks and recreation department and Pixie Woods board of directors, it was announced by chapter president Ted Yoneda.

Program includes entertainment, costumes, and Japanese food. Four outstanding Japanese groups will entertain:

17-piece Shinsei Band of San Francisco; Taiko Doko Kai (Japanese Drum Corps), Lodi Minyo Doko Kai (folk dancing), Jutei Hanayagi School (classical dancing).

Food will be catered from Yoneda's Japanese Restaurant, Stockton, and from Yamato's Restaurant, San Francisco.

The schedule:

4 p.m.—Social hour; 5-7 p.m.—Dinner and entertainment. Tickets for this Japanese spectacular, the first of its kind here, is $7.50 per person and may be obtained from:

Stockton City Hall Rm 301, Pixie Woods board members, Stockton JACL members.

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December Events

Arizona hosts 40 at Yuletide party

The chapter met Jan. 10 for its first meeting of the year.

About 40 children and their parents enjoyed the recent **Arizona JACL** Christmas party held Dec. 16.

Sequoia mochitsuki to be community annual

Sequoia JACL held a community mochitsuki on Dec. 30, at the Palo Alto Buddhist Church. Twenty-one families participated in this event which was blessed with fair weather.

Unlike many organizational mochitsuki, this one was unique on two counts: First, the mochi was made by the traditional usu and kine method with the manpower supplied by the participating families; second, there was no profit motive. It was strictly a cultural affair.

This was a pilot project and because of its outstanding success will be repeated on a yearly basis.

L.A. area chapter-sponsored group major med insurance program thrives

LOS ANGELES — Introduced 3½ years ago by Jimmy Gozawa to his fellow members of San Fernando Valley JACL, the chapter-sponsored JACL group major medical insurance plan has now been accepted by some 4,200 persons with 30 agents authorized to offer and service the plan in five other chapters: Gardena Valley, San Gabriel Valley, West Los Angeles, East Los Angeles and Orange County.

Gozawa, who conceived the $25,000 80/20 major medical program with only $100 deductible per calendar year and offered by the American Japanese Insurance Agency, 73-59 Cleon Ave., Sun Valley (765-9715), told the annual dinner meeting of agents last month that other JACL chapters are planning to co-sponsor the plan.

Outsanding agents who have aided in the success of the plan include:

LOS ANGELES—Arnold Maeda (388-9631), George Yamate (386-1600), Kiyo Yamato (624-9516), Saburo Shimada (388-9631), Fred Suto (221-1578), Don Yoshida (731-8833), Tak Ogino (685-3144).

GARDENA VALLEY—Seichi Sugino (532-1273), Stuart Tsujimoto (772-5629), Yukiko Ito (323-0051), Jeff K. Ogata (532-1273), Louise Gallucci (541-4366).

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY—Jimmy Gozawa (765-9715), Richard Anthony (765-4260), John P. Collins (873-7336).

ORANGE COUNTY—Ken Uyesugi (540-3770), Ken Ige (213—724-2420).

The plan pays 80% of the room and board (semi-private), ambulance, blood and other hospital expenses. Plan also covers 100% of the first $300 of each accident. Quarterly premium rates are:

Single: $31.50; couple, $63.-60; family, three or more, $76.20.

Saburo Kidos return to San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO — The Saburo Kidos returned here Dec. 22 to live after a 30-year absence. Now retired, they live at 1628 Anza St.

Kido, who came here in 1922 from Hilo to study and later practice law, retired two years ago in Los Angeles following a mild stroke. During the war years, when he was National JACL president, he stayed at Poston WRA Center and relocated to Salt Lake City. After the war, he moved to Los Angeles, where he eventually became publisher of the now-defunct Shin Nichibei.

Pasadena School seeks Asian American expert

PASADENA, Calif. — An education expert is being sought by the Pasadena Unified School District to assist in implementing and operating a specially-funded program, Asian American in Our Community, at Audubon Primary School.

Applicant should have experience working with students in grades K-3, knowledge and experience with Asian American communities and a BA degree or related experience. Salary is $40 per day, not to exceed 50 days, starting Jan. 25. Interested parties should write to PUSD Personnel, 351 S. Hudson, Pasadena, or call 795-0419.

UW Students Club celebrates 50th year

SEATTLE — 50th anniversary of the University Students Club, Inc. (also known as the Japanese Students Club and SYNKOA) was celebrated Nov. 11 with a no-host cocktail party and reception at the Kawabe Memorial House. An open invitation was extended to all U. of Wash. alumni and friends. Recipients of scholarship 1972-73 awards each receiving $500 were announced as follows:

Patricia Yamada, Franklin High; Linda S. Ikeda, Tacoma; Marnie L. Mikami, Foster High; Eileen Takeuchi, U. of W. soph; Yasuko Aratani, U. of W. soph; and Clara I. Okada, U. of W. senior.

Ken Sato, pres; Don Maekawa, sec., Yoshito Fujii, treas; Charles Kato, Joe Sasaki, Harry Kadoshima, Ben Nakagawa, Bill Maekawa, Bob Nakao, Min Masuda, Terry Nakata and Hideo Watanabe, bd of dir.

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using group sessions.

These are only a few of the things (in one area of today's vast arena of mental and emotional problems) that religion is doing to aid mental health.

The same is true in areas such as alcoholism and antisocial or criminal behavior and as well in the more traditional problems of mental illness such as depressive illness and schizophrenia — through church participation in community rehabilitation and other activities for the mentally restored. Religion and mental health should and are allies today to a greater extent, perhaps, than ever before in our history.

Calling Matsubara

OAKLAND, Calif. — Whereabouts of Frank Fukushira Matsubara, 71, last known to live here in 1967 and later in Sacramento, is being sought by his younger brother in Kobe, according to Steve Hirabayashi, Oakland JACL president, of 339 Lester Ave.

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Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

Hawaii Today

A year ago, Honolulu City Councilwoman Mary George couldn't find another member to second her proposal to ban **New Year Eve firecrackers.** Last week she said she plans to reintroduce the bill and the only other Republican on the council, Daniel Clement, Jr., will support it. The firecrackers caused considerable air pollution but not enough to be hazardous to health, according to state health officials.

Mayor Shunichi Kimura of the Big Island told the Hawaii State Assn. of Counties that the county system of government in Hawaii should be abolished. He made the proposal in response to a suggestion by **Fujio Matsuda,** state transportation director, that a super general planning agency combine be created for the state. This would mean, Matsuda said, a fusing of the various county planning agencies and lead to clearer control of a consistent and comprehensive quality growth.

Names in the News

State Rep. **Herman Wedemeyer,** 48, a football All-American while at St. Mary's College a generation ago, was reported recovering at St. Francis Hospital after suffering a heart attack.

Jerry Sakamoto, a Sansei, expects to be ordained as a Buddhist priest in 1974. A Univ. of Hawaii senior, Sakamoto, 22, it is believed, will be the first Sansei in the Islands to become a Buddhist minister. After graduation in May, he plans to enter Otani Univ. in Japan to prepare for the ministry.

Mildred D. Kosaki, teacher and researcher, was elected the first woman director of Hawaiian Electric Co. Her capabilities came known to the company while she was a member of the city charter commission then chaired by Andrew F. Ing, HECO financial vice-president. Her husband, Richard Kosaki, is chancellor of the Univ. of Hawaii's proposed West Oahu College.

Dr. Fujio Matsuda, 48, director of the State Dept. of Transportation since 1963, will be appointed vice-president for business affairs at the Univ. of Hawaii, the Advertiser reported. The board of regents, meeting this week, was expected to approve the appointment. Matsuda will supervise the budget, planning and development of all nine campuses.

City Hall

Mayor Frank Fasi has named **Samuel T. Hata,** 38, as the city's budget director. He was director of business and fiscal affairs of the Univ. of Hawaii's community-college system. Fasi has announced three other cabinet members — city managing director **Richard Sharpless** to swap jobs with corporation counsel **Paul Devens,** and the reappointment of city prosecutor **Barry Chung.**

APPOINT

Gov. John Burns has appointed eight persons to state boards and commisisons. They are **George S. Ishihara,** reappointed to the Boxing Commission; Beneficio **Paraso** and **Walter Lum,** engineers, and **Gilman Hu** and **Roy Tanji,** architects, to the Board of Registration of Professional Engineers, Architects, Land Surveyors and Landscape Architects; **Ben Cayetano,** Hawaii Housing Authority; **Harry T. Kodama,** Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board; and **Dr. Seizen Oshiro,** Board of Examiners in Optometry.

Education

The Rev. **Edwin Womack,** former member of the state board of education, predicts a teacher strike in Feb. Womack blames the Hawaii State Teachers Assn. for making demands the state currently cannot meet, but he is also critical of the Dept. of Education and the Board of Education on other matters. A statewide teacher strike in early Feb. is likely, he said, because of basic conflicts in attitude between the HSTA and the DOE.

More than half of the teachers in the Univ. of Hawaii's innovative programs have been sent letters informing them that their contracts will not be renewed for the 1973-74 academic year. The letters went to all teachers with the rank of instructor or above who teach in the innovative programs and do not hold appointments in regular academic departments. Twenty-five persons are involved.

State Capitol

Gov. John A. Burns will again ask the state legislature for the fourth time in five years for an increase in gasoline taxes — this time from five to eight cents a gallon. Such an increase would raise $8.6 mililon in the first year from the gasoline-buying public. Taxes and money problems are likely to be the priority concern of the legislature when it convenes Jan. 17 for a scheduled 12-week session.

A report by Hawaii's legislative auditor has been picked as **tops in the nation** for excellence in legislative research. The 1971 report was selected for the award recently by the National Conference of State Legislative Leaders. The study was by the office of Hawaii auditor **Clinton Tanimura.**

Thomas S. Sakata has been named assistant administrator of the Hawaii International Services Agency which is part of the State Dept. of Planning and Economic Development. He was a marketing specialist in the department's economic development division, specializing in promotion of sales and exports of Hawaiian products abroad.

Six state administrators who are retiring are as follows: **George J. Souza,** chief of the Administrative Services Office and comptroller, 29 years of service; **Ralph H. Tanimoto,** chief of the laboratories branch, 36 years; **Fred E. Steward,** Medicare certification officer, six years; **Robert S. Nekomoto,** chief of the air sanitation branch, 32 years; **Peter Sakai,** chief of the sanitary engineering branch, 35 years; and **George Zane,** chief of the sanitation branch, 37 years.

House Democrats reelected **Tadao Beppu** as speaker of the House for another term. House committees and their chairmen, all Democrats, have been named as follows: **Jack Suwa,** finance; **Dennis O'Connor,** judiciary; **Akira Sakima,** education; **Robert Kimura,** higher education; **Richard Kawakami,** water and land use; **Rick Medina,** tourism; **Oliver Lunasco,** labor; **Richard Wasai,** parks, fish and game; **Jean S. King,** environmental protection; **Hiroshi Kato,** welfare and assistance; **Patsy Young,** housing; **Richard Wong,** health; **Richard Garcia,** military and civic defense; **Ted Yap,** consumer protection; **T. C. Yim,** human rights; **Steve Cobb,** corrections; **Kenneth Lee,** public employment; **Peter Iha,** transportation; **Clarence Akizaki,** legislative management; **Daniel Kihano,** Oahu select; **Yoshito Takamine,** Hawaii select; **Tony Kunimura,** Kauai select.

Courtroom

Circuit Judge Thomas Ogata on Dec. 15 placed **George K. Teramoto** on a year's probation for illegal possession of a pistol. Teramoto originally was charged with the attempted robbery of market owner Gary K. Yamashita, an act Teramoto said he was forced to commit by three men who threatened him.

Gambling

Ten men — operators and participants — were arrested at a **floating dice game** Jan. 4 for promoting gambling and will be tried Jan. 18. It will be the first test case of Hawaii's new law permitting social gambling. Police seized $2,900 in cash from the table and from the pockets of suspects who were booked and free on $100 bail.

Police Force

Lt. Harold M. Kawasaki of the Honolulu Police Dept. was one of some 300 officers to be graduated Dec. 15 from the 91st session of the FBI Academy in Quantico, Va. Other local police officers who have been graduated from the course include Chief Francis Keala, Maj. Orby Groves, Capt. Charles Fee, Capt. Edwin Ross and Lt. Jack Montgomery.

The slum is the measure of civilization.—Jacob Riis.

Nisei coaching Olympic stars

SAN PABLO, Calif. — Tatto Yamashita, head coach of the San Pablo Recreation and Parks Swim Team, has had a hand in training such Olympic Games swimming stars as Donna de Varona, Carolyn Schuler and John Hencken.

Long associated with the Berkeley YMCA Swim Club, Yamashita has been working the past year and a half with the San Pablo swim team, turning it into a top-flight group, according to Gordon Raddue, sports writer in the Berkeley Daily Gazette.

"It's getting better all the time," Yamashita said, "but we're still far from our goal of being able to compete with the best. The main thing is to get the kids and their parents swim-oriented to higher goals."

A long term goal of Yamashita is to develop some of his swimmers to the point where they will qualify for the 1974 National AAU Long Course Championships to be held in August at Concord.

Yamashita's son, Lowell, also coaches swimming for the newly-formed Richmond Recreation and Parks Department team.

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paz's short life included Dr. Lee Grande Nob, who followed Carlisle as superintendent of education; Dr. Kenneth C. Farrer; Mrs. Evelyn Hodges Lewis; and C. Don Bishop. The late Mrs. Laura Merrill, for whom a girls' residence hall on USU campus is named, was librarian, arriving in Topaz after the Carlisle family returned to Logan.

On Oct. 2, 1942, a group of sugar-beet workers left Topaz for a short interval in Cache County. Farmers in the Lewiston area, northwest of Logan, still remember them. Because of the war, there was a shortage of farm laborers.

No Signs Today

A visit to Topaz now shows no sign of the civilization that existed there 30 years ago. The wind has blown the dust back over all traces of the past, and the jewel known as Topaz still glistens near Topaz Mountain. Residents called Topaz the "Jewel of the Desert." Dr. Leonard J. Arrington, economist, historian, on the USU faculty, delivered a faculty honor lecture in 1962. His subject "The Price of Prejudice" concerned all 10 camps. He used Topaz as the focal point of his study. Arrington was recently named LDS historian.

Minidoka was a similar camp located near Hunt in Jerome County, Idaho. Almost 10,000 Japanese were interned there. Farm laborers were recruited from Minidoka to assist in the sugar beet and potato fields during the war years in Idaho. "There used to be a camp over there, where a lot of Japanese were kept during the war," people say as they pass through Jerome County. But upon looking in the direction pointed out, there is nothing left. It has returned to the desolate desert it was.

Crops were raised outside the fence of Tule Lake in California during its brief lifespan. Internees were allowed out the gate, but always under guard, to cultivate the surrounding soil. They raised vegetables served in the mess halls. Family units were not allowed cooking facilities in any of the camps. All ate their meals "army style" in the central halls.

Camps Dismantled

After Tule Lake was closed, Don Younker, a returned Navy Veteran, homesteaded 100 acres of land one and one half miles from the former concentration camp. Two of the barracks from Tule Lake were moved onto his land, part of which had been framed by Tule Lake internees.

Mrs. Younker said farming was difficult because of the very short growing season. "A Fourth of July freeze meant a farmer lost his entire crop. The land was comparable to the Nile Valey in its fertility, but the weather made farming very risky at the high altitude."

The other camps in which Japanese were interned were Manzanar, Calif.; Gila River, Ariz.; Heart Mountain, Wyo.; Granada, Colo.; Rohwer, Ark.; and Jerome, Ark,; and Poston, Ariz.

Most Americans 40 years old or younger do not know the camps ever existed. Many Japanese who experienced the hardships of the war years are reluctant to talk about it. Some, who were born in the camps feel ashamed — though they need not. They are 26 to 29 years old now.

BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman

Race Obsession Obscures Talent

AMERICAN IN DISGUISE, by Daniel I. Okimoto, with a foreword by James A. Michener, Walker/Weatherhill, 206 pp., $6.95.

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Born of a Christian minister at Santa Anita Racetrack in 1942, the author resettled in Pasadena, where he finished high school; he took a B.A. degree from Princeton, and an M.A. from Harvard. He later attended Tokyo University.

Considering his educational background, he might have searched for his identity by reasoning from observed phenomena to conclusion. For example, the people of America have common citizenship, speak a common language, have a common culture and tradition, are loyal to a common group of institutions, therefore, the Americans are a nationality.

With even greater propriety, the same reasoning might be applied to the people of Japan.

Instead, from gossip overheard, and popular literature read, he proceeds from an opposite direction. Without identifying the archetype to which they are supposed to be long, he starts with the premise that the Japanese are a race.

Ethnic Kick

Assuming he considers the Mongoloid to be the archetype, he may be said to reason as follows: the Japanese are a race of Mongoloid type, therefore, even though they possess Japanese citizenship, speak Japanese as their mother tongue, have the same culture and traditions as Japanese, and loyalty to the same institutions, the Ainu, the Okinawans, and the illegitimate offspring of American service personnel, white and black, are not Japanese.

Seemingly emotionally unable to disentangle himself from such preposterous assumptions, his prose frequently lapses into gibberish. Though he insists he has "Japanese blood" and is of the Japanese race, and a Japanese through and through, he depicts a university official as a fool because the official identifies him as Asian.

He may be Oriental, but he is not Asian.

Wartime Hysteria

Of the hysteria following the Pearl Harbor attack: One "'reputable' newsman charged that ninety percent of the Japanese in California were loyal to Japan . . ." Was the newsman insulting the remaining 10 per cent by suggesting they were disloyal to their country?

"It made no difference whether a Japanese was an American citizen or not; the color of his skin and the shape of his eyes constituted prima facie evidence of disloyalty to the Stars and Stripes." Others with epicanthic eyelids and olive skin color found an honored place in society by wearing badges proclaiming "I am a Chinese," or "I am Korean."

Though unable to see the absurdity of such statements, he is quick to see the contradictions, even though far more subtle, in those of persons whose views he disapproves. "President Roosevelt said, 'No loyal citizen of the United States should be denied the democratic right to exercise the responsibilities of his citizenship regardless of his ancestry.' . . . meant that Nisei were to have the 'democratic right' to die for the United States even if they were deprived of the equally basic right to live normally within its constitutional laws."

Final Paragraph

Except for his emotional involvement with misconceptions of race, the author tends to be astute; the writing, with occasional lapses, is exceptionally good, even distinguished. He gives a good analysis of the people and society of Japan.

The final paragraph is on Women, Race, and Marriage. In it he gives some of his experiences in Japan, with insight into Japanese psychology and viewpoint. Towards the end, somewhat apologetically, he reveals he has married a Caucasian.

Everyone has his obstacles to overcome, and it appears that with the author the chief impediment to the realization of his talent is his irrational racist view of life. An interracial marriage might warp his thinking even further, but for the sake of literature, let us hope the contrary occurs.

It seems a waste for this kind of talent to go down the drain of racism.

The Spartan Beat — Mas Manbo

'72 in Review

TOKYO — The 1972 year will go down in the annals of Japanese sports as the year in which Hawaii's pride Jesse Kuhaulua made sumo history by becoming the first gaijin to capture a grand sumo tournament.

Jesse, or Takamiyama as he is known to one and all, surprised even his closest followers by gaining the Emperor's Cup in the Nagoya tournament in July with a 13-2 record.

The fine showing earned Jesse the rank of sekiwake, the highest in his sumo career extending back to early 1964.

And while he lost that lofty rating, third highest in sumo, by slumping to a 5-10 mark in the autumn tourney that followed, Jesse finished off the year with one of his best performances yet. He displayed real skill in the wind-up Fukuoka meet and turned in a 10-5 record that was sure to lift him up tthe ladder again.

In overall victories in the year's six meets, Jesse finished in a tie for seventh with 47 wins against 43 losses.

Newly promoted ozeki Wajima had the best mark with 63 victories against 27 defeats. Takanohana, now also an ozeki and the most popular wrestler today, was second with 58 victories and ozeki kiyokuni third with 55.

Yokozuna Kitanofuji had only 44 victories as he was sidelined in two tournaments. He was leader in wins in 1971.

This was an unusual year in sumo as all six tournaments had different winners — Tochiazuma, Hasegawa, Wajima, Kitanofuji, Takamiyama and Kotozakura.

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Top professional baseball player of the year was the Yomiuri Giants' star right-hander Tsuneo Horiuchi who pitched the Giants to their eighth straight Central League flag and eighth Japan Series victory.

Horiuchi, still only 24 although he has been in pro baseball seven years, had a 26-9 record for the season. He was winner of the Sawamura Prize as the leading pitcher and was voted the most valuable player in the Japan Series which the Giants won four games to one from the Hankyu Braves of the Pacific League.

The Braves' Yutaka Fukumoto, who batted .301 and stole a record 106 bases, was voted the P.L.'s MVP.

In professional golf, Masashi (Jumbo) Ozaki, Japan's winningest golfer for the second straight year, was the big show. He was voted Golfer of the Year after winning 10 titles during 1972 and chalking up close to $100,000 in winnings.

In professional boxing, World Boxing Association flyweight king Masao Ohba was chosen Boxer of the Year for the second straight time.

Ohba scored two victories in title bouts during the year, beating fellow-countryman Susumu Hanagata by a decision in March and knocking out Orlando Amores of Panama in the fifth round in June.

Japan's only other world champ today, Koichi Wajima, scored two knockouts in defending his junior middleweight crown.

He chilled Demenico Tiberia of Italy in tthe first round in May and knocked out Matt Donovan of Trinidad-Tabago in the third round in October.

Both of Japan's champs are scheduled to defend in January.

The Japanese lost one world title when Kuniaki Shibata was flattened by Clemente Sanchez of Mexico in the third round of their world Boxing Council featherweight championship bout in Tokyo on May 19.

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A huge decline in the number of hotels and apartments owned or operated by Seattle Japanese shows-up noticeably in the 1972 Japanese Community Telephone Directory.

Published by the local JACL chapter, the booklet in English carries no advertising, but its classified section reveals some interesting Greater Seattle Japanese business demographics.

Jiro Namatame chaired the 1973 directory which is distributed by mail, free. But with the expected donations from the recepients, the chapter will make a few bucks on this useful project.

Compared with 1967, five years have brought about the following changes:

	1967	1973
Hotels, Apts.	210	145
Druggists	9	9
Dentists	21	26
Florists	14	15
Dry Cleaners	27	18
Barbers	13	11
Japan Companies	23	38
Gardeners	71	97
Physicians	10	14
Restaurants	23	19
Gas Stations	17	10
Nursery	6	8
Greenhouses	21	21
Importers	13	17
Architects	2	9
Grocers	28	17

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The greatest numerical change is in the Japanese owned or operated hotels and apartment houses, a decline of 65. The large decline, mainly, is the result of demolition or fire code closure of older hotels in the Central Area.

And as more and more Sansei complete their college training, the number of professionals — doctors, dentists and architects—has increased in the last 5 years. And will continue to increase, as more professionals locate in suburbia to serve an ever-increasing number of patients and clients outside the Japanese community.

Dry cleaning establishments, usually Issei and Nisei "mom and pop" operations, is on a down trend. Generally, the result of more and more wash-and-wear clothes, and large chains offering regular pick-ups and deliveries, bring about further declines in the number of Japanese cleaners.

Japanese companies during the 5 years have been busy establishing offices in Seattle, clustering mainly around the Japanese Consulate in the Norton Building or the prestigeous 50-story Sea-First Bank Building.

Suddenly, there are three Japanese paper firms with offices in Seattle — Daishowa, Honshu and Oji Paper. And a biggy came in 1970 when Mazda Motors (NW) Inc., made its first beachhead in tthe U.S.A. in Seattle to market Toyo Kogyo cars in the Pacific Northwest.

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The increase in the number of gardeners is a surprise. It could mean that some of the newer arrivals from Japan, those without much English speaking ability, are enaged in gardening. Perhaps some Sansei, or, could be that some of the unemployeds of a few years ago went into gardening, full or part-time.

Curious, went went back 35 years and checked Seattle's Japanese business demographics in the North American Times' 1936 Yearbook. Look at the Japanese business community then:

Hotels, Apts.	180
Dry Cleaners	96
Laundry	31
Grocers	129
Meat Markets	25
Fish Markets	9
Public Market	45
Wholesale Produce	17
Restaurants	42
Japanese Cafes	13
Chinese Cafes	6
Noodle Shops	3
Greenhouses	13
Dentists	12
Physicians	4
Barbers	39
Shoe Repairers	18
Florists	10
Gardeners	38
Druggists	10

Very interesting! The Issei sure had a lot of get-up-and-go. In those long-gone days, there was a Japanese dairy, a soda pop bottler, and even a theatre man with a chain of 4-5 movie houses. Right here in Seattle.

We'll have to take another look in five more years. If the local JACL will continue printing their very fine telephone directories.

Local Scene

Los Angeles

A program for pre-school children (age 3-5) and parents of Asian background is about to began Jan. 30 at Denker Avenue, Dolores Street, Dayton Heights, Castelar, and Solano Avenue Schools. It will provide for use and understanding of English for both English and non-English speaking children. Bilingual and ESL techniques will be used for those who need it. Registration ends Jan. 19. Call 327-8103 for further information.

Students and guests of the Japanese conversation class taught by Jimmy Gozawa of San Fernando Valley JACL at El Camino Real Community Adult School, Woodland Hills, gathered for a year-end party recently and later saw "Chushingura" showing at the Sho Tokyo Theatre. The class meets Monday and Wednesday evenings, 7-10 p.m., with a new term starting Jan. 29. Details may be obtained after 2 p.m. by calling 888-1492.

San Francisco

A pair of Japanese raccoon dogs (Nyctereutes procyonoides) named Ali and Oto arrived from Osaka as a Sister City gift for the zoo just before Christmas. They have a raccoon-like face, yellowish-brown bodies and whine like a banshee. San Francisco in return is sending a pair of white fallow deer.

Applications are available for the 1973 Sakura Festival queen contest from Tad Fujita, this year's contest chairman, care of Japanese Chamber of Commerce, World Trade Center, Room 137 (986-6140). The entry deadline is Feb. 17. The festival will be held Apr. 13-22. Among the prizes for the queen will be a trip to Japan.

San Jose

Contemporary Japanese ceramics from the Dr. Herbert Sanders collection are among the "Third World Show" exhibit at the Civic Art Gallery on review through February. Dr. Sanders is a member of the art faculty at San Jose State.

NEWS CAPSULES

Politics

George Takei of Los Angeles, appointed by Assemblyman Charles Warren to the Democratic State Central Committee, will attend his first meeting in Sacramento, Jan. 26-27, when potential Democratic candidates for the 1974 gubernatorial race will be interviewed.

Jesse Unruh, candidate for mayor of Los Angeles, discussed his priorities and steps to prevent physical and social deterioration in the city at a party Jan. 23, 7:30 p.m., at the Volunteers for Unruh headquarters, 1060 Wilshire Blvd., according to **Mrs. Marge Shinno** (664-1534).

Business

The Bank of Tokyo of California reports 1972 income (before securities gains or losses) of $4,849,046, an increase of 19.1 percent over 1971 figure of $4,071,519. Per share earnings reached $2.05 (calculated on an increase in the average number of shares outstanding of approximately 350,000), up from $2.02 the precious year (adjusted to reflect a two-for-one stock split effected Dec. 7, 1972). Deposits on Dec. 31 reached $648,703,058, an increase of 49.7 percent over the previous year's $433,401,605. Loans rose by 40.8 percent to $437,497-448 from $310,762,667. The bank's total assets rose by 47.4 percent to $719,610,869 from $488,326,074.

Los Angeles based Pacific Architects and Engineers, Lev Zetlir Associates, Inc., Washington, D.C., and Mitsubishi International Corp., New York, agreed to a joint venture on the design and development of buildings, building systems, civil, structural, and special purpose facilities.

Kunio Kabuto, president of the Sumitomo Bank of California, was elected to the board of directors of the Greater San Francisco Chamber of Commerce. He is the first Japanese businessman to become a member of the Chamber board. As president of the Sumitomo Bank of California since June, 1971, Kabuto has led the Sumitomo Bank to new records in earnings and growth, opening as many branches as were opened the previous five years.

Net income before securities gains of The **Sumitomo Bank of California** for the year 1972 amounted to $4,545,470, according to Kunio Kabuto, president. This compares with $3,629,276, for 1971, an increase of 25.2 percent. Net earnings per share after taxes before securities gains were $4.66 for 1972 compared with $4.15 for 1971. Total assets at Dec. 31 were $682,506,935 compared with $472,634,553 a year ago.

New Year's promotion list at **The Sumitomo Bank of California** included five new officers, named by president Kunio Kabuto, as follows:

Mrs. Misako Ouchida, San Jose, to operations officer; Jack Krone, San Francisco Main Office, to loan officer; Arthur Tsuchiya, S.F. Head Office, to assistant trust officer; Mrs. Masako Parker, San Jose, to loan officer; and Sadao Suda, Crenshaw office, to public relations officer.

Burlington Northern plans to construct a 16-story twin tower Pacific Trade Center near the Seattle waterfront to house its regional railroad headquarters and space for other firms engaged in international commerce. BN vice president **Taul Watanabe** said the proposed center means BN "is proposing to expand its role in PNW commerce with Japan and other Pacific Rim nations and with Alaska."

Seattle importer and wholesaler of Oriental foods, **Uwajimaya, Inc.**, qualified for a $495,000 loan (including $222,750 from tthe SBA) to construct a new warehouse in the 4400 block of Seventh Ave., it was announced by Senator Warren Magnuson. The firm employs 59 persons. The warehouse projcet will add about six jobs.

William A. (Bill) Matsumoto, assistant manager of West Coast Life Insurance Co.'s Sacramento Agency, has earned the coveted National Quality Award once again in 1972 for the 17th year. He has been associated with West Coast Life for 24 years and has been a member of their Leaders Club for 15 years. Long active in Sacramento community affairs, he is a member of the JACL, Lion's International, and the Sacramento Life Underwriter's Association.

The Calif. State Banking Department on Dec. 15 denied the proposed location of a **Bank of Tokyo** branch at Sixth and Wilshire in Santa Monica . . . Additional **Merit Savings & Loan** shares were being mailed to stockholders this week following approval of a 2½-1 stock split. Also approved was an increase in capitalization from 50,000 to 500,000 shares, it was announced by **Bruce T. Kaji**, board chairman. Merit S&L is celebrating its 10th anniversary this week.

Military

Among eight captured American fliers who appeared in a Hanoi news conference Dec. 22 was **Cmdr. Gordon Ross Nakagawa**, 37, an A-6A Intruder pilot based at Whidbey Island (Wash.) Naval Air Station. His wife Jeanne and their three children live on Whidbey Island. His parents, the Bunny Nakagawas of Auburn, Calif., and Placer County JACLers, told friends their son was shot down Dec. 20 near Haiphong. The Sansei flier said he was all right except for a fractured arm which was being well treated. He was a member of Attack Sq. 196, which has been serving aboard tthe carrier Enterprise since September.

Kenneth Okuma, principal of Aina Haina School, Honolulu, has been elected president of the 442nd Veterans Club for 1973.

Sgt. Richard G. Shimizu of Gardena son of the Takeo Shimizus, an information specialist with the Alaskan Air Command 21st Comp Wing at Elmendorf AFB earned the USAF Outstanding Unit Award for a sixth time. The unit was cited for professionalism in providing firstline defense of North America and Alaska during 1971.

Air Force 1st Lt. **Kenneth K. Yamada**, son of the Patrick Yamadas of Torrance, Calif., is a missiles maintenance officer at Grand Forks AFB, N.D. who recently assisted in the launching of Minuteman III from Vandenburg AFB, Calif. The missile was transported from Grand Forks for the test. A 1964 Gardena High School graduate, he received his B.S. in engineering at UCLA and commissioned through the AFROTC program.

Col. James Y. Nagahiro was among the 39 Air Force personnel declared to be missing in action in Southeast Asia in the Defense Department announcement December 26. No hometown was designated.

Radio-TV

Artist-author **Taro Yashima** appeared in the Jan. 4 segment of "Sesame Street" as an old artist who makes a Nagasaki kite for the children to fly. It was telecast in Los Angeles over KCET (28).

Elections

Former Maui senator **Toshio Ansai** was among the four Republican electors in Hawaii who met last month in Honolulu to cast their votes for the Nixon-Agnew ticket. It was the first time the Republicans in Hawaii's 13 years as a state assembled its electors for the election formality . . . **St. Stephen Nakashima**, San Jose attorney, was among the 45 Republican electors in California who assembled in Sacramento to cast the official ballot.

Sports

Barry Kurokawa of Wilson High was named to the second team of the 1972 L.A. all-city football team. The 5-9, 165-pounder was selected at one of the end positions on the second offensive team. He was a favorite target of quarterback Randy Garcia, who was named Player of the Year.

Awards

The late **Kiyoaki Saibara**, 88, pioneer rice grower at his Webster (Tex.) farm, was accorded the Order of Sacred Treasure, 3rd class, posthumously. In 1957, Saibara received his first Japanese decoration, the Order of Sacred Treasure, 5th Class.

Beauties

Ruth Sakahara (above) was homecoming queen last November of Springs Woods High School, Houston, the largest high school in Texas with 4,169 students and a senior class of 850. She is the daughter of the Hiroshi Sakaharas. Father was Puyallup Valley JACL president and is now working with TRW Systems on the Sky-lab program.

All-A student at Lowell **Barbara Matsumoto**, 17, daughter of the Toshio Matsumotos of La Habra, will enter the Junior Miss statewide contest at Santa Rosa Jan. 27. As La Habra's Junior Miss, she was awarded a $200 scholarship from the Jr. Chamber of Commerce. She plans to continue her studies at UC Irvine.

Courtroom

Mrs. Kara Kondo of Yakima, Wash., was recipient of the 1972 Liberty Bell award presented by the County Bar Association in Yakima. She has been a member of the Mayor's Committee on Human Rights, president of the Toastmistress Club, and the League of Women Voters. Husband Takashi is a pharmacist and owner of a drug store in Yakima. They are parents of teenager Lance and daughter Elaine, a recent graduate of Washington State University. They are longtime residents of Yakima.

The Seattle-King County Bar Assn. had recommended **Mrs. Yukiko (Kodama) Sata** to the Seattle justice court vacancy created by the election of Judge Janice Niemi to the superior court. There were 16 lawyers who had applied and the city council, in executive session Dec. 18, appointed Mrs. Betty T. Howard to the position.

Health

Oxnard City Councilman **Dr. Tsujio Kato** is the first recipient of the Virgil Brown Memorial Dentist of the Year Award, presented Dec. 5 by the So. Calif. Academy of General Dentistry. Elected to the city council last year, the 34-year-old graduate of Fairleigh - Dickinson University School of Dentistry is president-elect of the academy which honored him for "significant contributions to dentistry and community."

Welfare

Replacing the EYOA which expired at the end of 1972 administering agencies funded under the Office of Economic Opportunity at Los Angeles is the newly-formed Greater Los Angeles Community Action Agency. Among the 15 new board of director members is **Ron Wakabayashi** of the Council of Oriental Organizations, and one-time National JACL youth services director. The Asian community currently has two OEO-funded agencies, Oriental Service Center and Services to Asian American Youth, both located at 1215 S. Flower St. Wakabayashi is currently project director of the Japanese American Sightless Institute, sponsored by the Japanese Community Pioneer Center.

Government

A grand jury probe will be sought by Jack Tenner, representing Normandie Club, into alleged violation of the Brown Act by Gardena **Mayor Ken Nakaoka** and three other city councilmen. Only city councilman Paul Bannai was not named in the charge arising out of the attempt to pass a new ordinance regarding the closing dates for the clubs. The Brown Act prohibits the secret meeting of three or more elected officials except to discuss personnel matters or matters under litigation.

Toshikazu Maeda is the new Japanese consul general at San Francisco, succeeding Eiikichi Hara who returned to Tokyo in December.

Seattle Mayor Wes Uhlman appointed **Frank H. Hattori**, longtime Seattle JACLer and community leader, to a three-year term on the city planning commission.

Crime

Rare coins stolen at gunpoint from **Albert Akazaki** of Orange at his home Dec. 12 were recovered in San Jose 10 days later when a coin dealer became suspicious of Robert W. Batok, 22, who only asked for face value of the coins. Batok was arrested at the scene.

Senior citizens

LOS ANGELES — Cyr Miller of HEW's Dept. of Aging Services will speak on the National Old Age Act of 1973 at the first joint Asian Senior Citizens Assembly Jan. 19, 1 p.m., at Resthaven, 765 College St.

1000 CLUB CORNER

Memberships for December

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The PC apologies for omitting several active 1000 Club members from its Honor Roll in the annual Holiday Issue. To assure against this next time, the format has been changed.

For the month of December, 1972, National JACL Headquarters acknowledged 96 new and renewing memberships in the 1000 Club for a month-end current total of 2,436.

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Rev. Goto, Taro, 70: Lodi, Dec. 18. Hokkaido-born minister since 1931 with Japanese Methodist Churches at Portland, Denver, Ontario, Ore., and superintendent of the Pacific Japanese Provisional Annual Conference (1949-1964), retired from pastoral services in 1968.

Rev. Ouchi, Yoshinao: Hiroshima, Dec. 3. Minister of Tri-State Buddhist Church and San Diego Buddhist Church prewar.

Bissell, Maj. Gen. Clayton L., 79, Murfreesboro, Tenn., died Dec. 28. In 1944 he was assistant chief of staff, G-2, under General Marshall and well-known among MIS graduates.

Tajiri, Fuyo K., 80, Berkeley, died Dec. 28. Mother of the late PC editor Larry Tajiri, she is survived by four sons Vince, Shinkichi, Thomas, James, d Yoshiko Roberts, and 14 gc.

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LOS ANGELES—Merit Savings and Loan Association was denied a branch in Monterey Park after two other associations opposed the application at a hearing, it was revealed.

However, board chairman Bruce T. Kaji had more cheering news in announcing a record year of growth for the local Japanese-owned savings and loan firm.

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