

# Vietnam orphanages reluctant to put children up for adoption

HONOLULU — Rep. Patsy T. Mink (D-Hawaii) and Michelle Wentzell have found their quest to find American parents for orphans of the Vietnam war bucking an ironic obstacle — Vietnamese orphanages are reluctant to put children up for adoption.

Miss Wentzell, who worked for two years at the Sacred Heart Orphanage in Da Nang, recently accompanied five Vietnamese orphans to their new parents on the mainland.

Mrs. Mink, who has been pushing her measure (HR 35-19) which would ease adoption requirements, recently completed a four-day (Aug. 17-20) tour of South Vietnam's orphanages. (PC columnist Gail Nishioka, assistant Washington JACL representative, hopes the bill will

pass. See PC, Aug. 31.) Both were dismayed that in adopting a Vietnamese orphan, government red-tape does not present the only problem.

"The Western world would assume that a child in an orphanage is an adoptable child," Miss Wentzell said. "But it is common for the Vietnamese not to let the child be put up for adoption."

As a result, although she receives much correspondence from people in the United States seeking to adopt all kinds of children, many of these young victims of war end up living ill-fated lives in inadequate orphanages.

"Apparently, it's against their policies," Mrs. Mink said. She said "no reason was given" to her for the policy.

She added that she visited several orphanages or "child centers" while in South Vietnam. Each one appeared to have policies separate from the others, she said.

**Vietnam Orphan Bill**

Mrs. Mink has been advocating a bill which would prevent both state and Federal authorities from duplicating investigations of prospective adoption parents. Her measure, introduced in 1971, also would grant immediate citizenship to adopted youngsters, thus eliminating the present waiting period of two years.

So far, she said, she has 60 co-sponsors to her bill. Miss Wentzell, 28, has spent three years in Vietnam — first with the Red Cross, then with orphanages. She does it because "I feel that a child has a right to be happy."

Miss Wentzell is a graduate of Radford High School and returned Aug. 26 to Vietnam to continue her work until March.

She recently was interviewed on the NBC-TV program, "Sins of the Fathers," a program about the Vietnamese orphans.

She has found that this problem with the children affects one class of orphans very deeply — the children fathered by American GIs.

The Vietnamese like to keep pure-Vietnamese children in the country because of tradition. But the part-American children are unwanted and unloved, she said.

"A mixed child does not have anybody responsible for him because the woman doesn't want to admit she had the child," she said.

Yet few of these children — who are considered orphans though they may have a mother — are put up for adoption. Few are even brought to orphanages, for that matter, she said.

## COMMITTEEMEN NAMED TO PUSH BLDG. FUND DRIVE

**Shig Sugiyama Appointed Campaign Project Coordinator**

SAN FRANCISCO — Shiged Sugiyama, National JACL president-elect, has been appointed Campaign Project Coordinator for the JACL National Building Fund, it was announced by Henry Tanaka, president. Sugiyama will head the fund raising drive for the \$250,000 National building in San Francisco.

Proposal for the building was approved during the 1972 Biennial Convention in Washington, D.C. JACL chapters voted recently to raise the goal of the Building Fund from \$175,000 to \$250,000.

Assisting Sugiyama in developing the campaign will be George Yamasaki, Mas Satow, Tad Hirota, Steve Doi, Hats Aizawa and Eddie Moriguchi.

**Committeemen**

Yamasaki will chair the building and construction committee. He will deal primarily with the technical details and legal requirements of construction.

Satow, Hirota and Doi will jointly head the National Campaign Committee and will work with JACL District Governors and chapters in developing the fund raising campaign.

Other committee chairmen named were Aizawa to head Communications, and Moriguchi to Finance and Accounting.

"As our fund raising campaign progresses," Sugiyama explained, "everyone will eventually become involved from the National Board to individual members. We're especially counting on the support of our members to help us raise the \$250,000 quickly so our building can become a reality in the near future."



Shig Sugiyama

## Hiroshima-made dolls presented in goodwill exchange with U.S. found

HIROSHIMA — A Hiroshima-made doll, one of a number of Japanese dolls sent to the U.S. as "goodwill ambassadors" in exchange for American dolls 50 years ago, has been discovered at Baltimore, Maryland.

Mrs. Mary Toki Sugiyama who discovered the doll visited the Hiroshima Prefecture Office recently (Aug. 9) and asked Governor Itsumi Nagano to investigate the manufacturer of the doll. She wanted to exhibit it at an international dolls exhibition to be held in 1976 in Baltimore in commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the U.S. Independence.

Fifty years ago, the two governments exchanged dolls as tokens of friendship. Blue-eyed, celluloid dolls were presented to prefectures from the U.S. while Japan sent Japanese dolls from each prefecture.

The song (Aoine-no-Ningyo) "The doll with blue eyes" expressing the friendship of the two countries was a hit among Japanese citizens then.

Mrs. Sugiyama discovered the one-meter-tall doll at the Baltimore Municipal Library in 1944 when she was taking care of Japanese internees. The doll was indicated as "Made in Hiroshima, Japan."

She explained the history of the doll to the chief of the library and asked him to preserve it. The long purple sleeves of the doll are faded away and the sash is loose.

She wanted the manufacturer of the doll to dress it once more.

Governor Nagano said that all documents about the doll were reduced to ashes by the atomic bomb so that there is no clue to check.

## Anti-Japanese bias told in filmstrip form

SAN MATEO, Calif. — "Prejudice in America: The Japanese Americans" provides a visual survey of the Japanese American experience on four filmstrips for use by high school teachers.

Produced by Multi-Media Productions of Stanford, in cooperation with the Japanese American Curriculum Project, P.O. Box 367, San Mateo 94401, the set comes with a teacher's manual and reading list. Cost with two records is \$29.90 or with two cassettes \$33.90.

The film strips cover the Issei, Nisei, wartime and contemporary experiences.

# PACIFIC CITIZEN

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## Dictionary faulted for ignoring 'Jap'

SAN FRANCISCO — The San Francisco Center for Japanese American Studies regards the omission of "Jap" as a derogatory term in the latest Merriam-Webster Collegiate Dictionary a grave error that should be rectified.

The definition in the 1973 publication says "Jap" is an abbreviation for Japan or Japanese. That's all.

Dr. Clifford I. Uyeda, in a letter to the publishers on Aug. 4, wondered why other racial epithets as "Chinaman" and "nigger" were appropriately noted as derogatory or offensive but not with the term, "Jap."

The Wilson-Inouye incident pinpointed the grave error and the urgent need for correction. G. & C. Merriam Co., Springfield, Mass., was told. Dr. Uyeda noted international bodies, such as the United Nations, prefer the abbreviation, "Jpn" to denote Japan or Japanese.

**Merriam's First Reply**

In response five days later, the publishers said Dr. Uyeda's suggestion that a parallel existed to such racial epithets as "Chinaman" and "nigger" misses the mark. "These last two are nouns and the dictionary entry (for 'Jap') is an abbreviation. What the dictionary records, then, is the fact that 'Jap' is widely used as an abbreviation of 'Japan' and of 'Japanese'."

The publishers said "Jpn" has little or no backing in their files and would be grateful for any instances of its use. On the other hand, "Jap" occurs as an abbreviation in many reference works, gazetteers and other dictionaries.

H. B. Woolf, editorial director, dictionaries, with Merriam Co., said: "The noun 'Jap' has come to be used less and less in recent years, and so it does not appear in any of our current abridged dictionaries. It is entered in Webster's Third New International Dictionary (unabridged) with an appropriate usage note ('used disparagingly')."

**Used as Noun**

In a rebuttal dated Aug. 15, Dr. Uyeda reiterated their dictionary was completely in error. "Whether written or spoken, it is used as a noun," Dr. Uyeda declared. "For over two generations on the west coast of the United States, the term 'Jap' has been used with hate and contempt directly implied."

"If your dictionary is to accurately record the definition for 'Jap,' it cannot ignore the fact that the term has been used, is being used, and is taken by Japanese Americans as a stinging racial epithet."

"I assure you that the resentment and bitterness engendered are very real indeed. To state otherwise is to misinform the users of your dictionary," Dr. Uyeda charged.

The last five Merriam-Webster Collegiate Dictionaries,

published in 1916, 1931, 1936, 1949 and 1963 carried "Jap" within its listing of abbreviations. The current edition (1973) has incorporated the abbreviations in the A-Z vocabulary.

**Unabridged Dictionary**

"If we decide to enter the noun 'Jap' at some future time, we will use the note 'usu. used disparagingly' that appears in the unabridged Webster's Third New International Dictionary," Dr. Uyeda was assured by Woolf in his letter of Aug. 21.

While Japanese Americans resent the use of the term and always acutely aware of its usage as a slur, their protests have been either ignored or went unnoticed, Dr. Uyeda noted in response Aug. 23.

With Japanese Americans holding public office in recent years, the true meaning of the term has surfaced and being realized by a greater number of Americans, Dr. Uyeda continued.

The recent embarrassing errors might have been avoided had such the prestigious Merriam-Webster dictionaries been correct in the interpretation of "Jap," Dr. Uyeda said. "Perpetuating the error is a disservice to all concerned," he concluded.

**Unique Abbreviation**

Raymond Okamura of Berkeley, whose letters with Merriam Co. were published in the Hokubei Mainichi, noted "Jap" was unique in that its abbreviation is identical to a derogatory noun.

Referring to the publisher's point that its use is becoming obsolete, Okamura noted its occasional use and "it is this residual problem to which we must address ourselves." He also urged Merriam to promote wider usage of "Jpn" as the abbreviation for "Japan" or "Japanese."

"It is my hope that the majority of Americans and other English-speaking peoples are sensitive enough to discontinue usage of an offensive abbreviation once the objections are made known. Otherwise the callousness of English-speaking peoples (including the editors of G. & C. Merriam Co.) becomes unspeakable," Okamura concluded.

The teenagers in the post WW-2 era used "Jap" to mean an unexpected, tough examination, according to the late Bennett Cert of Random House in a 1958 Corfbord column.



SMOULDERING LOSS—Acrid, brown smoke pours out of the 75-year-old building (behind the Sun Bldg., where the PC office is located) Sept. 7 in the worst Little Tokyo fire. Firemen estimated building damage in excess of \$150,000. Tenants were wholesale furniture dealers. It took 17 companies of firemen three hours to contain. Upper photo is taken from E 2nd and Los Angeles St. looking northward. Lower photo is taken from Weller St. and E. 2nd. The Sun Bldg. is the white structure in the middle of the block.

## SAPPORO JUDGE RULES JAPANESE SELF-DEFENSE FORCES 'ILLEGAL'

SAPPORO — District Judge Shigeo Fukushima ruled Sept. 7 that the existence of Japan's 232,560-man Self-Defense Forces was unconstitutional in a case brought by farmers against construction of a Nike ground-to-air missile base in an area which had been a forest preserve.

The government, shocked by the ruling, said it would appeal. Unless the higher courts overturn the decision, the Kakuei Tanaka government would be legally obliged to abolish Japanese defense establishment and presumably the U.S. bases in Japan which now house 62,000 troops.

The suit, which began four years ago, was initiated by farmers of Naganuma, Hokkaido. It was the first time the constitutionality of the Self-Defense Forces was being tested.

pan relations" the Japanese consul general concluded.

Yoshioka had been told the presence of JACL "was not necessary" at the welcome. In the past the chapter had been invited as representing the largest group of Japanese American residents in San Diego.

(San Francisco JACL has also been active in welcoming visiting Japanese officers and midshipmen with other Japanese American groups at a community picnic.)

## Hosokawa 'Nisei' to be recorded for the sightless

Article 9 of the 1946 Japanese constitution states: "Aspiring sincerely to an international peace based on justice and order, the Japanese people forever renounce war as a sovereign right of the nation and the threat or use of force as a means of settling international disputes."

In order to accomplish the aim of the preceding paragraph, land, sea, and air forces, as well as other war potential, will never be maintained. The right of belligerency of the state will not be recognized.

The government over the years—and its attorneys in the missile suit—argued that this provision forbids Japan from waging aggressive war but did not rule out the right of self-defense.

In line with that thinking, the government chose the names Ground Self-Defense Forces, Maritime Self-Defense Forces and Air Self-Defense Forces for its army, navy, and air force when they came into existence in 1950.

CHICAGO — The book "Nisei" by Bill Hosokawa is expected to be recorded on magnetic tape by Recording for the Blind, Inc., of New York City and made available without charge to those unable to read normal printed material.

Shig Wakamatsu, chairman of the JACL's Japanese American Research Project announced this week that request for permission to record the book had been received from Jasha Levi, associate director, and had been readily granted.

"One main objective of the Research Project is to make information about the Japanese America story available to the widest possible audience," Wakamatsu said. "We are delighted that 'Nisei' will now reach the blind."

"Nisei," published by William Morrow & Co. in 1989, is considered the most complete and authoritative book on Japanese Americans. (Soft cover \$8.95 and hard bound \$9.95) editions are available at the Pacific Citizen, 125 Weller St., Los Angeles.—Ed.)

## PSWDC to meet Saturday, Nov. 17

SAN DIEGO, Calif. — The Pacific Southwest District Council will meet on Saturday, Nov. 17, at the Hotel del Coronado in the Garden Room, it was announced by the PSWDC Gov. Helen Kawagoe and host chapter president Vernon Yoshioka.

The district session will be called to order at 12:30 p.m. Main agenda item includes the election of a governor and executive board members.

The new officers will be installed with the San Diego JACL chapter officers at their installation dinner from 7 p.m. Bill Hosokawa of Denver will be dinner speaker.

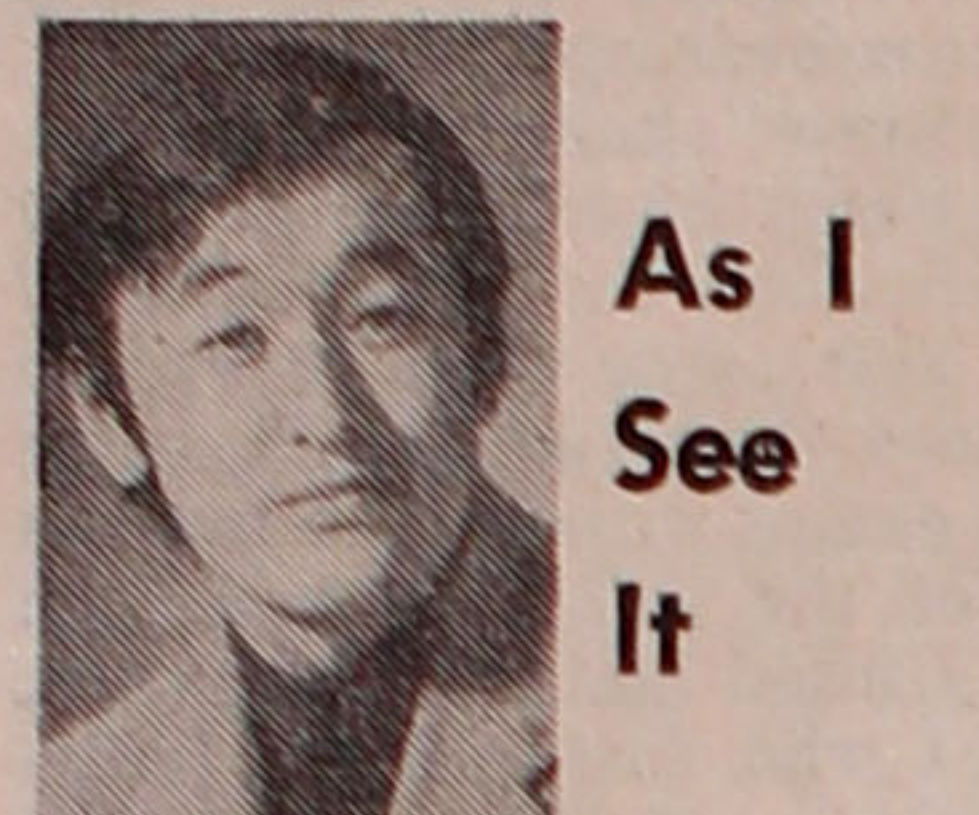
## San Diego JACL snub at MSDF welcome cleared

SAN DIEGO, Calif. — For almost 30 years, the San Diego JACL has been a participating organization among local civic and military groups welcoming officers and men of the Japanese Maritime Self-Defense Force here.

This past July, the chapter was surprised in not having been invited in the welcome ceremonies.

Vernon T. Yoshioka, chapter president, this past week made public the apologies of Consul General Akira Yamato, to whom the unfortunate situation was reported.

"Every care will be exercised to preclude the recurrence of such incidents," the San Diego JACL was assured. "It is my desire to continue the good relations between our two offices which, I believe, will ultimately reflect to our mutual benefit in the broader area of U.S.-Ja-



As I See It

By BARRY MATSUMOTO Washington JACL Representative

Following is the text of a speech given at EDC-MDC convention, Aug. 31-Sept. 3, 1973.

Detroit

In his rather well-known opening passage from *A Tale of Two Cities*, Charles Dickens describes the paradoxes of 18th century Europe. He describes that period as including the best and worst of times and the seasons of hope and despair.

Paradox is not, of course, a phenomenon which was

## Education—Ethnicity

unique to that period — or indeed to any particular period. Paradox and contradiction are perhaps two of the basic themes which characterize all forms of human endeavor during all periods of time.

Thus, in preparing for this joint MDC-EDC convention, I have decided to talk about some of the paradoxes which impressed me in my examination of the theme of this convention, "Education and Ethnicity."

For example, it should come as no surprise to the people here in this audience that not all of the people in the United States can trace their ancestry back to the settlers of Jamestown or the Pilgrims who landed at Plymouth Rock. And yet to read many, and perhaps most, standard histories of the United States that are used in the public school systems, one cannot help but be struck by the impression which they give of America as a single culture, the origins of which are derived from Western Europe.

## Insufficient Notice

To be sure, the immigrant origins of this country are duly noted and in that notation some mention may sometime be made to the non-Western European origins of some of America's immigrants.

However, the attention paid to non-Western European traditions in America is usually in the form of general allusions, short and uninformative footnotes or vague and cryptic bibliographic references.

It is in that portrayal of America — a portrayal which basically denies the existence of non-Western European people in America — that a major paradox or contradiction is presented to the Japanese American community. The 1970 U.S. Census statistics indicate that the Japanese Americans are among the most well educated groups in America in terms of years of schooling completed.

## Community Tradition

The importance of education — expressed not only in terms of the emphasis given to completing the standard numbers of years of public school education but also in terms of the importance given to continuing education into the university and college level and to the strong emphasis given at all times to excelling in the educational system — is a deeply rooted tradition in the community.

Yet in spite of our acceptance of education as an important and integral part of our development, in spite of our emphasis upon excellence and in spite of our contributions to the educational system in this country, the Japanese Americans are among the less well served by the educational system.

The failure of the educational system to provide meaningful multi-cultural or ethnic studies programs — in other words the educational system's basic denial of our existence and of the value of our community's traditions and heritage, contradicts our participation in and our contribution to education.

## Ethnic Studies

Ethnic studies and multi-cultural education programs represent a recognition of the contributions and role of non-Western European cultures in the development of America. It is to the discredit of many professional educators that

## ACLU ARGUES FOR INCLUSION OF ALIENS ON MUNICIPAL TRIAL JURY

LOS ANGELES — A far reaching brief in the Los Angeles Municipal Court has been filed amicus curiae by the ACLU of Southern California in support of the defendant's motion (People v. George Garcia) to quash jury panels which exclude aliens by law.

The Garcia motion challenged the panel on many grounds: the system of choosing discriminates against blacks, Chicanos, poor people and others as classes, while the ACLU brief concerns itself only with aliens as a class.

In the Los Angeles area, aliens, especially from Mexico, constitute a large portion of the community and their exclusion results in juries which are not representative of the community.

## Rulings Cited

Fred Okrand (counsel for ACLU), arguing orally before the court, cited several cases in which the Supreme Court has held that minority groups should not be excluded from juries.

In one of them, Hill v. Texas, 316 U.S. 400, the court said "(the defendant) has laid bare a (racial discrimination) in the selection of grand jurors, the conviction cannot stand because the Constitution prohibits the procedure by which it was obtained."

The ACLU pointed out that both the United States and California Supreme Courts have held that aliens may now become attorneys at law, officers of the court. It was shown that aliens as a class were capable of "appreciating the theory and practice of the American governmental and social system; know-

## Question of Exclusion

"If the society in general, and a criminal defendants in particular, are to respect the decisions emanating from the courts, they must be assured full and fair participation in them. When one group is singled out from that participation, the system fails," the ACLU said.

Aliens are subject to the laws of the U.S. and are eligible for the draft. They contribute to the economy and pay taxes. Why shouldn't they be on juries? the ACLU argued.

Judge Erwin Nebron granted the defendant's motion to quash the jury panel on the grounds that Mexican-Americans were excluded. He left the matter of alien exclusion for another court to decide.

—Open Forum.

## SAN FRANCISCO NIHONMACHI Nine More Parcels Sold to Developers

SAN FRANCISCO — Nine parcels in Nihonmachi were approved for sale Aug. 28 by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency to six members of the Nihonmachi Community Development Corp.

Four parcels purchased by Kintetsu Enterprises Co. of America will be used for a \$2.5-million Sunflower Inn on the northwest corner of Sutter and Buchanan, and a tournament-size 40-lane bowling complex on the northeast corner of Post and Webster.

The southeast corner of Sutter and Buchanan has been divided into two parcels with attorney Victor Abe developing a retail store and office building and with OKM Associates planning to construct a restaurant and an office for an insurance firm.

Another parcel on Buchanan was sold to HIS, a partnership, for a new building.

A Sutter St. parcel between Buchanan and Laguna has been sold to Asagiri Development Co. for a 22-unit housing project.

Hatsuro Aizawa was the purchaser of the ninth parcel for a four-unit apartment on Bush St. west of Kinnon Gakune.

## 'Machinist' apologizes for epithet in headline

LOS ANGELES — "The Machinist," official publication of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, pulled an inadvertent boo-boo by headlining a story, "Jap 747 hijacking peps drive for law."

It was immediately called to the attention of JACL and the vernacular media by Donald S. Nishimura, A letter from JACL regional director Craig Shimabukuro elicited a fast apology (Aug. 28) from the paper.

## Earlier Sales

Earlier this year, the agency approved sale of land to the Jitsuo Nakamoto family for a new fish market on the northeast corner of Sutter and Buchanan. The Yoshinobu Matsumoto family also plans to re-establish their restaurant on Buchanan St.

Sunflower Inn will be the second major hotel in the area for Kintetsu, which owns Miyako Hotel.

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**CLers can't relax in campaign to eliminate 'Jap'**

By CHIYE TOMIHIRO  
 National Chairman  
 JACL Anti-Defamation Com.

Chicago  
 A few weeks ago it was suggested that I write an article in the PC about JACL's recent experiences with the news media and publications on the use of the word "Jap". In the meantime, the now infamous John Wilson-Senator Dan Inouye incident occurred and somehow what I was going to write seems anti-climactic. If there is any literate American who doesn't know now that "Jap" is considered derogatory he just doesn't want to know. Along with feeling indignant at Mr. Wilson's remark, I was gratified that the reporters were properly shocked by it and pursued it.

I personally think that JACL can take a great deal of credit for letting the communications media know of the derogatory history of "Jap". Of course, this does not mean that our work is finished because it is obvious that we cannot afford to relax.

The incident also brought to my mind a letter from a Detroit member which appeared in the PC in April 1972, in which he reacted to a speech by Ross Harano, our MDC Governor, and criticized him and JACL for being "preoccupied" with our objection to the use of "Jap".

As President Tanaka mentioned in his column, we have received just such criticism from fellow Nisei but have also met with complete disdain from the Japanese business populace. Sometimes, I wonder if we're not too proud and myopic to admit that we can still be victims of racism and, if anything, the Wilson-Inouye incident pointed out all too plainly that we can be. Economic success and social acceptance by a small circle of friends and co-workers has obliterated the realities of racism for many of us.

In the three years that I have been PR and Anti-Defamation Committee chairman, the JACL has been involved in several incidents on the use of the word "Jap". Of the several newspapers reported as being guilty, the Dothan (Ala.) Eagle was the most stubborn. Mrs. Peter Hara of that city was largely responsible for finally getting Mr. Crosby, the publisher, to agree to cooperate in a personal confrontation.

The publisher of The Hammond (Ind.) Times was sympathetic but it took some time and many letters from the Chiharas and us to get the message through to its staff. Henry Ford's blunder on TV received a great deal of publicity because he was quoted in the Wall Street Journal. He was most apologetic in his letter to us.

In Chicago, the quote in "Chicago Today" which drew the most fire was that of Alderman Vito Marzullo's remark regarding Alderman Singer and his group's alleged take-over at the Democratic National Convention. "They're worse than the Japs", he was quoted as saying. I wrote a letter to the editor (which was published) and a Ross Harano contacted political friends of Alderman Marzullo but no apology was ever received from him.

Among other offenders were the Chicago Defender, Sports Illustrated and Harry Carey, sportscaster for Channel 44 in Chicago.

In most cases, it is sheer ignorance and once the offender has been informed of the derogatory nature of the word, he is most apologetic. I very seldom hear from members outside of the Midwest but would be happy to hear from other areas if you note any newspaper and publication using "Jap".

**Vietnam**—  
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Mrs. Mink's congressional measure may be putting emphasis in the wrong place. She feels that the U.S. Government instead should negotiate with Saigon to have orphanages release the mixed children for adoption.

"If you gave them an option through proper negotiations, I'm sure the South Vietnamese Government will be glad to put the children up for adoption," she said.

She said in her experience of placing about 200 children in American homes, red tape was not a big problem but the availability of children was.

If the children are released for adoption, she would like to see the U.S. Government place the children in agencies in different states, and at that point they would be adopted by families.

**25 Years Ago**  
 In the Pacific Citizen, Sept. 18, 1948

Government waits arrival of "Tokyo Rose" d'Aquino for indictment of treason. Hood River honors Sgt. Frank Hachiya in impressive burial service. Kamikaze pilot Robert Nishiyama arrives in U.S. to study under scholarship provided by dead American Nisei vet Robert Johnstone. William Takahashi



FROM HAPPY VALLEY: Sachi Seko

**Classroom Incident**

Salt Lake City  
 The Pacific Citizen's headlined story of Aug. 31, "Teacher Insults CL Guest Speaker" couldn't have been more distressing than a repeat of a report on the attack of Pearl Harbor.

When the story first appeared in the Salt Lake JACL Newsletter its definite bias was oppressive. While the article deplored the lack of respect or courtesy displayed by the educator toward the CL speaker, the Newsletter made no effort to include explanations by the accused. We neglect to mention our own discourtesy or sense of fair play.

Tonight I have spoken to the unnamed educator, the accused. His name is familiar for one of my family had known him personally. My telephone contact was made through a mutual friend.

I explained that two articles, one locally and the other nationally, have been given extensive circulation. I inquired whether he had been advised of this or in fact whether he had received copies of either. The reply was negative.

He is a professional educator, experienced by 21 years

of teaching. My personal research indicates that he is an innovative, exciting instructor who has both the desire and ability to elicit student interaction and interest.

When the Newsletter and PC articles mentioned his line of questioning, Pearl Harbor, Japan's industry, etc., and the guest speaker dismissed them as irrelevant I knew that he had somehow misinterpreted the educator's intent. The class which he teaches focuses on encounters in American history. Without Pearl Harbor it is debatable whether American concentration camps would have seen existence.

Perhaps this is an indication of our inability to appreciate the complexities of the times in which we live. We perhaps still believe that addressing a group consists of rhetoric prepared and memorized. We choose to contain identity and history in a compartment we alone designate and dole out, bit and piece. Absorbed in the fragment, totality becomes a distant, irretrievable dream.

I have learned through other sources that this particular educator is a pioneer of arts



Gail Nishioka

**Hikari**  
 IMPRESSIONS

From Aug. 24 through 27 about 100 (maybe slightly more) JAYS in East Lansing on the campus of Michigan State University for the Midwest-Eastern District Youth Council Convention. I attended as an advisor to the D.C. Chapter JAY's rather than in my capacity as a member of the staff.

The schedule of events included presentations by Henry Der of the Chinese Media Committee in San Francisco and Roy Hirabayashi from Asian American Studies at CSU San Jose. EDYC-MDYC meetings, workshops and various social functions. Also present were Pat Nakano, Interim National Youth Director, and Tom Hibino, JACL Midwest Regional Director. Outside of the formally scheduled events in spontaneous rap sessions, many ideas and experiences were shared and discussed.

The people at this convention impressed me as being sincere, hard-working, and highly motivated. They care about themselves and each other as Asian Americans and as JAYS. They are aware of their similarities and differences from other youths (particularly on the West Coast).

Perhaps what remains with me most after that weekend is that though the young people in the East and Midwest want to know what has taken place and what is going on out West they are conscious of the fact that they have other perspectives to contribute to a broader total understanding of what it means to be an Asian American.

Granted that much needs to be done here in the East and Midwest and that at times things may appear unorganized, I was impressed at what many people are working to do (organize with other Asian groups, start classes and programs, attempt some community work).

Having only lived in the East for a year, I must confess to maintaining many misconceptions and being unaware of many of the issues facing those who live in the East and Midwest. I feel that many of these misconceptions have faded with this convention and with the contact that I had with people there. I believe that in many ways

being from California I tended to "forget" that other people are struggling just as hard to achieve many of the kinds of things that people are working for at "home."

Young people here are working as intensely, and in some cases in more confining situations, as people are in California and in the West in general. They share similar problems; they are concerned about many of the same issues.

The cultural experience of young people in the East and Midwest is necessarily different from their peers in the West, but their experiences are also part of what is known as the Asian American experience. Their differences should not be denied or forgotten — they should not be "put down."

What should occur is that those who do not live in the East or Midwest should try to remember the struggles that they have gone through and are still going through and unite with the people here. Young people in the East and Midwest should eventually write down their perspectives and make them known. Wherever our people are that is part of our total experience.

Until we find out what others are doing, until we are able to set aside our own stereotypes of other Asian Americans we will be deprived, and continue to remain isolated from one another.

I learned much from being in East Lansing. I hope that I was able to contribute. My contact with Henry and "Dad" did much to remind me of what is occurring in California, but my contact with people from the East and Midwest did much to bring to the front those things which I had intellectually identified but had not really emotionally felt before. I would encourage the adults to find out what their youths are doing—support them in their efforts and if at all possible join them!

I am looking forward to future involvement and contact with the young people that I met in East Lansing (Jim, Colin, Bev, Bob, Becky, Sandy, Scott, Bing, Rod, Gerry, Steve, Cathy, Karen, et al). Let me remind them that the Washington Office is open to them at any time should they require assistance in their efforts.

I had a good time and moreover I was thoroughly inspired!

in his field. He was highly responsible for instigating and maintaining a study of ethnic minorities. I know that this has been a priority interest on the part of JACL. Its achievement is in part due to persons of unqualified sensitivity and sincerity. There are not too many.

If articles like this are given prime space in a local newsletter, with the added notation that it proves the necessity of JACL, I am afraid. To incite unnecessary anger, to slander without confrontation, to misinterpret an educator's technique and intent, demeans the integrity of the local JACL. I know that newsletters are a voluntary contribution and are not intended to be professional productions. I've even been invited to work on a few issues. I only know that regardless of the involvement, common sense and common courtesy must prevail. If it is in essence, what we as minorities demand as our due, its denial to others is inexcusable.

I wish that there was some way in which I could convey the shock and hurt in this fine person's voice as we conversed this evening. It had the sensation of watching candles being snuffed out, one by one. The dark void was the total absence of anger.

In parting I inquired whether he would be receptive to attending a board meeting of the local JACL. He welcomed the invitation. I think the very least the board can do is to invite this educator. I believe that both apologies and retractions are in order. I am hopeful that both will be delivered with grace.

More important, this incident indicates the necessity for a vigilance on our part among ourselves. Often misinterpretations when blown out of context destroy not only other human beings, but defeat our very purpose. Words, when abused, bought at face value without re-searching, incite men to violent thoughts. We have no need to create fictitious opposition. Reality is too full of them already.

We have made a grievous mistake. We have selected as our victim the most unlikely candidate. I have learned that probably no other instructor has invited as many ethnic representatives to speak as this one. JACL and the Japanese community have availed themselves of this opportunity on many occasions. If he can claim that at times blacks have outnumbered the whites in his classes, it is a credit to his effective teaching methods.

This is an unfortunate incident. Wishing it away will not make it disappear. We who are quick to demand human dignity and accompany it with corrections and retractions convey no less. I trust we place value on another's integrity. We must correct the record, for without the truth it is worthless.

**Matsumoto**—  
 Continued from Front Page

the impetus or moving force for such programs has often come not from them but from the minority students who have recognized that learning about their own particular background and heritage and the heritage of other minority people in America will better equip them to become full, participating members of society.

Many educators still express a hostility to ethnic studies as an intrusion into the otherwise pristine fields of the so-called legitimate academic disciplines. Such intransigence threatens to strangle the tentative beginnings of many of the new programs that have recently emerged.

In addition, there are those who fear that ethnic studies and multi-cultural education will result in the dissolution of the common bonds which united America. They see in those programs, separatist movements designed to create hostile and contending enclaves.

**Pluralistic Model**  
 While it is true that ethnic studies and multi-cultural educational programs deny the validity of the melting pot model of America and call for a recognition of a pluralistic model, such a plu-



David Ushio

**National Dialogue**

IN THE NAME OF NATIONAL SECURITY

The Watergate hearings have again brought to public view an issue that has particular significance for Japanese Americans. The nation has heard constantly during these past weeks, the rationale that certain actions are necessary for the protection of national security. The many witnesses have defended action which under normal circumstances, when employed by average citizens, would be contrary to the law of the land. If the everyday man on the street were to employ such tactics (which range from burglary, assault, plagiarism, and disruption of meetings) he would be arrested and prosecuted. But in the name of national security, such tactics have been excused and even encouraged.

The zealous extreme to which certain individuals have employed these tactics to protect national security have resulted in the repugnant activities being pointedly described during these hearings.

For Americans of Japanese ancestry, these examples of excesses in the name of national security is an all-too familiar justification for the denial of Constitutional guarantees. This same type of excuse was used to incarcerate more than 100,000 Japanese Americans in concentration camps without due process and in blatant disregard for the rights of American citizens guaranteed by the United States Constitution.

For Japanese Americans who suffered the indignation of the war-time experience, the excuses offered for the unlawful excesses employed by these overzealous guardians of national security, should remind us of our unique heritage. It should further reinforce our commitment and magnify our duty to advocate for a government that is open, responsive, and honest. Our story is one that is a living reminder that authoritarian excesses in the name of national security often result in tyranny for the very citizens the government purports to serve.

**BY THE BOARD**

**Tipped Over in a Canoe**

By DR. HARRY HATASAKA  
 Governor, NC-WNDC

Palo Alto  
 On Saturday, July 28, the Sequoia and Sonoma Jr. JACLers joined forces for an adventurous Canoe Trip down the Russian River.

The event was organized by the Sonoma Jr. JACL Chapter and proved a most pleasant and enjoyable occasion as well as a good learning experience for all involved—in particular, for Wes Kawase, immediate past president of Sonoma, who was all over the place organizing and taking care of every detail, including financing and menu.

Our group of approximately 37 people split up into 11 canoes with two, three, and four per canoe and raced

through 17 miles of Sonoma County's beautiful wine (hmmm) country. The group was soon spread over the river—between two lakes formed by two dams, dodging bushes and later, water skiers and enjoying the ecological and biological sights—including, for some, turtles and a great blue heron.

A couple of canoes were sabotaged and one just tipped over (yes, yours truly) 20 feet from our destination! After the canoe trip, Sonoma Chapter Juniors treated us to a delicious picnic lunch held at the Armstrong State Redwood Park.

Helping the youngsters were Mrs. Kawase, Mrs. Tajiri, and Mrs. Okamoto.

Many thanks to Sonoma for a wonderful time.

**Let Everyone Help Rid the Epithet**

Following statement of portions thereof were published by the local press and aired by radio—Ed.

By SHAKE USHIO  
 Governor, IDC

Salt Lake City  
 We, who are Americans of Japanese ancestry, resent very much Mr. John J. Wilson's careless use of the term "Jap" in referring to Senator Daniel Inouye. When a man of Mr. Wilson's prominence and recognized authority utters either inadvertently or maliciously over a national communication system listened to by millions a word which is very derogatory to us, we are hurt and saddened.

The term "Jap" is derogatory in every sense because it has a long and bitter history of negative connotations. It has been used to express hate and fear and contempt and malice by bigots and racists and by those who would deny us a place in the American Dream.

If Mr. Wilson uttered the offensive term in heat of passion or through sheer ignorance and were repentant, we might, as Senator Inouye did, charitably pass it by. Mr. Wilson, however, compounded the offense by shrugging it off by saying that he saw nothing wrong with it and by adding "I wouldn't mind being called a 'little American'." By this statement he was implying that there are Americans and there are non-Americans, and by implication all Japanese Americans are non-Americans.

By virtue of birth in America, by dint of hard and conscientious work against frustrating odds, and by sacrifice of life and limb by Americans on battlefields as attested to by Senator Inouye's armless sleeve, we believe we have earned our place and rights on the American scene as full-fledged citizens. So when a Mr. Wilson by implication and inference casts doubt on our status and insults us by calling one of our more illustrious members a "little Jap" over national media hookup, we must refute him.

We hope that thoughtful Americans everywhere will recognize the unfairness and the impropriety of Mr. Wilson's remark and help us eradicate from the English language a highly offensive and derogatory term.

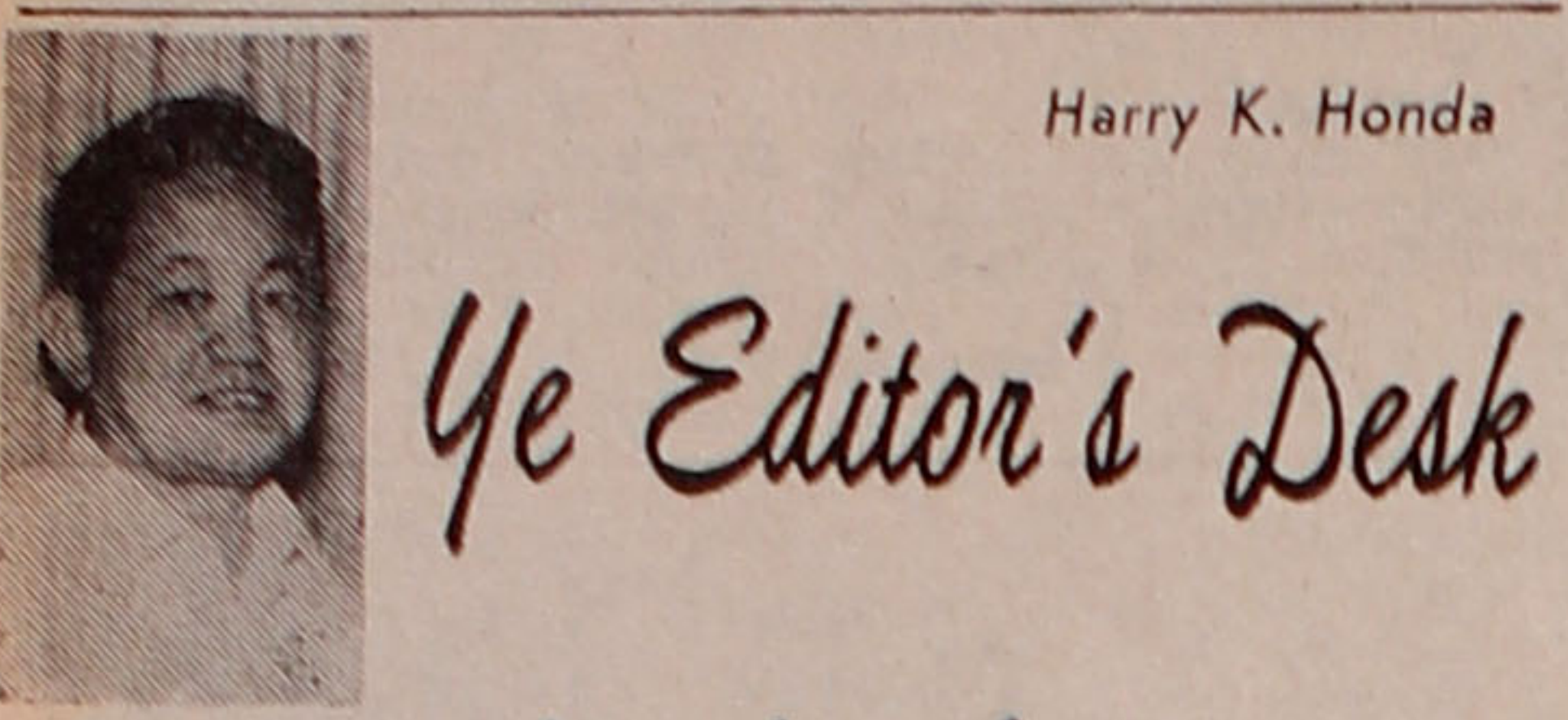
reflected in high dropout rates, feelings of alienation and expressions of discontent. The time has come for American educators to fully recognize the diversity that exists in America.

For the most part, that diversity has survived and indeed in some instances has flourished in spite of the neglect of the educational system. That different cultural ethnic patterns continue to exist in America attests to the vitality of those patterns and communities.

Of course, nothing that was said here in the workshop sessions this afternoon ensure that ethnic studies and multi-cultural education will become an established part of the educational system. However, the events of this joint MDC-EDC convention and the enthusiasm expressed during this convention is a manifestation of the strength of interest that exists in JACL and in the Japanese American community and provides the necessary beginning for meaningful action.

**Effects of 'Melting Pot'**  
 We are now beginning to recognize the tremendous human costs of the melting pot—single cultural perspective in education. In the past, students who came from cultural backgrounds different from the mainstream were often characterized as "disadvantaged" or "deprived." The cost of this attitude are

**QUESTION BOX**  
 'Tora'  
 Q—Where is the Canadian publication, "Tora", published?—W.A., Columbia, Mo.  
 A—"Tora" is published by the Japanese Canadian Cultural Center, Wynford Dr., Don Mills, Ontario.



Harry K. Honda

**Ye Editor's Desk**

**DISCRIMINATION AGAINST ASIANS**

A compendium of hurts and neglect has been published by the Washington State Asian-American Advisory Council, Olympia, as its report to the Governor. The council held public hearings earlier this year in Seattle (the first of its kind in the nation) to elicit the experiences of Asian Americans (Chinese, Japanese, Filipino and Korean) who were discriminated because of their race in the areas of communications, construction, employment, housing, law enforcement, public assistance, religion and social clubs.

Without a doubt this report, "Discrimination Against Asians", would not have been possible save for the formation of this advisory council last year and the support of Gov. Dan Evans. Some recommendations have been made in hopes that appropriate agencies might resolve them. The report also dispels the myth that "Asian Americans have it made or have no problems".

Some of the problems raised are peculiar to the Northwest area as Asian Americans elsewhere (California, Hawaii and in the East-Midwest, for instance) might offer accounts to the contrary. Nonetheless the bulk of the report contains testimonies that strike "telling blows in the Asian fight for human dignity and equality".

While the meat of the report lies in the testimonies, the recommendations may have wider applicability for PC readers, so we pass on some of these.

**Radio-TV:** The FCC should require stations to submit affirmative action programs in their hiring practices. Broadcasters should assist their minority employees for better positions, work with the community to develop public service announcements and establish guidelines to eliminate racial stereotyping in advertising, cartoons and programs. The FCC should have a national advisory council of minorities.

**Contractors and Unions:** Government agencies should develop affirmative action programs to not shut out minority contractors on public-funded projects. Union hiring hall practices should be monitored to assure dispatch of workers on a racially equitable basis.

**Fire Fighters:** Eliminate the position of the Firemen Pension doctor and provide examinations by the city health department physicians. (A Chinese American fireman was hired by the fire department but was denied pension fund rights.)

**Foreign-trained Physicians:** The U.S. Embassy in the Philippines should discourage Filipino physicians from emigrating to the U.S. until discriminatory barriers are removed. State of Washington should adopt the California law permitting foreign medical doctors to take state medical examinations. State Human Rights Commission should ascertain whether European doctors are given preferential treatment over Asian doctors.

**Postal Service:** The Postal Service should have minority representatives in personnel and promotion boards to interview applicants. (The Asian American Advisory Council is investigating the job picture of Asians in the service. One Nisei postal employee of 23 years said he applied five times for promotions but is still at the same level as at the time of entry.)

**Alaskan Salmon Canneries:** The Equal Employment Opportunities Commission is being asked to investigate the disparate treatment given the Filipinos. The salmon canning industry should be required to implement affirmative action programs to ameliorate the conditions testified to above.

**College and University:** Asian American studies should be allocated appropriate budget to expand its educational and research thrust.

**Housing:** The Washington State Division of Real Estates should require affirmative action from licensees as a condition for a license and institute courses in human relations and civil rights in real estate courses.

**Law Enforcement:** There should be active recruitment of Asians in law enforcement. Law enforcement officers and military police should have expanded courses in human relations, including portion of their duty time working with minority groups. An impartial body should be created to inquire into citizen complaints against police behavior.

**Military Service:** The Inspector General's Department should review personnel records and take appropriate action where racial discrimination occurs. The practice of pointing to Asian Americans as an example of the enemy should be banned, use of racially derogatory name-calling by officers or servicemen be subject to discipline, recruitment advertising which picture men in uniform include Asians and men about to be discharged be given human relations training.

**Public Assistance:** State agencies should employ bilingual staff to facilitate their functions, revise procedures as affecting Asian immigrants, and institute an ombudsman office.

**Churches:** Churches should include Asian experiences within their curriculum, be more socially concerned in the area of community needs and its hierarchy rectify any forms of disparate treatment of Asian ministers.

**Social Clubs:** Discriminatory social clubs should be denied state liquor sales licenses. The state should not assist or recognize organizations with discriminatory clauses. Judges belonging to such groups should be disqualified from cases involving nonwhites.

"In the final analysis, to overcome prejudice change must come from within the individuals with individual confrontation and cooperation, and with individual interaction," the report's summary says. Combined with political action, and going easy on rhetoric to move people for change, "the challenge is here and now; we must move with increasing vigor if the ideals of democracy and equality of peoples are to be achieved." ... Hear! Hear!





Bill Hosokawa

# From the Frying Pan

Toronto, Canada

**OUR NORTHERN COUSINS**—For the first-time visitor from Denver, Toronto, Canada's largest city with a population of some 2½ million, is an eye-opening sight. The vigor of the downtown area is apparent in the spectacular architecture of City Hall and the towering skyline. It is a cosmopolitan city with some 400,000 Italians, most of them recent immigrants, old stock Scots, Irish and British, a Chinatown in the shadow of City Hall and, oh yes, the Japanese.

What better way to learn about Japanese Canadians than through the English language editor of the New Canadian. His name is K.C. Tsumura and he is hard to find, but I finally located him on a Saturday afternoon at a karate class he was teaching on the other side of town.

"The best way to learn about our community is to visit the Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre," Tsumura said. "It's at 123 Wynford Drive in the Don Mills area."

Yes, but how does one get there? And after I get there, will there be someone I can talk to? The upshot was that Tsumura graciously suggested he could turn his class over to an assistant and show me around himself. He turned out to be a personable young man with the shoulders of an athlete and the local pride of a chamber of commerce secretary.

The Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre (they spell words a bit oddly in Canada) is a handsome reinforced concrete building in a wooded three-acre site on the outskirts of Don Mills, a handsomely planned suburb distinguished by great highrise apartments set among rows of townhouses on rolling parkland. Fortunately Sam Hagino who is retired from his dry cleaning business but works harder than ever as president of the Centre, was on hand to give me a briefing.

The Centre was built 10 years ago, he said, as a living memorial to Canadian Issei. There are approximately 12,000 Japanese Canadians in the Toronto area, the largest concentration in the nation. Most of them had moved inland from homes in British Columbia after the government evacuated them into mountain ghost towns during World War II, now their numbers are being bolstered by new immigrants.

In Toronto they had scattered over all parts of the metropolis and it was felt a center was needed "to make the community aware of the unique qualities of Japanese culture and to cultivate this awareness through its programmes and facilities." Hagino says some 1,500 families chipped in \$325,000. They borrowed another \$300,000, bought the site for \$100,000 and commissioned Nisei architect Raymond Moriyma to design a suitable building. They chose the site well; the land alone is now said to be worth perhaps five times what they paid for it, and the Centre has just completed a \$175,000 landscaping project featuring a magnificent fountain symbolizing Sansel reaching for the sky.

Moriyma, about whom I'll be writing next week, produced beauty with utility. The building is roomy enough so that one Saturday not long ago 300 members of the Friday Night Dance Club packed the auditorium and turned over gross receipts of \$1,700 to the Centre. The auditorium is also used for a regular program of Japanese movies. On the Saturday I was there two wedding receptions were being held simultaneously, one in the auditorium and the other in a smaller hall on the lower floor leading out to the Japanese gardens. The Centre caters these affairs through Mrs. Sue Hatanaka who also conducts the cooking classes.

There are also a variety of other classes—flower arrangement, brush painting, Japanese language, judo, kendo and karate, charter flights. Hagino says the annual budget is about \$135,000 to cover operations, staff, taxes and interest. Membership fees bring in about \$12,000 and special projects (\$30,000 a year from weekly bingo games, \$20,000 from raffles and another \$75,000 income. I can't think of anything in the States to compare with this Japanese Canadian operation.



Jim Henry

# Sakura Script

Earthquakes and Violence

**John Walker, British journalist and author of the documentary hardcover "Disasters" (Follett), takes a rational, historical and visionary view of shock, after-shock and future shock from earthquakes.**

He believes San Francisco, Los Angeles and Tokyo are all due earthquakes within the next 10 years.

Tokyo, like San Francisco, "is ill-prepared for the next disaster, which," according to Walker, "cannot be far in the future." He says the southern Kanto area, "which includes Tokyo, has never gone more than 69 years without a massive earthquake."

In 1923 Japan "was shaken by the most devastating earthquake of this century. It levelled Tokyo and Yokohama and killed probably 150,000 people, although no one had time to count the exact numbers of the dead." Walker predicts that when the next quake hits Tokyo "it will kill around a million people and again destroy the city."

According to Walker, the Japanese have a saying of which they are fond: "Disasters only take place when they have forgotten about them."

A number of leading Tokyo newspapers there have focused their readers' attention to the current increasing rate of vicious crimes among Japanese women.

The Asahi Shimbun has noted that most of the homicides committed by females in recent times are "unspeakably brutal."

The average prison popula-

# Justice Dept. may junk its subversive list

Over 20 Japanese Prewar, Defunct Groups Proscribed

(The PC Washington Bureau) WASHINGTON — The Justice Dept. is thinking about discarding a list of some 300 so-called subversive organizations, originally compiled in 1947 for use in screening government job applicants.

It was also circulated in the 1950s by the Better Business Bureaus to inform their members contributions to the listed organizations are not tax deductible.

When the list first appeared, the Japanese American Citizens League urged the Attorney General to drop defunct Japanese organizations from his proscribed list on grounds that these groups have been out of existence and the so-called subversive-ness of these former Japanese organizations on the west coast had never been established.

**JACL Petitions**  
In 1955, the Washington JACL Office again petitioned publicly with the Civil Liberties Clearing House to have the list liquidated.

In 1971, the Subversive Activities Control Board was supported by JACL in its move to drop at least 82 organizations including the Black Dragon Society (Kokuryu Kai), Central Japanese Assn. (Belkoku Chuo Nipponjin Kai) and the Central Japanese Assn. of Southern California. But it was not implemented.

On Aug. 28, Justice Dept.

spokesman Horace Webb confirmed in response to questions that the old Attorney General's list of subversive organizations may be abolished.

"The list is of dubious value. Why have something that's absolutely worthless?" he said.

**About 20 Remains**  
One source said about 20 of the organizations remain in existence, ranging from the Committee to Uphold the Bill of Rights, the Communist Party, Ku Klux Klan, to the National Blue Star Mothers of America.

Webb said Supreme Court rulings on constitutional rights have rendered the list impractical for the purpose it was supposed to have served.

In 1947, President Truman ordered the Justice Dept. to maintain a list of "totalitarian, fascist, Communist or subversive" organizations for use in official screening of job applicants. The court in 1952 ruled in the James Katcher case no group could be placed on the Attorney General's list (as it became to be known) without a hearing.

Subsequent court action now make it virtually impossible to reject an applicant because of membership in one of the listed groups without also proving he was engaging in illegal activity.

**Directive to SACB**  
The list fell in obscurity in the 1950s and 1960s until President Nixon in 1971, searching for work to assign the highly paid but unproductive Subversive Activities Control Board, gave it the

task of monitoring and updating the subversive list. But Congress cut off all funds (about \$500,000 a year at the time) by 1972 and the list went unchanged and thrown back to the Justice Dept., where it was referred to its internal security division, now merged with the criminal division.

Internal security division officials raised no objection to ending the list because, as one spokesman put it, "The Internal Security Division was always very practical."

**The List**  
The 1947 list included the following Japanese organizations:

Black Dragon Society, Central Japan (Belkoku Chuo Nipponjin Kai), Central Japanese Assn. of So. Cal., Dai Nippon Butoku Kai (Military Virtue Society of Japan or Military Art Society of Japan), Gimmusha Kai, Hokubei Heiiki Kimusha Kai, Zaipei Nipponjin Heiyaku Gimusha Kai, Zaipei Heimusha Kai (Japanese Residing

in America Military Conscription Assn.), Hondo Kai (Imperial Japanese Reservists), Hinomaru Kai (Rising Sun Flag Society—a group of Japanese War Veterans), Hokubei Zaigo Shoko Dan (North American Reserve Officers Assn.), Japanese Association of America, Japanese Overseas Central Society (Kalgai Doho Chuo Kai), Japanese Overseas Convention, Tokyo 1949, Japanese Protective Assn., Jikyoku Inkaiki (Committee for the Crisis), Kibun Seinen Kai (Assn. of U.S. Citizens of Japanese Ancestry Who Returned to America After Studying in Japan), Nanka Tokoku Gyunyudan (Imperial Military Friends Group or So. Calif. Japanese War Veterans), Nihonhei Kogyo Kaisha (The Great Full Theater), Northwest Japanese Assn., Sakura Kai (Cherry Blossom Assn., composed of veterans of the Russo-Japanese war), Shinto Temples (Limited to state Shinto, abolished in Japan in 1945), Sokoku Kai (Fatherland Society), Suiko Sha (Reserve Officers Assn., Los Angeles)

# Mo Marumolo quits White House

WASHINGTON — William H. (Mo) Marumolo, highest ranking Japanese American in the Nixon Administration and last member of a special Spanish-speaking advocacy office in the White House, has quit his job (Sept. 2) to become president of a new marketing and business consulting firm, Interface Group Limited, which will specialize in East-West trade.

He said the Nixon Administration had done more for Spanish-speaking persons than had any other administration but added "I am disappointed that the momentum has slowed."

# Nisei policeman to be conferred Medal of Valor

LOS ANGELES — The 1,500 foreign students enrolled this fall at USC represent 88 nations with the heaviest concentrations in business and engineering.

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The Pacific Southwest JACL District Council is conducting the campaign to help meet a

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Next Article—A Study of Asian American Communities in Chicago.



Kenji K. Arai

# Nisei policeman to be conferred Medal of Valor

LOS ANGELES—Officer Kenji K. Arai, 33, will be one of ten Los Angeles policemen to be awarded the Medal of Valor at a luncheon Sept. 18 at the Hollywood Palladium.

While off duty and seated a lunch counter in a department store, the nine-year veteran of the local police force observed three men standing inside the store of force where large amounts of currency were kept. Suspecting a robbery in progress, Arai positioned himself near one of the store exits.

As the suspects left the office, a female employee screamed they had been robbed and the suspects began to run for the exit. Two suspects began firing at will, wounding four persons. Arai abandoned his protected position and in the exchange of gunfire that followed, one gunman was mortally wounded and the remaining suspects were apprehended.

Officer Arai responded without hesitation to an extreme emergency situation," the citation reads. "His courage in subjecting himself to grave danger and his humane concern for the safety of others reflected the highest traditions of the Los Angeles Police Department."

Arai is with the Investiga-



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# State of Washington report dispels myth 'Asians don't have problems'

OLYMPIA, Wash. — Executive Order 72-3, creating the Asian American Advisory Council to Governor Evans, directs the Council "to examine and define issues pertaining to the rights and needs of Asian Americans, and to make recommendations to the Governor and state agencies with respect to desirable changes in program and law".

In compliance with his directive, the Asian American Advisory Council has published a "Discrimination Against Asians" report. It is based on testimonies given by Asian Americans to the Council at its March 3, public hearing in Seattle.

The report includes individual accounts of institutionalized racism in the areas of communications, construction, employment, housing, law enforcement, public assistance, religion, and social clubs.

Following each section are recommendations which the Council feels may alleviate the specific problems identified. These recommendations are intended to raise the issue for appropriate agencies to address and resolve.

A meeting between Gov. Dan Evans, his staff and A.A.C. members was held Aug. 17 to discuss specific recommendations. The Governor responded positively and acknowledged the recommendations made by Council members, who now will work closely with the Governor and his staff in following through with the recommendations.

Distribution of this report will also heighten the public awareness of the types of problems Asian Americans face. Its content will serve as an educative tool and dispel the myth that "Asians don't have any problems."

# UC Berkeley Nikkei alumni pondering use of funds from sale of clubhouse

BERKELEY, Calif. — Concentrated efforts to locate Nisei, Saneji, alumni and former students of the Univ. of California Berkeley campus was announced by Harry Nakahara, president of the Board of Trustees of the California Japanese Alumni Association.

The Association has accumulated a \$100,000 fund as the result of the sale of the UC Japanese Students Club dormitory at 1777 Euclid Ave., Berkeley, to the University Students Cooperative Association.

The trustees are seeking a broadly based membership to consult on long-term plans for the administration of these funds and the use of income for scholarships, campus community service and projects to enhance the welfare of Japanese Americans.

**Building History**  
The JSC building was constructed in 1925 at a cost of \$32,000 following the widespread Berkeley fire that completely destroyed the previous residence, purchased in 1923 for \$13,000 by the Nikkei Shinjin Students led by Salki Muneno and Stanley Sugiura. Much of the funds were raised by state-wide subscriptions from Japanese communities at that time and in years following.

The dormitory housed 28-30 men students and also served as a clubhouse for the successor organization, the Japanese Students Club of the Univ. of California. At its peak the JSC membership was 300.

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Support Division, a graduate of Los Angeles High School and attended both Los Angeles and Santa Monica City College. He is married and has one daughter.

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POTSHOTS

A Look From Within

Don Hayashi



Seattle

Washington State Asian American Educators took "a look from within" at their association's first annual conference at Seattle U. With a broad representation of teachers, students and interested persons and Asian sub-ethnic groups, the environment was ideal interaction. Some of the Conference highlights included: Opening address by Fred Cordova (Seattle Filipino community leader); dramatization, "The Marginal Man", scripted by Marilyn Tokuda depicting the history and contemporary situation as viewed by the young; two outstanding multimedia presentations on Human Relations and Asian Americans by minority-owned Imaginique; pointed presentations by Asian Americans; and many opportunities to share and exchange ideas and concerns. It was good to see JACLers well in attendance.

Seattle JACL Pres. and school principal Ben Nakagawa confronted the conferees with the statement, "We're the critical issue! The question is: will we continue to be quiet Americans?"

Dr. Joe Okimoto and Larry Flores explained that dropouts are a responsibility of the

community and cannot be forgotten. Okimoto asserted, "Dropouts are sensitive people." Teachers need to "confront youth to not cop out, but rather bring about change."

Dachin Yih, coordinator of bilingual education said that "unilingual methodology does not work for children, especially high schoolers". Our education system must employ bilingual teachers who "feel the languages he uses, and not just know a few words."

A special elementary cultural heritage program, meets 1 hr. per week and uses U. of Wash. students as teaching friends. Each takes six children on field trips and experiences to broaden the Asian and non-Asian student's understanding. Mako Nakagawa, director, stated that the Asian child sees a more positive self-image and non-Asian child begins to recognize that Asians are not all foreigners and that no one should use racial slurs.

Dr. Jim Morishima, U of W Asian American studies director, urged a sharper focus on cultural pluralism and the need to know more about the other ethnic groups as well as Asian American. He suggested beyond the Asian American audience, we needed to reach out and draw in the other ethnic minorities and the Anglo population.

The Conference generated enthusiasm and interest for the newly formed Association and the concept of Asian American education. Though predominantly Seattle organized, the event drew attendance from throughout Washington State, Western Oregon and from various communities on the West Coast.

The conferees were the first to admit that there was much being done, but that more would have to begin to happen from within to bring significant changes. Hopefully this opportunity to come together, to share, and the build relationships will do much to further the cause of the inclusion of Asian Americans in education and the community.

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Chicago to host next vet reunion

CHICAGO — Chicago Nisei Post 1183, American Legion, will install Howard Hieshima as its commander at the 25th annual installation dinner in November and as soon as possible, details of the 1976 Nisei Veterans Reunion being held here will be revealed.

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CHAPTER PULSE

August Events

Stockton Issei treated to San Francisco visit

On Aug. 19 the Stockton JACL Auxiliary sponsored a fun trip to San Francisco, mainly for senior citizens. A group of 78 persons enjoyed lunch at Golden Gate Park and visits to the Japanese Tea Garden, Aquarium and De Young Museum. The main feature of the trip was the Ice Follies at the Civic Auditorium.

The next activity for the enjoyment of the Issei will be a trip to Reno on Sept. 23.

Fremont JACL wins charity bazaar prize

Perhaps the sweetest smell came from the Fremont JACL hibachi with the cooks in happi coats skewering teriyaki at the second annual Charity Bazaar at Fremont Hub on Aug. 25. Forty-three non-profit groups participated, vying for prizes for costumes, originality and display.

The first prize of \$100 was won by the Fremont JACL, which sold out its supply of 2,000 kushiyaki an hour before closing time. Over 20,000 people swarmed the Hub during the day.

Community health fair co-sponsored by San Mateo

Among the eight local organizations co-sponsoring Community Health Fair at Martin Luther King Center on Saturday, Aug. 25, was the San Mateo JACL. There were information booths, immunizations, health counseling, pre-school screening, demonstrations and films.

July Events

200 picknickers frolic at D.C. event

Men of the Washington, D.C. JACL, under chairmanship of Wayne Nishioka, took charge of the family picnic July 14 at a Garrett Park (Md.) recreation where 200 or more members and friends came to eat, play or relax.

Hot dogs, hamburgers, cold soda and tea were served by an august crew of Warren Minami, Peter Nose, Larry Nakatsuka, Shig Sugiyama, Kay Kitagawa, Clyde Owan, Jim Kurihara.

Investments rise sharply

TOKYO—Direct Japanese investments overseas, approved by the Government in fiscal 1972, reached a record \$2,338 million, according to preliminary figures released by the Finance Ministry.

Issei benefactor Uhachi Tamesa likes to recall

By EIRA NAGAOKA Seattle JACL Newsletter

Uhachi Tamesa, philanthropist, last year donated \$1,000 to the Seattle JACL Chapter for the Minoru Tamesa Memorial Scholarship. The occasion was Tamesa's 88th birthday in December of 1971. This sum was added to the previously donated \$10,000 to the

GUEST COLUMN

Seattle JACL-administered Minoru Tamesa Scholarship back in 1966. In the same year Tamesa established Minoru Tamesa Memorial Scholarship Foundation in the Highline High School District. His son Minoru was attending West Seattle High School two years until he transferred to this brand new Highline High School opening for business in 1966.

Another ¥10,000,000 (about \$27,780 inflating to \$38,460 at today's exchange rate) scholarship went to help the needy students in the Tachibana village (cho) of the Oshimaguchi district of the Yamaguchi Prefecture in Japan. Following this generous gesture then Premier Eisaku Sato gave Mr. Tamesa a citation and gifts of delicate wedding service and model of a Japanese temple. Then last fall, Mr. Tamesa received a citation from the Government of Japan for his contribution to the friendship between these two nations.

Tamesa had come to live in the Highline District back in 1908 where he kept 3,000 leghorns, raised strawberries, and went into growing peaches right behind the Sunnydale School. He made weekly trips to Seattle in his horse and wagon until he became the first in his area to own a truck (Kelly truck).

South Park Gakuen Mr. Tamesa was active in South Park Japanese Association and his son Minoru and daughters Kay and Miyoko attended the South Park Language School. Later Minoru became the member of its board of trustees when signing the non-profit incorporation paper.

Uhachi Tamesa's two daughters, Kay and Miyoko work for the National Education Association in Washington, D.C. Miyoko Shima's husband is the owner of Tokyo Sukiyaki in Washington, D.C. and they have one daughter also in the educational field. Kay Tamesa is semi-retired but continues to straighten out the NEA procedures on a part-time basis.

The time has seen changes for Mr. Tamesa. His modest house is located only a few blocks northeast from the Buri Shopping District. He is still able to drive.

Tamesa likes to reminisce. He talked about the steam ferry dock at Three Tree Point where he used to have the option of a leisurely trip to Seattle for 25¢ or Tacoma on 15¢ ticket fare.

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TV Review

'Retreat from Kiska'

A dramaturgical and diplomatic milestone was passed, and an economic breakthrough made, with the first-run TV showing of the Japanese film "Retreat from Kiska" Aug. 24, (KNBC Los Angeles). This true account of a daring WW2 rescue of 5,200 Japanese soldiers from an Aleutian island by a 13-vessel naval task force was capably and tastefully hosted by James Shigeta.  
As he pointed out in his prologue, this picture was a true portrayal—a departure from Asian stereotypes in films—and a plea for understanding. Shigeta also cited that the difficult job of dubbing dialogue into English by Nikkel actors and voice technicians, and how profitably it was, and will be in the future, from an artistic as well as economic standpoint.

Shigeta, was so right in what he had to say. The lip synchronization was done to perfection, and the voices for the most part were tailored to the actors and the type of role they played, especially the leads: Toshiro Mifune, Soh Yamamura and Makoto Sato. Mifune's vocal double lent him a Charles Boyer-ish tonal quality which, coupled with his usual strong and often brooding portrayal, made for a convincing performance and was a hard combination to beat.

The picture wasn't exactly Academy Award fare, and since it was based on a single premise, the story line was necessarily a trifle thin. Aside from Mifune as Admiral Omuura, the man charged with the responsibility for the rescue and a brief scene with the worried army commander on the island, there wasn't much leeway for character delineation. However the black and white photography was excellent, and fitted the bleak, ominous mood of war.

The musical scoring was exceptionally good. The sound and special effects department earned kudos throughout. They achieved a realism with miniature ships and planes that defied detection.

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Japan-Mexico ties go back to 1613

YOKOHAMA — A bronze statue of Tsunenaga Hasekura, who made a historic trip to Rome by way of Mexico in the early 17th century, is being sent from Japan to Acapulco.  
The statue, weighing 463 pounds mounted on a 394-lb stone pedestal, will be a gift to Mexico from Miyagi prefecture and Sendai city.  
Presentation of the statue to the Mexican port city was suggested by the Japanese to Mexican President Luis Echeverria Alvarez during his visit to Japan in March last year to mark the close historical ties between the two countries.  
Hasekura (1571-1622) left Japan in 1613 with Luis Soto a Spanish missionary, for Spain and Rome via Acapulco on a mission organized by Masamune Date, head of the family, which administered the present-day Miyagi prefecture with Sendai as his headquarters.

The Japanese envoy presented Date's letter to King Philip III of Spain and was later received by Pope Paul V in Rome. He returned to Japan in 1620 by way of Mexico and Manila.  
Hasekura's statue will be placed in a park in Acapulco as a symbol of close Japanese-Mexican relations.

As he pointed out in his prologue, this picture was a true portrayal—a departure from Asian stereotypes in films—and a plea for understanding. Shigeta also cited that the difficult job of dubbing dialogue into English by Nikkel actors and voice technicians, and how profitably it was, and will be in the future, from an artistic as well as economic standpoint.

Shigeta, was so right in what he had to say. The lip synchronization was done to perfection, and the voices for the most part were tailored to the actors and the type of role they played, especially the leads: Toshiro Mifune, Soh Yamamura and Makoto Sato. Mifune's vocal double lent him a Charles Boyer-ish tonal quality which, coupled with his usual strong and often brooding portrayal, made for a convincing performance and was a hard combination to beat.

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Nara inns hurt by geisha strike

IKOMA, Nara — Eighty geisha went on strike last month (Aug. 1), protesting the abolition of the Yakusoku-bana, a reservation system used by inns and restaurants here to solve a serious shortage.

Under the traditional system, a geisha earned ¥5,280 Hanadai (geisha fees) for three hours entertainment from 6-9 p.m. Without their earnings dropped to ¥3,080. Till 1972, there were 260 geisha listed. This summer the number dropped to 150, some preferring to work in the cabarets and others resigning to get married.

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CENOTAPH FOR KOREANS SLAIN IN '23 QUAKE DUE

TOKYO — Campaign to raise ¥4-million to build a memorial for Koreans slaughtered in Japan amid the confusion of the Great Kanto Earthquake in 1923 was commenced Sept. 1 by the Japan-Korea Assn. on the 50th anniversary of the quake.

An estimated 6,000 Korean residents were killed by Japanese military policemen and a civilian vigilantes when r-d Koreans and anarchists were planning to start a riot.  
The cenotaph, the solicitors said, would help deepen friendship between the Japanese and Korean peoples. Similar memorials have been erected in Kanagawa and Gumma prefectures.

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Aloha from Hawaii

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Hawaii Today

Honolulu  
Hawaii ranked on top with the highest number of state employees per capita (as of 1971) with 382 employees per 10,000 population. The national average is less than one-third that figures—116. The 1973 edition of "Hawaii in Perspective" shows that Hawaii ranked No. 3 in the birth rate per 1,000 population (21.5), No. 49 in deaths (5.5 per 1,000), No. 6 in crime (1,437 incidents per 100,000 population), No. 5 on per capita personal income, No. 2 in government expenditures (spending \$1,039 per capita vs. \$646 nationally), No. 6 for outstanding state and local government debts and No. 12 in 1972 expenditures per pupil in public schools.

The 25,000 American Legionnaires who visited Honolulu recently by-passed the Neighbor Islands and, as a result, left out entrepreneurs on Hawaii, Maui and Kauai very unhappy. A travel agency handling 13,000 of the 25,000 conventioners said it offered a week-long Neighbor Island tour but only 1,000 signed up.  
Long's Drug Store, Ala Moana, one of Hawaii's top outlets for macadamia nuts, has been out of them for the past two months. It's reported this is due to a severe macadamia shortage. William Hale, director of specialty foods for Castle & Cooke, said, "I'll be tough until Christmas. The shortage, according to Hale, is due to two causes—a long drought in the macadamia nut growing areas of the Big Island and sharp increase in demand for the nuts.

The Maui Board of Water Supply has placed drought restrictions on water use in Olinda, Kula, Kanaoia, Ulupalakua, Hana, Makawao and Kalae, Molokai. In Kula irrigation is being permitted from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays from the Pulehu-Iki lateral. On Kauai, too, public water supply has been close to being critical. The water table has dropped dangerously and water has been trucked to the small community of Kalihiwai on the normally wet north side of Kauai. This is the driest summer ever seen, according to Walter Briant, manager of the Kaula Water Dept.

Skippy Diaz, former Farrington High and Oregon State Univ. football star, has been named head coach at Wai'aleale High School. He has succeeded Norman Chow, who resigned to return to college for a doctorate in education.

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Ringside Seat

George Yoshinaga

Not being able to read the Japanese language doesn't exactly qualify a person for a white cane and guide dog but it does shut off a good source of information.

However, whenever something which I might be interested in appears in our Japanese section, someone generally explains the contents to me.

This past week our Japanese section sports writer Masujiro Kawana had an interesting story in which he put the rap on U.S. promoters and managers for taking advantage of those "poor little Japanese boxers" who come to the United States to ply their trade.

If what was told to me is true, it indicates that Kawana didn't do much homework on the subject.

Abused Charged  
Kawana wrote that Japanese boxers coming to the U.S. are abused by the promoters because the Japanese boxers pay their own way over here and the promoters have no investment in them.

He also charges that the managers who handle these fighters don't care because the fighters pay their own expenses and also have nothing invested in the fighters.

He says the Japanese fighters are not trained properly and they are not matched properly.

He cited a case in Honolulu recently when six Japanese fighters appeared on a boxing card and all six lost.

Let's begin at the top. In the first place, most of the Japanese fighters who come to the U.S. are pure junk.

If they were any good, the greedy Japanese managers would not let them come to the U.S. And if they were any good at all, the promoters might pay their transportation to the U.S.

I haven't heard of a good fighter coming to the U.S. who had to pay his own fare. Despite the fact that many of the fighters who have come to the U.S. have been from

ed up. Wrote Kunimura: "What is at issue... is the question of spending so much of our taxpayers' money on art when there are many other public programs in dire need of funds." Kunimura touched off a small debate recently when he denounced some of the state's art purchases as "junk".

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AREA CODE 206: Joe Hamanaka Hibari in America

Seattle Musifon, Inc., of Los Angeles, promoter of the recent Misora Hibari Concerts in Los Angeles, San Francisco and Seattle—according to its president, Tadao Kimura—pulled nearly 10,000 in L.A., 7,000 in S.F. and 1,200 in Seattle.

The tour was a "success" in many ways. Particularly, the program in Seattle, where Nelson Riddle's orchestra and Hibari were reported to have gained better timing than in L.A. or S.F. Plus, the smaller, intimate Seattle audience drew a little more out of Hibari in the Grand Ballroom of the Olympic Hotel than in The Forum or the Cow Palace.

In fact, Hibari, herself, said she did best in Seattle. Unfortunately, Columbia Records cut platters in L.A. where sophisticated equipment was handy. She'll have a "Hibari in America" release soon.

But, in Musifon's second promo effort in the U.S., it left a trail of "bad PR and bad press" along the way. Anyone other than a Hibari might have given Kimura a flop, especially in Seattle, where tickets went at \$35.

First of all, the price balloon was lopsided—unheard-of by American standards. L.A. and S.F. tickets sold at \$25, \$15 and \$10, but in Seattle the \$35 tickets included "dinner" at \$3.95 with \$2 labeled as a "city donation".

Dinner 'Goof' The "buffet dinner" was a goof. It turned-out to be hors d'oeuvres, and the first-comes and the ables rushed the table like a bargain basement clearance sale. There, no line-up, but a mass free-for-all for the tibbits. And my mother commented: "Good thing, I ate supper before I went."

As for the "city donation" (\$1,500), Mayor Wes Uhlman turned that money over to the local JACL, as its custodian, to be used toward or at a Japanese Cultural Center. Frank Hattori accepted for the JACL.

The "donors" include Hibari, her brother-performer, Takehiko Kayama, and Musifon—intended to further

Local Scene

Los Angeles

It was Community Health Fair day in Gardena last Sunday, Sept. 9, at the Municipal Activity Center under co-sponsorship of the Gardena Teen Post, Youth Congress, YACSO, Pioneer Project, South Bay Asian Involvement and the Mexican American Civic Organization.

Asian American Law Students Assn. of Loyola University will hold a benefit dance Sept. 29, 9 p.m.-2 a.m. at Rodger Young ballroom featuring the Free Flight and Easy Living bands.

S.F.—East Bay

East Bay Japanese for Action's third annual fun trip to South Lake Tahoe by charter bus is set for Saturday, Sept. 22, leaving Oakland around 7 a.m. and return by 11 p.m. Reservations are being accepted at EBJA office (848-2560 or 624-3878).

A new meeting place for the Sakura-kai, the Richmond-El Cerrito Issei Center, has been selected at the Community Involvement Center in El Cerrito, 11275 San Pablo Ave., effective Aug. 18. It meets regularly on the first and third Saturdays, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Mrs. June Sakaguchi (235-8625) is coordinator. A Swedish exercise specialist addressed the Issei group on Sept. 1.

The Asian American Community Alliance of Berkeley will sponsor its third annual Asian Autumn Festival Sept. 29 at Berkeley High School courtyard and cafeteria, Allston Way and Milvia St., from noon to 10 p.m. The food, performances, demonstrations, films, etc., of the past two years will be joined by the booths of various organizations.

San Francisco

The seventh annual San Francisco Nisei Golf Tournament is set for the Sonoma National Golf Course on Sunday, Sept. 16, at 8 a.m. The tournament is limited to 120 players.

The Western Addition branch of the San Francisco public library has initiated a loan system for 14 fiction titles and a number of magazines at the Kimochi Lounge on the Japan Center Webster St. Bridge. The lounge is open daily from 10-4, weekends from noon-5 p.m.

San Diego

The Rev. Jimmy Yanagihara, the San Diegan who was recently ordained and now assigned at Gardena, will be speaker at the traditional Ohigan services Sept. 16, 10 a.m., at the Buddhist Church. A welcome home dinner at 6 p.m. follows. The Rev. Shintaro Sanada of the Parlier Buddhist Church will be the guest Japanese speaker.

On Sept. 16 from 2 to 5 p.m., the House of Japan will present "Japan Day at Balboa Park" at the House of Pacific Relation's stage. Folk dances and music, kendo, sumi paintings, bonkei and origami are scheduled.

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Advertising Campaign Musifon ignored advertising to the English-speaking public through the news media. Like they spent something like \$1,000 in their local North American Post (2,000 circ.) Japanese-language daily, but not a cent in the downtown papers. And, The Times and P.I., in turn, ignored Musifon's belated publicity releases.

Of course, the program catered to a very small segment of the total public, being all Japanese-language songs that Hibari and her brother sang. The promoter neither called on any local group for help, nor staffed paid publicist, nor staged publicity, nor spent promotional money to build-up Hibari to the unfamiliar American public.

So the Seattle welcome at the airport was unlike anything the local community is capable of. We counted but 50 local "fans" out at 8:42 p.m. at the Sea-Tac Airport.

Hibari and her mother-manager, Mrs. Kimie Kato, arrived here with tired, long faces, and Hibari refused autographs. And no one on hand to present flowers. No press. Sad, to a kind of reception that Hibari is unaccustomed to back in Japan.

For promoter Kimura, who is nice enough a guy and just 8 years in the U.S., it was an experience some call: "Superstar, super-headache." And, Kimura, cried all the way to the bank.

Hibari and her mother-manager-adviser are known to be aloof and tough to deal with, so Kimura no doubt was too busy bending to Hibari and Mama to spend too much time in areas of public and press relations. We learned too that the whole thing came off without a written contract, a la Japan-style, and constant conferences and changes.

The Seattle sales office, for example, was headed by a lady interpreter with an airline, and not too long in the U.S.—a team, including a shuttling Kimura, that turned-up short in many areas, though long on money.

The series of goofs started from Day-One in L.A., when it was announced that the Hibari flight was one hour late. The press scattered. But the plane did arrive on time. But now no newsmen. So a fuming Hibari and Mama were detained at the airport for one hour until the newsmen re-assembled. Or, so the story goes Northwest Orient took the blame, but it's been reported also as a "cover" for a Musifon goof.

Other Prospects Thanks to the Issei who bent their budgets to have this "isho no omoide" life-short memory of having heard Hibari sing in person, Musifon came out healthy, wealthy and wiser. They now look forward to the next one—perhaps other movie "big" from Japan.

Katsu Shintaro, Ishihara Yuijuro, Kitayama Saburo, Hachi Yukio, Kayama Yuzo... you name them. Or, maybe, Hibari again! In about three years, when she's 39, and in her 30th year in show biz. A farewell performance, for there are reports that she may retire.

For my money, Musifon will have to top Hibari by going another direction—relate to an American public. Like the Takarazuka all-girl company doing a musical in Japanese, like "Oklahoma" or "West Side Story". Or, the Shochiku all-girl group, with its version of the Radio City Rockettes in their "Summer Dance", a production that outstages Las Vegas.

And, next time, let's cut-out the gypo "dinner" that some folks never were able to reach. Get the Seattle Center Opera House (3,000 seats), or the Arena (4,000), or the Playhouse (795 seats) Charge "popular" prices, and advertise to the general public.

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Education

Among the new Nisei teachers in Ontario, Ore., include Kathy Hoshida, A.L.A. meda Grade School, a Northwest Nazarene College graduate; Kimiko Hori, May Roberts School, an Oregon State graduate; Susan Kitamura, Castro School, a College of Idaho graduate; and Tom Ogawa, junior high social studies instructor, an Eastern Oregon College graduate.

Instructor Kazuo Nishikawa of the School of Marine Science, Encenada, B.C., was heading a group of Mexican students touring California in August.

Nisei Week

Christine T. Fukuhara, Miss West L.A. JACL, was named Miss Tomodachi, at the conclusion of the 1973 Nisei Week Festival. Selection was voted by the seven members of the Festival court. She is the daughter of the Frank Fukuharas, a physical therapy graduate from USC.

The crowds at curbside appear to be dwindling in numbers in comparison to previous years as the 33rd annual Nisei Week Festival closed Aug. 26 with a parade attracting an estimated 50,000. Ten marching units, eight floats, hundreds of dancers and dozens of personalities were, paced by grand marshal Assemblyman Paul T. Bannai (R-Gardena). A crowd-pleaser was the high-stepping Seattle Buddhist Scout drum and bugle corps.

Government

Ambassador Haruhisa Kobayashi to Sudan was named ambassador to Nepal Aug. 20. The 54-year-old Tokyo diplomat served under Consul General Mitsuo Tanaka at San Francisco.

Music

Onetime Radio NHK orchestra conductor Hirovuki Iwaki was appointed chief conductor of the Melbourne Symphony, starting next year for a three-year term. He had been invited by the Australian Broadcasting Commission to conduct each of the six main symphony orchestras in Australia and each time was praised for his electrifying style. He succeeds Fritz Rieger of Germany who resigned due to poor health.

Churches

The Rev. George Aso of the Japanese Seventh-day Adventist Church, San Francisco, will be one of the directors of the nation's first Health and Physical Fitness Center being established at Sutter and Grant Ave., the former White House Dept. Store. The ambitious project, involving \$1.3 million, will not be a medical center or a hospital, explained Rev. Aso, but will tackle the persistent problems of cardiovascular diseases. The SDA medical scientists believe many of these illnesses can be prevented by educating people to proper diet, physical exercises, weight control program, overcoming use of cigarettes and alcohol.

Crime

Long Beach city police last week (Aug. 22) have booked a 17-year-old juvenile for murder in the deaths of watch repairman John H. Suzuki, 45, who was slain July 27 in his shop, and Benton Berbow, 54, wholesale meat market operator who was shot Aug. 4 after making a delivery.

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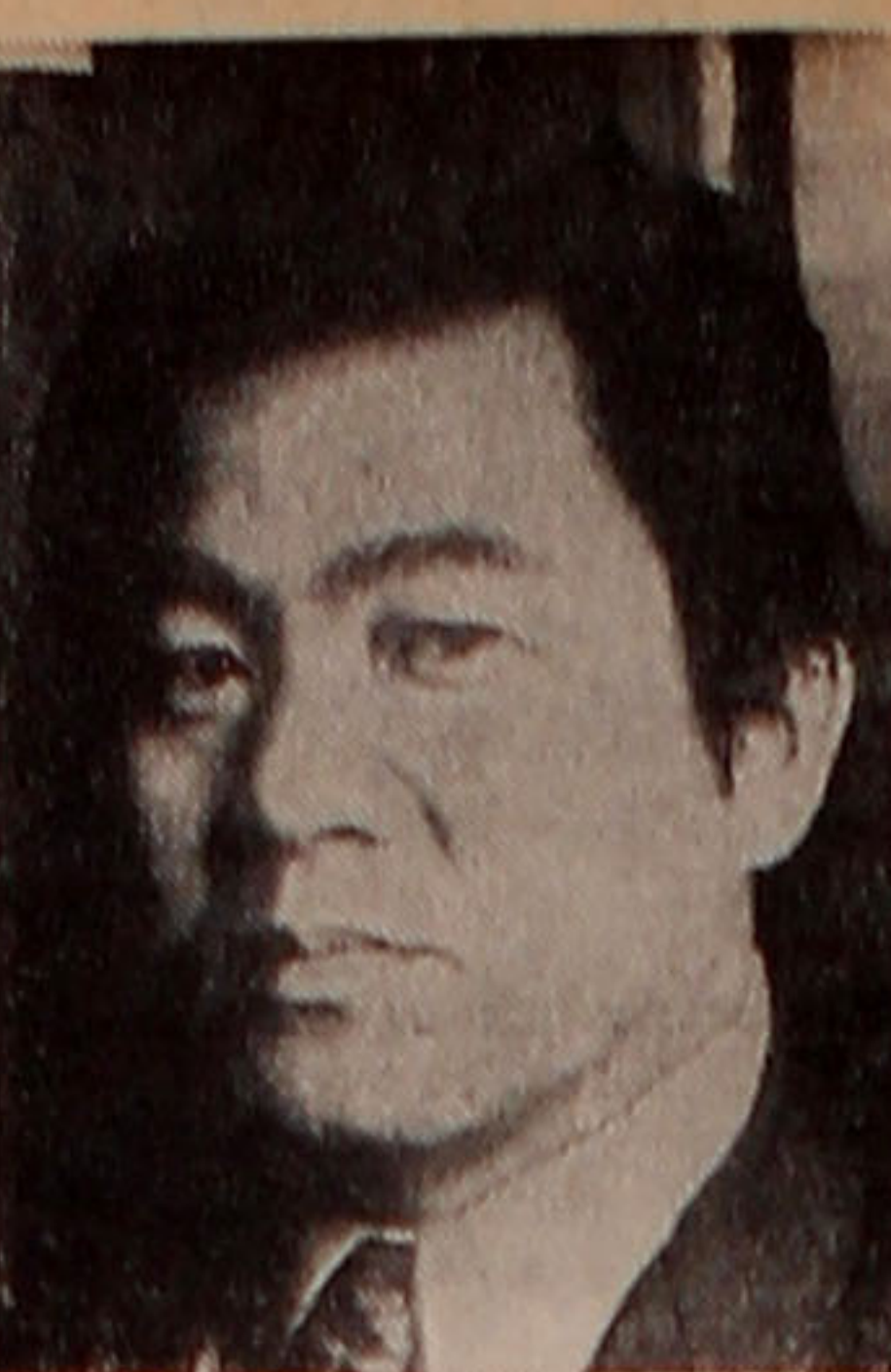
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'PINEAPPLE WHITE'—Author Jon Shirota has been given a Rockefeller grant to produce a play based upon his second novel, "Pineapple White", a story of conflict between a Japanese boy and a Caucasian girl. The play is scheduled to open Sept. 20 at East-West Players. The Maui-born writer has been teaching film and TV-writing at the Writers Guild Open Door program for the past three years.

Awards

Alice Sachiko Wada was Ridgefield Women's Club candidate for Outstanding Young Woman of the Year, a state and national program recognizing those between 21 and 35 for exceptional contributions to their community, profession and nation.

Politics

West Los Angeles JACLer Ida B. Porter, wife of Municipal Judge Everett M. Porter (who is also a WLA JACLer), is a candidate for the 10th Councilmanic post in the special Sept. 18 election in Los Angeles. As a member of the city fire commission, she was instrumental in lowering the height requirements for applicants of Oriental and Mexican-Americans so that more might qualify. Katsuma Mukaeda was among the co-chairmen heading the Asian American group meeting with the candidate recently. Yo Takagaki is among the campaign coordinators.

Courtroom

Federal District Judge Charles B. Renfrew of San Francisco dismissed Aug. 22 a \$375,000 civil suit filed by three Stanford students suspected in 1972 of disrupting a class by physicist-Fritz William Shockley, whose theories of racial intelligence based on genetics has been a major controversy. Don Lee, Alice

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Press Row

Yomiuri sports, staffer Charles Hasegawa, who went to Japan in 1935, returned to Denver for the first time in 38 years this past month to visit his mother, Mrs. Sachie Hasegawa, brother Tom and sister, Mrs. Harry Nakagawa.

Sacramento Union correspondent Ann Amioke, 18, of Norte Del Rio High School plans to study journalism at Stanford University in the fall on a state scholarship.

Fine Arts

Seattle artist Paul Horuchi will exhibit four of his works in Japan this fall and winter: National Museum of Modern Art in Kyoto, Sept. 25-Nov. 5 and Tokyo National Museum of Modern Art, Jan. 5-Feb. 17. It will be a part of the "Japanese Artists in America" show comprised of 38 artists, according to chief curator Tadao Ogura of the National Museum of Modern Art.

Univ. of Colorado graduate student Barbara E. Takenaka of North Platte, Neb., was named director of the University Memorial Center Galleries for the '73-'74 academic year, coordinating fine art exhibits of student works and pieces by well-known artists. A fine arts graduate two years, she also tutors in English for the Asian American EOP at the university.

Sports

A special committee has been formed to look into Taiwan's baseball program to determine why it dominated Little League competition this year. Taiwan City defeated Tucson, Ariz., 12-0, to become the island's third straight world title holder Aug. 25 behind the team's third no-hitter in as many games. The Taiwan boys were booed as they took the field in Williamsport, Pa., as a result of their previous two victories: 18-0 over Bitburg (Germany) AFB, and 27-0 over Tampa, Fla.

Yoshiharu Mizuno of Nagoya, who has been heading the Japanese contingent at the

National JACL bowling tournaments, was a recent California visitor as an "advance man" for the 28th annual classic being hosted next March at Sacramento. Competition is currently underway in Japan to determine who will fill the 30 berths on the team coming next year—on an all-expenses paid basis.

Ken Murashige of Los Angeles was a member of the U.S. Volleyball team that finished fourth in a field of seven at the 12th World Games for the Deaf at Malmo, Sweden. The American team overall amassed 125 medals and set 20 records to rank in these departments. The next World Games for the Deaf will be held in 1977 at Bucharest.

Toronto Sansel honor student and hockey star Dan Tsubouchi, a 5-ft. 11, 185-lb. right winger, has accepted a scholarship to enroll at St. Louis University this fall. The 18-year-old graduate of Agincourt Collegiate was one of the top recruits sought by a number of American collegiate hockey coaches. He scored 34 goals, had 30 assists in 58 games this past season in the Ontario Hockey Assn.'s Provincial Junior Aye League.

Agriculture

French Camp farmer Ted Tanaka won the San Joaquin County Fair trophy as the individual getting the most points in the agricultural and horticultural exhibits this summer. In his first year participating in the county fair, he has previously assisted the French Camp community display at the fair. There were 45 exhibitors competing for the trophy.

Medicine

Dr. Kenneth H. Ozawa was elected to the Board of Directors of the new Methodist Hospital of Sacramento, opening this month. The hospital

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