











Sen. Inouye doubts Nixon will lose presidency even if House impeaches

HONOLULU — U.S. Sen. Daniel K. Inouye said in Kahului, Maui, April 20, that President Nixon has "some justification" in believing that he will not be forced out of office.

He did not elaborate. At a meeting with newsmen, Inouye also said that he does not think Nixon will resign. "I base this on my understanding of political activity," he said.

"I am convinced that men and women who seek public office have a special kind of ego, and I think the President of the United States has a very special kind of ego."

"I am certain our President, like all his predecessors, would want history to record that his administration was a good one, a just one, and a successful one. If he were to resign at this stage, I believe historians would record his administration to be an unsuccessful one."

"Therefore, I think President Nixon would want to be given the opportunity to make his record. He still has more than two years left and I believe he has some justification to feel at this time that, even if the House adopts the articles of impeachment, the Senate would not find him guilty of those charges."

He told Kahului Lion Club members, "I have not decided on the guilt or innocence of our President." Inouye, who is a member of the Senate's Watergate committee, said he is not convinced that the President was criminally involved in the scandal.

"The Watergate investigating committee was not a criminal investigation," he said. "We just wanted to see what the irregularities were and determine whether, legislatively, we could prevent future irregularities."

He said that if Nixon is impeached, it will be "the first impeachment of a President."

He said the impeachment of Andrew Johnson, the first post-Civil War president, doesn't count because it obviously was the intent of the part of northern interests to crush the South.

"It was a pure and simple attempt at vengeance," he said. "It was a purely kangaroo type of court."

He said Nixon's case is "different." "It evolved after a long process and I only hope that whatever decision is reached, it is a fair and just one. Otherwise, the effect it might have on the future of the country will be a dangerous one."

He said that if the Senate's verdict is an unfair one, the people "will react."



LOS ANGELES—Supervisor Ernest Debs extends the county's welcome to Keiichi Tachibana, new Japanese consul general at Los Angeles, who is no stranger to the U.S., having previously served as deputy consul general in New York.

NEWS CAPSULES Elections

Democratic candidate Norman Mineta for the 13th Congressional District released his statement of income for years 1971-72-73, covering the years he has been San Jose mayor, disproving campaign rumors he had used the office to enrich himself in business.

The first public channel in the nation with an ethnic-integrated board of directors and staff and supported by the Corp. for Public Broadcasting, labor organizations, churches, foundations, private individuals and the City Council, KVST will carry no commercials, air community programs and also their solutions.

On the board is George Takei, who secured the support of the Pacific Southwest JACL District Council several years ago in helping the station to be launched.

The Westside Red Cross Bloodmobile will be on hand Monday, May 13, between 3 and 7:30 p.m. at the West Los Angeles United Methodist Church to accept blood donations with credit made to the blood bank of the donor's choice, according to Mrs. Rose Ikuta (473-0265). No appointment needed.

A reunion on the theme, "Maui no ka oi" (Maui is the best), is expected to attract 600 former Maui residents Sunday afternoon, May 26, at Kono Hawaii in Santa Ana, according to Dr. Mike Morisaki. Those planning to attend should call 295-4644 (L.A.), 324-7984 (Gardena), or 531-1232 (Orange County) for reservations.

New York

Rep. Patsy T. Mink was keynote speaker at the opening session April 26 of the Mid-Atlantic Conference on Community Concerns of Asian Americans at the Gouverneur Hotel auditorium near Chinatown. Representatives from the Chinese, Filipino, Japanese, Korean, Thai and Vietnamese communities of greater New York area were participants of the two-day event funded by the NIMH-Asian American Mental Health Federation. New York JACL was represented with a p.r. booth, and on a workshp panel. Conference coordinator was Dr. Willie Kaiming Yee, 403 W. 115th St. (Apt. 21), New York City 10025.

Portland

The first koto recital in three years was held in Portland on April at the Swann Museum of the Portland Art Museum with students of Masae Sahelki performing.

Minority recruitment, updating curriculum and other matters of racial minorities are being discussed every Thursday night to implement the Beaverton School District's new human relations policy statement. Portland JACLer Walt Sakai (644-6290) is a member of the task force.

Twelve Japanese organizations met April 23 with the city's bureau of human resources to secure input on the problems facing Japanese residents in the North Burnside community. Organizations represented were:

- Hyakudo Kai, Hiroshima Kenjinkai, Nisei Vets, Nikkei Fujinukai, Nikkei Ken, Gresham-Troutdale JACL, Portland JACL, Senryu, Shigin Club, Epworth Methodist Church, Oregon Buddhist Church, Dohonzan Henjioji Temple.

Stockton

Univ. of Pacific held its second annual Asian Cultural Affair May 3-4 on campus. Delivering the keynote speech on the Anderson Hall south lawn was onetime JACL community involvement coordinator Warren Furutani of Los Angeles.

DURING APRIL 1000 Club Membership. National Headquarters acknowledged 91 new and renewing 1000 Club memberships during the last half of April for a current month-end total of 2,979 as compared with 2,641 last year.

Health Chicago optometrist Dr. Frank F. Sakamoto, onetime national JACL 1000 Club chairman, attended the Midwest Contact Lens Congress sponsored by the National Eye Research Foundation and Illinois Optometric Assn., where national authorities spoke on the highly popular and controversial field of soft contact lenses.

Fine Arts Artist Mine Okubo of New York has been selected Riverside (Calif.) City College alumna of the year. A native of Riverside, she is now preparing an exhibit of her works in her hometown June 2-18.

Sister Cities Japanese delegates from Mishima, sister city of Pasadena, Calif., were present at the dedication of Mishima Plaza at the new Pasadena Center May 3.

Milestones Kieichi Takigawa, 92, of Chicago died April 24. The prewar Seattle resident is survived by George, William, Mary Ann Nakadate and Robert Barney, both studying in Japan, were married April 12 at the Kyoto Daigo Sanboin Temple.

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